

Mahindra Scorpio N Pickup Spied In Manali Single and Double Cab, Launch 2025?

NEW DELHI, FEB 10: After it was unveiled as a concept in 2023, Mahindra Scorpio N pickup has now been spotted on road tests in India. It will be a truly global product, with availability across multiple overseas locations such as South Africa, Australia, New Zealand and GCC countries. Launch in India is expected later this year, in 2025. Latest spy shots are credited to Vashu Singh, who managed to capture the test mules in Manali. As compared to the concept version unveiled in Cape Town, South Africa, the test mule comes with multiple changes. They appear to be relevant in terms of practical needs, although some of the visual USPs have been sacrificed. For example, the roll bar at rear is a lot taller in comparison to the one seen with the concept. While the roll bar matched the height of the concept, the one on the test mule towers above the cabin. It kind of spoils the pickup's sporty looks and renders the profile of a commercial vehicle instead.

In other changes, LED lights at rear have been replaced with halogen units. The positioning and shape of the fuel filler cap has been changed. The tail-



gate has been revised in favour of a more sober look and feel. Positioning of the tailgate handle has been pushed to the middle section. Alloy wheels are different from the quirky ones used with the concept. The test mule experiences significant bounce when negoti-

ating uneven surfaces such as speed breakers. It indicates that the Scorpio N pickup could get a leaf spring suspension setup. Scorpio N pickup will be available in single-cab as well as a double-cab format – both have been spied in Manali.

In terms of performance, the pickup is likely to borrow the 2.2-litre diesel engine from Scorpio N SUV. It will have 4x4 option. A petrol engine could also be on offer. It will reduce the starting price and make it easier and cheaper to comply with stricter emissions norms that may be enforced in the future.

The high ground clearance seen with the concept appears largely the same with the test mule. It will allow Scorpio N pickup to easily tackle a wide variety of challenging terrain. It will be aided by pre-programmed and customizable ride modes. A comprehensive range of advanced tech features are expected such as fast and efficient remote functions via 5G connectivity. ADAS features are also expected to be available with Scorpio N pickup.

As demand for lifestyle utility vehicles is relatively low in India, a significant percentage of Scorpio N pickup manufactured in India will be sent to export markets. Demand in India is expected to increase in a phased manner. Here, Scorpio N pickup will take on rivals such as Toyota Hilux and Isuzu V-Cross.

Kia Carens Facelift To Get Big Revisions Inside & Out All Known

NEW DELHI, FEB 10: The Kia Carens is preparing for a mid-life refresh, as camouflaged test prototypes have already been seen undergoing trials. While the Carens nameplate has been in use worldwide for more than 20 years, its entry into the Indian market happened only a few years ago. Despite being a relatively new contender, it quickly gained traction in the midsize MPV segment and has become a strong performer for the brand. Recently, it also underwent a variant lineup revision.

The updated Kia Carens is set to arrive in India in the latter half of 2025, featuring revised styling and improved features. Alongside this, Kia is also developing an electric recreational vehicle which could make its debut either by the end of this year or sometime in



2026. Based on the spy shots, the facelifted model appears to follow an evolutionary design strategy rather than a drastic overhaul and it will be sold alongside the existing Carens probably as a more premium offering. The new Kia Carens is set to sport a refreshed look,

highlighted by a redesigned LED headlamp cluster seamlessly connected through a sleek LED light bar. The front fascia will also feature an updated grille with new inserts, complementing the revised front and rear bumpers for a better road presence.

Mahindra Sales Breakup Jan 2025 Scorpio, Bolero, Thar, Roxx, XUV700

MUMBAI, FEB 10: Mahindra sales ended on a high note in Jan 2025. The company posted an 18% YoY and 22% MoM growth with 50,659 units in Jan 2025. We list out a model-wise breakup of its sales performance. Mahindra total passenger vehicle sales in Jan 2025 stood at 50,659 units. This was an 18% YoY growth from 43,068 unit sales of Jan 2024. MoM sales performance also ended on a positive note with a 22% improvement from 41,424 unit sales of Dec 2024. Mahindra Scorpio (Classic + N) once again topped the sales list last month that too by a significant margin over the No. 2 best-seller which was the Bolero. Scorpio/N sales improved to 15,442 units in Jan 2025, up 8% YoY from 14,293 unit sales of Jan 2024. MoM sales showed off even stronger growth by 27% when compared to 12,195 units sold in Dec 2024. Bolero sales saw YoY decline but a MoM improvement to 8,682 units in



the past month, down by 13% but a growth of 47% respectively. Sales had been at 9,964 units in Jan 2024. Dec 2024 sales had dipped to 5,921 units. There was a hefty demand for Mahindra XUV700 in Jan 2025. This mid-size SUV has seen its sales escalate up to 8,399 units, a 17% YoY growth over 7,206 unit sales of Jan 2024. MoM sales also improved by 14% from 7,337 unit sales of

