



Avis Named India's Top Tourist Transport Operator

PARSIPPANY, N.J., April 9, 2012 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Avis Car Rental has been recognized as the top "Tourist Transport Operator" in India for 2010-2011 by the prestigious National Tourism Awards. Established by India's Ministry of Tourism, the National Tourism Award is widely considered to be the country's most coveted prize in India's travel industry. The annual merit, conferred by India's President, Pratibha Devisingh Patil, marks the second time that Avis has received the honor for outstanding performance in the industry.

"Our customers trust Avis to provide them with best-in-class products backed by our world-renowned 'We try harder' service to ensure a consistently outstanding rental experience in India and around the globe," said Patric Siniscalchi, president, Latin America/Asia Pacific for Avis Budget Group. "We are delighted to receive the esteemed National Tourism Award and proudly thank India's Ministry of Tourism."

Avis is the leading international car rental company in India, operating at 41 conveniently located rental facilities in 18 cities across the country and providing pick-up and drop-off service at major airports, including Bengaluru International Airport in Bangalore, Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose International Airport in Calcutta, Chennai International Airport, Indira Gandhi International Airport in Delhi, Chhatrapati Shivaji International Airport in Mumbai and Rajiv Gandhi International Airport in Hyderabad.

Avis provides travelers in India with a wide range of high-quality vehicles in a variety of car classes, including the Toyota Etios, Ford Fiesta, Honda City, Toyota Corolla, Toyota Camry, Toyota Innova Multi-Utility Vehicle, Mercedes E Class and Mercedes S Class. Travelers in India also benefit from Avis' premium chauffeur service, long-term rental program, vehicle damage coverage and personal property protection packages, and vehicle leasing and fleet management services.

In addition to receiving India's top tourism award, Avis was recognized as "Asia's Leading Car Hire" at the 2011 World Travel Awards, chosen by more than 200,000 travel professionals in 160 countries. Avis has held the title for six consecutive years. Avis India is operated through a joint venture with The Oberoi Group.

About Avis

Avis Car Rental operates one of the world's best-known car rental brands with approximately 5,200 locations in more than 165 countries. Avis has a long history of innovation in the car rental industry and is one of the world's top brands for customer loyalty. Avis is owned by Avis Budget Group, Inc. (Nasdaq:CAR), which operates and licenses the brand throughout the world. For more information, visit www.avis.com.

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