



Enabling a transition to electric mobility in Intermediate Public Transport fleets: Policies and Enabling Environment- Session 2

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Agenda (1997)				
10 minutes	Introduction to Session 2	ALP		
25 minutes	Presentation by Expert 1	Anumita Roy Chowdhury, CSE		
25 minutes	Presentation by Expert 2	Madhav Pai, WRI India		
20 minutes	General Discussion with the Expert on the theme	ALP		
30 minutes	Question & Answer Session	All		
10 minutes	Closing remarks	ALP		





Introduction to the Session 2





Introduction to Session- 2 Goals of the Session

- ☐ The Mobility CoP aims to address Clean Mobility and resilience in Transport which is a priority topic
- In continuation to the first online session held in June 2018
 - ☐ Electric Mobility in Public Transport- Session 1
 - Electric Mobility in Intermediate Public Transport- Session 2
- Focuses on promoting Clean Mobility through electrification
- ☐ Aims to understand the challenges/issues being faced in the participating countries related to electrification of Intermediate Public Transport
- Address the issues/ challenges by providing no cost expert assistance and customized solutions for the participants/ members.





Introduction to Session- 2 Topics to be covered

Ms. Anumita Roy Chowdhury

Mr. Madhay Pai

□ The session would deliberate on the following
 □ Ideas for restructuring and reforming the Intermediate Public Transport Sector
 □ Ideas in safer, healthier and financial secure business
 □ Initiatives for capacity building, education of operators
 □ Stricter Emission standards- solutions & challenges
 □ Micro Financing – solutions & challenges
 □ Housekeeping Rules
 □ Introduction to the Speakers





Public Transportation Fleets: Bus Electrification

Enabling a transition to electric mobility in Intermediate Public transport fleets: Policies and Enabling Environment

Expert presentation



Intermediate Public Transport (IPT) and Electric Mobility: Win-Win for Asian cities



Anumita Roychowdhury Centre for Science and Environment

'Enabling a transition to electric mobility in Intermediate Public Transport fleets: Policies and Enabling Environment'

The Asia LEDS Partnership (ALP) and LEDS Global Partnership (LEDS GP) Transport Working Group



September 11, 2018





Framing the question...

Why intermediate public transport (IPT) or para-transit – taxis, three-wheelers, vans etc – is needed to address pollution and mobility crisis in developing country cities of Asia?



Positioning Intermediate Public Transport in polluted and climate constrained cities of India and Asia



- -- Air pollution and public health crisis: Indian and Asian cities share the highest heath burden due to air pollution
- -- In India air pollution is among the top killers
- -- Energy and climate crisis: With rapid motorisation these cities are also becoming energy guzzler and emitters of heat trapping gases
- -- Cities need massive transition towards clean technology and fuels as well as sustainable mobility

IPT plays an important role in this transition



Para transit dominates Asian cities



Privately owned and are popular; Cheap and more flexible;

Even motor-cycle taxis





Motorcycles taxis for locals (L) & tourists (R), an informal *Jeepney* (Centre)





Why do we need intermediate public transport systems? Lifeline of affordable public transport and efficient last mile connectivity



- -- IPT is an informal and home grown solution to provide reliable, efficient, and affordable public transport services to different income classes
- -- Low volume but high frequency services are efficient feeders to formal public transport systems
- -- Important last mile connectivity
- -- Meet high travel demand: In mega Indian cities they meet about 4-5% of travel demand. But in metropolitan cities around 16-17%. In smaller cities their share can be as high as 40-70% of public transport services.

If these systems are destroyed there can be enormous public transport service deficit in cities 5



Why IPT is an opportunity in Indian and other Asian cities?



- -- Advantageous in densely and closely built compact cities of India and Asia
- -- Short travel distances: In most cities especially smaller cities more than half of average trip length is within 3-4 km.
- -- High percentage of work trips are accessible within 15 minutes. -- Even big buses may not be convenient for these short distances.



Mixed traffic – cycle rickshaws, tempos, auto-rickshaws, buses ... but environmentally sustainable.



