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THE KEYS

Investment in transport infrastructure Building capacity in human resources

Competence of professionals is vital



GLIMPSES OF TRANSPORT SECTOR IN INDIA



- HOW DO WE TRANSPORT GOODS?? HOW PEOPLE TRAVEL IN INDIA??
- ROAD : RAIL TRANSPORTATION = 65:35 IN 2017

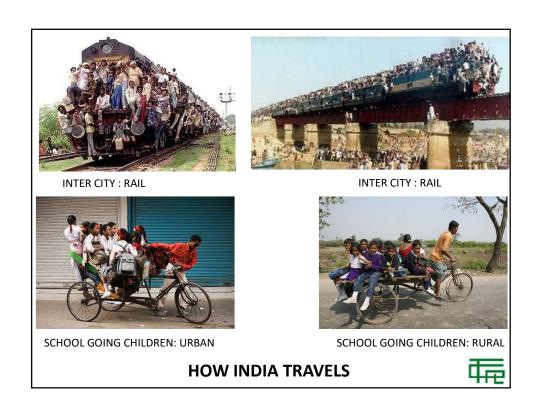
 COULD BECOME 50:50 IN 2031-32. FOCUS ON RAILWAYS ESSENTIAL TO REDUCED ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION. WATER TRANSPORT?

TRANSPORTATION OF GOODS BY ROAD











 WHY IS SETTING STANDARDS IN INDIA NECESSARY ?



WE LIVE IN A WORLD OF FINITE RESOURCES

Investment in transport must responed to emerging demand, but it is also an economic growth driver in itself

- "INDIA'S <u>TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE</u> SECTOR TO EXPERIENCE <u>ELEVATED</u>
 GROWTH RATES OVER THE NEXT FIVE YEARS.
 INCREASED <u>GOVERNMENT</u> INVESTMENT, ESPECIALLY IN ROADS AND RAILWAYS,
 AND IMPROVING ENVIRONMENT FOR PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS (PPPS),"
- HIGHWAYS; > 26 km/day DURING 2017-18. Targeted 40km/day
- INVESTMENT RS 7 TRILLION (US\$ 107.82 BILLION) FOR CONSTRUCTION OF NEW ROADS AND HIGHWAYS OVER THE NEXT FIVE YEARS.
- INDIAN RAILWAYS MEGA INVESTMENT PLAN RS 8.56 LAKH CRORE OVER FIVE YEARS STARTING FROM 2015.THIS IS STARTING POINT FOR DRAMATIC DEVELOPMENTS FOR THE LONG-TERM VISION OF 2030.



LESSONS FROM PAST EXPERIENCE IN INDIA

- Arrest and reverse the increasing mode share of road transport for passengers and freight
 - Prioritize inland waterways and coastal shipping for the movement of bulk cargo
 - Encourage use of public transport and non-motorised transport in cities



THE URBAN SCENE

Lewis Mumford *

"A city exists, not for the constant passage of motorcars, but for the care and culture of men"

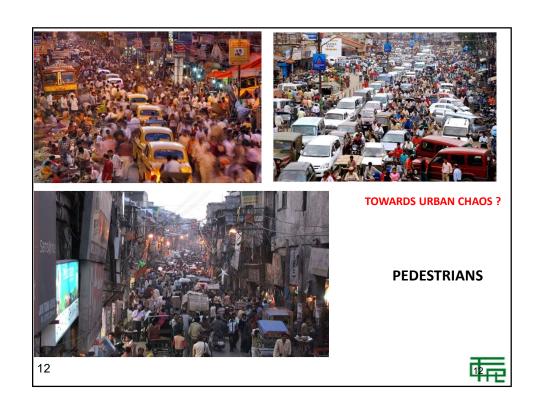
THE NEEDS

- Urban Infrastructure Priorities:
 - Public Transport, Non motorised vehicles, Pedestrians
- Use of appropriate technologies for roads, bridges, metros (elevated and Underground)

*(1895 – 1990), KBE American historian, sociologist, philosopher of technology, literary critic. Particularly noted for his study of cities and urban architecture.





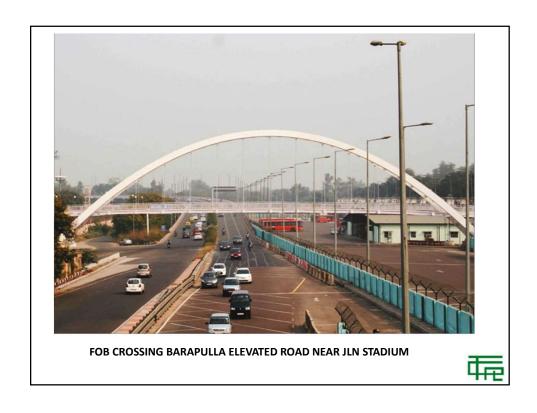






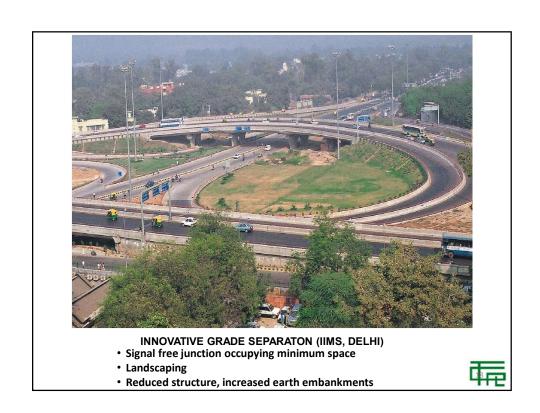
WHAT CAN HAPPEN TO MEDIAN SUPPORT



















WHO IS A PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS?



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PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER is an accreditation for Competence + Responsibility

The "practice of professional engineering" means any act of PLANNING,

DESIGNING,

COMPOSING,

EVALUATING,

ADVISING,

REPORTING,

DIRECTING,

SUPERVISING

that requires the application of engineering principles and that concerns the safeguarding of life, health, property, economic interests, the public welfare or the environment, or the managing of any such act..

In cases where public safety, property or welfare is concerned, it must be required that an engineer be licensed or registered



INDIAN ENGINEERS ARE LANGUISHING IN THE UNORGANISED SECTOR.
THE PROFESSION OF ENGINEERING IS UNREGULATED

A Mechanism of accreditation by an act of parliament is essential to set proper infrastructure standards in the transport sector

NATIONAL TRANSPORT POLICY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE INDIA TRANSPORT REPORT, 2014

A Proliferation of Regulatory Authorities should be avoided. We should create a cadre of professional regulators with technical expertise for the complex tasks involved.



In most countries, important Professions are governed by Acts of Government, e.g., Australia, Canada, Japan, Malaysia, New Zealand, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, South Africa, Singapore, Tanzania, USA, etc.

In India some professions, are governed by Acts of Parliament, e.g.,

Chartered Accountants, Doctors, Lawyers

The engineering population in India has reached an estimated 7.5 million and is increasing at the rate of 1.5 million per annum.

June 2016: 3,500 Colleges 17,00,000 seats (UG +PG)



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