

## PM E-Bus Service' will Start in 10-15 Districts of Haryana

## Why In News?

According to the information received from the media on September 17, 2023, preparations have started to implement the Prime Minister e-Bus Service Project of the Government of India in 10 to 15 districts of Haryana, under which electric buses will run in the Municipal Corporation areas of the city.

## **Key Points:**

- These electric buses will run like autos in the city, going from chowk to chowk and stopping at stoppages. This will make it easier for passengers to reach the nearest destination in the city. Passengers will get the opportunity to travel easily at low fares.
- These electric buses will be state-of-the-art. Like roadways buses, they will be 12 meters long and will have an AC facility. The cost of one bus is around Rs 2 crore. These buses will cover a distance of 200 kilometers (about 124.27 mi) in one charge. The company will also maintain these buses. The drivers on the buses will also be from the company.
- There will be artisans from the company in the workshop. The roadways administration will pay a charge of about Rs 62 per kilometer to the company for these buses. The operator will be from Roadways.
- Initially, Hisar district depot will get 50 electric buses. These buses will run in the city from 6 to 9
  am. There will be a bus service on the routes every 15 minutes.
- It is known that earlier city buses used to run in the city, which are now closed due to non-availability of permits and other reasons. In these city buses, passengers had to pay Rs 10. Now passengers have to go by auto and the fare for auto is Rs 20. Auto travel is costlier than city buses. This is the reason that now electric buses will run in their place.
- Three acres of land was earmarked for the depot workshop. A charging station for electric buses will be built at this place. Separate charging points will be made for all buses. A separate workshop will be built for the facility of repairing buses.
- It is noteworthy that 'Pradhan Mantri e-Bus Service' is implemented in many states of the country. It is also successful in some states of South India. Passengers have got a lot of convenience from electric buses. These buses will run in Karnal, Faridabad, Gurugram, Rohtak.



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