GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 711 TO BE ANSWERED ON JULY 24, 2025

REGIONAL RAPID TRANSIT SYSTEM

NO. 711. SHRI KRIPANATH MALLAH:

SHRI TEJASVI SURYA:

SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:

SHRI ANURAG SHARMA:

SHRI KANWAR SINGH TANWAR:

DR. HEMANT VISHNU SAVARA:

SHRI MITESH PATEL BAKABHAI:

SHRI VIJAY KUMAR DUBEY:

SHRI DULU MAHATO:

SHRIPC MOHAN:

SHRI PRADEEP KUMAR SINGH:

SHRI TAPIR GAO:

DR. SANJAY JAISWAL:

SHRI SATISH KUMAR GAUTAM:

SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:

SHRI PRAVEEN PATEL:

SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB:

SHRI PRATAP CHANDRA SARANGI:

SMT. SHOBHANABEN MAHENDRASINH BARAIYA:

DR. VINOD KUMAR BIND:

SHRI BIBHU PRASAD TARAI:

SHRI GODAM NAGESH:

SHRIPP CHAUDHARY:

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

- (a) the manner in which the Regional Rapid Transit System (RRTS) helps in effectively reducing travel time, improving regional integration and generating employment opportunities;
- (b) whether the Government has any plans to replicate the RRTS model in other fast-growing urban regions outside the NCR;
- (c) if so, the details thereof including the names of regions/cities identified, proposed corridors, budgetary allocations and the expected timeline for implementation;

- (d) whether Bengaluru along with its surrounding urban and sub urban regions in Karnataka, Jhansi, Amroha, Prayagraj and Varanasi in Uttar Pradesh, Palghar and its nearby areas in Maharashtra, Dhanbad and Bokaro in Jharkhand and certain regions of Rajasthan have also been identified/selected for the purpose;
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) prepared for RRTS and the action taken/to be taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (f) whether the Government has any plans to connect North East Delhi with RRTS network in the future and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS (SHRI TOKHAN SAHU)

- (a): National Capital Region Transport Corporation (NCRTC), the implementing agency for Namo Bharat Regional Rapid Transit System (RRTS) corridor has informed that Namo Bharat RRTS corridor is a transformative infrastructure initiative that tackles multiple urban and regional challenges. Namo Bharat trains are designed for high speed of 180 Km/h, with an operating speed of 160 Km/h and hence reduces travel time. Further, the Namo Bharat corridor strengthens regional integration by seamlessly connecting key regional centres with the main hub through high-speed, reliable transit corridors. It further increases employment generation by creating large number of skilled and unskilled jobs.
- (b) to (f): 'Functional Plan on Transport for NCR-2032' prepared by National Planning Board (NCRPB) had recommended development of eight rail based high-speed, high-frequency Regional Rapid Transit System (RRTS) corridors to connect city centers of metropolitan and big cities, towns and urban areas. The eight recommended RRTS corridors are (i) Delhi-Gurugram-Rewari-Alwar (ii) **Delhi-Ghaziabad-Meerut Delhi-Sonipat-Panipat** (iii) (iv) Faridabad-Ballabhgarh-Palwal (v) Delhi-Bahadurgarh-Rohtak (vi) Delhi-Shahdara-Baraut (vii) Ghaziabad-Khurja and (viii) Ghaziabad-Hapur. The erstwhile Planning Commission of India (now NITI Aayog) appointed Task Force under the chairmanship of Secretary, MoHUA (previously MoUD) and prioritized three RRTS corridors, namely, (i) Delhi-Ghaziabad-Meerut, (ii) Delhi-Gurugram-SNB and (iii) Delhi-Panipat.