Evidence of growth Even in mega city like Kolkata IPT is big and growing



Share of para-transit trips in Kolkata increasing 5% a year

Para transit trips	% share of para transit trips
Taxi	17.1
Auto rickshaw	46.5
Cycle rickshaw	34.0
Others	2.5

ITrans



Policy muddle on IPT



- -- Policies unclear on IPT: Basic regulations focus on route fixing and penalty, but no cohesive deployment strategy
- -- Victim of pollution control action: Due to poor technology level and use of dirty fuels (2-stroke engines, diesel, adulterated fuels etc), their services are curtailed for pollution an congestion control. Eg Indian cities and Dhaka etc; This curtails PT services
- -- High contributor to pollution: Source apportionment studies in India show high particulate pollution from three wheelers: Bengaluru 21% of automobile PM; Chennai 26%; Pune 15% etc
- -- Conflict with formal public transport services: Introduction of formal bus and rail based system without system integration and route rationlisation leads to conflict and curtailment of IPT services
- -- Disorganised services and adhocism; but important livelihood source



Cities cleaning up para transit fleet: Moving towards cleaner fuels



Delhi is reorganising this sector:

- -- All taxis, 3-wheelers are on CNG
- -- All three-wheeler drivers to get public service vehicle badge and smart cards.
- -- GPS connectivity to improve the meters and compliance.
- -- In-use vehicle fitness and emission testing systems
- --Integrate with mass transit system.
- -- Delhi is framing cycle rickshaw policy
- -- Delhi has removed cap on their numbers

-- Nearly 60 cities have CNG autorickshaw programme

- -- Transition to LPG: Large number of cities including Bengaluru, Chennai, Hyderabad, Kolkata etc have LPG programme for IPT 3-wheelers
- -- Technology transition: Cities like Always gave incentive to move existing taxi vans to move to Euro IV vehicles

This is an opportunity for next phase of transition to electric mobility





Informal E-rickshaws: First spontaneous move towards zero emissions in this segment

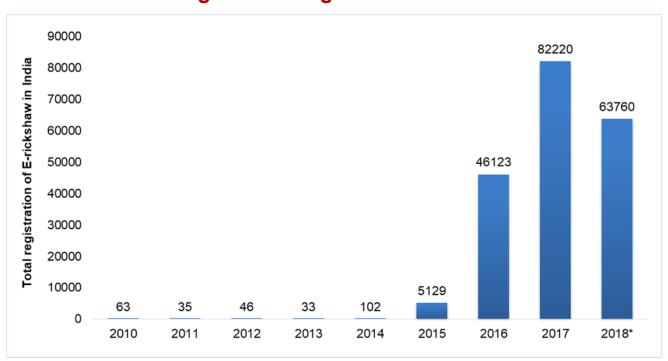
Important to understand its challenge and solution



Home grown innovation for affordable solution



Tremendous growth in registration of e-rickshaws in India



*Till September 6, 2018 Source: VAHAN Database

- The number of e-rickshaws have grown from 63 in 2010 to 82,220 in 2017 -- approximately 1400 times in 2017.
- Since 2015, number of registered e-rickshaws have grown 16 times in 2017.
- In 2020 expected to be 60% of the total battery storage of all EVs in India



Why are e-rickshaws cheap?



- E-rickshaws emerged during 2010-13, for first & last mile connectivity.
- 2017-18, almost 0.6 million e-rickshaws were assembled and sold.
- Inexpensive and non-standardized component imported and assembled locally. Reducing operational cost 90% of vehicles use cheap lead acid batteries, but it has to be replaced every 6-9 months.
- Absence of regulatory checks
 - Limited Type Approval tests, but no Conformity of Production required. Lack of safety norms
 - Informal lending, contracting & availing of informal ancillary services, such as maintenance & charging
- Several small and medium sized local assemblers dominate the market.

Source: E&Y 2017 Report titled "Standing up India's EV ecosystem - who will drive the charge?



E-Rickshaws: Largely an unregulated market: But important livelihood source



- Delhi: Report of Centre of Civil Society (CCS): Number of E-rickshaws risen dramatically, but a large percentage of such vehicles are still unregistered. There are only 29,123 registered E-rickshaws from April 2013 to March 2017 as per Delhi government records. Actual numbers more than a lakh
- Livelihood security: Important source of earnings in cities:

Type of Rickshaw	Number (in Delhi)	Initial Cost (Rs.)	Daily Earnings (Rs)
Cycle Rickshaw	7,00,000 (Govt. Figure)	6,000- 12,000	300-450
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E-Rickshaw	1,00,000 approximately	60,000- 1,10,000	550-800 *

^{*}Now claimed to be 1000-1200 as per recent survey



Challenges of regulating E-rickshaws



Unregulated

· Almost 80% of vehicles are rented

Traffic chaos

Unfit for high capacity fast moving lane

Safety

- Many violated the vehicle standard
- Over- loading of passengers

Legal Implication

- Most of the vehicles doesn't have any registration.
- No insurance or benefits, loans.

