

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:427
ANSWERED ON:27.07.2006
SKY BUS METRO
Surendran Shri Chengara

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) The present status of Sky Bus Metro project developed by the Konkan Railway;
- (b) Whether some State Governments including Kerala have proposed for construction of Sky bus Metro in their States;
- (c) If so, the details of proposals sent by the State Governments in this regard along with their estimated costs; and
- (d) The action taken by the Railways thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) to (d): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.427 BY SHRI CHENGARA SURENDRAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 27.07.2006 REGARDING SKY BUS METRO

(a): A High level committee headed by Dr. P.V. Indiresan has recommended to conduct trials for further development of the Sky Bus technology before it is certified for use by the public. The Ministry of Railways have allocated Rs.25 crore in the Railway budget for the year 2006-07 for this purpose.

(b): Yes, Sir.

(c): Pune Municipal corporation and Government of Andhra Pradesh have requested Konkan Railway Corporation Limited for preparation of techno-economic feasibility reports in the city of Pune and Hyderabad respectively.

Based on the Detailed Project Report for Sky Bus in Kochi submitted by Konkan Railway in 2002, Government of Kerala had approached Ministry of Urban Development for arranging funds. There is no further advice from the State Government on this subject.

(d): Sky Bus project shall be implemented by Konkan Railway corporation Limited after the Sky bus technology is proved and it is certified for use by the public.