1,850 electric buses for 19 UP cities soon

Lucknow: The state government will soon introduce 1,850 electric buses in 19 cities to reduce traffic congestion on roads.

The Centre has planned to allot 10,000 electric buses to cities with a population of 3 to 40 lakhs to promote urban transport. As part of the planning, total 1,850 buses will be allotted for operation in 19 cities of Uttar Pradesh.

The state government has formed a team of officers from four departments to make feasibility survey in the cities for timely operation of the buses. A survey team has also been constituted with officers from the urban local body, UPPCL (discom), Lucknow City Transport Service Ltd and CESL, for every city.

On Saturday, a review meeting of the project was held by MoHUA additional secretary Surendra Kumar Bagde. Officials concerned were directed to ensure electricity supply and meter connections for charging points and adequate land for operation of electric buses in each city. TNN