Worksheet

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Reading: Comprehension Passage

9. Read the passage carefully.

- 1. Projects in 20 cities, ₹ 2 lakh crore in committed investments, ₹ 2 lakh crore in the pipeline1. Clearly, India's urbanism is riding into a metro rail future, although gaps remain in making city transport systems 'smart'.
- Ten cities in the country are implementing metro rail projects, most of them from a zero baseline, since they either have no such facility or have only an obsolete2 rail system. The new trains are comparable to climate-controlled, secure facilities serving passengers in global cities. In the case of the ten other cities, detailed project reports are being prepared. Kolkata was the metro rail pioneer in the pre-liberalisation era, while Delhi is today's icon.
- Urban planners have concluded that 64 cities have the potential for some form of efficient rail transport today, and 22 of them readily qualify for a full-fledged Metro system. In the case of 42 others, it would have to be less expensive alternatives such as light railways, or bus rapid³ transit systems.
- India's metro story, however, needs a stronger base in order to become sustainable. Rail technologies and big consortia4 to implement them may be available off-the-shelf but two key fundamentals have not been fully addressed: a reliable source for funding, and engineering manpower.
- That is the message to the Centre and State governments from 'Metro Man' E. Sreedharan, whose range of projects spans the Konkan Railway, the Delhi Metro, and several upcoming urban rail projects including Kochi's (which is set to create a record for speedy implementation), and Vijayawada region's, being pursued aggressively by Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N. Chandrababu SET - I liberalize - make less strict Naidu.

VALUE POINTS

About the passage

The financial and other problems in the way of the spread of the Metro system in Indian cities and some concrete suggestions to solve them.

Para 1

· huge investment in city transport being inducted

Para 2

 ten cities implementing metro rail projects from non-existent base

Para 3

- 64 cities having the potential for smart rail transport
- 22 of them qualify for such a

Para 4

- Indian Metro system needs a stronger base
- two problems : a reliable source for funding and engineering manpower.

Para 5

· this is 'Metro Man' E. Sreedharan's message to the govt.

1. in the pipeline: being

planned

2. obsolete old:outdated

fast

3. rapid

4. consortia

groups of people working together on a

project

(a) Answer these questions briefly:

1. Which projects are being referred to in para 1 ? City transport

2. What do modern Indian cities need?

3. How many cities are implementing metro rail projects? 10

4. What was Kolkata known for?

5. Who is called 'Metro Man'? [. Smeedharap

(b) (i) The first Metro city in India was .. Kolkata

(ii) No big city in India is qualified for full fledged Metro system. (True/False)

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(u)	Write the most appropriate options. 1. The number of Indian cities with the Metro Rail projects going on is
	(c) 22 (a) To model for other
	(a) Delhi (b) Kolkata (d) Hyderabad (c) Mumbai 3. How many Indian cities qualify for the Metro system? (b) 42 (c) 42 (d) 50
	(c) 22
	4. The viable alternatives to the Metro rail are
	5. Funds and engineering manpower for the Metro system.
(b)	(a) adequate (b) con-available (c) inadequate (i) The synonym of 'expensive' as given in paragraph 3 is file. (ii) The antonym of 'urban' as given in paragraph 5 is the control of the co
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1. Underline the phrasal verbs in the following Sentences.

(a) Anna always dozes of off in history class.

(b) Thasheem comes a across as a so very ambitious girel.
(c) I man into Trisha at the supermarket yestereday.
(d) Why don't you cheen up and just enjoy the moment?
(e) Passengers ought to check in at least two hours before

their Aflight departs.

(f) I wonder when he will finally growup and begin to

take responsibility for his actions.

(g) Danny is looking for his puppy. He has been asking around

(6) My & interest in stamp collection to has died down. I que guess I should gear up to find another has hobby.