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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3726 TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.08.2016

Production of Automobile Industry

3726. SHRI VENKATESH BABU T.G.:

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

- (a) whether truck and bus industry in the country is still battling its worst slow down in a decade;
- (b) if so, the details along with the actual production, sales, targets, revenue, profit/loss from the industry during each of the last three years;
- (c) whether the Government has taken/ proposes to take steps to revive the industry and provide sops in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

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

- (a): No, Madam. The truck and bus industry is in the revival mode as this industry has shown some improvement.
- (b): Automobile Industry was delicensed in July 1991 with the announcement of the New Industrial Policy. The passenger car was however delicensed in 1993. The norms for foreign investment and import of technology have also been progressively liberalized over the years for vehicles manufacturer including passenger cars in order to make this sector globally competitive. Hence such data is not centrally maintained in the Department of Heavy Industry, Government of India.

However, Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers (SIAM) has shared the data available with them about Production and Domestic Sales of Truck & Buses during the last three years, as tabulated below:

Category	Production (In Numbers)			Domestic sales (In Numbers)		
	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Total Buses	86,311	95,950	104,841	81,508	81,653	92,845
Total	612,724	602,348	677,973	551,343	533,295	592,859
Trucks						

(c) to (e): Government whenever needed, interact with the Indian Automobile Industry for the promotion of Auto Sector. Department of Heavy Industry is working on the Automotive Mission Plan 2016-26 to help the industry grow and foster in the next ten years of the plan period.
