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hand over the reins to cars' rightful owner – the local dealership.

Having witnessed our botched attempts, the driver wanted to ensure that he didn't suffer the same embarrassing fate. So, he floored the throttle, and forgot to ease off the accelerator pedal as he cleared the crest. As a result,

he flew straight over the plateau, landed half way through the ramp on the other side – still with the accelerator pressed – and carried on through the jungle for about 500 meters before coming to a stop. It was a massive impact, and the fact that both the occupants and the vehicle were unharmed is a true testament to the toughness of the machine.

It did suffer a flat, however. And we learned that the jack that comes with the Pajero is woefully inadequate when trying to change a tire on a soft surface. So, a tip from our side – take a hydraulic jack with you when you head on a road trip. But don't for a second hesitate to do so – because that's what the Pajero is built for. And, look out for the Heart-in-Mouth experience the next time it's in your city – or, more appropriately, the jungles that surround it! **EXX**