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Tourism Deptt to launch metro taxi service in Jabalpur, Gwalior

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BUOYED over response to metro taxi in Bhopal, the State Tourism Department will launch metro taxi service in Ujjain, Jabalpur and Gwalior besides caravan systems for tourists in the State. Concluding the debate on budge grants in the State Assembly on Wednesday, Minister

of Tourism and Sports and Welfare Tukoji Rao Puar said that caravan system is under operation in many parts of the country. Its service will soon be started in the State for tourism promotion. He announced to construct Yatri Nivas at noted religious places to provide cheaper lodging facility to visitors and to start cruise boating in Upper Lake again if the Bhopal Municipal Corporation (BMC) removes its objection. After successful launching and operating water sports in Jabalpur, Hoshangabad and Gwalior districts, the department will launch it in Narmada River and Ban Sagar, Puar said. In his speech, he announced to increase concession on VIP cards in tourism department-run hotels from 20 to 30 per cent. Stating that the number of tourist in the State

has gone up and Central Government approved the tourism management of Madhya Pradesh Government presenting three awards to it, Puar said the first would soon be first in the country or tourism.