Environmental Hazard

Improper disposal of batteries



Regulations addressing e-Rickshaws and formal electric E-three-wheelers in India



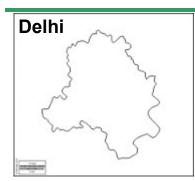
Indian regulations

- Made E-Rickshaws legal: The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways included E-rickshaws into the CMVR, under Section 126 of Central Motor Vehicle Rules,1989, vide notification no. GSR 709(E) dated 8th October, 2014 and S.O 2590 (E) dated 8th October, 2014.
- State governments have from time to time made changes to the rules applicable to the drivers and operators of erickshaws – Largely focussed on route restriction



Cities adopted E-Rickshaw policy





 E-rickshaws have been allowed to carry four passengers and 40 kg luggage while ecarts would transport goods up to 310 kg.
 Vehicle should be operated on contract carriage permit.



- The state government had initially allowed erickshaws in Nagpur, Wardha, Amravati, Akola, Latur and Buldhana via a government resolution (GR) on August 3, 2016.
- Recently, state issued new regulation and ban e-rickshaw to ply on Mumbai road, as it is not suitable for urban traffic.

Others

As per now Kochi
 encourages e-rickshaw
 as last mile
 connectivity but doesn't
 have any clear
 guidelines for that.

Karnataka



- Should be registered as transport vehicle under transport registration series and shall be granted contract carriage permit.
- Should ply on the road of the cities except on the roads where their plying is prohibited, by respected Regional Transport Authority.



Address following issues



- Informal innovation requires Regulatory Framework. Important mobility provider with strong livelihood link
- Infrastructure facilities needed (Parking, no charging stations etc.)
- Bring better technology into the segment.
- Providing a mechanism for charging and ensuring efficiency of charging – low downtime & longer life of batteries
- Ensuring **safety norms**, as well as certain vehicle design regulations are adhered to.
- Being in informal market they fail to leverage of financial Support





Challenges of the Formal Sector: Electric Three-wheelers





Incentivising Electric three wheelers in India



- December 2017, Department of Heavy Industries announced financial support for 720 e-three-wheelers in 3 cities, Ahmedabad, Bengaluru & Indore. Part of a larger focus on e-mobility in 11 cities
- **September 2018**, as part of the NITI Aayog's MOVE summit, it was announced that for para transit vehicles, the govt. is considering removing licensing and permit conditions for e-vehicles, including electric three-wheelers
- Gol's FAME-II scheme expected to focus on subsidising capital costs of public transport and para transit electric vehicles, including e-auto rickshaws. Details awaited
- Vehicle manufacturers coming together with city governments to plan deployment of electric three-wheelers city of Mohali near Chandigarh etc
- City and state level: Delhi Government subsidizes e-rickshaws under the Air Ambience fund. Since 2015, more than 23,000 electric three-wheelers have been approved under this subsidy scheme, most of them since 2017. E-rickshaw and e-three-wheelers licensing systems formalised in Tripura, West Bengal, Karnataka, Chattisgarh



Barriers to accessing subsidy



- For a vehicle to qualify for a subsidy, it has to be duly approved in accordance with the provisions of Section 126 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988, as per the amendments made on 8th October, 2014.
- Although many of these vehicles are "approved", the section 126 does not mention a COP (Conformity of Production) clause for these vehicle. Hence, a duly registered vehicle need not meet all the regulations as per CMVR
- E-three wheelrs fitness requirement every 3 years



Common challenges of this segment



- Scope of technology innovation limited due to domination of rental market:
 A 2016 CPR study estimates that 60-70% of 3W operators in Delhi, and more
 than 50% in Kolkata operate rented vehicles.
- Challenge of accessing formal avenues of credit. For e-rickshaws availability
 of Finance even more limited.
- Access to capital for investment into e-rickshaws, along with formalized access to energy & charging infrastructure at affordable rates will ease financial burden of operators.
- System to optimize use of batteries via a battery as a service model/ swapping scheme will further reduce operational costs
- Various states and civil society organisations are now including e-rickshaw operations into the scope of NBFC loans and microfinance institutions





Shared mobility: Taxi aggregators and e-taxis



Electric Taxis and shared mobility



Shared mobility – taxi aggregators – Uber, Ola – deploying EV programmes in Hyderabad, Nagpur, Delhi etc

- Taxi fleets, including aggregators such as Ola & Uber have plans to launch electric fleets on specific routes in India
- Since 2017, Ola has been operating a pilot electric fleet of 200 vehicles in Nagpur
- Uber plans to launch geo-fenced electric taxi fleets in Delhi & Hyderabad in 2018.
- Shared corporate taxis and government fleets have defined routes and fixed hours of operation, making them more predictable and therefore easier to electrify
- In terms of a captive corporate fleet, Lithium Technologies Bangalore has successfully operated a fleet of 400 electric taxis, operating more than 250-300 kms per day and having run more than 20 million kms since 2015*

