





Government of India launches portal for Scheme to Promote Manufacturing of Electric Passenger Cars in India (SPMEPCI)

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The Ministry of Heavy Industries (MHI) has launched the application portal for the Scheme to Promote Manufacturing of Electric Passenger Cars in India (SPMEPCI), with the objective of positioning India as a global hub for electric vehicle (EV) manufacturing. The scheme aims to attract global EV manufacturers, promote domestic value addition, and support India's commitment to clean and sustainable mobility. The initiative aligns with the national missions of 'Make in India', 'Aatmanirbhar Bharat', and the Net Zero target by 2070.

Key aspects for consideration:

- Scheme notification: The scheme was notified on 15 March 2024; detailed guidelines were issued via Notification No. S.O. 2450(E) dated 2 June 2025, which can be accessed on the SPMEPCI portal.
- Application: The application portal opened for applications on 24 June 2025 at 10.30 am and will remain open until 6 pm on 21 October 2025.
- Eligibility:
 - Applicants must meet the criteria prescribed under the scheme guidelines.
 - Applications must be submitted online through the portal https://spmepci.heavyindustries.gov.in.
 - A hard copy of the application, with annexures, must also be submitted to MHI, Room No. 218, Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi –
 110001, by the last date of submission.

Incentives and conditions:

- Approved applicants will be permitted to import completely built units (CBUs) of electric 4-wheelers with a minimum CIF value of USD 35,000 at a concessional customs duty rate of 15%, for a period of five years.
- A minimum investment of INR 4,150 crore is required to avail benefits under the scheme.
- Approved applicants must meet phased domestic value addition (DVA) milestones to continue availing benefits.

The scheme provides a balanced framework to introduce advanced EV technologies into India while nurturing indigenous manufacturing capabilities. It is expected to catalyse long-term investment, generate employment, and advance India's leadership in the global EV ecosystem.

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