## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2310 ANSWERED ON 19.12.2025

## IMPLEMENTATION OF PM E-BUS SEWA-(PSM) SCHEME,

## 2310. DR. KAVITA PATIDAR: SHRI KANAD PURKAYASTHA: DR. DINESH SHARMA:

Will the Minister of Heavy Industries be pleased to state:

- (a) the current status of implementation of the PM e-Bus Sewa–Payment Security Mechanism (PSM) Scheme, including the number of electric buses deployed or operationalised so far under the Scheme;
- (b) the total number of payment security support claims processed to date, the quantum of funds released from PSM;
- (c) whether any instances of Public Transport Authorities (PTAs) payment defaults have been recorded;
- (d) if so, the corrective measures undertaken thereof;
- (e) whether the Ministry has undertaken any assessment of the operational performance, utilisation rates or service outcomes of electric buses supported under the Scheme; and
- (f) if so, the key findings?

## ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEAVY INDUSTRIES (SHRI BHUPATHIRAJU SRINIVASA VARMA)

(a): The PM e-Bus Sewa-Payment Security Mechanism (PSM) Scheme, with total outlay of Rs.3,435.33 crore was notified on 28<sup>th</sup>October, 2024. This scheme aims to support deployment of more than 38,000 electric buses. As on 15<sup>th</sup>December, 2025, 13 States/UTs have submitted the Direct Debit Mandate (DDM) to the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), which is an essential requirement to be eligible under the scheme.

Further, CESL invited tenders for 6,198 electric buses which were concluded under the PM e-Bus Sewa scheme of the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs. As on date, Letter of Award (LoAs) for 4,472 e-buses have been issued by the Public Transport Authorities (PTAs).

Further, technical bids for tenders invited by CESL from e-bus operators for the operation and maintenance of 10,900 e-buses under the PM E-DRIVE Scheme have been opened.

- (b) & (c): No defaults have been reported and No Claims have been received under the scheme.
- (d): Question does not arise in view of reply to Part (b) & (c) above.
- (e) & (f): No such assessment of the operational performance, utilisation rates or service outcomes of electric buses supported under the Scheme has been done by the Ministry of Heavy Industries.

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