



New Vintage Vehicles Policy

Why in News

Recently, the **Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MORTH)** has made amendments to the **Central Motor Vehicles Rules 1989**.

- It has **some special provisions for vintage vehicles** that are over 50 years old.

Key Points

▪ Definition of Vintage Vehicles:

- All **two- and four-wheelers that are 50+ years old and have been maintained in their original form** and which have not undergone any substantial overhaul, shall be defined as Vintage Motor Vehicles.

▪ Regulation:

- These **will not be driven for regular and commercial purposes** and will have to get a special registration.
- Other than that, the owners **can use** their vintage cars in any way they wish - such **as an exhibition, or a ride from time to time**.
- The new registration rules say **vehicles that are already registered can retain their original Registration Mark** and **fresh registrations will take place under a unique VA (Vintage) series**.
 - Registration information will be on the **Parivahan portal** of the MORTH.
 - The registration certificate **will be valid for 10 years**, renewable thereafter.
- **Sale and purchase** of vehicles registered as vintage **is permissible**; the buyer and seller have to inform their respective State Transport Authorities.
- Vintage vehicles **are insulated from the scrappage policy**. If a vehicle is more than 15 years old but within 50 years, the owner can continue to keep it by passing fitness tests every five years.

▪ Significance:

- **No existing rules** for regulating the process of registration across different states for Vintage Vehicle.
- The new rules **will provide a hassle-free process** for fresh registration.
- This is aimed at **preserving and promoting the heritage of old vehicles** in India.

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