

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

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

- (a) the total sales of cars (both domestic and international) made during the last three years, including the current years;
- (b) whether high inflation rates, zooming rates of petrol and diesel have greatly affected the demand for cars;
- (c) if so, whether the Government has taken any steps to recover the market trend and to restore its demand in the coming months;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a): As per the information received from the Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers (SIAM), the sale of cars during the last three years and current year are as under:-

(In number)

Category 2008-09 2009-10 2010-11 2011-12 (Apr-Jan)

Domestic sales 12,20,475 15,28,337 19,82,702 15,74,847
Exports 3,31,535 4,41,709 4,38,214 4,15,965

(b): The sale of cars has been showing growth over the last few years. However, in recent months, it is showing a decline. Factors like rising interest rates and hike in fuel prices among other factors, are affecting the growth of this sector.

(c) to (e): Various steps have been taken in pursuance of the Automotive Mission Plan (2006-16) and the new Foreign Trade Policy provides additional incentives which will expectedly boost the sale and export of cars in the country.