GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2672 ANSWERED ON 25.03.2022

MANUFACTURE OF LITHIUM BATTERIES

2672. Ms. INDU BALA GOSWAMI:

Will the Minister of *Heavy Industries* be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has allowed the States to formulate their own policy for promotion of electric vehicles;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government is formulating any scheme for manufacturing of Lithium batteries in the country which is essential for electric vehicles; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEAVY INDUSTRIES (SHRI KRISHAN PAL GURJAR)

(a) & (b): Yes Sir, Seventeen states (Andhra Pradesh, Delhi, Karnataka, Kerala, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Odisha, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Meghalaya, Gujarat, Assam, Goa, Rajasthan, West Bengal and Uttarakhand) have approved/notified/ formulated dedicated EV policies for promotion of electric vehicles. The state policies work in tandem to supplement the steps taken by the Government for faster adoption of EVs.

(c) & (d): The Government on 12^{th} May, 2021 approved PLI Scheme for manufacturing of Advanced Chemistry Cell (ACC) in the country with a budgetary outlay of Rs. 18,100 crore. The scheme envisages to establish a competitive ACC battery manufacturing set up in the country for 50 GWh. Additionally, 5GWh of niche ACC technologies is also covered under the Scheme. The program is technology agnostic in nature and currently, the chemistries are based on Lithium- Cell.
