

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES
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PRODUCTION OF CARS
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Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) the current production of cars in the country for the last three years and the current year, year-wise;
- (b) the details of new tie-ups with regard to the same in the next three to five years;
- (c) whether road infrastructure as well as non-availability of Steel etc. in the country does not permit production of more cars; and
- (d) if so, the remedial steps the Government proposes to take in this regard?

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 details of production 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)
Passenger Cars	15,16,967	19,26,484	24,53,113	20,03,954

(b): According to SIAM, many companies are entering the market with plans to expand their operations and invest over a period of next three to five years.

(c) & (d): The road infrastructure is improving fast in our country. India has a large network of roads comprising National Highways & Expressways, State Highways, District and other roads. Despite such road network, the vehicle density is estimated to be around 3.2 motor vehicles per km, which is comparatively very low. However, there is continued emphasis on the improvement of road infrastructure in the country.