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Moscow has launched the test of the first Russian-made articulated electric bus

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Testing of the articulated e-bus has begun in Moscow. After the test drive, the city plans to purchase such transport in order to service routes with high passenger traffic.

The innovative electric bendy bus has space for 135 passengers, a range of 90 kilometres and a powerful battery. The charging process take 20 minutes.

“Moscow is considered to be the leader in the electric bus fleet in Europe. We continue to develop environmentally friendly public transport. KAMAZ, a Russian manufacturer of vehicles, trucks and engines presented a modern electric articulated bus for test operation, which we will launch on the roads of Moscow. It is now tested on the T34 bus route, so each passenger will be able to appreciate the comfort and innovations of the electric bendy bus. After the testing the city plans to purchase such vehicles to service routes with high passenger traffic,” said Maksim Liksutov, the Deputy Mayor of Moscow for Transport.

“The new articulated electric bus is the first electric bus in Moscow with an electric heater. The vehicle has a space for 135 passengers and is equipped with climate control systems, increased safety of controlling the vehicle, automatic braking, full side view. This makes the e-bus ride environmentally friendly, safe and comfortable. The new articulated electric bus is completely ready for the operation and will run along the route T34 (Park Pobedy – Yugo-zapadnaya metro station),” said Nikolai Asaul, General Director of SUE Mosgortrans.

In 2021, Moscow has stopped buying diesel buses for the major surface public transport operator. Today the city is focused on eco-friendly alternatives and is keeping up with worldwide electric vehicle market trends. Nowadays 1000 electric buses operate in Moscow. Next year, Moscow plans to buy 600 electric vehicles more and start to purchase articulated e-buses to make the entire city transport fleet eco-friendly.