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

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 979 TO BE ANSWERED ON. 26.07.2018

Safety standard of automobile vehicles

979. SHRI M. P. VEERENDRA KUMAR:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that most of the automobile vehicles being used in the country are not as per the standards with regard to safety;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the corrective steps taken thereon;
- (c) whether Government has fixed any responsibility in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): Ministry of Road Transport and Highways have informed that the Government has introduced several safety standards for new vehicles vide notification no. S.O. 1139 (E) dated 28.04.2015 and S.O. 2412 (E) dated 03.09.2015.

The Government has formulated various safety standards which are contained in the Automotive Industry Standards (AIS) under the Central Motors Vehicles Rules, 1989 [CMVR]. There is provision under rule 126 of Central Motor Vehicle Rules, 1989 that every manufacturer of motor vehicles other than trailers and semi-trailers requires to submit the prototype of the vehicle to be manufactured by him for test by any of the agencies specified therein for granting a certificate to the compliance of provisions of Central Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 and Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989.

Rule 126A of CMVR, 1989 further mandates the recognized test agencies, to also conduct test on vehicles drawn from the production line of the manufacturer to verify whether these vehicles conform to the provisions of Rules under Section 110 of the Motor Vehicle Act, 1988.

Enforcement of provisions of CMV Act and CMV Rules come under the purview of the State Governments / Union Territories.
