

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PLANNING

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4312**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.03.2025

**GREATER BHUBANESWAR METROPOLITAN DEVELOPMENT REGION**

4312. SHRI NABA CHARAN MAJHI:

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) the key objectives of the Greater Bhubaneswar Metropolitan Development Region project;
- (b) the role being played by NITI Aayog in assisting the Odisha Government in formulating the blueprint for this metropolitan development region;
- (c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to establish a Mass Rapid Transit System (MRTS) and a capital region ring road to improve connectivity within the proposed metropolitan region; and
- (d) the details of strategies implemented to develop satellite cities and shared urban infrastructure in this metropolitan region?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION; MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CULTURE

**(RAO INDERJIT SINGH)**

- (a) & (b) The State Government, in collaboration with NITI Aayog, has started working on the formulation of an Economic Plan for Bhubaneswar - Cuttack – Puri - Paradeep Economic Region (BCPPER). The approach is to identify city regions going beyond urban boundaries and develop an economic plan based on three key components (i) Economic and Investment plan; (ii) Quality of Life; and (iii) Inclusivity and Sustainability plan. The Plan is being developed based on a 5-stage process, viz. (i) As-is-diagnostic, (ii) Strengths, Weakness, Opportunities and Threats (SWOT), Endowments & Capability analysis, (iii) Economic Visioning, (iv) Selection of key economic growth drivers and (v) Implementation Framework. The Economic Plan will inter alia include specific interventions by way of key

projects, policy prescriptions for all sectors and the governance framework for the implementation of the Plan.

(c) & (d) The Government of Odisha is taking necessary steps to enhance urban mobility in the proposed region. Presently, there is a proposal for New City Development undertaken by the Bhubaneswar Development Authority (BDA) which will act as a satellite city in the Bhubaneswar peri-urban area.

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