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Lessons from Ola's Nagpur electric taxi fleet



- Fleet of 200 electric taxis operating within Nagpur city since 2017
- Major pushback from drivers charging time takes away operating time etc
- Regulatory hurdles, lack of timely clearances, and pushback from RWA's due to increased congestion in residential areas resulted in less than 30 of a promised 50 charging stations being built
- Limited range of vehicle of about 100 kms results in multiple charges needed everyday.
- Long waiting time to charge and then downtime while charging unpopular among drivers
- Lease model further complicated desirability, since high charging time complicated incentives given to drivers on the basis of number of trips completed.





Way forward....



Need guiding principles for IPT management



Recognise IPT as a legitimate public transport systems; if not protected this will increase use of personal transport

Provide realistic IPT fleet based on route rationalisation to meet commuting demand

Ensure clean vehicles and fuels

Link with zero emissions mandate – city core can be pedestrianised with zero emissions feeders;

Strategy to link electric mobility with shared mobility;

Need fiscal strategy for quicker transition; infrastructure for electric para-transit

Improve service quality, monitoring and enforcement

Use IPT for multi-modal integration

Ensure street design for provide for IPT parking, drop off and pick up



Key Players: Shared responsibility



- The government: regulations on emissions and fuel efficiency, exploring incentives and subsidies
- The power, fuel and charging infrastructure companies: leasing of batteries, swapping infrastructure, deploying fast chargers, providing stable power supply and grid stability
- The automotive industry: OEMs, auto component manufacturers and batterymakers

Sharing and mobility services: Target shared and fleet vehicles— including two wheelers, three-wheelers, and government fleets—for immediate electrification given their favorable economics.

Interoperable transit data: Build a platform that makes interoperable data ubiquitous, enabling seamless and multimodal planning, booking, and payments.



Steps forward for para transit based on electric 2W's & 3W's



- Regulatory framework needed for e-2W based para transit
 – currently 2W taxis
 not uniformly allowed across states
- Viable routes with need for last mile connectivity and high volume passenger traffic need to be identified at the level of specific neighbourhoods within each city, for successful mass deployment of e-3W's
- Regulatory process for e-3W's must ensure safe, standardized and efficient models operate on the road, and at the same time maintain a lower Total Cost of Ownership (TCO)over conventional 3W's
- Incentivize electric 2W & 3W based IPT using a combination of financial incentives – subsidies, tax waivers & supply sided incentives as well as non financial incentives – mandates, preferential treatment & policy measures



Steps forward for electric E-taxi's and E-vehicle based shared mobility



- Electric taxi fleets at the moment are at par with ICE vehicles on TCO basis.
 This to become more favorable after BS VI, and even more after in-use emission standards FE norms, RDE etc. are factored in after 2020.
- Reflect the true cost of ICE vehicles through a combination of financial incentives – subsidies, tax waivers & supply sided incentives as well as non financial incentives – mandates, preferential treatment & policy measures
- Learn from experiences of existing electric taxi fleets
 - Initiate operations on routes & timings that are predictable, such as those of offices
 - Create captive user bases, such as corporate customers
 - Create distributed charging infrastructure in advance to minimize downtime of fleet vehicles
 - Optimize battery management and maximize range
 - Create lucrative financial models for drivers & operators through incentives and sops



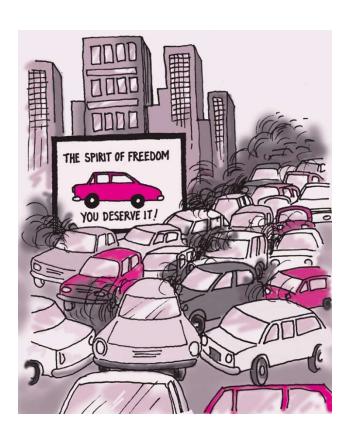
Steps Forward for charging infrastructure and batteries



- **Battery manufacturing:** Set up a manufacturing consortium on batteries and EV components, and begin building a battery pack assembly industry immediately, with favourable policies and fiscal incentives
- For EV charging infrastructure, it is important to clear the regulatory hurdles and create a space for private players as well as the small & micro enterprises sector to enter this space
- Identify specific crucial routes to **deploy charging infrastructure**, where it will mobilize modes of shared mobility electric 2W's, 3W's and taxis
- Mobilize a mix of plug-in charging and battery swapping models to be carefully deployed based on the dynamics of various vehicle segments







