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RAJYA SABHA
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Redrafting of e-vehicles policy

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that battery swapping policy proposed for successful rollout of electric vehicles is unviable;
- (b) whether Government is considering to redraft the e-vehicle policy;
- (c) whether Government is considering to involve every one in the apex panel proposal for drafting of e-vehicle policy and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a): Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers (SIAM) has informed that battery swapping would be more relevant for vehicles built purposely for commercial use only viz., buses and 3-wheelers, which travel longer distance per day as compared to a personal vehicle. They have also informed that globally, there have been experiments on swapping model, but a feasible operating and business model is yet to emerge at a large scale.

(b) to (d): The notification of the continuing Phase-I of FAME Scheme [Faster Adoption and Manufacturing of (Hybrid &) Electric Vehicles in India] provides that the scheme shall be reviewed appropriately with inputs from stakeholders and based on the outcome & experience gained in Phase-1, for implementation beyond Phase-1 with appropriate allocation of funds in the future.

Accordingly, NITI Aayog has initiated the process for developing a strategy to scale up transformative mobility for uptake of zero emission vehicles and ancillary technologies.
