

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 90
ANSWERED ON 08.12.2025**

URBAN MOBILITY AND METRO RAIL EXPANSION

***90. SHRI KESRIDEVSINH JHALA:**

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

- (a) the manner in which Government is ensuring that ongoing Metro Rail projects meet revised timelines and cost estimates and the measures taken to address rising raw material costs;
- (b) the key objectives of the proposed National Urban Transport Policy (NUTP) 2025 and manner in which it will mandate integration of public transport, cycling and pedestrian infrastructure; and
- (c) the initiatives that Government is considering, to ensure mandatory adoption of National Common Mobility Card (NCMC) standards across all new and existing metro and bus systems?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
(SHRI MANOHAR LAL)**

- (a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF THE RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 90 FOR ANSWER ON 8th DECEMBER 2025 REGARDING URBAN MOBILITY AND METRO RAIL EXPANSION BY SHRI KESRIDEVSINH JHALA

(a) Metro Projects are implemented in a systematic manner utilizing State of art, designing and project monitoring tools for optimization of design and faster implementation of project. Further, these projects are monitored regularly by Central Government, State Government and higher management of company. These interventions are helpful in timely completion of project in efficient manner besides offsetting the impact of rise in raw material cost to a certain extent.

(b) There is no proposal for National Urban Transport Policy (NUTP), 2025.

(c) The Ministry has issued directions for implementation of National Common Mobility Card (NCMC) ecosystem based on qSPARC (quick Specification for Payment Application of RuPay Chip) developed by National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI). It is functional in 11 Metro projects and 11 Bus Transport corporations. Further, PM-eBus Sewa Guidelines issued by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs includes implementation of NCMC based Automatic Fare Collection System (AFCS) for bus operations in States/Cities.
