GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PLANNING LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1747 ANSWERED ON:26.07.2017 Electric Vehicles

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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has shifted the electric vehicles programme from the Department of Heavy Industries to NITI Aayog and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether the Government has fixed any target to move towards an all-electric fleet by 2030 and if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken/being taken by the Government to achieve the said target;
- (c) whether the Government has decided to set up fast charging stations for electric vehicles across the country and if so, the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to reduce the cost of electric vehicles and also extend incentives to consumers with a view to promote the use of electric vehicles in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF HOUSING & URBAN AFFAIRS (RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

- (a) No, Madam. Committee of Secretaries headed by Cabinet Secretary in its meeting held on 8th June 2017 has recommended that NITI Aayog may be designated as the nodal agency for promotion of Electric Vehicles/Clean Mobility solutions. Existing National Electric Mobility Mission Plan may be considered for relocating in NITI Aayog from DHI, who may restructure it as per requirement. An Apex Monitoring Committee may be set up under Cabinet Secretary for coordination across various Ministries/Departments and to review progress from time to time. NITI Aayog may work out a detailed strategy for promotion of Electric Vehicles/Clean Mobility solutions and bring up a comprehensive Note for consideration of Cabinet covering promised strategies/interventions along with specific milestones and timelines, in consultation with all concerned stakeholders.
- (b) No, Madam.
- (c) Charging infrastructure in selected cities/locations are being sanctioned under the component Pilot Projects of the FAME Scheme of Department of Heavy Industry.
- (d) Under the (Faster Adoption and Manufacturing of Hybrid & Electric Vehicles in India (FAME) scheme market creation through demand incentives is aimed at incentivising all vehicle segments 2 Wheelers, 3-Wheeler Auto, Passenger 4-Wheeler Vehicles, Light Commercial vehicles and Buses. The demand incentive is available to buyers in the form of an upfront reduced purchase price to enable wider adoption depending on type of vehicles / type of technology to the purchaser of electric / hybrid vehicles. The detailed demand incentives are available in the Department of Heavy Industry Website. The Government is also working for transfer of Li-lon Battery Technology developed by ISRO under Department of Space for the development of batteries to be used in Electric Vehicles.
