French 'national' rapid rail for Hyperloop

Las Vegas, May 11, (Agencies): Hyperloop One, the startup that plans to build a lightning-fast transport system that could cut travel time between major cities to mere minutes, said that it is the first company to receive a contract to build a Hyperloop from a national government.

Hyperloop One's agreement with France's SNCF, the national rail operator, is the first such deal for the company, which was founded by entrepreneur Elon Musk in 2013, and long-promised to bring the idea of a high-speed transportation system using low-pressure tubes and propulsive techniques that originate from NASA research.

"This gives us hope that some day in the not too distant future, one country or another will build a network of Hyperloop One tubes to connect cities and regions," said Jai Ramalingham, co-founder and chief technology officer of Hyperloop One.

The agreement with SNCF is significant for Hyperloop One as it provides the company with a testing and operating environment that will allow it to continue developing its technology and demonstrate its viability on a large scale.

"This is a major milestone for Hyperloop One as we move towards our goal of bringing this revolutionary technology to the real world," said Ramalingham.

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SNCF is a world leader in the railway industry, and has a long history of innovation and successful projects. The company operates in more than 100 countries and has a strong reputation for safety and reliability.

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