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## **MESSAGE**

We are extremely happy that the 15<sup>th</sup> Urban Mobility India Conference and Exhibition, which is being organised by the Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs, Govt. of India, in association with the Govt. of Kerala, is being held in Kochi.

Kerala has a unique model of urbanisation and its density of vehicles is one of the highest in the country. Therefore, we are ensuring sustainable urban mobility solutions on a priority basis. In the near future, we will be moving towards intermodal integration of transportation systems which would connect various modes of travel like air, rail, road and water. Cutting edge technology is being utilised so that seamless movement using one card and one code would be possible. And, green energy like Hydrogen fuel would drive our public transport systems in the future.

Kochi, the Queen of the Arabian Sea, has already taken the initial steps in achieving an integrated transport system, by connecting Kochi Metro, Kochi Water Metro and its feeder bus services. It is a model worth emulating in other parts of the country. Therefore, it is our honour and privilege to host you all here.

I am sure that this conference will show the way forward with regard to urban mobility in India, and prove to be immensely useful in the planning and execution of sustainable solutions in this sector.

On behalf of the people and the Govt. of Kerala, I welcome all the participants and wish the conference and exhibition all the very best!

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