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Rs. 162.12-crore project approved to buy new buses for Hubli-Dharwad

The Union Ministry for Urban Development has approved a Rs. 162.12-crore project to provide modern transportation for Hubli-Dharwad, said Dharwad Lok Sabha member Pralhad Joshi.

Speaking to presspersons here on Tuesday, Mr. Joshi said that Rs. 90 crore will be used to buy 100 buses for Bus Rapid Transit System (BRTS), Rs 37.50 crore to buy 30 articulated buses and the remaining Rs 34.62 crore to buy 120 feeder buses for the North West Karnataka Road Transport Corporation (NWKRTC).

Mr. Joshi stated that the Union Government had released the first instalment amounting to Rs 48.48 crore to the Karnataka Urban Infrastructure Development and Finance Corporation (KUIDFC). Of this amount, Rs 29.75 crore was for BRTS and remaining Rs 10.73 crore was for NWKRTC. The State Government had released Rs 8.96 crore to BRTS to buy specially modelled buses and the Volvo company had been

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paid Rs 4.25 crore for manufacturing the special buses, he said.

KIMS

Mr. Joshi said the Union Minister of Health Dr. Harshavardhan had assured taking up modernisation of the Karnataka Institute of Medical Sciences (KIMS), Hubli in the third phase of the Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojna. The union Government would provide Rs. 120 crore for this purpose provided the State Government assured providing its contribution. The Minister for Medical Education Sharankumar Patil had already conducted a meeting in this regard, Mr. Joshi said.

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