

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

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SLOWDOWN IN AUTOMOBILE SECTOR  
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**Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether sale of cars and commercial vehicles crashed to lowest in a decade;
- (b) if so, the details thereof for the last three years and the estimated job loss and the shortfall of revenue to the industry/Government as a result thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has proposed any sops to the industry and to improve the turnover/profits of the industry;
- (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)& (b): No, Madam. The sale of Passenger vehicles has increased in the last three years. The sale of Commercial vehicles has slightly decreased in 2012-13 corresponding to previous year. The sale of Passenger vehicle and Commercial vehicle decreased by 7.49% and 9.91% respectively in April, 2013 to July, 2013. The detail of sale of Passenger vehicles and Commercial vehicles are as follows-

Automobile Domestic Sales Trends				
Category	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	April-July (2013-14)
	% change			
Passenger vehicle	2,501,542	2,629,839	2,686,429	7,93,708
	(-7.49%)			
Commercial vehicle	684,905	809,499	793,150	2,33,634
	(9.91%)			

(c) to (e): The Government, in consultation with all stakeholders, including the industry, takes measures for comprehensive and continued development of the auto sector. In this regard, the Auto Mission Plan 2006-16 had been prepared by the government after extensive consultations with all stakeholders, including the industry. The Mission Plan is the cornerstone of the government policy for the sector. Further, initiatives have been taken in various other areas in order to strengthen the sector in the country, such as setting up of Auto Sector Skill Development Council (ASDC), support to R&D projects through automotive cess funding, starting a Rs. 2288 crore project, namely National Automotive R&D Infrastructure Project (NATRiP) for setting up of world class infrastructure for homologation and testing, setting up of the National Automotive Board (NAB) as a repository of auto R&D expertise and an apex coordinating body to address the need of collaborative R&D and for synergizing the activities of NATRiP centres; ensuring future fuel security along with mitigation of fuel-emission impact on environment through the newly approved National Electric Mobility Mission Plan 2020. The Department reviews the implementation of all the above initiatives regularly and gives suggestions on policy formulation and implementation to the concerned stakeholders, including Ministry of Finance and Planning Commission for adequate allocation of funds in the budget each year. The Government has also decided to purchase 10,000 buses under the JNNURM-II scheme