

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.130
TO BE ANSWERED ON JANUARY 29, 2026**

STATUS OF METRO RAIL PROJECT PROPOSALS

NO. 130. THIRU D M KATHIR ANAND:

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

- (a) whether the Union Government has rejected the Metro Rail project proposals for the Tier-II cities of Coimbatore and Madurai in Tamil Nadu and if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and**
- (b) the complete list of Metro Rail projects approved in Tier-II cities across the country till date, location-wise along with the respective population of the cities and the estimated cost of each project?**

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

- (a) Central Government examined the proposals for Metro Projects in cities of Coimbatore and Madurai as submitted by Government of Tamil Nadu and communicated observations to State Govt. The main observations are as under:**

Coimbatore

- Low average trip lengths and the existing average speeds on road, the modal shift to metro system is not expected due to negligible time savings.**
- In addition to Coimbatore Municipal Corporation (CMC) Area, population of Local Planning Area (LPA), has been taken to be served by Metro system. It is difficult for people living in LPA, which is 5 times bigger than CMC area to use proposed metro system.**

- **The projected ridership figure of 5.9 lakh per day for proposed network of 34 km of Coimbatore metro is higher as compared to actual ridership figure of 4 lakh per day on 54.10 km operational network of Chennai Metro phase-1, which is serving larger population. Therefore, projected ridership figures in DPR are not realistic.**
- **At several locations, it is not feasible to construct station due to non availability of enough Right of Way (RoW).**

Madurai

- **In the Comprehensive Mobility Plan (CMP) submitted by GoTN, it has been clearly stipulated that the current ridership is justifiable for Bus Rapid Transit System (BRTS).**

(b) Details are given at Annexure.

ANNEXURE

S. No.	City	Location	Population(in lakh as per census 2011)	Project Cost (in Cr.)	Date of Approval
1.	Patna	i. Danapur – Khemnichak ii. Patna Station to New ISBT	20.32	13,365.77	Feb-2019
2.	Surat	i. Sarthana- Dream City ii. Bhesan- Saroli	44.67	16,361	March - 2019
3.	Kochi	Phase-I	21	5,181.79	July-2012
		Phase-IA		710.93	Feb-2023
		Phase-IB		448.33	June-2019
		Phase-II		1,957.05	Nov-2022
4.	Indore	Ring line: Bengali Square- Vihay Nagar – Bhwarsala- Airport- Palasia	22.91	7,500.80	Nov-2018
5.	Bhopal	i. Karond to AIIMS ii. Bhadbhada Square to Ratnagiri Tiraha	18.83	6,941.40	Nov-2018
6.	Nagpur	Phase-I	24.05	9,759.79	Aug-2014
		Phase-II	24.05	6,708	Dec-2022
	Mumbai	Line-3	124.42	23,136	July-2013
	Thane	Integral Ring Metro	18.4(Parts of MMR)	12,200	Sep-2024
7.	Pune	PCMC- Swargate & Vanaz- Ramwadi	59.91	13,656.22	Dec-2016

		PCMC-Nigdi Project			
		Nigdi Project		910.18	Oct-2023
		Swargate to Katraj		2,954.53	Sept-2024
		Vanaz to Chandani Chowk		3,626.24	July-2025
		Nal Stop-Warje Manik Baug		9,857.85	Dec-2025
8.	Agra	Sikandara-Taj East Gate Agra Cantt.- Kalindi Vihar	15.9	8,379.62	May-2019
9.	Lucknow	Phase-IA(CCS Airport to Munshi Pulia)	28	6,928	Jan-2016
		Phase-IB (Charbagh to Vasant Kunj)		5,801.05	Sept-2025
10.	Kanpur	Corridor I: IIT Kanpur to Naubasta	27.7	11,076.48	May-2019
		Corridor II: Agriculture University to Barra 8			
11.	Noida & Greater Noida	Noida Sector 51 to Depot Station	7.39	5,503.00	June-2017
		Extension of Aqua Line from Depot Station to Boraki MMTH		416.34	July-2025
12.	Chennai	Phase-I	80	18,379.92	Feb-2009
		Phase-I Extension		3,770	June-2016
		Phase-II	89.2	63,246.4	Oct-2024
13.	Ahmedabad	Phase-I	55	10,773	Nov-2014

		Phase-II		5,384.17	March-2019
14.	Delhi	Phase-I	167	10,891	Nov-1996
		Phase-II		25,620	March-2006
		Phase-III and extension		48,565	Sep-2011
		Phase-IV(03 priority corridor)		24,948.65	July-2019
		Phase-IV(2 balance corridor)		8,400	March-2024
		Millenium City Centre to Cyber City Gurugram		5,452.72	July- 2023
		Rithala-Kundli		6,231	Jan-2025
15.	Bangalore	Phase-I i.Byappanhalli- Mysore Road ii.Yeshwantpur Rly Stn- Jayanagar	56.76	14,133.17	May-2006
		Phase-II			Jan-2010
		Phase-2A	80.51	26,405.14	Feb-2014
		Phase-3		14,788.10	June-2021
				15,611	Sept-2024