India and UK to cooperate in urban transport sector

Transport For London (TFL) soon to sign MoU with Indian Ministry of Road Transport and Highways

India & UK today agreed to sign a memorandum of understanding (MOU) on bilateral cooperation in urban transport policy planning, technology transfer and institutional organization of transport.

The decision to enter into a bilateral cooperation arrangement between the Transport For London (TFL) and the Indian Ministry of Road Transport and Highways on a wide range of transport mobility solutions and associated activities in urban environments was taken during the three-day official visit of the Minister of Road Transport & Highways and Shipping Shri Nitin Gadkari to Britain.

During his visit to the headquarters of Transport For London (TFL), Shri Gadkari was given a presentation on strategy and policy reforms, customer experience and data analysis in respect of London buses and other integrated modes of public transport in Greater London area.

Under the proposed MOU, the TFL will share with the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways its expertise on the mobility and efficiency of transport system and methodologies to facilitate the planning and delivery of mobility solutions including ticketing, passenger information, major project financing, infrastructure maintenance strategies and behavioural change and public transport promotion.

Shri Gadkari later said the signing of the MOU will be done through diplomatic channels shortly. Possibilities of further cooperation on electric buses, bus innovation and capacity augmentation and water transport were also explored during his interaction with the TFL authorities.

The TFL provides world class services that keep the British capital better equipped with public transport. The TFL virtually coordinates all the London transport, including London metro, the bus network, Dockland Light Rail, water transport and cable car.

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