

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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SMART CARDS FOR DRIVING LICENCES AND REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES

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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has taken any decision at the Transport Development Council meeting of all States to introduce smart cards in a uniform format for driving licences and registration of vehicles across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether all the States have agreed to the proposal; and
- (d) if so, the time by which the smart cards are likely to be introduced/issued.

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS(SHRI MAHADEO SINGH KHANDELA)

(a) & (b): Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989 provides for issuance of smart-card based driving licences and registration certificates of vehicles, based on a standardized software which was developed and made available by Central Government to all the States/UTs. As per Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989, the States have been empowered to prescribe the date from which such smart-card based driving licences and registration certificates shall be issued.

(c) & (d): As per the information available with this Ministry, 14 States/UTs namely Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Chandigarh, Delhi, Gujarat, Jammu & Kashmir, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Manipur, Nagaland and Orissa have started issuing Smart Card based registration certificate/driving licence. In the meeting of Transport Development Council held on 5-02-2010 all the States/UTs were requested to implement the scheme as early as possible.