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Shri Narendrabhai Modi, Honourable Prime Minister of India, South Block, Raisina Hill, New Delhi-110001	Shri Nitin Gadkari, Hon. Minister of Road Transport Highway & Shipping, Transport Bhawan - 1, Sansad Marg, New Delhi - 110 001	Shri Vallababhai G. Kakadiya, Minister of transportation (Independent Charge), 3 rd Floor, Swarnim Sankul - 2, New Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar
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**Sub: Request to resolve some issues related to successful introduction
and operation of E-Rickshaw**

Dear Sir,

We, The Gandhidham Chamber of Commerce & Industry is a pioneer organisation of Kandla - Gandhidham complex in Kachchh-Gujarat since 1953 with the main objective to serve as a bridge between local trade and industry fraternity and State / Central Govt. for the resolution of problems and also to endeavour for the welfare of citizens and township in public interest.

We appreciate and fully back the Government's efforts under your able leadership to make way for electric power trains and engines running on alternative fuels such as ethanol and bio-fuels.

E-Vehicles are having tremendous scope in the country like India where increased pollution is a burning problem and threat to new generation. After introduction of two wheeler e-bike, now there is scope for the usage of e-rickshaw within the limit of city & town where this mode of transportation can turn as a boon to the general public at large. However, there are teething problems at initial and introductory stage of e-rickshaw which certainly deserve its resolution to make this more successful.

We submit the following issues related to e-rickshaw for your immediate attention and resolution.

- 1) E-Rickshaw cost's Rs.1 lacto Rs.1.25 laes and common men cannot affords total amount at one go. Hence, he has to look for loan and external finance option. At present banks are reluctant to finance for e-rickshaw. Therefore, Government should direct, insist and encourage banking sector to extend loan and finance facility for e-rickshaw.

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- 2) At present, TAXI-BADGE is issued for e-rickshaw drivers by RTO. E-Rickshaw is having speed limit of 30-35 kms and generally being operated within city / town limit. Therefore, the requirement of TAXI-BADGE should be exempted for e-rickshaw drivers.
- 3) E-Rickshaw has huge scope and potential under "NARI -SHAKTI" project of our Honourable Prime Minister. Females can also drive e-rickshaw and earn bread-butter by catering services to school going children in small-big cities and towns. This will be pollution - free alternative to our conventional rickshaws. This can become feasible only if exemption and relaxation are offered in terms of "TAXI-BADGE".

Sir, we are sure if above issues are resolved favourably, e-rickshaw can change the whole scenario and this will be first and right step towards creating our cities and towns pollution free.

Hope, to receive immediate, favourable due consideration in this regard.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

B.B.H. →
Babaubhai B. Humble

President

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