

york. Caravans were mostly and frequently used in the event of difficult journeys on the rough roads. Groups of bullocks were used in caravans. The popular method of carrying luggage was that they were hung on either side of the belts tied round the body of the bullocks and small bells to jingle were also hung round the bullock's neck in order to drive away the beasts and to relieve the bullocks. A cart with a single bullock and a cart with two bullocks as well were used which were named as *bara bagaya* and *bakki* cart (Buggy cart) respectively which became a very popular mode of transport. This research intends to find out and reflects the utility, variety and diversity of the use of the ox.

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