

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA**

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TYRE MANUFACTURING COMPANIES
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a)the present number of public and private sector units producing tyres in the country;
- (b)the number of units set up with the foreign assistance;
- (c)whether the Government have any agency to check quality of the tyre and tubes; and
- (d)if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY DR.RAMAN SINGH

a &b)The total number of units producing tyres in the country are 32 of which only one unit, i.e., Tyre Corporation of India Limited is in Public Sector. Two tyre companies in India, viz., Goodyear and Bridgestone are MNCs in the tyre industry having worldwide operations. Some tyre companies such as Apollo, JK, Modi, Birla, etc., have technical collaboration with transnational tyres companies.

(c&d) Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) has specified standard for tyres and tubes. In addition, Indian Rubber Manufacturers Research Association (IRMRA), set up with the assistance from Govt. of India, offers services for testing and quality standard, which can be availed of by interested tyre companies.