

REGIONAL RAPID TRANSIT SYSTEM

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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.

Functional Plan on Transport for NCR-2032' prepared by National Capital Region 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 (iii) Delhi-Sonipat-Panipat (iv) Delhi-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.

This information was given by the Minister of State for Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Shri Tokhan Sahu, in a written reply in the Lok Sabha today.

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