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Steps to increase electric cars in the country

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

- (a) whether the Ministry has initiated steps to increase the number of electric cars in the country;
- (b) if so, what are the incentives the Ministry proposes to increase the usage of such cars; and
- (c) whether it will reduce import of crude oil and if so, what is the estimate in this regard?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): To promote electric mobility in the country, including electric cars, the Department of Heavy Industry, Ministry of Heavy Industries & Public Enterprises has launched a scheme namely FAME-India [Faster Adoption and Manufacturing of (Hybrid &) Electric Vehicles in India] commencing from 1st April 2015, which aims to support the hybrid / electric vehicles market development and its manufacturing eco-system to achieve self-sustenance.

Under this scheme, market creation through demand incentive is aimed at incentivizing all vehicle segments i.e. 2-Wheeler, 3-Wheeler Auto, 4-Wheeler Vehicles, Light Commercial Vehicles and Buses. The demand incentive is available for buyers (end users/consumers) in the form of an upfront reduced purchase price to enable wider adoption.

The detailed demand incentives allowed under the scheme for purchase of electric/hybrid vehicles, including electric cars, is given at ANNEXURE 13 of the Gazette Notification of FAME India Scheme, which is available in the website of Department of Heavy Industry (www.dhi.nic.in).

(c): The Department of Heavy Industry, Ministry of Heavy Industries & Public Enterprises has not conducted any study to assess impact on the reduction of import of crude oil due to increase of electric cars in the country.
