Creating COVID-Safe Streets

- Instant interventions to reclaim space for walking and cycling
- From temporary interventions to permanent infrastructure
- Increase access to bicycles as a personal travel mode

Theme
Creating COVID-safe transport solutions

Standard operating procedures to ensure the safety of crew and passengers
- Digital passenger information and contactless payments
- Financial support for formal and informal public transit
Episode 2
Instant street interventions to expand space for walking and cycling

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This can’t be our future!
A lot of people depend on public transport for their daily commute.

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Data source: Census 2011
Guidelines to Resume Operations

1. Ensure the Safety of Staff
2. Disinfect Buses and Terminals
3. Communicate with Passengers
4. Ensure the Safety of Passengers

ROUTE NO. 201G IS RUNNING ON TIME.
Ensure the Safety of Staff

1. Prepare a staff deployment schedule.
   Communicate to all staff.

2. Deploy only healthy staff.
   Sick staff must stay away from work.

3. Issue safety gear to staff.
   Train them to use it.

4. Provide healthcare and insurance to all staff.
Disinfect Buses & Terminals

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Clean and disinfect every bus before every trip.

Disinfect public areas of terminals every 2-3 hours.

Display on buses and at terminals a record of last disinfection procedure.

Install sanitizer dispensers at terminals for public use.
Communicate with Passengers

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- Inform passengers about services. Use media, social media, posters etc.
- Advise passengers to wear masks and sanitize hands frequently.
- At terminals, announce bus schedule and running status to manage crowds.
- Encourage staggered office hours. Promote alternatives like cycling.
Ensure the Safety of Passengers

Only passengers with masks allowed
NO MASK = NO BUS

Do not allow buses to crowd

Deploy fare payment solutions that reduce contact

Separate buses for high-risk passengers like healthcare and sanitation workers
Financial Support for Public Transport
The way forward

1. State and National governments should treat Public Transport as a social obligation.
2. Public transport systems can leverage technology to improve user experience.
3. Government can professionalise Informal transit services through technology and financial assistance.
4. Cities must expand their walking and cycling networks, which has reduced the strain on its public transit system.
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Redirect funds from proposed road widening and flyover projects for public transport improvements.

Hire buses from private operators to expand operations.

Financial Support
Since the lockdown

Upto 50% of the fleets are being operated, strictly for the essential service workers

Income down to 1% of the pre-COVID times for some cities

Repurposed service operations for goods delivery, medical facilities
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Post-COVID lockdown Guidelines for Bus Operations

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