GOVERNMENT OF INDIA URBAN DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:54 ANSWERED ON:10.08.2007 RAPID TRANSPORT SYSTEM Gaikwad Shri Eknath Mahadeo;Mane Smt. Nivedita;Patel Shri Kishanbhai Vestabhai;Singh Shri Sugrib

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to improve the infrastructure for rapid transport system in various cities in the country by imposing local cess on Petrol and Diesel to collect funds for this system;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has made any assessment of the expenditure to be incurred in setting up of such transport system in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

(a): Presently, no such proposal is under consideration.

(b): Does not arise.

(c)&(d): An assessment of investment has been made for the mobility needs of small and medium towns (1-5 lakh population cities; 5 to 10 lakh population cities; 10-40 lakh population category cities and more than 40 lakh population category cities) during the 11th Five Year Plan which include investment in pedestrianisation, non-motorized vehicles, improvement in quality of roads, decongestion of some of the crowded areas, improvement of busy inter-sections, provision of parking spaces, introduction of modern city bus services, introduction of Mass Rapid Transport System (road/rail based) etc. The projected investment requirement in these different categories during the 11th Plan is as under:

Requirements of funds Rs. in crore Transport Planning & Capacity Building 350 0.1-0.5 million cities 7,400 0.5-1 million cities 7,800 1-4 million cities 26,040 4 million plus cities 21,000 Mass Rapid Transit for Mega cities 32,000 (Rail Based) Modern state of the art buses 38,000 Total 1,32,590