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There is a systematic plan to fleece Gujarat State Road Transport Corporation of crores of rupees in a deal of purchase of chassis for 2800 ST buses by the corporation, Leader of Opposition Shaktisinh Gohil said today. He said that some contractors have indulged in bid rigging with the help of senior government officers and got tender at a highly inflated rate.

Giving details of the scandal, Gohil said that last year the Corporation had bought chassis of 2800 buses at the price of ` 8.50 lakh each. This year bus chassis with same make and specifications are being bought at the price of ` 11 lakh each. Such a steep hike in the bus chassis is just unrealistic and unbelievable, he said.

The leader of Opposition said that three contractors with the help of officers have formed a ring to have such a high level price as the minimum. Alleging foul play in the entire process, Gohil has demanded an inquiry into the deal to save crores of public money.

To,
The Editor,

Hon'ble Leader of Opposition has requested to kindly publish this press note in your esteemed newspaper.

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