
Motorhomes to drive ecotourism experience to next level

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Lucknow: Visitors facing difficulties in securing lodging at tiger reserves, wildlife sanctuaries or other ecotourism locations in the state might soon have access to motorhome facilities.

The concept was introduced on Tuesday during a conference hosted by UP Forest Corporation (UPFC), with representatives from the tourism department and private



The motorhome which was introduced on Tuesday

sector in attendance.

Inspired by international practices, motorhomes will help people find a stay in eco-

tourism areas when the existing accommodations are unavailable due to whatever reasons.

One such specimen has been readied by the corporation.

"Motorhome is the size of an ordinary bus. It is equipped with an AC, small kitchen, storage, washroom and bed, and has a provision for TV and refrigerator," said UPFC MD Kartik Kumar Singh.

He said the fare may be slightly higher than an AC room in the rest houses available at such places.

"We have got a lot of sponsors for this one van. We will also plan where and how people can book it, before the next ecotourism season starts in Nov," said the official.

He said the motorhomes would be stationed within protected zones, alongside existing accommodation facilities, and not allowed to ventu-

re into forest and wildlife territories.

People can keep their belongings safely locked in before going on a tour, and come back to their motor homes, which will be safe and secured.

These units could prove beneficial at ecotourism locations where permanent structures cannot be built, potentially supporting the development of new camping destinations, the official added.
