

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2378
ANSWERED ON 13th MARCH, 2025**

LOW FLOOR BUSES IN PUNJAB

2378. SHRI AMRINDER SINGH RAJA WARRING:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any guidelines have been issued for floating tenders exclusively for low-floor buses, particularly in Ludhiana, if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether the Government has coordinated with the Smart City Mission to make city public transportation accessible and rapid under the Mission, if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether any discussion was held regarding cities under the Smart City Mission in Punjab, including Ludhiana, if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) whether the Government maintains records of the number of bus stands across States, if so, the details thereof; and**
- (e) the district-wise details of bus stands in Punjab and the nature of the shelter provided at these stands?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) Government launched a Centrally Sponsored Scheme titled “PM-eBus Sewa” on 16.08.2023, which aims to augment city bus operations in urban areas with Central Assistance (CA) of Rs. 20,000 crore for deploying 10,000 electric buses on PPP model. Cities with a population between 3-40 lakh and other State/ UT capitals with less than 3 lakh population as per 2011 census are eligible to participate in the scheme. Under the PM-eBus Sewa Scheme, choice of size and floor height of buses is exercised by the respective cities. In case of Ludhiana, city has demanded 100 nos. 9 metre standard floor e-buses and the same has been sanctioned and tendered.

(b) and (c) Under Smart Cities Mission (SCM) as on 30.09.2024, 61 smart cities have procured buses to boost their local public transport system. These cities have procured 1519 buses (e- Buses & diesel) and developed 2028 bus stops. Ludhiana Smart City Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) has neither procured any bus nor developed any bus stop under SCM.

(d) and (e) Government does not maintain such data. Data regarding number of bus stops developed/ redeveloped and retrofitted under the Smart Cities Mission maintained by respective city SPVs, is provided in the Annexure.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (d) AND (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2378 ANSWERED ON 13th MARCH, 2025 ASKED BY SHRI AMRINDER SINGH RAJA WARRING REGARDING LOW FLOOR BUSES IN PUNJAB.

Number of Public Bus Stops Developed/ Redeveloped and Retrofitted under the Smart Cities Mission

Sr. No.	City	Total number of bus stops developed/ redeveloped/ retrofitted in the city
1	Chandigarh	0
2	Dharamshala	55
3	Shimla	10
4	Jammu	0
5	Jaipur	0
6	Udaipur	86
7	Atal Nagar	9
8	Raipur	27
9	Sagar	2
10	Satna	1
11	Agra	20
12	Prayagraj	113
13	Bareilly	0
14	Jhansi	0
15	Kanpur	30
16	Lucknow	40
17	Kakinada	4
18	Port Blair	0
19	Bengaluru	0
20	Davanagere	108
21	Hubballi-Dharwad	1
22	Mangaluru	20
23	Shivamogga	110
24	Tumakuru	38
25	Kochi	2
26	Thiruvananthapuram	12
27	Coimbatore	4
28	Madurai	1
29	Salem	10
30	Thoothukudi	8
31	Tirunelveli	61
32	Vellore	1
33	Itanagar	62
34	Pasighat	10
35	Guwahati	0

Sr. No.	City	Total number of bus stops developed/ redeveloped/ retrofitted in the city
36	Patna	10
37	Kohima	0
38	Rourkela	23
39	Agartala	43
40	Ranchi	56
41	New Town Kolkata	22
42	Gandhinagar	0
43	Rajkot	15
44	Aurangabad	150
45	Nagpur	100
46	Pimpri-Chinchwad	24
47	Panjim	36
48	Silvassa	0
49	Indore	2
50	Thanjavur	5
51	Bhagalpur	2
52	Belagavi	45
53	NDMC	2
54	Kota	15
55	Dehradun	66
56	Vadodara	0
57	Dahod	0
58	Srinagar	360
59	Saharanpur	1
60	Biharsharif	6
61	Bhubaneswar	200
	Total	2,028

As per information provided by States / UTs / Smart Cities Mission as on 30 Sept 2024
