GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 930 ANSWERED ON 13.12.2022

PRODUCTION OF VEHICLES WITH FLEXI FUEL ENGINES

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Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES भारी उद्योग मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps being taken/likely to be taken by the Government to increase the production of vehicles with flexi fuel engines in the country;
- (b) the number of industries manufacturing flexi fuel engine driven vehicles at present; and
- (c) whether such vehicles are being imported and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a): The Ministry of Heavy Industries is implementing the Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme for Automobile and Auto Component Industry with a total budgetary outlay of Rs. 25,938/- Crore for a period of 5 years. The scheme incentivizes Electric Vehicles and Advanced Automotive Technology products. The list of Advanced Automotive Technology products include Flex Fuel Engine and its components.

As regards the introduction of the Flexi Fuel vehicles, Society of Indian Automobiles Manufacturers (SIAM) has informed that 2 Wheeler OEM (Original Equipment Manufacturers) will start mass production of one model per manufacturer by Mid 2024 and 4W OEMs to bring one model by 2025.

- (b): Currently, the Indian auto industry is in process of developing Flexi Fuel Vehicles (FFV), meeting BS VI norms.
- (c): As the applicable emission norms in India are BS VI, which is higher than Flexi Fuel Vehicles (FFV), sold in other countries, import of such vehicles are limited to R&D purpose only.
