THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L.P. SHAHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d). Information is awaited from Government of Bihar, and will be laid on the Table of Sabha

Studies for Introduction of High Speed Trains

8876. SHRIMATI MADHUREE SINGH: DR. G.S. RAJHANS: DR. KRUPASINDHU BHOI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Techno-Economic prefeasibility studies by Japanese and French experts in relation to the Delhi-Agra-Kanpur Section for introduction of high speed trains has been conducted;
 - (b) if so, the details of their findings;
- (c) if not, the progress in this regard and the date by which the project is likely to be completed;
- (d) whether the track and the rolling stock is being developed and acquired respectively for this purpose; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF **RAILWAYS** (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) to (e). The Japanese and French Railways have been approached to conduct techno-economic pre-feasibility studies for construction and operation of proposed Delhi-Agra-Kanpur High Speed Corridor. Their response to these references is still awaited.

[Translation]

Opening of Primary Health Centres in U.P.

8877. SHRI RAJ KUMAR RAI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Primary Health Centres opened in Uttar Pradesh during the last three years;
- (b) the number of additional Primary Health Centres proposed to be opened during the 1988-89; and
- (c) the number of Primary Health Centres, out of them, proposed to be opened in Ajamgarh and Ballia?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHA-PARDE): (a) According to latest information made available by the State Government 872 Primary Health Centres have been established in U.P. during the last three years.

- (b) 550 Primary Health Centres are proposed to be set up in 1988-89.
- (c) Location of new Primary Health Centres is decided by the State Government.

Blackmarketing of tickets at Bombay Central Dadar and Kalyan Railway Stations

†8878. SHRI RAJ KUMAR RAI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that blackmarketing of reservation tickets at Bombay Central, Dadar and Kalyan Stations is going on even now in full swing openly;
- (b) if so, the reasons for which blackmarketing of reservation still continue despite the repeated claims made by the Railways that they have taken effective steps in this regard:
- (c) the number of persons arrested during the last 4 months while selling tickets in blackmarketing and action taken against them; and
- (d) the remedial steps being taken by Government in this regard?