GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1850 TO BE ANSWERED ON JULY 28, 2022 MASS URBAN TRANSPORT

NO. 1850. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:

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

(a) the steps being taken under Mass Urban Transport including

Connectivity to Railway with innovative ways of financing and faster implementation for building metro systems of appropriate type at scale along with multimodal connectivity between mass urban transport and railway stations including design of metro systems, civil structures, which would be re-oriented and standardized for Indian conditions and needs; and

(b) the amount of funds sanctioned/spent till now and the progress made thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE

MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

(SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE)

(a) & (b) Urban transport is an integral part of urban development, which is a State subject. Hence, the respective State/UTs Govt. is responsible for planning and initiating mass urban transport infrastructure for cities or urban agglomerates. Metro rail is emerging as fast, comfortable and safest mode of mass urban transport. Government of India has issued Metro Rail Policy-2017 for systematic planning and implementation of metro rail systems in comprehensive and sustainable manner. The policy acts as a guide to state governments for preparing comprehensive proposals of metro rail with integration of various modes of transport, last mile connectivity, seamless transfer between various modes of transport including Railways. For innovative financing, the policy mandate the adoption of innovative financing through Transit Oriented Development (TOD), Value Capture Finance (VCF), Commercial/ Property Development, Advertisements, Leasing of space etc. To promote 'Make in India' initiative and bring the down the cost, various components of metro rail systems viz, **Rolling Stocks, Signalling System, Electrical & Electromechanical and Civil** have already been standardized. The re-**Engineering Structures** orientation/revision of standards of various metro rail components is an ongoing process and is done based on the Indian conditions, need and growth of metro rail projects. No funds have been released for this purpose.

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