Dec 2024. Both Scorpio and XUV700 lead the mid-size SUV segment. At No. 4 was Mahindra Thar with 7,557 unit sales last month. This related to a 25% YoY growth from 6,059 unit sales of Jan 2024. Sales however fell by 1% on a MoM basis from 7,659 units sold in Dec 2024. More recently, the company increased prices across some variants of the Thar Roxx. There was outstanding

demand for the Mahindra XUV300/3XO in Jan 2025. Sales went up to 8,454 units, up by 79% YoY and 21% on a MoM basis. There were 4,817 units and 7,000 units sold in Jan 2024 and Dec 2024 respectively.

Mahindra XUV400 suffered severe de-growth as sales declined to just 288 units in Jan 2025. This related to a 59% YoY decline over 697 units sold in Jan 2024. MoM sales too fell by double digits of 78% from 1,296 unit sales of Dec 2024. The company's new BEV range, that includes the XEV 9E and BE 6e added 1,837 units to total sales in Jan 2025. These are the units Mahindra dispatched from their plant to their dealers. Both these are electric SUVs that are based on the INGLO architecture and are capable of a 500 km range on single charge. Deliveries are set to start from mid-March 2025 while official bookings open on 14th Feb for all variants.

MG Cyberster English White Colour Spied In Mumbai Ahead Of India Launch

NEW DELHI, FEB 10: The MG Cyberster, the brand's first all-electric roadster, has been spotted testing in Mumbai in its English White color scheme ahead of its India launch. MG Motor India had unveiled the Cyberster at the 2025 Auto Expo, along with the M9 premium electric MPV.

The Cyberster will be sold via MG's Select Premium Showrooms, a network dedicated to its high-end electric models, while the company's other vehicles, including the Comet EV, Astor, Hector, Hector Plus, ZS EV, Gloster, and Windsor EV, will continue to be sold through standard MG dealerships.

The Cyberster features a retro-futuristic design with elements such as scissor doors and an electrically retractable fabric roof, adding to its sporty appeal. It is available in four exterior color options: Dynamic Red, Inca Yellow, Cosmic Silver, and English White. In terms of dimensions, the roadster measures 4,535



mm in length, 1,913 mm in width, and 1,329 mm in height, with a 2,900 mm wheelbase. It rides on 20-inch dual-tone alloy wheels and sports a bold design language, including a honeycomb mesh grille, swept-back LED headlamps, arrow-shaped LED taillamps, a full-width LED light bar, and diffuser-style elements on the rear bumper. Inside, the Cyberster offers a premium black and red-themed cabin, featuring two bucket seats with

six-way electric adjustment, memory function, and ventilation. The dashboard is equipped with a triple-screen setup, including a 7-inch digital instrument cluster, a 10.25-inch touchscreen infotainment system with Android Auto and Apple CarPlay, and a 7-inch touchscreen for AC controls. Additional premium features include an 8-speaker Bose sound system, touch-enabled air conditioning controls, and a multi-spoke flat-bottom steer-

ing wheel with integrated controls. In terms of safety, the Cyberster is loaded with multiple airbags, an electronic stability control system, a tyre pressure monitoring system (TPMS), and Level-2 ADAS (Advanced Driver Assistance Systems). It also includes seat-belt and over-speed warning systems, ensuring a high level of protection for occupants.

Under the hood, the MG Cyberster is powered by dual electric motors, one on each axle, paired with a 77 kWh battery pack that delivers a claimed range of 450 km. The twin-motor setup produces 510 hp and 725 Nm of torque, enabling the Cyberster to accelerate from 0 to 100 km/h in just 3.2 seconds, with a top speed of 180 km/h. Globally, the Cyberster is available in Trophy and GT variants, with the Trophy variant featuring a single-motor setup, while the GT variant comes with dual motors and four driving modes: Comfort, Custom, Sport, and Track.

Gold crosses \$2,930/ounce; Delhi price hits Rs 88,080

MUMBAI, FEB 10: The rupee began the week on a deep losing streak sniffing at the 88-mark, hitting 87.95 in early trade, but managed to recoup the deep cuts to close at 87.475 on Monday, only marginally down from the previous trade.

