

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

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PRODUCTION OF COMMERCIAL VEHICLES
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Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps to boost the production of commercial vehicles in the country;
- (b) if so, the production of each type of commercial automobiles including two wheelers and four wheelers alongwith cost during the last three years;
- (c) the growth recorded in this sector during the said period; and the employment generated in the automobiles sector as a result thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SMT. KANTI SINGH)

(a) Yes Sir. The rationalization of fiscal structure by the Government, emphasis on improvement of infrastructure including roads and highways and easy availability of finance have led to the remarkable growth of the automotive industry including Commercial Vehicles in the country during the past few years.

(b) & (c): As per information received from Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers (SIAM), the production of all types of commercial vehicles including those of two wheelers and four wheelers during the last three years alongwith their percentage growth recorded during the said period are as under:-

Production (in nos)

Category 2002-03 2003-04 2004-05

Passenger Car	557410	782562	960505
Multi Utility Vehicle	165920	206998	249149
Commercial Vehicles	203697	275040	350033
Two Wheelers	5076221	5622741	6526547
Three Wheelers	276719	356223	374414
Total	6279967	7243564	8460648
Percentage Growth	18.60	15.34	16.80

SIAM has reported that the value of sales including export of all kinds of vehicles during 2002-03 was of Rs.7347134 lakh, during 2003-04 of Rs.9366806 lakh and during 2004-05 of Rs.11213427 lakh.

(d) It is estimated that the automobile industry employs 4.5 lakh people directly and about one crore people indirectly.