

Compensation for Damaged Goods

*691. SHRI CHHATTRA PAL SINGH:
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government provide compensation to the passengers in respect of their booked goods damaged in transit;

(b) if so, the number of such cases settled during 1991;

(c) whether the payment of compensation in such cases is made after a long period; and

(d) if so, the steps taken by the Government for expeditious payment?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) 39 cases were settled by payment during 1991 in respect of damage in transit/ loss or partial delivery of goods booked by passengers (luggage).

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

[English]

Elementary Education in Delhi

*692. SHRI R. SURENDER REDDY:
Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Delhi Administration has embarked on an ambitious "universalisation of elementary education" programme under which it proposes to cover 10,00,000 children in the 6-14 age group by

the end of the Eighth plan;

(b) if so, whether this programme has been approved by the Government; and

(c) if so, the number of schools proposed to be set up under this programme in Delhi?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) to (c). Yes, Sir, With a view to promoting universalisation of Elementary Education, Delhi Admn. proposes to cover ten lakh children in the age group of 6-14 years by the end of 8th plan period. Delhi Admn. also proposes to open 120 new Middle Schools, upgrade 275 schools and convert 550 existing Secondary and Sr. Secondary schools into composite model schools.

Training to School Children in Sports and Games

*693. SHRI VJAY NAVAL PATIL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are some schemes in the New Education Policy to provide training to school children in sports and games;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the achievements made in exploring talent amongst school children; and

(d) the new steps proposed to be taken to train school children to upgrade the standard in sports and games?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) and (b). The School Education is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations. No centrally sponsored scheme under the National Policy on