

Workshop on Comprehensive Transportation Study held in MMRDA today

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says MMRDA Commissioner**

Mumbai, January 30, 2019 – “Each and every Urban Local Body must have a qualified Transport Engineer on its roll to research, identify and suggest transportation needs of the respective region to enable the city and its Metropolitan Region to resolve commuters’ woes”, said Mr.R.A.Rajeev, Metropolitan Commissioner, MMRDA, at the Workshop conducted in MMRDA to study findings and recommendations made by M/s.Lea Associates. He also concurred with the suggestion made by Mr.Vijay Kumar, Chief of Transport Division, CIDCO, that a Special Purpose Vehicle be launched by MMRDA to regularize the deputation of staff for such a curriculum. Prof.K.V.K.Rao, IIT – present at the Workshop – very readily agreed to provide syllabus and faculty for training the working professionals from various government institutions and even individuals at convenient hours.



Mr.Ajoy Mehta, Municipal Commissioner, MCGM, emphasized that the comprehensive transportation study be based on the possible changes the society will experience in time to come. Mr.Mehta said that there was a need to study the changing nature of jobs, the way people interact and entertain themselves and internalize the same in future transport planning.

The Study recommended a few actions by ULBs such as, employ and or educate personnel with Traffic Engineering and Transportation Planning, intersection improvements, better traffic signal design and installation, removal of encroachments, creations of adequate footpaths, station area traffic improvement schemes, multi-modal integration plans, exclusive bus lanes, coordination with traffic police for better enforcement of rules and parking regulations and coordination with Bus Transport for route rationalization etc.

Mr.Rajeev also instructed BEST to focus on last mile connectivity after Metro is commissioned in order to remain relevant in future. Present for the Workshop were representatives of various Urban Local Bodies in the Metropolitan Region and senior MMRDA officials.