GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3552

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ACCESS OF USER DATA AT CHARGING STATION

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Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that charging station can access the user data of an electronic vehicle, such as charging behaviour, etc. and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that such data can be utilised to determine a driver's office-work hours, location, battery life, etc. and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the Government plan for protecting the driver and electronic vehicle's data; and
- (d) the implications of any data breach that might occur in such cases?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR)

- (a): For taking the services of an Electric Vehicle Charging Station, the consumer has to share details like profile of vehicle owner (Name and Mobile number), Category of vehicle, model, registration number etc. for the first time. Hence, individual Charging stations have access to user data to identify, authorise, initiate and end a charging session.
- (b): The details of how the data collected while using EV charging stations is utilized are currently not available. However, this data can be used as per the specific requirements and needs.
- (c) and (d): The data collected while using EV charging stations will be governed by laws and policies related to privacy, data protection, and cybersecurity.
