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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3353 TO BE ANSWERED ON. 07.08.2018

Promotion of Electric Vehicles

3353. SHRI DUSHYANT SINGH:

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

- (a) whether the Government has any plans to bring any legislation for use of Electric Vehicles in Delhi apart from the petrol/diesel vehicles, to control the alarming state of pollution;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has any plans to promote the manufacturing of electric vehicles in India along Make in India project along with incentives, to serve as a long-term solution to the vehicular pollution in the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

- (a): No, Madam. There is no plan to bring legislation for use of Electric Vehicles in Delhi apart from petrol/diesel, under consideration of the Department of Heavy Industry, Ministry of Heavy Industries & Pubic Enterprises.
- (b): Does not arise in view of reply to part (a) above.
- (c) & (d): In order to promote electric & hybrid vehicles in the country, the Government notified FAME India Scheme [Faster Adoption and Manufacturing of (Hybrid &) Electric Vehicles in India] in March, 2015. The Phase-1 of the scheme was approved with an outlay of Rs. 795 crore, initially for a period of 2 years commencing from 1st April 2015, which has been extended subsequently till 30th September 2018. This scheme is intended to support hybrid & electric vehicles (xEVs) market development and its manufacturing eco-system to achieve self-sustenance. The scheme is being implemented through four focus areas namely Demand Creation, Pilot Projects, Technology Platform/R&D and Charging Infrastructure.

Under Demand Creation component of the scheme, the incentive is available to buyer of xEV in the form of an upfront reduced purchase price to enable wider adoption. The details of demand incentives extended through this scheme are given at Annexure 13 of the Scheme's notification, which is available in the website of Department of Heavy Industry [http://www.dhi.nic.in/].

As per the Gazette Notification of FAME India Scheme, the qualifying criteria to avail demand incentives, inter-alia, mentions about the electric/hybrid vehicles (xEVs) to be manufactured in India.
