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Japan, Electric Cars Stepped In



STRANDED An electric Mitsubishi i-MiEV, on loan from Soja, in a tsunami-wrecked area of Iwate Prefecture.

als or towing stranded vehicles, the assistance from Mitsubishi was much appreciated. In all, 89 i-MiEVs went to the recovery effort, including 34 to Miyagi Prefecture, 33 to Fukushima Prefecture

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pressed into service ferrying supplies to refugee centers, schools and hospitals, and taking doctors, city workers and volunteers on their rounds.

While the i-MiEVs could not help out with tasks like hauling building materi-

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When a popular model is due for a styling update, designers must strike a balance between doing too little and going too far. By Phil Patton.

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3月16日、被災地に向け市役所を出発する電気自動車

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アマダの医療支援活動で岩手県大槌町内を走る市の電気自動車の様子が、5月8日付けのニューヨークタイムズ紙に掲載された(紙面中の写真=河田雅史さん(西阿曾))