

# Any destination in 30 mins: A'bad has big plans ahead of CWG, Oly bid

## AMC Officials Brief CM On Comprehensive Mobility Plan

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**Ahmedabad:** Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation (AMC) officials recently briefed chief minister Bhupendra Patel on a new Comprehensive Mobility and Pedestrian Plan. With the city set to host the 2030 Commonwealth Games and hopeful of hosting the 2036 Olympics, the AMC is upgrading its transit network — including AMTS, BRTS, and the metro.

The ultimate goal is to transform Ahmedabad into a “30-Minute City”, where residents can reach any destination within 30 minutes via public transport.

The draft of the Comprehensive Mobility and Pedestrian Plan proposes that all public transport services in the city be operated by a single authority. The city's road network will be expan-

ded, and existing roads will be widened. A new network of footpaths will be created, and traffic jams on the city's roads will be reduced.

In an effort to align urban growth with world-class transit, the Ahmedabad Urban Development Authority (Auda) has commissioned Cept University to develop the Comprehensive Mobility Plan for the Ahmedabad Development Plan-2041.

While previous attempts — including a 2010 plan by Cept and the 2014 City Development Plan — focused on international-standard transportation, they faced implementation challenges. To ensure better results this time, Auda approved a Rs 3.10 crore proposal in July for Cept to lead this updated mobility strategy.

Auda wrote a letter to the urban development department of the Gujarat govt in Oct, 2023, informing them about the preparation of the Comprehensive Mobility Plan, and a follow-up letter was sent in Feb, 2024. Auda requested the ministry of housing and urban affairs (MoHUA) of the central govt to approve the proposal for

### STATUS OF TRANSPORT INFRA IN 2024

About 64% increase in vehicular population in last decade

Total road network  
**3,225 km**

Length of footpaths  
**1,248 km**

#### MODE OF TRANSPORTATION

AMTS stations	BRTS stations	Metro stations
<b>4,968</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>33</b>



Accessibility to public transport stations: **93.7% of total population** can access AMTS and BRTS stations within 400m, and metro station within 800m

Fleet availability for public: **0.12 per 1,000 people**



Buses running on cleaner fuel: **100% of the buses** run on CNG or are electric



the plan under its sub-scheme and provide financial assistance. Following this, the central govt gave ‘in-principle approval’ to prepare the plan.

An AMC official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said, “Under the plan,

various public transport organizations in Ahmedabad, such as metro, state transport, AMTS, BRTS, monorail, and regional rail, will be brought together to plan for better public transport services for the citizens.”

Additionally, there are

plans to increase the capacity of public transport services and make them more effective. “Preparations are underway for Ahmedabad and Gandhinagar to host the Olympics in 2036, and the Comprehensive Mobility Plan will prove important in ensuring that citizens receive international-level transport services in Ahmedabad city,” he said.

There is a plan to build more footpaths. Proper footpath networks and cycle tracks will be provided for citizens. Besides this, efforts will be made to increase the use of e-vehicles in the city.

The official said that more electric buses for public transport will be introduced, traffic management will be strengthened and road congestions will be reduced.

“Before the 2036 Olympic Games, there are plans to put 3,000 electric buses into operation,” said the official.

A plan is being prepared to increase the number of BRTS and AMTS buses. Under this, the number of buses will be progressively increased based on the projected population of Ahmedabad city from 2025-26 to 2030-31, and as part of the 2036 Olympic Games preparations.