Phase I Finalists

After a rigorous selection process, 11 ideas were shortlisted to progress further in the Challenge. Phase II of the Challenge involves coordinating with partner cities, liaising with stakeholders, acquiring data and developing final solutions.

The Shortlisting Process

A comprehensive evaluation framework was formulated for the purpose of evaluating the concept notes. 26 concept notes were identified on the basis of average marks awarded by at least two industry experts. Each of these notes were then studied by an internal committee and evaluated subjectively.

On 15 February 2021, 15 of these submissions were further selected for a round of presentation. Each team was given a chance to present their ideas in a 10-minute session involving extensive questioning by the internal panelists.

After an internal round of evaluation and consultations, a total of 10 teams were then selected to proceed into Phase 2 of the challenge on 20 February.

The Selected Categories

The 11 ideas selected represent the following themes:

- Journey Planning
- Smart Infrastructure
- Operations and Service
- Green Mobility

Phase II was launched through a Kickstarter Session on 26 February. The hour-long event was moderated by Mr Shailendra Kaushik and included Mr Rahul Kapoor, Director, Smart Cities Mission and Mr Juergen Baumann, Program Director, SMART-SUT, GIZ, as keynote speakers.

The Quotes

Real innovation, co-creation, collaboration happens when you create enabling platforms that allow ecosystem stakeholders to solve the more contextual challenges. SMART move is such a platform - Rahul Kapoor, Director, Smart Cities Mission, MoHUA

COVID-19 has had to redefine travel protocols across all modes. The SMART move challengers have kept the transformation brought about the global pandemic, in mind while developing their ideas – Nabamalika Joardar, Fellowship Manager, NIUA

What is promising about SMART move is that it looks beyond legacy approaches of improving transport system's efficiency– Ankit Rai, Senior Associate, NIUA

Mobilizer

Harish Natarajan, Kumar Jos, Sumedh Joshi

Commutify

Indian Institute of Technology, Roorkee
Arpit Shrivastava, Prof. Amit Ajarwal, Devesh Pratap Singh, Bhishu Jain

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Utpal Deka, Dr. Sharat C. Pillalamarri, Dr. Deepthi Mary Dilip, Priyam

Mobilizer is a digital mobility platform where users can book public transportation tickets. Citizens can register on this app with an Aadhar Card and avail its services. For achieving gender safety, they will implement a companion service, wherein people travelling at odd times can meet and travel together. This will help women and children travelling alone to form small groups and travel safely. The app will have an integrated SOS system, through which users can immediately alert the police or ask nearby users for help. Offenders will be flagged and subsequently not allowed to use the app for public transport.