

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES  
LOK SABHA**

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CAR FOR HANDICAPPED PERSONS  
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**Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether car with special gadgets for handicapped persons are not available in the country;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps propose to be taken by the Government to help these handicapped persons?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (DR. VALLABHBHAI KATHIRIA)

(a) to (c): As per Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers (SIAM) cars with special gadgets for handicapped persons are not normally available in the country for off-the-shelf sale. However, in special cases car manufacturers have been fabricating such cars against specific orders and supplying vehicles fitted with imported kits. The main reasons for non-availability of vehicles off-the-shelf are low demand and wide variation in types of kit depending on different disability.