This is the all-time low that the unit has touched following the US president Donald Trump's announcement of fresh tariffs to the tune of 25% additional duties on steel and aluminum imports into US shores, driving regional currencies lower, while persistent outflows from the domestic equity and debt markets only added to the woes. Both the benchmark indices closed in deep red losing 0.76% each as marketmen were not enthused by the repo rate cut over the weekend but were looking for more liquidity support which the central bank did not offer. This is the fifth month of losses for domestic equities and foreign investors have net sold nearly \$10 billion of local stocks since October. Monday, the rupee weakened to 87.95 against the dollar before closing at 87.4750, down slightly on the day, traders said, adding however, the unit managed to pare most of its losses due to strong central bank intervention, exporters' selling dollars and profit-booking by speculators who were holding long Re-dollar positions, traders said. Last Friday, after announcing the first interest cut in almost five years, the new governor Sanjay Malhotra repeated the official position of the central bank when asked about the rupee pain, saying it does not set a target for the rupee but only prevent excess volatility. The Mint Road has sold more than \$140 billion this fiscal, most of which since October to prop the rupee which has been under tremendous pressure since the first week of that month when it was trading at 84.75. The unit lost more than 3% since Malhotra took charge at the corner of the central bank.

Updated 2025 Maruti Suzuki Celerio Launched at Rs. 5.64 Lakh



MUMBAI, FEB 10: Maruti Suzuki India Limited (MSIL) has introduced the revised version of the Celerio entry-level hatchback in the domestic market. The key addition is the inclusion of six airbags across the range and thus, its prices have also been increased. These prices come into effect right away as the base LXi has witnessed a hike of Rs. 27,500. Previously, the

Celerio had been on sale with dual front airbags as standard and the addition of four more airbags will only help improve its safety standards. In the coming weeks, we do expect the largest car producer in the country to expand the availability of six airbags to more models mainly present in the affordable mass-market segments. Maruti Suzuki already sells the Grand Vitara, recently

launched Dzire and Jimny with six airbags as standard. The 2025 Maruti Suzuki Celerio is priced at Rs. 5.64 lakh for the entry-level trim and it goes all the way up to Rs. 7.37 lakh (ex-showroom) for the range-topping model. The VXi MT's price has gone up by Rs. 16,000 this time around.

Meanwhile, the VXi AMT variant has seen a price hike of Rs. 21,000 to Rs. 6.49 lakh. Moving up the range, the VXi CNG MT's price has also been increased by Rs. 16,000 and it now costs Rs. 6.89 lakh. The price of the ZXi MT as well as the ZXi+ MT has been hiked by Rs. 27,500 and they are currently priced at Rs. 6.39 lakh and Rs. 6.87 lakh respectively. The top-spec ZXi+ AMT is priced at Rs. 7.37 lakh courtesy of the price hike of Rs. 32,500. Less than a couple of months ago, MSIL launched the special edition Celerio with a range of accessories including a body kit valued at Rs. 11,000.

Triumph Speed T4 Priced at Just Rs. 1.99 Lakh, Big Price Drop

NEW DELHI, FEB 10: Triumph Motorcycles India launched the Speed T4 in September 2024 as a cost-effective alternative to the Speed 400, incorporating several modifications. To enhance its appeal, the brand slashed its price by Rs. 18,000 a couple of months ago, bringing the ex-showroom cost down to Rs. 1.99 lakh. The limited-time offer was initially said to be valid until stocks lasted and it appears the discount remains in effect. This price reduction has positioned the Speed T4 at a more distinct price point compared to the Speed 400, making it Rs. 41,000 more affordable. Triumph recently introduced Rs. 12,000 worth of complimentary accessories for the Scrambler 400X as well.

The Triumph Speed T4 comes fitted with a dual-channel ABS system as standard, enhancing braking performance. A USB charging port is included for added



convenience, along with a monoshock rear suspension. As for performance, it retains the 398 cc single-cylinder liquid-cooled engine from the Speed 400 but delivers a slightly lower power output, differentiating it from its sibling. The Triumph Speed T4 is offered in three shades – Pearl Metallic White, Cocktail Wine Red, and

Phantom Black – each adorned with exclusive body graphics. Engineered for spirited performance, it delivers higher torque output between 3,500 rpm and 5,500 rpm. This adjustment enhances rideability in lower and mid-speed ranges, minimising frequent gear shifts and providing a smoother, more engaging riding experience.

