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Rally special

With the upcoming launch of the Evo X in India, Mitsubishi is bringing a whole new – and eagerly awaited – segment to Indian roads.

Ever since the Audi Quattro was available to the general public, high performance road-going rally cars have been all the rage, and as their owners like to think, separate the men from the boys.

The best of the lot is the Mitsubishi Lancer Evolution, which is surprising, given that Mitsubishi don't actually participate in the World Rally Championship and haven't since 2005, before the Evo X – the latest Evolution – was released.

Still, it hasn't stopped Mitsubishi from producing arguably the best handling four- seat, fourdoor, four-wheel drive car ever. While the specifications of the Indian version of the car are not official yet, in all probability it will be powered by a 2.0-litre turbocharged four cylinder engine, churning out 206kW.

All the computer wizardry like active yaw control and torque vectoring going on while you stomp on the pedals makes the Evo X one of the most technologically advanced cars the Japanese have made.

We can't wait to get our hands on one and take it for a long, long drive – preferably off-road.

- Karan Jain

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