GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 571 TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.12.2017

FAME India Scheme

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Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of the FAME India Scheme along with the present status thereof;

(b) the details of the funds sanctioned, allocated and utilised under this scheme during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise including West Bengal;

(c) the details of the target set and achievements made under this scheme so far;

(d) whether the achievements are as per the set target, if not, the reasons therefor and the action taken by the Government thereon;

(e) whether the Government is planning to extend this scheme; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO)

(a)to (d) : As part of the National Electric Mobility Mission Plan 2020, Department of Heavy Industry formulated a scheme namely FAME – India [Faster Adoption and Manufacturing of (Hybrid &) Electric Vehicles in India} to promote hybrid / electric technology in transportation so as to reduce dependency in fossil fuel. The overall scheme was proposed to be implemented over a period of 6 years, till 2020, wherein it is intended to support the hybrid / electric vehicles market development and its manufacturing eco-system to achieve self-sustenance at the end of the stipulated period.

The Government decided to introduce the scheme as a pilot scheme for 2 years (Phase-1), with an outlay of Rs. 795 crore, for a period of 2 years from 1^{st} April 2015 to 31^{st} March 2017.

Taking into account high level of environmental pollution and fossil fuel usage in road transport in high density urban centres, the Phase-1 of the scheme is restricted to the following areas:

- a. Cities under "Smart Cities" initiatives
- b. Major metro agglomerations Delhi NCR, Greater Mumbai, Kolkata, Chennai, Bengaluru, Hyderabad, Ahmedabad.
- c. All State Capitals and other Urban Agglomerations/Cities with 1 Million+ population (as per 2011 census)
- d. Cities of the North Eastern States

However, vide Govt. of India gazette notification S.O. 2696(E) dated 30th September 2015, the scheme for Electric and Hybrid 2 Wheeler and 3 Wheeler of all types was made applicable for their sale anywhere in India.

As per the original scheme, Mild hybrid, Strong Hybrid, Plug-in Hybrid and Pure Electric technologies (collectively termed as xEV) were covered in this FAME India Scheme. However, "Mild Hybrid" technology has been excluded from this Scheme w.e.f. 01/04/2017 vide Gazette Notification S.O.1055 (E) dated 30/03/2017.

The scheme has four focus areas i.e. Technology Development, Demand Creation, Pilot Project and Charging Infrastructure.

Market creation through demand incentives is aimed at incentivising all vehicle segments i.e. 2-Wheelers, 3-Wheelers Auto, Passenger 4-Wheeler vehicles, Light Commercial Vehicles and Buses. The scheme, however, lays greater emphasis on providing affordable and environmentally friendly public and private transportation/vehicular mobility for the masses. The demand incentive is available to buyers (end users/consumers) in the form of an upfront reduced purchase price to enable wider adoption. As per the data registered & available with the Department, 163997xEVs, with a total demand incentive of Rs. 203 crore (Approx), have been supported through this scheme till 30th November 2017.

Specific projects under Pilot Projects, R&D / Technology Development and Public Charging Infrastructure components are approved by the Project Implementation & Sanctioning Committee (PISC), under the chairmanship of Secretary (Heavy Industry), for extending grant under the different focus areas of the scheme.

The details of the fund allocated an d utilized under the scheme is summarised hereunder:-

S.No.	Financial Year	Fund Allocated	Fund Utilization
1	2015-16	Rs. 75.00 Crore	Rs. 75.00 Crore
2	2016-17	Rs. 144.00 Crore	Rs. 144.00 Crore
3	2017-18	Rs. 175.00 Crore	Rs. 105.49 Crore (Till 30th November 2017)
	TOTAL	Rs. 394.00 Crore	Rs. 324.49 Crore

However, no allocation is made State/UT-wise under the scheme and no targets were sets under this scheme.

(e) & (f): The Phase-1 of the FAME India scheme is under implementation, which was originally for a period of 2 years commencing from 1^{st} April 2015 i.e. FY 2015-16 and FY 2016-17, and has been extended now till 31^{st} March 2018.