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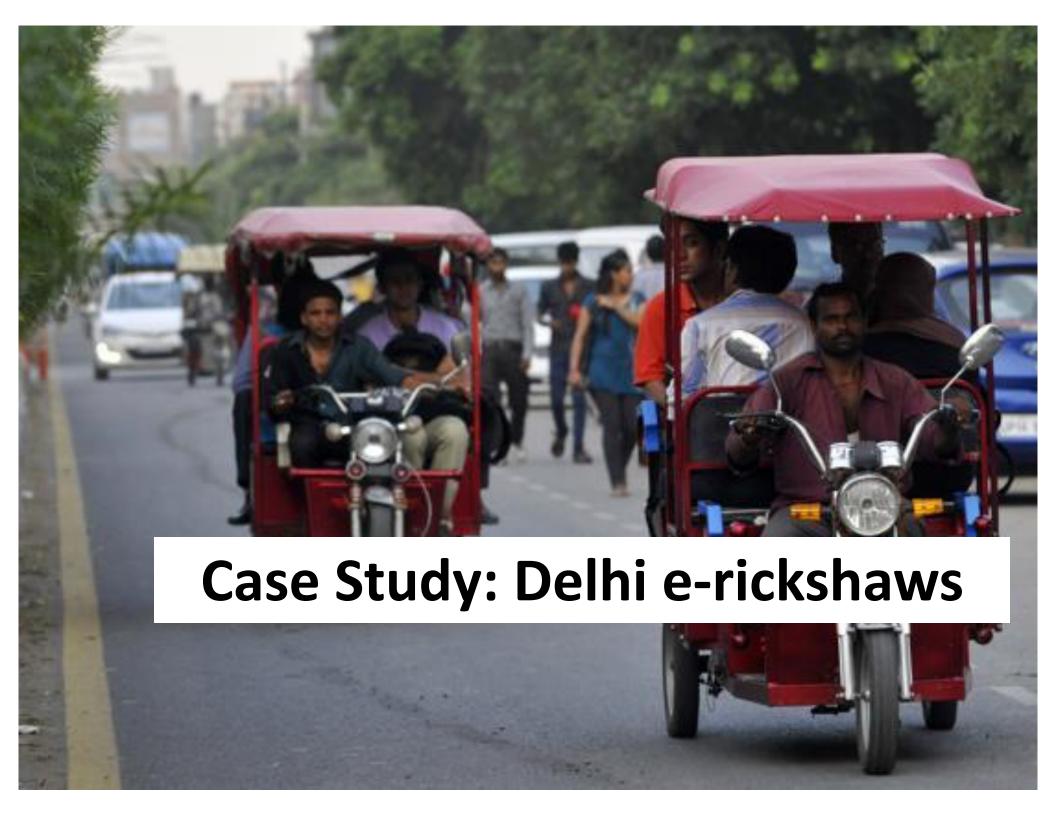
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Paratransit & Electrification



DELHI: RICKSHAW MARKET

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COMPARISON-3 WHEELERS



Vehicle cost

• INR 85,000

Fare

• Rs 10 for a distance between 2-5 km

Law

Municipal corporations yet to formulate a policy to govern them

Speed

• To be driven at a speed of 25 kmph

Safety

 Seating capacity is four. But drivers ferry more as they cannot be fined



Vehicle cost

• INR 1.68 lakhs

Fare

 Rs 25 for first 2 km, Rs 8 for every additional km

Law

• Comes under the Motor Vehicles' Act, 1988

Speed

• Maximum speed of 60-70 kmph

Safety

 Maximum capacity is three. Overloading can incur a fine from the traffic police





E-RICKSHAW SPECIFICATIONS AND COST BREAKDOWN



Battery Specifications

100Ah | 12V | 4 Nos Available Variants: Lead Acid , Lithium Ion



Charging Time

- 8-10 Hrs for full charge, Lead Acid
- 2-3 Hrs for full charge, Lithium Ion



Range

• 80-100 kms on one full charge



Operating Cost

• 50p / Km



Battery Life

- 6-8 Months for Lead Acid
- 24-28 Months for Lithim ion

Image source:

http://indianpowersector.com/2017/07/the-thriving-market-of-e-rickshaws-in-delhi/

Battery woes - in the words of e-rickshaw drivers - https://youtu.be/qdl8uMFPoJc (quote similar numbers on battery life as in the image on the left)

