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(v) Tail Gear Box housing modification.

(vi) New Tail Rotor blades to be subjected to qualification testing before installation.

The HAL is in the process of executing the above modifications/rectifications in a phased manner.

**Peace keeping operations by
Indian Army**

†3387. SHRI JAI PARKASH AGGARWAL: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of peace keeping operations carried out by Indian Army in various countries, till date;

(b) the total number of troops involved in these operations;

(c) the number of troops killed in these operations; and

(d) whether U.N. has to make any payments to the Indian Army for these operations?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) and (b) The Indian Army has participated in 43 United Nations (UN) peace keeping operations in various countries till date. More than 80,000 Indian troops have participated in these operations.

(c) 115 Indian Army personnel have been killed in various UN peace keeping operations, till date.

(d) For the services provided by the Armed Forces contingents in UN peace keeping Missions, reimbursement is made by UN Headquarters to the Government towards troops cost, contingent owned equipment and for self sustaining items in accordance with the agreed terms. Some allowance is however paid directly to the personnel. The Government pays overseas allowance to the personnel as per the prescribed rates. However personnel sent as Military Observers in UN missions are paid remunerations directly by the UN as per their prescribed rates.

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.