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Dated: 01-06-2012

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To

.Vice Chairman

.Delhi Development Authority

Vikas Sadan, INA,

New Delhi

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Subject: Commuting And Parking Woes in Delhi Area

Dear Sir,

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I am directed to forward herewith a representation in original recieved from Shri./Smt./Ms. Baldev Raj, dated 29/05/2012, on the subject cited above for further necessary action.

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Yours sincerely,

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Dated: 01-06-2012

Copy to Shri./Smt./Ms. Baldev Raj,Flat No.590 Pocket E Mayur Vihar Phase-II Delhi dated 29/05/2012.With the request to contact the above department for redressal of his/her grievances/requests.

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To.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister,
Government of NCT of Delhi,
Players' Building - New Secretariat,
Indra Prastha Extention,
Delhi - 110 002.



Madam,

Subject: COMMUTING AND PARKING WOES IN DELHI AREA.

As per the recent reports, the Government is planning to increase manifold the Vehicle Parking charges all over Delhi. This might be an offshoot of a **pious desire** to limit congestion in the busy areas of the city. However the action, in isolation, is nothing more than another means of augmenting the resources of the City Administration, while it does not bring any succour to the commuting public.

The RESIDENTS of the HISTORIC Town of DELHI are quite concerned at the various hair-brained proposals emanating from one Government Source or the other, all of which appear to be designed to bring as much misery to the denizens of Delhi as possible. Even 65 years since Independence, we lack a cohesive and cogent Transport Policy.

Should the Government be serious to streamline the Commuting Facilities for the Public, the following, amongst others, must be taken into consideration before finalising any NEW proposal:

- The Public Transport System, integrated in a true sense, must FIRST be brought into
 operation all over the geographical spread of the City. This must NOT only comprise of
 the METRO services (preferably UNDERGROUND for all new routes) and Long
 Distance City Buses, but also FEEDER Bus services from all localities to the nearest
 Metro / Bus Stops.
- 2. The Taxi and Autorickshaws must be made available at all hours of the Day-and-Night and from all locations to all destinations within NCR. The operators must not be allowed to refuse a fare for any destination or to demand EXORBITANT fares for even very Short Distances, as is their wont now. It is incomprehensible why the UNSCRUPULOUS Taxi and Autorickshaw operators haven't been brought under discipline over the LONG period of 65 years. Unless violations of any sort are most ruthlessly dealt-with without fear or favour, the malaise will not be controlled. The numbers of Taxis and Autorickshaws must be DELIMITED.
- 3. All markets / malls / shopping areas must have multi-level underground parking space. The shopowners and their agents, who usurp the Parking areas from early morning to late night, must be dissuaded through various punitive means. The businesses being run from residential areas must have parking spaces in Basement / Ground Floors.
- 4. No parking of vehicles of any kind be permitted on the roadside in any busy area, which are the main cause of bottlenecks and traffic snarls. The Government is already collecting One-Time Parking charges on sale of vehicles ostensibly covering parking in the residential areas.
- 5. The patrolling by Police and Guards of all localities, particularly areas frequented by ladies and children, be increased to make such areas safe for the weaker sections.

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- 6. As if the effects of the ill conceived BRT were not enough, the Delhi Government proceeded to build, in a false sense of glamour, one-sided short-distance flyovers compounding the woes of the commuters in various vehicles, resulting in bottlenecks, frayed tempers and accidents.
- 7. The Government must plan not only the multi-level clover-leaf crossings to bridge-over all intersections, but also plan for ELEVATED road system throughout the City. One sided Flyovers do not serve the purpose adequately. One can cite the clash with the elevated Metro system, which unfortunately was ill conceived ab-initio. The carbon-emitting vehicles are now being made to go through underpasses and tunnels, while the environment friendly Metro goes overground, with eyesores of Metro stations jutting into the adjoining buildings!
- 8. Numerous Foot Over Bridges have come across the City without any aid to physically disabled persons, and therefore scantily used, instead of underpasses across all major crossings (integrated with underground Metro Network), which should have Lifts / Escalators / Movators and other facilities, including Toilets and Shopping arcades.
- 9. Instead of promoting One-Family-One-Car culture, in its anxiety to earn maximum revenues through direct & indirect taxation, the Government has continued to promote the Manufacture / Sale of huge numbers of private cars, including the High-Acceleration Speed Machines going into the hands of uncivilised Monsters, who consider it their moral duty to mow down other less endowed citizens. All this continues to happen without proportionate increase in user road space.
- 10. The Government could easily earn far higher revenues by imposing Duties / Taxes / Levies in increasing proportions of 2% 3% 4% 6% 8% 10% 12% 15% on the various slabs of the price of the Vehicles, including the Two Wheelers.

It shall cause us **utter anguish** and a **deep sense of disappointment** if we could not expect the Chief Minister's office to have the issues examined in all seriousness instead of **acting no better than a** Post Office and forwarding our suggestions / complaints to other Departments, often not even remotely connected with the matters at hand!!

Thanking you, Yours truly,

(Baldev Raj) General Secretary.

- cc : 1. Hon'ble Chief Justice, High Court of Delhi, Sher Shah Marg, New Delhi – 110 001.
 - 3. The Director General, Central Road Research Institute, Mathura Road, New Delhi – 110 020.
- Hon'ble Minister for Urban Development, Government of Union of India, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi – 110 011.
 - The Director (Planning) MPR, Vikas Minar, 6th. Floor, Indraprastha Estate, New Delhi - 110 002.
- Commissioner of Delhi Police.
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