Ola Gen 3 Prices Up By Rs. 15,000 In Just A Week Since Launch



NEW DELHI, FEB 10: Reservations for the Gen 3 Ola S1 range officially commenced on January 31 and the deliveries set to begin by mid-next month. The S1X was introduced at Rs. 79,999, Rs. 89,999, and Rs. 99,999 for the 2 kWh, 3 kWh and 4 kWh battery options respectively. The S1X+ with a 4 kWh battery

was priced at Rs. 1,07,999. Meanwhile, the S1 Pro variants came at Rs. 1,14,999 for the 3 kWh version and Rs. 1,34,999 for the 4 kWh option. To lure in customers, Ola Electric noted at the launch that these introductory prices would be increased in just a week. Not all the prices went up though as the Ola S1 X Gen

3 2 kWh remains at Rs. 79,999 while the 3 kWh variant sees an increase of Rs. 4,000 and 4 kWh with a hike of Rs. 5,000. The S1 X+ 4 kWh version's price is up by Rs. 4,000 to Rs. 1,11,999.

The top-end S1 Pro+ continues to carry a price tag of Rs. 1,54,999 for the 4 kWh variant though while the 5.3 kWh version is listed at Rs. 1,69,999 (all prices, ex-showroom). The S1 Pro, on the other hand, witnesses the maximum hike as the 3 kWh variant's price is up by Rs. 15,000 to Rs. 1,29,999 while the 4 kWh model now costs Rs. 1,44,999 with an increase of Rs. 10,000.

Like the S1X and S1X+, the Ola S1 Pro also incorporates a mid-drive motor, chain-driven system, upgraded seating and brake-by-wire technology. Offered in 3 kWh and 4 kWh battery options, it delivers performance figures matching those of the S1X+.

MUMBAI, FEB 10: With US president Donald Trump threatening a 25% flat additional tariffs on steel and aluminum imports into the US (he has not named the target countries though), the safe haven demand for gold saw the spot price on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange shooting past the \$2930-mark earlier in the day Monday. In the domestic market, this price will reflect only tomorrow, though. Yet investors and traders jacked up prices on Monday with the price in Delhi touching Rs 88,080/10g in the evening, while Mumbai trending at Rs 87,990, up from 87,300 on Saturday. Abdul Nazar, director of the All-India Gems & Jewellery Domestic Council (GJC) and the general secretary of the All-Kerala Gold & Silver Merchants Association, told. It can be noted that \$2931 that the yellow metal notched up is the highest price on record, when adjusted for inflation, the all-time high for gold was over



\$3,300 climbed in February 1980, when the gold was hit with a crude price rally and record high inflation.

Colin Shah, the managing director of Kama Jewellery said gold prices have hit fresh highs in the international markets. The key factor pushing the prices upwards is the latest tariff threats by Trump that is boosting the demand for safe-haven assets like gold. Additionally, the US is also likely to impose

new 25% tariffs on all steel and aluminum imports. This latest move is on top of existing metals duties.

The possibility of a likely US-China trade war are also supporting the prices of gold, he added. "Given the uncertainty of trade war and geopolitical tensions, we expect gold prices to touch the \$3000 mark for the international markets and Rs 88,000 in the domestic market respectively," he added.

Sensex, Nifty fall for 4th day amid fresh US tariff concerns, foreign fund outflows

MUMBAI, FEB 10: Stock markets closed with losses for the fourth consecutive day on Monday, with the benchmark Sensex declining by 548 points. Fresh US tariff threats have triggered sales in blue-chip banking, metal and oil shares. The 30-share BSE Sensex dropped 548.39 points or 0.70 per cent to settle at a week's low of 77,311.80. Intra-day, it tanked 753.3 points or 0.96 per cent to 77,106.89. The NSE Nifty declined 178.35 points or 0.76 per cent to 23,381.60, dragged by losses in Trent, Tata Steel and Power Grid. "The US tariff threats continued to impact the market sentiment. Domestic yield is inching higher as investors stay cautious on riskier assets and navigate their investments to safe haven assets like gold," said Vinod Nair, Head of Research, Geojit Financial Services. From the 30-share Sensex pack, Power Grid, Tata Steel, Zomato, Titan, Bajaj Finance, Mahindra & Mahindra, NTPC and Tata Motors were among the major laggards. Kotak Mahindra Bank, Bharti Airtel, HCL Tech, Tech Mahindra, ICICI Bank and Tata Consultancy Services were the gainers. Sensex has dropped 1,272 points or 1.63 per cent while Nifty tanked 357 points or 1.51 per cent on the four-day decline since February 5.

"Indian benchmark indices witnessed a significant decline today following a statement by US President Donald Trump, who announced plans to impose new tariffs on all steel and aluminum imports into the US, along with additional reciprocal tariffs," said Ameya Ranadive Chartered Market Technician, CFTe, Sr Technical Analyst, StoXbox.

In Asian markets, Seoul settled lower while Tokyo, Shanghai and Hong Kong ended in the positive territory. European markets were trading higher. US markets ended lower on Friday.