# Ludhiana City Bus Service Limited

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## **INTRODUCTION TO LCBSL:**

#### **ABOUT LCBSL:**

- LCBSL (LUDHIANA CITY BUS SERVICE LIMITED) was started under the Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JnNURM), In conjunction with the Government of India (GoI), The government of Punjab and the Ludhiana municipal corporation.
- JnNURM was a massive City-Modernization Scheme launched by the Gol, under the ministry of Urban Development.
- Focus is to be on efficiency in urban infrastructure and service delivery Mechanisms, Community participation and Accountability of ULBs (Urban Local Bodies) parastatal agencies towards citizens.
- The scheme was officially inaugurated by Former Prime minister Manmohan Singh on 03 Dec 2005 as a programme meant to improve the quality of life and infrastructure in the cities.
- It was launched in 2005 for a seven-year period (up to march 2011).
- It envisaged a total investment of \$20 million over seven years.

- Across India ,63 cities were identified as being covered under JnNRUM. This group included seven metropolitan cities having a population of nearly 3.5 million in 2011.
- LCBSL was incorporated under the company Act 1956 in January 2007, and in 2009, a proposal of 200 buses was sanctioned by the Gol.
- The funding share was to be divided among the GoI, The state government and the local municipal corporation of the city. However, the profits would be entirely used for the development of the city.
- The Gol, the local municipal corporation of the city and the state government contributed 50,30 and 20 percent, respectively, towards the project cost.
- As of march 2013, 10 % of the project had been rolled out, with 20 Air-conditioned buses serving the needs of the population.
- The procurement tender for the remaining buses had been placed with respective vendors.

Each of the 200 buses belonged to one four categories.

#### CATEGORY and QUANTITY of LCBSL BUSES:

| Types of Bus  | Quantity | Vendors       | Price in Millions        |
|---|----------|---------------|--------------------------|
| Low Floor AC (Air Conditioned)<br>(Floor level 400mm) | 40       | TATA MOTORS   | INR 5.6 Million per bus  |
| Low Floor Non-AC<br>(Floor level 400mm)               | 40       | TATA MOTORS   | INR 4.7 Million per bus  |
| Semi - Low Floor Non-AC<br>(Floor level 650mm)        | 80       | ASHOK LEYLAND | INR 2.5 Million per bus  |
| Mini Non - AC<br>(Floor level 900mm)                  | 40       | SWARAJ MAZDA  | INR 0.10 Million per bus |

#### Segmentation

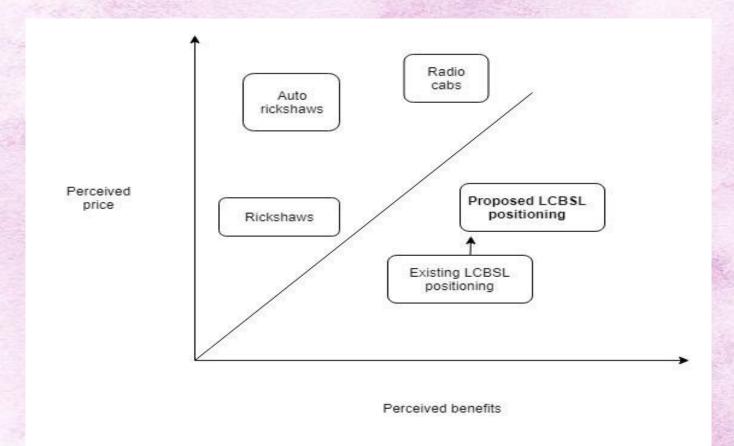
- Demographic Segmentation
  - > Income
  - Occupation
  - > Age
  - > Gender

#### **Targeting**

- Low Income Groups
- Daily office/site workers who need reliable transportation service
- Students

#### **Positioning**

- Offering greater value proposition than competitors
- Differentiated in terms of low fares
- Intangible benefits of safety, convenience and reliability



