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## Comprehensive mobility plan for 11 municipal corporation of Bihar to be made soon

PATNA: The State urban development and housing department (UDHD) on Wednesday signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the Institute of Urban Transport (IUT) for the preparation of comprehensive mobility plans (CMP) of 11 municipal corporations of Bihar. IUT director Kanika Kalra was present in Patna for the signing of MOU.

CMP is prepared after doing survey and studying the topography and landscape of a particular area. The idea is to understand the growing population of the city, and accordingly prepare the traffic and transport strategy for the next 20 years, which includes widening of roads, construction of flyovers, implementation of metro, mono-rail or other transport feasible for the particular city.

"CPM is mandatory in any project related to transport and traffic management, where central assistance is required", said a source in UDHD adding, "Since CPM of Patna was not made, the centre was not giving green signal to the metro project, so we had to make rapid assessment study (RAS) of Patna instead of CPM, to get the nod from the centre".

As of now CMP of Patna, Danapur, Khagaul, Phulwarisharif, Bhagalpur, Munger, Katihar, Purnia, Begusarai, Ara, Muzaffarpur, Darbhanga, Biharsharif and Gaya would be made.

The request for proposal (RFP) would be finalised in 21 days, followed by the selection of the consultant, which would be done in 60 days, from the signing of MOU.