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New Metro Rail Policy
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

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- (a) Whether the Government has any proposal to unveil a New Metro Rail Policy;
- (b) If so, the details thereof along with its features thereof;
- (c) The time by which the above policy is likely to be unveiled; and
- (d) Whether the Government proposes to implement Green Mobility Scheme and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT
(RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

(a & b) Yes Madam. The new metro rail policy will enable greater private participation, innovative financing through Transit Oriented Development, Value Capture Finance, bonds and entail a rigorous appraisal process. Some of the salient feature of the proposed metro rail policy are as under:

- I. It enables a wider range of Public Private Partnership (PPP) models;
- II. It envisages provisions for enhancing non-fare revenues and reducing costs;
- III. It stipulates that Comprehensive Mobility Plan (CMP) be a mandatory prerequisite for planning any metro project;
- IV. It requires that the alternative analysis report will be necessarily incorporated in the detailed project report (DPR) to ascertain viable mode of transport;
- V. It provides for inclusion of proposals for feeder systems to enlarge the serviceable area of each metro station. Last mile connectivity through pedestrian pathways, Non Motorised Transport (NMT) infrastructure, induction of facilities for para transit modes will be essential requirement for availing any central assistance for the proposed metro rail projects;
- VI. It mandates that Minimum Internal Rate of Return (IRR) is to be 8% for ascertaining financial viability. Further, sensitive analysis has to be carried out;
- VII. It mentions that all metro rail projects will be governed by the Central Metro Acts.

(c) The Policy requires extensive consultations with all stakeholders before firming up and is likely to be made operational from the next financial year.

(d) Yes Madam. A green urban mobility scheme is being proposed to promote urban mobility initiatives such as footpaths, cycle tracks, public bike sharing, bus rapid transit systems, intelligent transport systems, urban freight management and other public transport systems on sustainable and alternative fuels. The scheme requires extensive stakeholders consultations before firming up the details.