## **Value Map for LCBSL**

# Marketing mix: 4Ps

#### **Product**

- Secure
- Comfortable
- Convenient
- Reliable
- Used in marriages and other public functions

#### **Promotion**

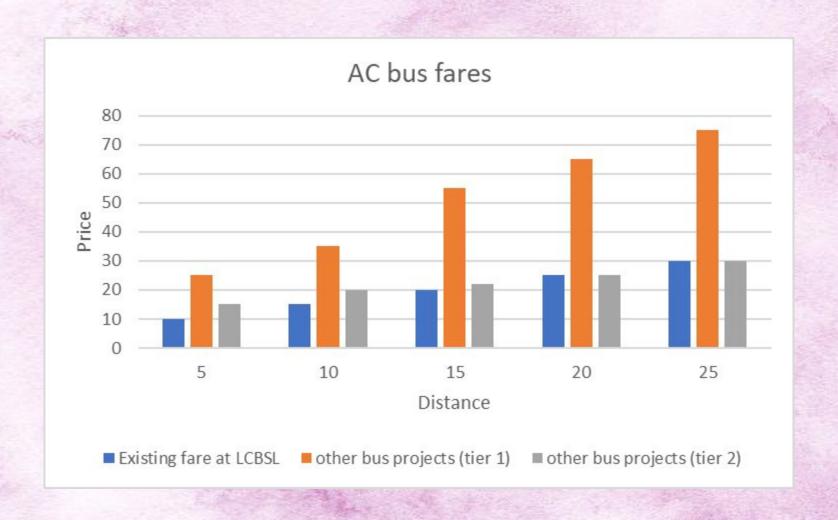
- Word of mouth
- Government encouraged
- Advertised in news

#### **Place**

Important places connected by these buses

#### **Price**

- Ludhiana becoming Tier 2 to Tier 1
- Purchasing power of Ludhiana population increasing
- Different for different luxury of travel
- Was well below the value equivalence line
- If fares increase by 10% -Ros(return on sales) would increase from 29 to 36%
- Existing price
  - Return on capital was 1.9%
  - Break-even period was too long
  - Management not happy
- Proposed price
  - > Return on capital can become 4%
  - Price was too low before, that increasing price would cause minimal or no loss of customer base



# **PESTEL Analysis**

# **Political**

As there are many legal, illegal/without permit auto rickshaws and buses supported by officials and politicians are running which takes the passengers. Ultimately lead to a loss.

## **Economical**

As economy is increasing this gives us chance to increase the fare of bus service

# **PESTEL Analysis**

## Social

By using the such as LCBSL buses( public transport), this gives people a sort of sense of duty towards state as it leads to economic growth

## **Technological**

Upcoming technologies like metro, personal electric vehicles will act as future competitors for the LCBSL

# **PESTEL Analysis**

## **Environmental**

Using of public transport leads to less pollution than using the individual vehicles

## Legal

Change in government policy can lead to profit as well as loss for LCBSL. As revenue prices are directed by the government.

## Strengths

- Provides more value than competitors at lesser price.
- Profits solely for development of city giving people a sense that they serve the city
- As being under government policy they provide compensation if something goes wrong.
- At night it is one of the Safest Public transport within the city.

# **Opportunities**

- Can provide ticket for the different subsequent stations from single spot.
- As fuel price is increasing we can modify it by the electric buses it will also save the environment.

## Weaknesses

- Buses are non-commutable in various routes especially within city unlike autorickshaws
- Generally, bus stops have large distances between them.
- Hygiene is neglected in non ac buses.

