

INQUIRY INTO PRIVATISATION OF BUS SERVICES

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Why is our government even considering the privatisation of the bus service? Privatisation means higher fare, less frequent bus runs & stops. Limited service also more crowded buses - not good for the general public health. It will inevitably force people to drive their car to drop kids to school, do their errands, go to work when taking the public transport is not cost-effective & takes longer. Having more cars on the road contributes to traffic congestion, pollution when the world is pushing for cleaner air, less gas emission.

The government is there to serve its people, the needs of the community. Privatisation is going to hit people (like pensioners, low income families) hard. Our government should be looking more into expanding & improving the transport system to encourage people to commute rather than driving their cars due to poor transport service in the community. Privatisation is not the answer. An efficient, well-connected public transport system will serve the communities better than privately owned buses whose sole purpose is to make profits,