



## INDIA TEACHER RESOURCES

### TRANSPORTATION

#### **\$2,000 Car Hits Market in India**

Manufactured by Tata Group, the Nano is a mere \$2,000, making the car affordable for all Indians. The two-cylinder car is made cheap with plastic bodywork, manual wind down windows, one windshield wiper, and no radio, A/C, power steering, air bag, or passenger side mirror. The success of the car will be eyed closely.

The Associated Press. "\$2,000 Car Hits Market in India" [The American-Journal Constitution](#). 24 March 2009.

#### **India Cranks Out Small Cars for Exports**

India has established itself as one of the major manufacturing hub for some of the world's major automakers. India has increased their annual passenger-car exports to more than half-a-million vehicles a year. Big business automakers like Tata Motors, Suzuki Motor, Hyundai, and Nissan Motors are firmly invested in India's market. The increasing tide of exports will create valuable jobs with in the labor force.

Bellman, Eric. "India Cranks Out Small Cars for Exports" [The Wall Street Journal](#). 6 October 2008.

#### **Fast Lane to the Future**

India's new national highway, part crushed rock and asphalt, part yellow brick road. The Golden Quadrilateral (GQ), the brand-new, 3,633-mile expressway linking the country's major population centers of Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai, and Kolkata. It is part of the largest and most ambitious public infrastructure project in the country's history. India hopes the GQ will enhance the country's economy—bringing the benefits of growth in its booming metropolises out to its impoverished villages, where more than half the population lives. India is a democracy where clashes over land for the highway and its enterprise zones are inevitable. More than a billion people living in an area—seemingly every inch of viable land is spoken for. Building a factory gobbles farms; widening a highway displaces thousands of small shops, restaurants, truck stops, tea stalls, and other businesses. Roads do change everything, and not always to everyone's advantage.

Belt, Don. "Fast Lane to the Future" [National Geographic](#). October 2008.