cations that the developed countries now appreciate our difficulties and the need for solving them.

Export of Cow-Boy shoes
2895. SHRI SHIVA CHANDRA JHA : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :
(a) whether it is a fact that India exports cow-boy shoes;
(b) if so, the countries to which and the quantity exported to each of them annually; and
(c) the foreign exchange earned by India theref́rom annually?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI) : (a) to (c). For the first time, India has exported to the U.S.A. in 1947, 2,400 pairs of cow-boy boots and 53,000 pairs of uppers earning foreign exchange of the order of Rs. 8.59 lakhs.

## Increase in Speed of Trains

2897. SHRI SHIVA CHANDRA JHA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :
(a) whether it is a fact that Government are planning to shorten the hours in long distance journeys like DelhiHowrah, Bombay-Howrah etc., by increasing the speed of trains;
(b) if so, by how much vis-a-vis the present speed and between which terminals;
(c) whether that plan will also be applicable to Assam Mail; and
(d) if not, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. M. POONACHA) : (a) and (b). No. However, the feasibility of running a train at speed of $70 / 75$ miles per hour on Delhi-Howrah route is being examined from a technical angle.
(c) and (d). After the feasibility study is completed and experience gained in running of the proposed train on Delhi-Howrah route, other routes can be considered for the purpose.

## हारसूल ₹टेशन

2898. श्रं गं० च० बीकित : क्या रेलवे मंत्नी यह बताने क़ी कृपा करेंगे कि :
(क) क्या यह सच है कि मध्य रेलवे के हारसूल स्टेशन पर प्रथम तथा द्वितीय श्रेणी के प्रतीक्षालय नहीं हैं;
(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या अब सरकार का विचार इनका निर्माण कराने का है; और
(ग) यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

रे से पंत्रं (अी चे० मु० पुनाणा) :
(क) जी, हां ।
(ख) जी, नहीं ।
(ग) फिलहाल इस स्टेशन पर ऊँचे दर्जें का यानी यातायात इतना अधिक नहीं है कि वहां पह़ले और दूसरे दर्जे के प्रतीकालयों की व्यवस्था करने का ओचित्य हो।

## 厅मरनी रेलघे स्टेशन

2899. श्री गं० च० बैकित : क्या रेलबे मंत्री यह बताने की क्षुपा करेंगे कि :
(क) क्या यह सच है कि तिमरनी रेलबे स्टेशन पर पहले और दूसरे वर्जं के कोई प्रतीक्षालय नहीं हैं;
(ख) क्या वहां पर प्रतीकालय बनाने का सरकार का विषार हैं और
(ग) यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?
रेल्वे मंत्री (घ्री चे० मू० पुभाषा) :
(क) जी, हां ।
