

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3856
TO BE ANSWERED ON MARCH 18, 2021**

EXPANDING URBAN MOBILITY

NO. 3856. SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA:

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

- (a) whether the Government has undertaken a study to explore new forms of mobility to solve urban traffic woes and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether the Government has designated a corpus for exploring and promoting gyroscopic transportation and electric Vertical Takeoff and Landing (eVTOL) vehicles so as to solve urban traffic woes and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (c) whether the Government has discussed the abrupt disruption of Virgin Hyperloop One project by the Maharashtra Government and if so, the details thereof including the response of Maharashtra Government thereto?**

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS**

(SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)

- (a) Government, has recently launched two new technologies namely 'MetroLite' - a rail based light metro system and, 'MetroNeo' - a Rubber Tyred Electric Coaches Powered by Overhead Traction System, providing a low cost metro system to address the mobility requirements of Tier-2 cities and peripherals of Tier-1 cities.**
- (b) No, Sir. No such corpus has been designated by this Ministry.**
- (c) No, Sir. Urban Transport which is an integral part of urban development, is a state subject. Ministry has not received any proposal in this regard from Government of Maharashtra.**