## **Threats**

- Upcoming OLA and uber facilities
- Change in government can lead to fare down which can lead to losses
- As various cities get facility of metro, buses will face lot of loss of passengers and hence revenue



## Where does LCBSL stand now?

- Currently ACTIVE
- Fares have been doubled than that in the slide (November 2021)
- Out of fleet of 120 buses with LCBSL, 37 buses are not in working condition
- Rest of 83 buses were handed over to a private company Horizon Connect Transways Limited to operate
- Of the 83 buses, only 37-38 were plying on roads (April 2021)

#### Sources:

# Questions

Q1 How we can increase return on capital from 1.9% to at least 4%?

| Parameters             | Unit of measurement | Amount   |
|------------------------|---------------------|----------|
| Total capital employed | Millions            | INR265.4 |
| Sales                  | Millions            | INR9.1   |
| Direct variable cost   | Millions            | INR2.8   |
| contribution           | Millions            | INR6.3   |
| Period cost            | Millions            | INR0.5   |
| Profit                 | Millions            | INR5.8   |
| Profit margin          | Millions            | INR6.4   |
| Turn over              | Millions            | INR0.3   |
| Return on capital      | Millions            | INR0.19  |
| Return on capital      | %                   | 1.9      |

## How we calculate 1.9% RoC

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Profit=Sales(S)-Variable Cost(VC)-Period Cost(PC)
Profit=9.1-2.8-0.5 million
     =5.8 million
Profit Margin(PM)={Profit/Sales(S)}
              PM={5.8/9.1} million
                 =0.64 million
Turn Over(T)={Sales/Total Capital Employed}
             =\{9.1/265.4\} million
             =0.03 million
Return On Capital(RoC)={PM*T}
                        =\{0.64*0.03\}
                        =0.019
Return On Capital (RoC)%=0.019*100
                          =1.9%
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## How we calculate 4% RoC

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Profit=Sales(S)-Variable Cost(VC)-Period Cost(PC) {Sales={0.917946*(Price of Ticket)} millions So variable+fixed cost =3.682329 + 2.75 =6.436million Price of ticket= 18.58 INR Sales =0.9179*18.58=17.054 million}
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Profit= 17.0545- 6.436=10.616 million

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Profit Margin(PM)={Profit/Sales(S)}
PM={10.616/17.054}=0.6225
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Turn Over(T)={Sales/Total Capital Employed} ={17.054/265.4}=0.0642577

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Return On Capital(RoC)={PM*T}
={0.6225*0.0642577}=0.04
Return On Capital (RoC)%=0.04004*100=4.0%
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So,increasing price from 10 INR to 18.58 INR will provide ROC of 4%.

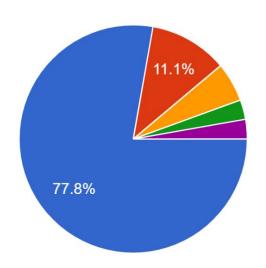
We can also minimize direct total cost to get ROC greater than 4% to some extent.

Q2 What are the possible ways for generating non-transport revenue?

- Through Interest from FDR
- Promotion by advertising, through Side covers and Posters on buses.

What is your age?

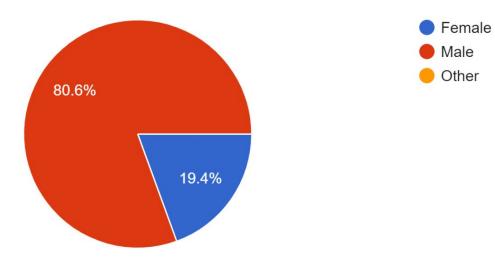
36 responses





Gender

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Mark the following according to your expectations in local city buses

1)Cleanliness

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+Comfortable seats

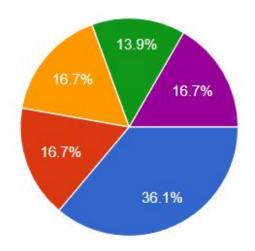
2)Option to buy water bottle

3)Option to buy snacks

4) Air conditioned

5)Well behaving staff

36 responses



1,2,3,4,5 for Rs2/km

1,4,5for Rs1.5/km

1,5 for Rs1/km

1 for Rs0.5/km

1,2,4 for Rs1.5/km

# THANK YOU FOR YOUR VALUABLE TIME