

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

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1671
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.03.2013

Stimulus package for revival of automobile sector

1671. SHRI NAND KUMAR SAI:

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

- (a) whether Government proposes to provide some stimulus package to automobile sector;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has received any suggestions from various stake holders including Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers (SIAM) for revival of automobile sector;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the details of action taken by Government thereon;
- (e) whether the Ministry has taken up the matter with the Ministry of Finance; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof along with the details of reaction of the Ministry of Finance thereto?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES
(SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a): No Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c) to (f): The government, in consultation with all stakeholders, including SIAM, takes measures for comprehensive and continued development of the auto sector. In this regard, the Auto Mission Plan 2006-16 has been prepared by the government after extensive consultations with all stakeholders, including the industry. The Mission Plan is the cornerstone of the government policy for the sector. Further, initiatives have been taken in various other areas in order to strengthen the sector in the country; such as setting up of Auto Sector Skill Development Council (ASDC), support to R&D projects through automotive cess funding, starting a Rs. 2288 crore project, namely National Automotive R&D Infrastructure Project (NATRIIP) for setting up of world class infrastructure for homologation and testing, setting up of the National Automotive Board (NAB) as a repository of auto R&D expertise and an apex coordinating body to address the need of collaborative R&D and for synergizing the activities of NATRIIP centres; ensuring future fuel security along with mitigation of fuel-emission impact on environment through the newly approved National Electric Mobility Mission Plan 2020. The Department reviews the implementation of all the above initiatives regularly and gives suggestions on policy formulation and implementation to the concerned stakeholders, including Ministry of Finance and Planning Commission for adequate allocation of funds in the budget each year.
