GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1491 ANSWERED ON 09/12/2024

PLANNING OF RAPID RAIL SYSTEM IN THE MMRDA AREA

NO. 1491. SHRI DHAIRYASHIL MOHAN PATIL:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposes to develop a Rapid Rail system in the Mumbai Metropolitan Region Development Authority (MMRDA) area;
- (b) if not, the alternative solutions to address the problems related to growing population and traffic in the MMRDA area;
- (c) whether any feasibility study or scheme has been proposed in this regard; and
- (d) the steps being taken to ensure co-ordination between the Central and State Governments for projects like Rapid Rail?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS (SHRI TOKHAN SAHU)

(a) The initiatives for planning, management, funding, monitoring and implementation of urban transport system are taken by respective State Government(s) / Union Territories. Government of Maharashtra (GoM) has informed that currently, there is no proposal under consideration for Rapid Rail System in Mumbai Metropolitan Region Development Authority (MMRDA) area.

(b) Under the Mumbai Metro Master plan a total metro network of 337.1 km consisting of 14 metro lines have been planned, out of which 70.29 km metro line is operational. Metro rail along with Suburban rail and city bus system will be able to meet the growing traffic in the Mumbai Metropolitan Region.

(c) No.

(d) Not applicable.