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Dear Shri

Urban Transport is an integral part of urban development. Urban Transport and urban planning go together. However, urban transport is not being given due importance at the stage of planning which it deserves. One of the reasons for this is perhaps lack of clarity in the allocation of subjects between different Ministries/Departments. Though at GoI level the nodal Ministry for Urban Transport is Ministry of Urban Development, in most of the States, the subject of Urban Transport is segregated between different Ministries/Departments of Transport, urban development and Town & Country Planning etc.

In order to integrate land use and transport plan, as envisaged in the National Urban Transport Policy, 2006 and have a coordinated mechanism at the State Government level, it might be desirable to designate one department as the Nodal Department for Urban Transport. This Nodal Department shall also coordinate with the Unified Mass Transit Authority for all the million plus cities. This will help in ensuring that Urban Transport remains an integral part of urban planning at all times and the cities are planned in a holistic manner.

I would, therefore, request you to look into this aspect personally and take appropriate action as required for amending the Rules of Business of allocation for designating one department/ministry as the nodal department/ministry for Urban Transport for all 0.1 million plus cities.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Signature)

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To,

All Chief Secretaries - States/UTs
(as per list)

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