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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2892 TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.03.2018

Batteries for Electric Vehicles

2892. ADV. NARENDRA KESHAV SAWAIKAR:

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

- (a) whether the Government has finalised any action plan to ensure availability of batteries for electric vehicles;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether any private company has shown interest in manufacturing the batteries and if so, the details thereof?

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

- (a) & (b): Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers (SIAM) has informed that assembly / manufacturing of battery packs is already happening in the country through import of Lithium ion cells. Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology (MEITY) have a scheme titled Modified Special Incentive Package Scheme (M-SIPS) which, inter alia, includes support for manufacturing of electronic/telecom products covering advance storage batteries such as lithium.
- (c): Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers Association (SIAM) has further informed that Toshiba alongwith Suzuki and Denso has already started setting-up a battery and cell manufacturing unit in Gujarat. The estimated project cost is around Rs. 1200 crore.
