

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
**MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS**  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1649**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON DECEMBER 18, 2023**

**PM E-BUS SEVA SCHEME**

**NO. 1649. PROF. MANOJ KUMAR JHA:**

**Will the Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs be pleased to state:**

- (a) the total number of e-buses procured/going to be procured under PM eBus Seva Scheme (PMEBS);
- (b) whether Government is considering making e-Buses accessible for persons with disabilities under PMEBS;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the buses under PMEBS scheme are built and procured to be accessible to persons with disabilities, in consonance with the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016;
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (f) the details of accessibility features of e-buses procured under PMEBS; and
- (g) the number of accessible e-Buses in the country, state-wise?

**ANSWER**  
**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE**  
**MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS**  
**(SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE)**

(a): Government of India has launched “PM-eBus Sewa Scheme” on 16<sup>th</sup> August 2023 with the aim to augment bus operations by deployment of 10,000 electric buses on PPP model.

(b) to (f): Yes, Sir. The detail of accessibility features of E-buses to be deployed under PM-eBus Sewa are given in Annexure.

(g): The compliance of provisions of accessibility of buses is done by various city/state level transport agencies across the country who ply/run all types of buses, including e-buses in different cities/States/UTs across the country, which is a State subject. As such, no data of number of accessible buses is maintained.

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**Annexure to Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No.1649 dated 18.12.2023**

**Annexure**

**Accessibility features of e-buses to be procured under PM-eBus Sewa**

- Compliance to Bus code AIS 052 and Annexure V of AIS 153
- Steps, Priority seats and space for passengers with reduced mobility.
- Priority seats near passenger door for Passengers with reduced mobility with pictograms for easy boarding.
- Location of the wheelchair space has been indicated inside and outside the bus using the standard symbols
- Handrails at the door entrance
- 25% of the buses will have Hydraulic lift/Ramp mechanism for wheelchair accessibility for 12m and 9m buses.
- The lifting platform with a safety restraints system e.g., safety belt, handrails, push button, stop request button etc. with built-in safety parameters to avoid any slippage.
- Passenger Information System (PIS).