

The Government of India (GoI) has initiated the Sustainable Urban Transport Project (SUTP) with the support of Global Environment Facility (GEF) and UNDP. The objective of the project is to facilitate the provision of urban transport infrastructure and services in a manner that is consistent with sustainable environmental considerations and the National Urban Transport Policy (NUTP). One of the components is targeted towards Individual Capacity Development in Urban Transport. This component of SUTP aims at establishing the needed capacity for regular skill development of public officials, other public functionaries and urban professionals in the field of urban transport to be able to find solutions for these problems and apply the skills in planning. Such National individual Capacity Development Initiatives will help the government at the Central, State and city levels to strengthen the core functions necessary for efficient administration of Urban Transport. Institute of Urban Transport (IUT) India has been entrusted with managing the sub component.

2. The first such training programme is proposed to be undertaken in the area of “Bus Operations”. The details of the training programme are as under:

- (i) Duration: 3 days from the 18th to 20th April, 2011(Residential programme).
- (ii) Location: Goa (Hotel Goan Heritage)
- (iii) Cost of participation :The Institute of Urban Transport will bear the full cost of training and Boarding, Lodging, and local transport.

The travel cost to and from the place of posting of the officials would have to be borne by the sponsoring organization.

3. The tentative programme is attached. The focus of the programme is how to improve bus operations & its viability.

4. All officials at the State Government level, Policy makers, public transport management officials, traffic police, local government, planners, policy makers,

regulators (Road Transport Authorities), etc. are invited. Consultancy Firms and private road transport operators are also encouraged to participate in these programmes who would, however, have to bear full cost of the programme (Rs. 30,000).

5. Nominations of the officials for participation in the programme(s) may be sent to Shri K.S. Saha, Senior Training Co-ordinator, Institute of Urban Transport, Room No. 216-217, 2nd Floor, G.Wing, NBO Building, Nirman Bhavan, Maulana Azad Road, New Delhi-110011 in the form enclosed so as to reach him by 8th April, 2011. The applications may also be sent by e.mail at lutindia@gmail.com or by fax at 011-23063499. It may please be ensured that officials nominated are not withdrawn.