

Transport Dept to get 'Innovation in Urban Transport during COVID-19' award

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PATNA: The Bihar transport department has been selected by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Government of India for the 'Innovation in Urban Transport during COVID-19' award for transportation and better management during corona era. The award will be given to the transport department during the 13th Urban Mobility India Conference, to be held internationally on November 9, 2020.

Transport Secretary Sanjay Kumar Agarwal informed that an annual conference is organized every year by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Government of India, in which various states from across the country participate. This year



the transport department has been selected for the Innovation Award in Transport during COVID-19.

It is to be mentioned that during the COVID-19 global epidemic, the district-wise buses were operated by the transport department to send

migrant workers to their destination. Inter-district Shramik special trains were operated. To prevent the spread of corona infection during the operation of buses, specially sanitized and following the provisions of COVID, arrangements were made to

send passengers to their homes, district block and district headquarters.

The transport secretary said that during COVID-19, a total of 25.5 lakh people, laborers and students coming from other states to Bihar were safely evacuated to their destination. There was no means for the workers and others to reach their homes, in such a situation they were transported by bus and other means.

Altogether 7165 buses were operated to transport the workers from the stations to the district headquarters, block headquarters and other destinations. From Delhi, Mumbai, Kota, etc., 1556 laborers special trains were operated to bring people trapped in lockdown to Bihar.