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Key Lessons for the Delegation

1. Coordinated, large-scale infrastructure investment in China allowed them to speed up implementation and drive down unit costs. The demand of needed infrastructure in India could allow for the same economies of scale.

2. Give metro companies have a diversified menu of revenue options, and explore the land value capture / co-development models being pioneered in Chinese cities.

3. Public authorities should plan for a complete street environment with cohesive and connected infrastructure, and a higher standard of maintenance for urban streets and roadside planting.

4. Even though the political environment is significantly different, it is important to improve the process of land acquisition in India, which would lead to better and more coordinated outcomes. The Town Planning Scheme is one tool that could be used to organize land for development, although it cannot be used in already developed areas.

5. Ensure that transit stations are generally well connected between modes, allowing for seamless transfers. As Mumbai embraces more forms of transit (e.g. suburban local trains, metro, monorail, buses, rickshaws), more planning and innovative design is needed at large transfer hubs.