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Mobile exhibition to teach children 'everyday science'

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Bhopal: A mobile science exhibition is teaching school students about the workings of everyday objects like braking system in vehicles, functioning of tubewells, safety locks and a host of others. The exhibition, held onboard a bus, will go to three districts — Damoh, Panna and Chhatarpur—to inculcate scientific spirit in the students of government aided schools.

"The bus has a number of science exhibits related to everyday objects. It will cover around 30 government schools of the three districts in a period of 90 to 100 days. The theme of the exhibition is 'How things work' as we wish to make children understand the practical use of concepts they study in textbooks," said Krishnendu Choudhury, project coordinator at the Regional Science Centre in Bhopal.

The exhibition is taking place with the collaborative



The bus is already a huge draw with young students of the city

efforts of Rajya Shiksha Kendra and Regional Science Centre. "The bus will be parked outside one school. There will be three people on the bus—a group leader will operate the exhibits and explain about the concepts and mechanism behind their working, a technician will deal with technical issues and a driver. The group leader will train teachers of that school to operate the exhibits." Choudhury said.

"We have chalked out a list of government schools where the bus will be parked. We will invite students from other schools to look at the exhibits. Though the bus will go to 30 government schools in three districts, the reach of the exhibition will be much larger," Choudhury added.

The director of Rajya Shiksha Kendra, Irene Cynthia, said, "While the students of Bhopal can view the exhibits any time, students of the other districts do not get to see exhibitions often. We plan to send the exhibition to other districts once the first tour is completed."