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In a price sensitive market like India where customers rather than asking about features ask "kitna deti hai"™, have very few options that live up to their expectations. Especially after hike in fuel prices, car makers are trying to come up with frugal options that can make up for the spiralling fuel prices. To attain the maximum mileage, car makers pay more attention at lesser size and body weight of a car along with innovative engine technology. Let us have a look at cars that proffer an excellent mileage of up to 25 kmpl.

**Tata Nano: 25.35 KMPL**

Small in size yet this car is a frugal option for those who are looking for a fuel efficient car. The hatch is housed with a 624 cc, two cylinder MPFI petrol mill that engenders 38 PS of power along with 51 Nm of torque. The short Tata Nano has a length of 3099 mm and a width of 1495 mm (without ORVMs). The overall height of the hatch is 1652 mm and comes with a wheelbase of 2230 mm, with these dimensions; Nano can seat four people comfortably. Tata Nano has a kerb weight of 600 kg, while Nano CX has a kerb weight of 615 kg and Nano LX has a kerb weight of 635 kg. The light weight of the car plays important role in achieving higher fuel economy. Tata Nano hatchback is an extremely frugal option that runs around 25.35 kmpl without AC and 23 kmpl with AC.

**Chevrolet Beat: 25.44 KMPL**

Chevrolet's Beat hatchback has been received very well by the Indian customers. The stylish hatch is endowed with sporty design that makes it conspicuous amongst the other hatchbacks present in India. Under the hood lies the 936 cc, three pot diesel horse that generates 62.5 PS of power with a maximum torque of 160.26 Nm. With a length of under four meter, that is 3,640 mm, width of 1,595 along with 1,520 mm of height and a wheelbase of 2,375 mm the hatchback is capacious enough to comfortably accommodate five people. One of the reasons behind the growing popularity of Beat is its miraculous fuel economy of 25.44 kmpl making it a frugal option for buyers who are looking for a viable diesel hatch.

**Tata Indica eV2: 25 KMPL**

Tata Motors launched this hatchback last year in the month of March. Fuel efficiency is the USP of this hatchback that claims to offer 25 kmpl of mileage. Offered in both petrol and diesel engine options, the diesel version is powered with a CR4 1396 cc, diesel engine with maximum power output of 70 PS and 140 Nm of torque. Tata Indica eV2 has a length of 3690 mm, width of 1665 mm, height of 1485 mm along with wheelbase of 2400 mm and a kerb weight of 1080 kg. Indica eV2 can easily seat five people inside.

**Tata Indigo eCS: 25 KMPL**

Tata Indigo eCS is the first compact sedan that India got, its low price and high fuel efficiency made it a popular compact sedan in India. Though recently Maruti too followed the footsteps of Tata and launched chopped version of Swift Dzire. Apart from Maruti and Tata, a lot of other car companies are also developing trimmed boot version of their popular sedan cars. Indigo eCS is offered in three engine options that include two diesel mills, one is the CR4, 16 valve, DOHC diesel engine and the other one is the TDi BS3 diesel mill. The petrol version comes with an MPFi petrol engine with 32-bit

Microprocessor. Dimensions of the sedan are as follows, it has a length of 3988 mm, width of 1620 mm, 1540 mm of height and a wheelbase of 2450 mm. With a kerb weight ranges between 1105 kg to 1070 kg depending on the variants one picks. The short boot of eCS has not affected its™s inside space and can seat 5 people comfortably. The cherry on the top is its staggering fuel economy of 25 kmpl that makes the whole difference.

Tata Nano diesel: 40 KMPL (expected)

Tata Motors is likely to launch the diesel version of its small car Nano by 2013, the hatchback is already in news due to its high anticipated fuel economy of 40 kmpl. Tata Nano diesel is expected to come powered with a two cylinder, 700 cc diesel engine and maximum power output of 30 bhp. Nano diesel too will be able to seat four people comfortably. However the company has not come up with any confirmed reports of Nano diesel.

Note: All mileage figures are claimed by ARAI.

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