GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES & PUBLIC ENTERPRISES DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3790 ANSWERED ON 17.03.2020

PROMOTION OF EVS

3790. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES भारी उदयोग एवं लोक उदयम मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) the measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to promote the manufacturing and use of electric vehicles;

(b) whether any time limit has been fixed or is proposed to be fixed by the Government for converting all the vehicles into electric vehicles and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of vehicles in the Government offices proposed to be converted into electric vehicles during the last three years along with the number of electric vehicles proposed to be used in such offices during that period?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES & PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

(a): Government approved Phase-I of FAME India Scheme in March, 2015 for a period of 2 years w.e.f 1stApril,2015 to promote adoption of Electrical Vehicles (EVs) with an aim to reduce dependency on fossil fuel and to address issues of vehicular emissions. The Phase-I of the Scheme was extended from time to time and the last extension was allowed till 31stMarch,2019.

Based on outcome and experience gained during the Phase-I of FAME India Scheme and after having consultations with all stakeholders including Industry and Industry Associations, the Government notified Phase-II of FAME India Scheme on 8thMarch,2019, which is for a period of three years commencing from 1stApril,2019 with a total budgetary support of Rs. 10,000 crore. This phase will mainly focus on supporting electrification of public & shared transportation, and aims to support through incentives about 7000 e-Buses, 5 lakh e-3 Wheelers, 55000 e-4 Wheeler Passenger Cars and 10 lakh e-2 Wheelers. In addition, creation of charging infrastructure will also be supported under the Scheme.

(b) & (c): No, Sir. No such proposal is under consideration in Department of Heavy Industry for converting all the vehicles into electric vehicles. Further, as per the information received from Energy Efficiency Services Limited (EESL) under the Ministry of Power, EESL has deployed 1514 nos. of electric cars across all offices so far.