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The minute Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Akhilesh Yadav decided to switch to the humble Ambassador from the flashy Prado for official use, his party faithful praised his austerity. Samajwadi Party spokesman Rajendra Chaudhary issued a statement hailing Akhilesh as the leader of common people and calling Mayawati a spendthrift. That was until the embarrassing truth was discovered: That the six Prado SUVs in the Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister's motorcade were bought by Mulayam Singh Yadav in 2006 when he was in office. The Prado costs Rs 28 lakh and the Ambassador is Rs 8 lakh.



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