## No.K-14011/4/2009-UT(Pt.) Government of India Ministry of Urban Development (U T Desk)

Nirman Bhavan, New Delhi Dated 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2010

To

Chief Secretary of all States/UTs.

Subject: Recommendations concerning Urban Transport made in the 6<sup>th</sup> Report of 2<sup>nd</sup> Administrative Reforms Commission on Local Governance.

Sir,

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Administrative Reforms Commission (ARC) on "Local Governance" in its 6<sup>th</sup> report has made the following recommendations concerning Urban Transport which have been since accepted by the Union Government:-

S. No	Subject	Recommendations made by Administrative Reforms Commission
47	Setting up of Unified Metropolitan Transport Authority (UMTA) for cities with population over one million	52. (Para 5.4.5.15) Urban Transport Management a. Urban Transport Authorities, to be called Unified Metropolitan Transport Authorities in the Metropolitan Corporations, should be set up in cities with population over one million within one year, for coordinated planning and implementation of urban transport solutions with overriding priority to public transport. (213)
		b. UMTAs/UTAs should be given statutory powers to regulate all modes of public transport, decide on complementary routes for each operator, and fix fares as well as service standards, etc. In addition, UMTAs/UTAs should be given financial powers and resources to give or recommend financial support, where necessary, to operators on unviable routes.(214)
48	Integration of land-use with transport planning	c. Integration of land use with transport planning should be made mandatory for all ULBs as well as planning bodies such as

		the DPCs and MPCs. (215)
49	Demand control measures like imposition of congestion levies	d. Demand for transportation in cities should be managed by adopting demand control measures like: i) Imposition of congestion levies; ii) Pedestrianisation of certain zones; and iii) Reserving access to certain areas only through public transport. (216)
50	Strengthening of public transport services	e. Revitalization of public transport services in cities should be taken up as priority projects under JNNURM and by tapping other sources of revenue as has been done in Indore and other cities. The aim should be to promote will structured public-private initiatives for modernizing and redefining public transport. At the same time the efficiency of the existing State owned transport systems needs to be improved. (217)
51.	Multi-modal public transport system	f. Public transport systems should generally be multi-modal. The modes should be based on economic viability. High capacity public transport systems like metro rail or high capacity bus systems should form the backbone in mega cities. (218)
52.	Transport infrastructure in cities to take care of needs of pedestrian, elderly and physically challenged persons	g. While building transport infrastructure in cities, it must be ensured that the needs of the pedestrians, the elderly, the physically challenged and other users of non motorized means of transport are adequately met. (219)

2. In this connection, it is mentioned that all these recommendations are also part of the National Urban Transport Policy (NUTP) approved by Union Government in April, 2006 and circulated to all States/UTs and cities for implementation. As envisaged in the NUTP-2006, this Ministry has already issued a number of advisories/circulars covering the recommendations made by ARC, as detailed below:-

S. No.	Subject & MoUD Reference	Advisories/Circulars in brief
1	Setting up of UMTA in million plus cities (Earlier reference: Letter No.K-14011/15/2007-UT dt. 12.5.2008)	To facilitate coordinated planning and implementation of urban transport programme and projects.
2	Parking policy (Earlier	To amend the bye-laws for well

	reference: Letter No.K- 14011/7/2007-UT dt. 28.3.2007).	laid parking policy discouraging parking on arterial roads and leverage land as a resource along the transport corridor.
3	Priority to public transport (Earlier reference: Letter No.K-14011/07/2007-UT dt. 12.2.2007 and 22.5.2007).	Reserving lane for public transport/high capacity bus system/high occupancy vehicles on all new road links or widened roads connecting important cities and their suburbs, wherever there are 3 or more lanes on either side.
4	Promoting pedestrian and Non motorized transport (Earlier reference: Letter No.K-14011/28/2005-UT dt. 23.8.2007).	provision for dedicated parking for pedestrian and cycle users. Incorporation of complete network of bycycle tracks to promote safe cycling practice.
5	Accessibility of public places for physically challenged (Earlier reference: D.O.No.K-14011/4/2008-UT dated 27.5.2008).	To ensure that public places including transport are made accessible to persons with disabilities and also appoint a nodal officer in every district for the same.

3. In view of the above, and the fact that the recommendations of ARC are to be implemented in a time bound manner, it is requested that follow up action on these recommendations may be taken up on priority and the progress in this regard may be intimated to this Ministry on quarterly basis.

Yours faithfully,

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