GOVERNMENT OF INDIA URBAN DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:969 ANSWERED ON:30.07.2010 TRAINING OF SECURITY PERSONNEL FOR METRO AND MONO RAIL PROJECTS OF MUMBAI Naik Dr. Sanjeev Ganesh;Sule Supriya

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Maharashtra has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Government of United States of America to provide training to security personnel for the ongoing Metro rail and Mono rail projects of the Mumbai metropolitan Regional Development Authority;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the security related MoU was signed with the US Government entity, while a Malaysian company was building coaches for the MMRDA's rail system;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the time by which these projects are likely to be completed alongwith the funds earmarked for the purpose?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SAUGATA ROY)

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b): A Cooperative Project Agreement (CPA) on Public transportation science and technology was signed between Federal Transit Administration (FTA), DOT, USA and Urban Development, Government of Maharashtra as a follow-up of Memoranda of Co-operation signed between Ministry of Urban Development Department, Government of India & Department of Transport, USA. The CPA envisages development of the training institute at Mumbai and other collaborative activities in various fields of transport including Public Transport & Security.

(c): The Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with FTA will only be helping in exchange of experts, technical Information, Research and Development and experience.

(d): In case of monorail the project is executed by consortium of Larsen & Toubro Ltd. (L & T) and Scomi Engineering of Malaysia.

(e): The MoU outlines co-operation on the improvement of the environmental health, safety and security of urban transportation systems. There is no monetary commitment except both co-operation between GoM and FTA is subject to availability of funds.