

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES
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AUTO COMPONENT INDUSTRY
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Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Deptt. of Heavy Industry has asked the Finance Ministry to create a Rs. 1,000 crore corpus to fund technology upgradation of the auto component industry to make it globally competitive; and

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the response received so far?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI A. SAI PRATHAP)

(a) & (b): The Department of Heavy Industry, in its pre-budget recommendations to Ministry of Finance, had recommended for creation of a Auto Component Technology Development Fund (ATDF) with a corpus of Rs. 1000 crore, to help auto component companies access finance at reduced rates of interest for their modernization/up gradation/technology acquisition thereby helping this sector to become more competitive. However, in the budget for 2011-12, no fund for this purpose has been provided.