

or tutoring his/her own students except for remedial teaching under an approved scheme.

A conference of Teacher Organisations was held on NCERT during 5-6 February, 2001. As per the recommendation of this conference, awareness generation on the code is the responsibility of Teacher Organisations at State Level.

**Stoppage of Shatabdi Express at Sirhind**

700. SARDAR GURCHARAN SINGH TOHRA:  
SHRI SUKHDEV SINGH LIBRA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received representations from various Members of Parliament for the stoppage of Shatabdi Express train at Sirhind in Punjab;

(b) if so, whether Government are actively considering the proposal; and

(c) by when a final decision is likely to be taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The same have been examined but not found feasible for implementation.

**Funds for track renewal**

701. SHRI R. SARATH KUMAR:  
SHRI P. N. SIVA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state the details of funds allocated for track renewal by the Railways during the last three years and the current year, so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): The funds allocated (Gross) for the track renewal by the Railways were Rs. 1802.57 crores, Rs. 2042.00 crores and Rs. 2244.65 crores during the years 1998-1999, 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 respectively. During the current year, the budget provision for track renewals is Rs. 2680.00 crores.