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## 2012 Mitsubishi Pajero Sport: A Preview, Incarz, January 30

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Mitsubishi and Hindustan Motors are likely to launch the Pajero Sport in India in the first quarter of 2012. The Mitsubishi Pajero Sport is indeed an astounding performer that gives the feel of being called the true SUV. The Pajero Sport is the winner of many rallies and has the devouring stance, unlike the others in the segment. Mitsubishi Pajero has been known for a long time for its performance oriented and well equipped SUV models range. Now, the introduction of Pajero Sports will engrave the strong image of the company with more authenticity.

### **Expected Design:**

The D+ segment vehicle, Pajero Sport is expected to carry the inherited dual tone body colour, broad stance featuring chrome grille, alloy wheels, Xenon headlamps, fog lamps, skid plates in the front and rear, foot boards and great ground clearance. The finishing on the exterior is very bold and dominative.



On entering in the Pajero Sport, we may expect the comfort and convenience with the touch of luxury making it cool place to be inside. There is abundant of space for the seven passengers and the material of plastic used inside is up-market in the global SUV, so the Indian version is also expected to have all the positives of the global Pajero Sport. We can also expect the Pajero Sport to feature standard multi-media functions, all the comfort providing features like rear armrest, electrically adjustable driving seat, rear AC vent, etc. and also the space required to relax while long distance travelling. Some of the other features that may house in the upcoming Pajero Sport are power steering with tilt, rear view camera, etc.

### **Performance:**

Under the hood, the Pajero Sport is likely to be powered by 2477cc petrol engine delivering 135bhp of power at 3500 rpm and peak torque of 314Nm at 200rpm. The engine may be supported by the 4-speed auto transmission to run the Pajero Sport same like the current globally available Pajero Sport. The Pajero comes with the 4WD option and now the company also offers 2WD, however, it will be interesting to see what it offers here in India.



The SUV is likely to offer fuel efficiency of 7kmpl in city traffic and 10kmpl on highways. As this upcoming SUV has won many rallies outside, we can expect it to have excellent handling to beat its competitors.

#### **Safety Kit:**

The Pajero Sport offers adequate active and passive safety kit having included the parking sensors, fog lamps, traction control, EBD, ABS, ESP, 5 rear seat belts and 2 airbags.

#### **Pricing and Positioning:**

Mitsubishi Pajero is expected to be priced at Rs. 24 lakh (ex-showroom, Mumbai) or below Rs. 30 lakh price bracket. This SUV is expected to vie with the new Toyota Fortuner and other SUVs falling under the same category.

#### **Concluding statement:**

Pajero Sport may beat the other existing SUV falling in the same category to help Mitsubishi regain its lost market shares. This SUV will surely be one of the best in its segment.

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