

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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IMPROVING LOCAL TRANSPORT SERVICE
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to improve the local transport service in all big metro cities including setting up of metro rail or other service in Guwahati;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the amount released to improve the local transport service in the North Eastern States during each of the last three years, State-wise?

Answer

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

(a)& (b): Urban Transport is inter-twined with urban development which is a state subject. As such, the responsibility for improving local transport service in big metro cities, primarily, rests with the State Govt. However, realizing the seriousness of rapidly growing problem of urban transportation, the central Government has taken active steps like formulation of National Urban Transport Policy (NUTP), financing of buses for Urban Transport, Bus Rapid Transit System Projects, traffic transit management centers under Urban Transport under Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JnNURM) and sanction of metro railway projects for various cities.

No proposal for setting up of Metro rail project has been received from Govt. of Assam for any city in the state. However, under the scheme for procurement of buses for urban transport under JNNURM, 200 buses have been sanctioned for the city of Guwahati, Assam.

(c): Details of Central financial assistance provided for procurement of buses under JNNURM to North-Eastern States are given at Annexure.