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Speaking at “Nextgen Smart Cities” convention in Hyderabad on Wednesday (May 27, 2015), MD, HMR Mr. NVS Reddy stressed the importance of an efficient and intelligent public transportation system for a smart city. Reiterating the vision of Chief Minister of Telangana Mr. K. Chandrasekhar Rao to convert Hyderabad as a global city, he said it is time that we transformed Hyderabad as a people friendly smart city by utilizing technology.

Mr. Reddy stated that a city should not be built for cars but has to be for women, children, senior citizens, differently abled and normal people. He pointed out that currently 35 lac vehicles are plying on Hyderabad roads and every year 3 to 4 lac are added, which leave no space for citizens to walk.

Mr. Reddy said that Hyderabad Metro Rail project is not just a mass transit system but an urban rejuvenation effort to transform Hyderabad into a smart & liveable people friendly city. He said that for space efficiency the project is planned as an elevated structure using only 8 feet road in central median and it will have two tracks at the elevated level, each track equivalent to 7 bus lanes or 24 car lanes. He further added that many such new ideas are being implemented in the project. Explaining the Hyderabad Metro project, MD HMR indicated that technology is not for technology sake, but it should serve the needs of the people and provide technical solutions for socio-economic problems and poverty. Illustrating how the latest technology has been harnessed to build the project, he said that Hyderabad Metro Rail will be an example for engineering & financial innovation.

Sidewalks are being built to connect nearby schools, offices, hospitals and private properties directly to Metro stations, added Mr. Reddy. The Stations being windows to the metro service, he said that Metro stations are tastefully designed reflecting local culture & flavour and functional aesthetics. And to provide last mile connectivity, Metro Rail stations will have ‘merry-go-round’ feeder bus services and bicycle facility to the nearby residential colonies, offices and shopping areas. He also added multi modal connectivity is provided with integration of Metro with main railway stations, MMTS stations and bus depots.

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MD HMR, Mr. NVS Reddy addressing the participants at Smart Cities convention in Hyderabad on Wednesday (May 27, 2015)

Director, Governance now, presenting memento to MD HMR, Mr. NVS Reddy