

Electric vehicle safety cairo

Cairo – October 24, 2023: Egypt was ranked 28th in a global e-mobility index regarding how prepared the country is to transition to electric vehicles (EVs), and was categorized as a starter market after scoring 32 points out of 100.

“Despite the relatively low presence of EVs, the [Egyptian] government has been expressing strong ambitions to push for the promotion of EVs. A key reason for this ambition is the government’s commitment to achieving its sustainable development goals, which are elaborated in Egypt Vision 2030,” explained the report.

According to the report, a starter market is one with a strong potential for new start-up-style entrants and early infrastructure development in a “blue ocean environment.” It also noted that many of these markets would have some progress in establishing local EV manufacturers and an EV ecosystem.

The report highlighted Egypt’s accelerated developments and initiatives towards enhancing its e-mobility ecosystem, with the country ranking the highest in its government regulation category.

The report underscored the government’s ban on traditional petrol and diesel cars by 2040, noting that it represents a positive outlook for the e-mobility market. The ban is within the country’s Vision 2030 strategy which targets a 10 percent reduction of greenhouse emissions from the energy sector, including oil and gas, by 2030.

A new regulatory authority responsible for setting up a new policy for the local automotive industry was established in July. The Supreme Council for Vehicle Manufacturing was created as part of the government’s efforts to improve local production.

In October, Mohamed Maait, Egypt’s Minister of Finance, specified that the government would bear 35 percent of costs for EV production per vehicle to support local manufacturers. Egypt aims to increase its green investments to 50 percent of the country’s total investments by FY2024/2025, he added.

A delegation from the Engineers Syndicate participated in the inauguration ceremony and launch of electric cars in Egypt and presented ten pieces of information regarding the new car type.

The delegation stated that electric vehicles are environmentally-friendly, their batteries are upgradeable, therefore lowering the cost, and they reduce toxic emissions, compared to petrol and diesel cars. The electric vehicle also reduces fuel consumption by 75%, compared to diesel and petrol, so the cost of driving 10km in an electric car equates to only one pound.

The delegation also announced the inauguration of 28 training centres for electric vehicle maintenance, saving on annual car maintenance costs, and that the number of electric cars in the world will reach 10 million by 2025. By then, they will have reduced charging time of its batteries.

Assistant treasurer of the Engineer Syndicate, Eng. Ahmed Hashish, stated that the electric car industry has a promising future in Egypt, especially as it is an environmentally-friendly industry, adding, "this type of car will become the most used in Egypt upon the development of the electric car battery industry and reduction of charging time and cost of manufacture".

Eng. Hashish, on behalf of the head of the Engineers Syndicate Hani Dahi, also stated that the Syndicate supports advanced technology that is beneficial to the Egyptian community, and reflected on how electric vehicle manufacture in Egypt started with a dream.

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