

# Smoke free four wheelers to replace rickshaws

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**KARACHI**—Syed Mustafa Kamal, City Nazim of Karachi has urged the banks and financial institutions to lend a supporting hand in making Karachi pollution free in the process of shifting from three stroke rickshaw to four wheel cng cabs by extending soft term loans to the transport operators.

The city Nazim was speaking at the launching of Transmission Motor Company's environment friendly CNG Alif Motor Cab. City Nazim Karachi Syed Mustafa Kamal handed over the keys of the taxis to first few customers at a simple ceremony held to coincide with the World Environment Day.

It may be mentioned that CNG Alif Motor Cabs have a 4 strokes, low noise water-cooled engine conforming to EPA standards, strong steel body-on chassis make it much safer, as does the roll over bar protection. It can accommodate driver plus three passengers comfortably. The operating cost of the vehicle, because it runs on CNG, is much below the

available options.

The audience was given a presentation about the vehicle, after which the City Nazim Syed Mustafa Kamal in his address said that this is a new era in the transport industry of Pakistan by terming it a big revolution in the transport technology which is hazardous free and environment friendly.

City Nazim further said that the financial institutions and banks should come forward for providing the taxis and rickshaws on installments basis to jobless peoples and who would shift from old technology to latest one.

This city government will do every possible effort for improving the environment situation of Karachi, he added.

Explaining the vision behind the development of the CNG Alif Motor Cab, Chairman of TMC Ausaf Agha explained that the company realized that there was a need for a low cost high quality vehicle that would cater to the needs of the middle class customer, without compromising on any of the personal as well as environment safety standards. This

is TMC's humble contribution to the improvement of Environment of the habitat.

CEO of the company, Fasih H. Agha thanked the dignitaries for their time and attention and made a commitment on behalf of the company to make a positive difference through environment friendly moves.

The City Nazim Karachi Syed Mustafa Kamal then handed over the keys of the taxis to the customers.

Meanwhile, City Nazim Syed Mustafa Kamal has under Section 144 notified timings and three zones for entry in city areas for the heavy cargo vehicles coming from Karachi Port to upcountry.

These routes are: (a) for going to Superhighway from Karachi Port Trust - Northern Bypass, RCD Highway, Gulbai, SITE Industrial Area, Maripur Road, (b) Hawksbay Truck Stand to Maripur Road, Mai Kolachi bypass, Sunset Boulevard, Main Korangi Road, Korangi Industrial Area, Landhi Industrial area and (c) Main Link Road, National Highway to Super Highway.



**Karachi:** Women taking a ride on the recently introduced cab by the City District Government on Tuesday.