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Spruced-up jalopies of varying vintages paint the town red at the new Heritage Transport Museum, near Gurgoan

## CENTRAL LANE WHEELS OF TIME

**C**HARIOTS FROM A BYGONE ERA—when the chokka in quad formation was cutting-edge innovation—stand, or hang, still a few hours from the national capital. The new Heritage Transport Museum in Taoru, near Manesar, has a very new-fangled industrial design, which offsets the bullock-cart wheels and phatphats, Piper planes and Buicks. Brainchild of vintage vehicle collector Tarun Thakral, the 90,000 sq ft collection is India's first such project featuring all modes of transport in India, past and recent. With floor upon floor of buses, boats, trains, bikes, horse-drawn carriages and camel carts and palanquins, there's plenty going on, pun intended. We are especially intrigued by the old advertisements, movie posters, photos and postcards featuring pioneers in transportation technology, as well as toy vehicles from the 1920s to the 1970s. There is even a vintage petrol pump set-up from the last century. Other facilities on the premises include a restaurant, a movie theatre (we hope they screen *Chitty Bang Bang*) and a library. Opening this month for a ticket price of ₹300 for adults, ₹150 for children.