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**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS  
RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1639  
ANSWERED ON 04/08/2025**

**IMPROVEMENT IN LAST MILE CONNECTIVITY**

**1639. SMT. MAYA NAROLIYA**

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

- (a) whether Government has taken necessary steps to strengthen public transport across the country, with special emphasis on improving last mile connectivity;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) to (c) 'Urban planning' is a State subject. Therefore, the respective State Governments are responsible for planning, initiating and developing proposal for development of urban infrastructure metro projects. Central Government provides financial assistance to Metro Rail project in accordance with the provisions of the Metro Rail Policy, 2017 as and when posed by the State Government depending on the feasibility of the proposal and availability of resources. At present, about 1036 km of metro rail network including RRTS is operational in 24 cities across the country. Since June 2024, Government of India has sanctioned Metro Projects costing more than Rs. 1 lakh crore for construction of almost 240 kms of metro network. As per Metro Rail Policy 2017, last mile connectivity or feeder services are to be provided by the State Government. Central Government has launched PM-eBus Sewa in August 2023 with an objective to increase modal share of public transport including support for development of e-bus ecosystem which also improves last mile connectivity.

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