ADVANTAGES

- Last mile connectivity to metro stations
- Lower pollution than other fossil fuel options
- Jobs for auto-rickshaw drivers

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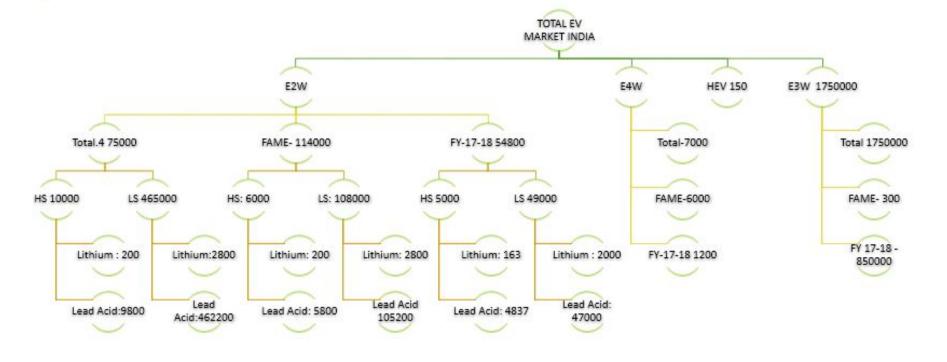
KEY ISSUES

- Large number of e-rickshaws are un-registered
- Large number of drivers without licenses
- Government permits do not allow them on arterial roads, limited to a few routes
- E-rickshaw drivers face police harassment
- Insufficient infrastructure Lack of public charging stations, parking spaces
- Overcrowding is an issues
- Police harassment is a problem
- Battery disposal especially lead acid is not organised

EV MARKET SCENARIO (SMEV,



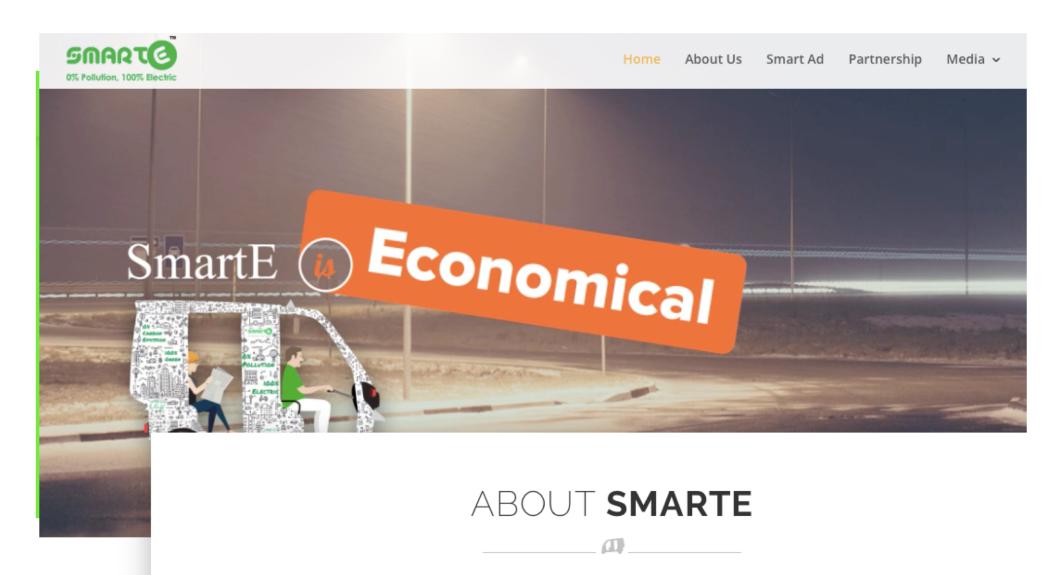
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NEW ENTERPRISES – PROVDING ELETRIC LAST MILE CONNECTIVITY

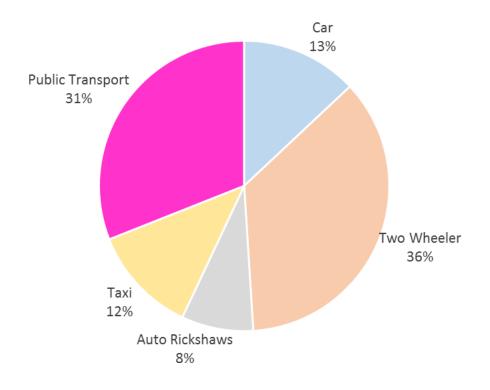


SmartE is India's first and largest electric mobility service, offering first & last mile connectivity to tens of thousands of commuters every day. SmartE has served over 15 million 'zero-pollution' rides over last 30 months.

