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

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3064 TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.03.2018

High cost of electric vehicles

3064. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI:

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

- (a) whether high cost of pure electric vehicles is a hurdle in its popularization and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether Government has formally launched the FAME India scheme incentivising electric and hybrid vehicles and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the Ministry has requested the Ministry of Finance to extend the 200 per cent incentives for research and development, especially for the automobile sector and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): National Electric Mobility Mission Plan 2020 (NEMMP-2020) had flagged high cost of pure electric vehicles as one of the possible inhibiting factors. Accordingly, demand incentives for electric and hybrid vehicles were included in the FAME India scheme as per ANNEXUTE 13 of the scheme's Gazette Notification dated 13th march 2015 (S.O. No. 830(E)) and as amended from time to time, which are available at Department of Heavy Industry's website (www.dhi.nic.in).

(c): No, Sir.
