

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1069**  
**ANSWERED ON 28.07.2023**

**SHORTAGE OF SEMICONDUCTOR CHIPS IN AUTOMOBILE SECTOR**

**1069. SHRI SATISH CHANDRA DUBEY:**

Will the Minister of **Heavy Industries** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that delivery of cars and four wheelers is taking a long time due to shortage of semiconductor chips in the automobile sector;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that by taking advantage of the said problem of automobile sector, agencies collect money from common people in the name of token amount and make them wait for delivery of cars/four wheelers for six months to two years; and
- (c) the steps taken or being taken by Government so far to check it so that the problems of the common people can be resolved?

**ANSWER**  
**THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEAVY INDUSTRIES**  
**(SHRI KRISHAN PAL GURJAR)**

- (a): Yes Sir, there was shortage of Semi-Conductor chips during COVID -19 Pandemic. As per information received from Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers (SIAM), it is observed that the Global Semiconductor suppliers have now ramped up their manufacturing, as some of these companies had faced disruptions till recently.
- (b): No such issue has come to the knowledge of this Ministry.
- (c): It has been intimated by Ministry of Electronics and information Technology that several steps have been taken to augment supplies of semiconductors chips. Following projects have been approved:
  - i) Establishment of Gallium Nitride Ecosystem Enabling Center and Incubator for High Power Frequency Electronics.
  - ii) Project for setting up of Assembly, Testing, Marking and Packaging (ATMP) of NAND Flash memory under PLI Scheme.
  - iii) Project for discrete semiconductor devices including transistors, diode etc. has been approved under Production Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme.
  - iv) Financial incentive under the scheme for promotion of Manufacturing of Electronic Components and semiconductors (SPECS).

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