CASE STUDY - JAIPUR

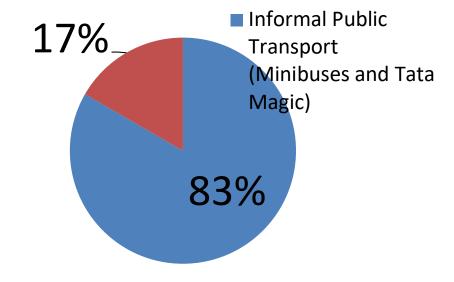


Modal Shares 2015 – Jaipur



Increasing Sha	re of Mo	torcycles
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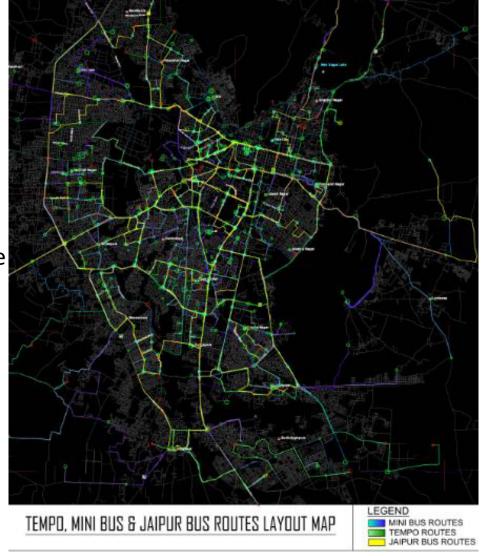
Туре	Service	Fleet Size	Average Daily Ridership
Formal	Jaipur City Transport Services Limited (JCTSL)	408	200,000
IPT	Minibuses	2,130	650,000
	Tata Magic	1,375	350,000



80% public transport is IPT



Extensive
Coverage, Low
Fares but low
quality of service











- Between 2002-2005, mini-buses introduced to replace tempos (old engines, adulterated fuel). Route permits were issued and tempo owners were provided financial support to purchase new mini buses
- Mini bus owners organized to create route associations, route associations self regulated to ensure their hired drivers and conductors stuck to permitted routes and did not compete by appointing field monitors
- 2010 Jaipur started operating big (12.5m) buses on 25 routes using 300 buses received via JnNURM support through an SPV (Jaipur City Transport Services Limited)
- 2008-2010 CNG Tata Magics were introduced to replace diesel rickshaws outside city limits. These TATA Magics would service passengers within the City as well without necessary route permits. Passenger preferred the TATA Magics since they were newer vehicles and provided better quality of service.
- By 2007-2008 Minibuses were old, unreliable and with very bad crew behavior. Higher maintenance costs meant lower incomes for drivers and more down time for buses both impacting service quality and crew behavior.

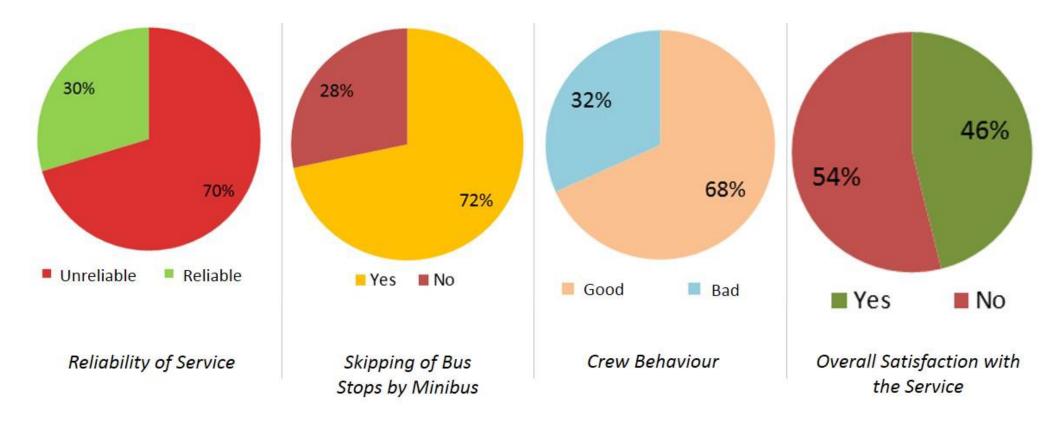


	2014	2017
		%% of
	% of minibus	minibus fleet
Age(yrs)	fleet	of vehicle
<6	18%	5%
6-7	62%	25%
7-15	20%	70%

	2014	2017
Age(yrs)	% of Tata Magic fleet	% of Tata Magic fleet
<5	100%	30%
5-8	0%	70%

