

Statement of Republic of India

Agenda 3b: Environmentally sustainable transport system and services:

Mr. Chair
Excellencies, and
Distinguished delegates

Government of India is laying focus on sustainable transport development through creation of regulatory frameworks to promote initiatives related to transition to cleaner fuels, improving performance and efficiency of vehicles by regulating & enforcing emission standards, enabling adoption of alternate fuels, blended fuels, cleaner technologies like green hydrogen, electric mobility, etc. to reduce vehicular pollution.

Standards have been formulated at par with global levels to enable manufacturing and adoption of Electric Vehicles (EVs), including buses, specifying requirements for construction and functional safety, safety requirements for batteries and Type Approval requirements for EVs.

Besides, Government of India has also released standards for retro-fitment or conversion of vehicles of various categories to enable vehicle owners to shift to EV technology with minimal cost. Further, advisory for registration of EVs without batteries has been issued to promote the technology of battery swapping and reduce the initial cost of vehicle registration.

Government of India is encouraging innovative financing mechanisms in the transport sector for capacity building at institutional and individual levels under Sustainable Urban Transport Project as well as financing of various traffic/transportation studies and surveys under the Scheme for Urban Transport Planning to encourage cities to better plan and manage their urban transport systems etc.

Thank you.
