

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1562**  
ANSWERED ON 09.12.2025

**IMPACT OF PM e-DRIVE ON PUBLIC TRANSPORT EMISSIONS**

**1562. SHRI P C MOHAN:**

**Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:**

- (a) the Government's plan to measure the long-term impact of the PM e-Drive on public transport emissions;
- (b) the plans for expanding the electric public transport network under PM e-Drive in future in Karnataka;
- (c) the manner in which the Government is working to improve coordination with State of Karnataka and specifically Bengaluru for rollout of e-Bus fleets;
- (d) whether there is a roadmap for installing public charging stations across national highways and in metro cities like Bengaluru; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**  
**THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEAVY INDUSTRIES**  
**(SHRI BHUPATHIRAJU SRINIVASA VARMA)**

**(a):** The PM E-DRIVE Scheme notified on 29/09/2024 has an allocation of Rs. 4,391 crore for deployment of 14,028 e-buses, initially in nine cities with population of more than 40 lakh viz. Mumbai, Delhi, Bengaluru, Hyderabad, Ahmedabad, Chennai, Kolkata, Surat, and Pune. This aims to reduce the emissions by public transport.

**(b) & (c):** Under the PM E-DRIVE scheme, 4,500 e-buses have been allocated to Bengaluru. Procurement of e-buses on aggregation model through competitive bidding is being carried out by Convergence Energy Services Limited (CESL). Support for e-buses is provided through State/city transport undertakings (STUs) on operational expenditure (OPEX)/ gross cost contract (GCC) model. The Ministry of Heavy Industries and CESL are co-ordinating with the nine cities including Bengaluru for roll-out of e-buses under the scheme.

**(d) & (e):** Setting up of electric vehicle charging stations is an unlicensed activity and private entrepreneurs may also participate in the activity. In addition to this, an allocation of Rs. 2,000 crore has been made under the PM E-DRIVE scheme for setting up of Electric Vehicle Public Charging Stations (EVPCS) on pan India basis including national highways and metropolitan cities like Bengaluru. Operational guidelines for EVPCS under PM E-DRIVE scheme have been released on 26<sup>th</sup> September, 2025.

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