Deteriorating Vehicle Stock





Poor Quality of Service



		TATA Magic:			
Parameter	TATA Magic	No	Mini Bus: 6m	Big Bus: 12m	Midi Bus: 9m
		Overloading			
# in operation	1375		2130	320	
Revenue/Km	10.40	5.20	21.87	30.00	
Operation Costs/Km	11.08	11.08	20.41	42.00	24.41
EMI	0.41	0.41	0.91	4.00	2.00
Maintenance and depreciation	0.89	0.89	1.37	7.00	1.37
Permit, Insurance and Taxes	0.11	0.11	0.37	1.00	0.37
Fitness	0.01	0.01	0.04		0.04
Fuel	4.07	4.07	10.00	25.00	12.00
Conductor remuneration	0.15	0.15	2.50	1.50	2.50
Miscellaneous	0.44	0.44	0.22	2.00	0.22
Driver Remuneration	5.00	5.00	5.00	1.50	5.00
Avg Age of Vehicle	5	5	8	5	NA

Detailed Costs & Revenues of Public Transport Operations



FRAMEWORK FOR EVALUTION

- A city can regulate paratransit operations on six parameters – vehicles, routes, permit, fares, drivers and quality of service
- High quality systems like TransMilenio in Bogota has regulations for all 6 parameters and is able to enforce all 6 parameters
- Most cities will regulate 3-4 of these parameters
- Most cities are not able to enforce more than one or two parameters

Parameters	Regulation	Enforcemen t
Routes		
Permits		
Fares		
Drivers		
Vehicles		
Quality of Service		



FRAMEWORK FOR EVALUTION

- We recommend a framework for evaluation paratransit systems in Cities
- The framework scores a paratransit system on regulation and enforcement
- A system that scores 6:6 is the best
- A system that scores 5:1 have poor quality of service
- A system that scores 4:3 or 3:2 has usually better user satisfaction than a system that scores 5:1 or 4:1

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APPLYING FRAMEWORK FOR EVALUTION

- Framework for evaluation can be used as structure to approach an incremental reform program
- If your system scores a 5:1, and you have the ability to develop route maps using GPS tracking. You can deregulate one or two parameters that are currently not being enforced. Enforce route maps once digitised and mapped and run a driver training program in parallel and move to a 4:3 or 3:3 system

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INCREMENTAL CHANGE VS. BIG BANG

- Big Bang: New requirements for all parameters routes redefined, new permits, newer vehicles, reformed drivers, new fare structure and new quality monitoring measure
- Big Bang is usually possible alongside a major system reform with associated finance. In the last two decades, such system reforms have occurred alongside infrastructure implementation for bus rapid transit.
- Prior to 2000, big bang or large system improvements were done around fuel switch (e.g. Delhi CNG) or vehicle switch (e.g. New minibuses in Jaipur)
- Incremental: Service quality of paratransit is a growing concern and there is a lack of finance to drive any big system reform
- Incremental reform can be
 - Introducing route or schedule adherence using a digital platform
 - Running a driver training program
 - Re-organising routes and scehdules on a single corridor
- The proposed 'framework for evaluation' can be used to structure a systematic incremental change program



PREPARING FOR CHANGE

1. Data Collection

- Current cost of operation data for all paratransit and formal buses in the City
- 2. Current age of fleet

2. Political Economy

- 1. Tracing the history of paratransit reform or regulation in the City
- 2. Current and Incumbent Operators and their investors/protectors
- 3. Willingness of operators to enter negotiations

3. Building a vision for future

- 1. Growth in population and transport demand
- 2. Identifying infrastructure requirement (# of buses, land, skilled labor) to meet this demand.



Vicious Cycle of Public Transit

- Informal Public Transport or Paratransit reforms are not permanent
- Key Aspects to watch to ensure continuity of reforms
 - Life and Quality of a bus is an important parameter to monitor
 - As quality of bus deteriorates, ridership declines or the quality of service declines
 - Buses need regular maintenance after first two year of operations; life of poorly maintained buses is 5-7 years; life of well maintained buses can be as high as 15 years
 - Most cases where paratransit operations run, there is need to renew/rehaul the system every 5-7 years
 - Capture by private operators loosing power to enforce negotiate
 - Services run well on profitable routes if multiple operators are not competing
 - Service quality deteriorates significantly on non-profitable usually left to driver running a poor quality pocketing the difference between fare and cost of operation



THANK YOU





Discussions

Closing and next steps



- Technical assistance
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- Write to us through email
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- Session would be followed by a Summary
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