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Naved Mallick tells us why his newly acquired Volvo S60 D3 is his favourite cars in the garage and how it fulfill his appetite for good music.

TRAVEL COMPANY OWNER and adventure sport lover Naved Mallick from Delhi proudly tells us that his latest acquisition, the Volvo S60 D3 has gone past the 1,700km mark on the odo in less than a month. That's a lot of mileage in very little time indeed. And the thing he likes best about his S60, which comes fully loaded, is the music system. "It automatically syncs my Blackberry and plays the last song that I listened to without me even touching a button" he tells us. With a love for music as varied as Electronic House to Sufi and everything in between, "it's a great feature to have" he says.

Naved already had an Audi and a BMW in the family and is happy that he bought the Volvo. "Nobody gives a second look to a BMW anymore. But the S60 is not as common so everyone turn to see which car it is. It's very sporty looking and has a youthful image which I really like" he says. He also like the way the car drives and "the way it runs on the road, it's so steady and confident."

The car has already seen a fair bit of the highway and has already been on the newly inaugurated Yamuna Expressway which connects Delhi and Agra. "I have driven a lot of powerful cars but for our roads the D3 is plenty powerful and on the Expressway I was really able to stretch its legs" he grins. The car's interiors have also

found favour with Naved. "The





THE S60 D3 IS Plenty Quick In the City and There IS no lack Of grunt on the Highway Either.'

orange colour leather is quite unique and the attention to detail is stunning and the intricate stitching just takes the cake. There is more space than my A4 and both the front and rear seats are very comfortable" he says. He further adds "It comes with all the features you can think of and the amount of safety features is just staggering. I have not experienced any of them and I hope I don't have to anytime soon. I don't think any other car in this range has all this kit. It's fantastic value for money".

He also appreciates the dealer experience. "I got the car in three days flat. The dealer followed up regularly and I didn't have any problems. There was a minor issue with the wiper and the workshop was prompt and fixed it under warranty in no time" he tells us. He tries to drive the car as much as possible but unfortunately "my drivers enjoy the car more than me.



I get to drive it mostly on weekends, although I do try to sneak in a drive when I can. It's just that the traffic is just too much to take and I'd rather sit in the back."

The only grouse he has is that the car doesn't come with a spare tyre. "It gives you that peace of mind, that all. Most cars at this price come with one" he tells us. He has grown to like his car since buying it and sums it up as "a beautiful machine with a smart brain".