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## BharatBenz and Motherson Group unveil 'BSafe Express' for Vaccine Transportation

- **DICV joins hands with the Motherson Group for the premiere of 'BSafe Express', a specialized, first-of-its-kind reefer truck to safely transport vaccines across India**
- **Overcomes cold-chain distribution challenges with maximum uptime and faster turnaround; protects vaccines end to end from shipment to final delivery**
- **Mr. Satyakam Arya, Managing Director and CEO, Daimler India Commercial Vehicles: "The combination of a strong, reliable chassis with a lightweight, insulated reefer and state-of-the-art connectivity device makes BharatBenz's 'BSafe Express' the perfect solution to India's cold-chain infrastructure challenge. With this truck, we can deliver vaccines in perfect condition to even the most remote destinations, bringing hope of a return to normalcy to over 1.3 billion people."**

New Delhi– Daimler India Commercial Vehicles (DICV), in collaboration with Motherson Group, today unveiled the BharatBenz 'BSafeExpress', a specialized reefer truck designed for the safe transportation of COVID-19 vaccines. Equipped with state-of-the-art connectivity, the BSafeExpress uses newly developed refrigeration units that ensure the temperature and stability of the vaccines is accurately monitored and maintained at all stages of delivery.

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**Mr. Vivek Chaand Sehgal, Chairman, Motherson Group said,**

“Motherson has delivered on its promise of providing a safe and reliable distribution solution for the COVID vaccine. Our innovative and integrated product enables temperature control and tamper monitoring which are critical to ensure effective distribution of the COVID vaccine across India. We hope that, together with our customers, we can contribute to the humanitarian need of bringing COVID under control as quickly as possible.”

Motherson Group’s refrigerated container (intelligent reefer) is made from Glass Reinforced Plastic, XPS Foam, and other carefully chosen materials that ensure the product is strong, water-resistant, and non-corrosive, yet lightweight and highly insulated. The container can be assembled locally in as little as 96 hours, making it a much more practical solution than conventional products which can take three or more weeks to deliver.

With purpose-built IoT sensors integrated inside the container, fleet managers can monitor temperature, humidity, shock, tilt, and tamper. They can also adjust the temperature as required and sound the alarm if a problem occurs. This further integrates with QR Code tracking of all stock onboard, so that users can check the location, status, and history of each package.

The reefer is mounted on the BharatBenz 2823R chassis, India’s most reliable, efficient and safe heavy-duty truck. This ensures maximum uptime and faster turnaround, the two most important characteristics expected of vehicles that carry life-saving medicines. Paired with BharatBenz’s ‘Truckconnect’ telematics platform, the BSafe Express offers vaccine distributors absolute peace of mind with real-time tracking of both the vehicle and its precious cargo.

#### **About Daimler India Commercial Vehicles**

Daimler India Commercial Vehicles (DICV), a wholly owned subsidiary of Daimler AG, Germany and operating under the umbrella of Daimler Trucks Asia, is a full-fledged commercial vehicle player in the Indian market and the only Daimler entity worldwide with a brand dedicated to its home market: BharatBenz. DICV produces and sells in India above 9 to 55 tons trucks as well as BharatBenz buses, Mercedes-Benz coaches, and bus chassis. DICV’s state-of-the-art manufacturing plant at Oragadam near Chennai spreads over 400 acres (160 hectares) including a highly modern test track and is home to the company’s headquarters, R&D, and training operations. With one global quality standard, it also produces for Daimler Trucks’ brands of FUSO, Mercedes-Benz, and Freightliner. Products and parts are exported to more than 50 markets in the Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Middle East. DICV represents an overall investment of more than INR 9,560 crores.

#### **About Motherson Group**

The Motherson Group is a globally operating industry specialist providing full system solutions to the automotive industry and other market sectors. The group was founded in 1975 and is today one of the 22 largest automotive suppliers worldwide. Its business portfolio comprises a broad range of innovative and high-quality products for almost all large car and truck manufacturers worldwide such as cockpits, bumper covers, decorative interior and exterior trims, rear view mirrors, camera systems, lighting systems, wiring harnesses, electronic modules, air management and cooling systems, off-highway vehicle cabins,

polymer and elastomer components, sheet metal and precision metal parts. The group is expanding its presence in new segments that include aerospace, logistics, health and medical. Competitiveness across all divisions is ensured by internal specialised organisations providing comprehensive solutions in the areas of IT, engineering, robotics, tooling and manufacturing solutions. The Motherson Group is employing 135.000 people in more than 270 locations in 41 countries on five continents and has recorded a turnover of USD 10.0 Billion in 2019-2020. For more information, please visit [www.motherson.com](http://www.motherson.com) and follow Motherson Group on LinkedIn (<https://www.linkedin.com/company/mothersongroup/>).

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