

# Kherki Daula toll plaza rates rounded off

**EFFECTIVE FROM SUNDAY** Rates for smaller vehicles have been increased by ₹1, heavy and commercial vehicles to pay ₹2 less

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**GURGAON:** Toll rates for cars and other private and commercial vehicles using the Kherki Daula toll plaza on the Delhi-Gurgaon expressway have been rounded off for the convenience of passengers so that they don't have to waste time for want of small change.

Around 75,000 vehicles pay toll at the Kherki Daula toll plaza daily and a large number of regulars had demanded that toll rates be in round figures.

As per the new rates, smaller vehicles such as cars, vans and jeeps etc. will have to pay ₹60 for a trip instead of ₹59. Rates for mini-buses and similar commercial vehicles have been reduced by ₹2. These vehicles will now have to pay ₹85 instead of ₹87. Toll rates for trucks and heavy commercial vehicles have also been reduced by ₹2 and they will now have to pay ₹75 instead of the earlier ₹177. The changed rates will be effective from Sunday (October 16).

The operator of the Delhi-Gurgaon expressway, Skylark, said they have received notification of the new rates. "A lot of time was wasted as people found it difficult to pay toll rates that were quite odd. This will reduce the time wasted at the toll plaza," said Navneet Pratap Singh, chief



■ A large number of regulars at the Delhi-Gurgaon expressway had demanded that toll rates be in round figures at the toll plaza. PARVEEN KUMAR/HT FILE PHOTO

executive officer (CEO) of Skylark.

Officials of the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) said the change in toll rate had been effected to ensure that vehicle owners save time and energy at the Kherki Daula toll plaza, which witnesses daily jams. There are also plans to build another toll plaza at the spot, but the lack of available land has put such proposals on hold,

they said.

Meanwhile, the Toll Hatao Sangarsh Samiti held a meeting in Gurgaon on Sunday and discussed strategy to get the toll at Kherki Daula removed.

The samiti decided that it will hold a march on November 21 and submit a memorandum to divisional commissioner D Suresh asking chief minister Manohar Lal Khattar to remove the toll.

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