

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
URBAN DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:327

ANSWERED ON:11.12.2009

BRT PROJECTS

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**Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) projects presently sanctioned in the country along with the funds provided thereunder, project-wise;
- (b) the present status of said projects and the time by which these are likely to be completed;
- (c) whether the BRT projects have proved to be a failure, resulting into traffic jams in various cities;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether the Government has conducted any study on the advantages and disadvantages of the BRT projects;
- (f) if so, the details and outcome thereof; and
- (g) the reaction of the Government to the continuation of BRT projects presently running in various cities?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY)

(a) to (g): A Statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.327 FOR 11.12.2009 REGARDING BRT PROJECTS.

(a): The details of Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Projects sanctioned under the Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission are as under:-

City	Total Length (in Km.)	Total cost (Rs.in Crore)	Admissible assistance (ACA) (Rs. in Crore)	central	Funds released (Rs. in crore)
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Pune & Pimpri-Chinchwad	143.99	1789.16	851.98	544.50	
Indore	11.45	98.45	49.22	24.61	
Bhopal	21.71	237.76	118.88	29.72	
Ahmedabad		88.50	981.45	343.51	172.20
Rajkot	29.00	110.00	55.00	27.50	
Surat	29.90	469.02	234.51	58.62	
Jaipur	39.35	479.55	239.77	78.74	
Vijaywada	15.50	152.64	76.32	19.08	
Vizag	42.80	452.93	226.47	113.23	
Total	422.20	4770.96	2195.66	1068.20	

In addition, the Government of the National Capital Territory of Delhi is implementing of a BRTS Project.

(b): The projects are in various stages of implementation. Pilot corridor of 12.5 Km in Ahmedabad has been commissioned on 14.10.2009 with full complements of BRTS.

(c) & (d): No, Madam. On the contrary ridership on Buses as well as non-motorized modes have been reported to have increased considerably in cities of Delhi and Ahmedabad where BRTS project has been implemented.

(e) & (f): The concerned State Governments/Urban Local Bodies carry out studies for Bus Rapid Transit System (BRTS) projects for their cities and submit Detailed Project Reports to the Ministry of Urban Development, Government of India for sanction of their projects under Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM). Since urban transport is primarily a state subject, it is for the concerned State Government to carry out the required studies for their project proposals.

(g): BRTS is an established mode of Public Transport successfully running in a number of countries world-wide for last 30 years. Furthermore, Parliamentary Standing Committee on Urban Development in its 37th Report presented to the Lok Sabha/Rajya Sabha in December, 2008 has recommended that considering its low cost, ease of implementation, wide area coverage, flexibility and overall sustainability, this system should be encouraged.