

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1503

ANSWERED ON 09/12/2024

IMPROVEMENT OF URBAN BUS SYSTEMS IN CITIES

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

- (a) the total budget spent by the Ministry for provision of Metro Rail and for the provision of urban buses (including depots and terminals for buses) during the last five years;
- (b) the benchmark for the number of buses in a city to ensure adequate services for people; and
- (c) the status of million plus cities in terms of the benchmark?

ANSWER

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

(a) The total budget released by the Ministry for Metro Rail/ RRTS projects during the last five years is as under:

(all amount is in Rs crores)

Financial Year	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
Funds released	18,850.94	8970.99	23,450	20,385.62	23,045.83

For the provision of urban buses under PM-eBus Sewa Scheme which has been approved only in August, 2023, Rs. 984 crore has been sanctioned for the development of power and civil depot infrastructure. Of this, approximately Rs.438 crore has been disbursed as the first tranche.

(b) & (c) Urban Transport Planning including benchmarking for the number of buses, ensuring adequate services for the people and monitoring of status is inter-twined with Urban Planning, which is a State subject.
