

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 58**

ANSWERED ON 03/02/2025

**FEASIBILITY AND IMPLEMENTATION OF METRO TRAIN
PROJECT IN SOLAPUR, MAHARASHTRA**

58. SHRI SANJAY RAUT:

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

- (a) whether Government is aware of the increasing demand for efficient public transport in Solapur, Maharashtra due to rising population and traffic congestion;
- (b) whether Government has considered any feasibility studies for introducing a metro train system in Solapur;
- (c) the steps which are being taken to implement metro rail projects in smaller cities like Solapur;
- (d) whether Solapur is being considered for future phases of the national metro project;
- (e) Government's plan to address the transport needs of cities like Solapur with sustainable solutions; and
- (f) whether Government will allocate funds for a metro project in Solapur?

ANSWER

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

- (a) to (d) & (f) Urban Transport which is an integral part of urban development is a State subject. Planning and development of urban transport including metro rail is done by respective State Government. Central Government considers financial assistance, as per Metro Policy, for metro rail proposals on urban agglomerates depending on feasibility of the proposal and availability of resources as and when posed by the concerned State Governments. This Ministry has not received any proposal for metro rail project in Solapur.
- (e) Govt. of India has launched "PM-eBus Sewa" on 16th August 2023 with the aim to augment city bus operations in urban areas with central assistance of ₹20,000 crore for deploying 10,000 electric buses under the PPP model. Under the scheme, 100 buses have been sanctioned for Solapur city. In addition, Rs. 14.60 cr. has been sanctioned for Behind-The-Meter Power infrastructure and Rs. 7.04 cr for civil Depot infrastructure.
