HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES DEPARMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1632 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.07.2019

Electric Buses

1632. SHRI BALASHOWRY VALLABHANENI:

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

- (a) whether it is true that the Ministry has invited proposals from the States for electric buses:
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether grant for procuring electric buses by the States is 100 per cent;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons there for;
- (e) the details of proposals received so far from the State Government of Andhra Pradesh in this regard; and
- (f) whether the Government would consider giving priority to the State of Andhra Pradesh in view of the State being in financial crunch due to bifurcation and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES & PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI ARVIND GANPAT SAWANT)

- (a) & (b): Yes Sir, the Department of Heavy Industry, Ministry of Heavy Industries & Pubic Enterprises have issued an Expression of Interest (EoI) on 4th June 2019 inviting proposals from State/UT Government Departments, State/City Transport Undertakings, Municipal Corporations or any other similar Public Entity interested in the deployment of electric buses for public transport in different cities on an Operational Cost Model, for availing incentives under Phase II of FAME India Scheme. A copy of the detailed EoI is available in the Department's website [www.dhi.nic.in].
- (c) & (d): No, Sir. Since electric buses under FAME India Scheme need to be deployed only on Operational cost basis i.e. Rate per kilometer basis, the eligible incentives would be calculated through a uniform bidding mechanism for all the selected Cities/STUs etc. The criteria for calculation of eligible incentive has been explained at Para 9 under heading of "Bidding Mechanism" of the said EoI.
- (e):So far, no proposal from the State Government of Andhra Pradesh has been received in this Department in response to said EoI.
- (f):No, Sir. The selection of proposals received from Cities/STUs against this EoI would be based on a uniform selection criteria, having defined qualifying parameters/ selection parameters/ ranking parameters etc. to be considered by the committee, as per provisions detailed in this EoI.
