GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES & PUBLIC ENTERPRISES RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 71 ANSWERED ON 03.02.2020

RECESSION IN AUTOMOBILE INDUSTRY

71. SHRI C.M. RAMESH:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that automobile sector is facing recession in the country and as a result many car manufacturing units have been closed down, if so, the details thereof, State-wise and company-wise for the last two years; and
- (b) whether Government proposes to constitute any high level committee to look into the matter in a timebound manner in order to boost the automobile sector, if so, the details thereof and if not, reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES & PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

- (a): There are cyclical slowdowns in many economies. 17.1 million vehicles (all categories) were sold during April December, 2019 as against 20.3 million vehicles sold during the same period in 2018. However, no specific information regarding closed Car manufacturing units is available with the Government.
- (b): Though no specific committee has been constituted, the Government, as a policymaker, always attempts to keep and improve momentum of the economy through a package of measure for comprehensive and continued development of the auto sector as and when required.
