

Statement of India
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Madam Chair,

The Government of India is focussed on sustainable transport development through creation of regulatory frameworks to promote initiatives related to transition to cleaner fuels, improving performance and efficiency of vehicles by regulating and enforcing emission standards, enabling adoption of alternate fuels, blended fuels, cleaner technologies like green hydrogen, electric mobility, etc. to reduce vehicular pollution.

2. Relevant measures and standards have been formulated at par with global levels to enable manufacturing and adoption of Electric Vehicles (EVs), including buses, specifying requirements for construction and functional safety, safety requirements for batteries and Type Approval requirements for EVs.

3. Regional connectivity is an important aspect of India's international initiatives. However, India firmly believes that such connectivity must be based on universally recognized international norms, good governance, rule of law, openness, transparency, and equality.

4. The Government of India is encouraging innovative financing mechanisms in the transport sector for capacity building at institutional and individual levels under Sustainable Urban Transport Project as well as financing of various traffic/transportation studies and surveys under the Scheme for Urban Transport Planning to encourage cities to better plan and manage their urban transport systems etc.

Thank you.
