## PRICE CAP ON CERTAIN CATEGORIES LIKELY

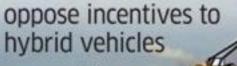
## Hybrids Face UPhill Drive to Sops Jn

## **Charging Points**

UP had announced waiver of registration charges on hybrids until 2025 wef July 1

**1.3%** in June vs **2.2%** for EVs

Pure electric carmakers



Waiver estimated to have produced benefits of ₹1.5-3 lakh depending on the model

Only FAME II-certified vehicles to benefit from state scheme

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New Delhi: Carmakers selling hybrid vehicles in Uttar Pradesh may not be able to immediately take advantage of benefits under a promotional scheme that was announced July 5. The state transport authority has informed manufacturers in a July 9 letter that the benefits under the state scheme would apply to vehicles certified under the central govern-

ment's flagship Faster Adoption and Manufacturing of Electric Vehicles (FAME II) incentive programme.

ET has seen the letter. Senior industry executives said the state is considering linking incentives on hybrid and electric vehicles (EVs) to guidelines outlined in FAME II. Some car makers had raised objections to the incentives for hybrids announced by Uttar Pradesh as they feel any state policies not aligned with those of the Centre will be ad hoc and create confusion.

"The state transport authority is unlikely to give a blanket exemption and is considering specifying a price cap incentivising only certain categories of strong hybrids," a person aware of the discussions told ET. "The eligibility criteria for these vehicles and the guidelines for implementation are likely to be linked to FAME II."

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