

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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JNNURM

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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to introduce AC vestibule buses in the metropolitan cities under JNNURM scheme;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) Whether there is any proposal to introduce hybrid (battery operated) buses to promote green technology and also different types of buses depending on the requirement of cities;
- (d) If so, the details thereof; and
- (e) The time by which the above buses are likely to be introduced and the benefits likely to be achieved on account of such buses?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SMT. DEEPA DASMUNSHI)

(a) to (d): In compliance of Hon'ble Union Finance Minister's budget announcement 2013-14, Ministry of Urban Development has taken initiatives for sanctioning of upto 10,000 buses for urban transport under Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JnNURM) for all cities/ Towns/ Urban Agglomerations during the financial year 2013-14. The variant of buses would include Mini/ Midi buses, standard type buses, premium segment buses, hybrid electric buses, articulated buses including AC Vestibule buses.

(e): All the 10,000 buses would be sanctioned during 2013-14. The implementation period is co-terminus with the JnNURM period. The formal sanction has so far not been received. The benefits likely to be achieved are better quality of public transport to common man and hereby better modal share of trips on public transport.