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Press Information

Honda to replace Lost Motion Spring in 57,853 units of City in India

New Delhi, 17th Feb 2011: Honda Sael Cars India Ltd. today announced that it would carry out preventive part replacement of Lost Motion Spring in the valve train for 57,853 units of 3rd Generation City, manufactured from November 2008 to December 2009.

HSCI is proactively replacing the part in these vehicles with a new improved part. Lost motion springs, which are compressed by rocker arms in normal engine use, may bend or break over time resulting in abnormal engine noise and potentially causing engine stalling and problems in re-starting.

The replacement would be carried out free of cost and the company will communicate directly with the owners of the cars which are covered under this part replacement. The dealerships have been updated about the part replacement and the new part is being dispatched to the dealerships in phases for smooth execution, to avoid any inconvenience to the customers.

A special microsite has been created on the website (www.hondacarindia.com) which enables the customers to check whether their car will be covered under this part replacement by submitting their 17 character alpha-numeric Vehicle Identification Number (VIN).

HSCI is carrying out the part replacement as part of a global exercise by Honda Motor Company to ensure stringent quality standards for its products.

The part replacement is only applicable to Honda City manufactured from November 2008 to December 2009 and the currently sold City is not affected & does not require any part replacement.

The global recall does not impact the Honda Jazz sold in India. The recall announced by Honda applies to certain units of Fit/ Jazz fitted with 1.5L i-VTEC engine which is sold in other countries and not sold in India.

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About Honda Siel Cars India Ltd.

Honda Siel Cars India Ltd., (HSCI) leading manufacturer of passenger cars in India was established in December 1995 as a joint venture between Honda Motor Co. Ltd (Japan) and Siel Limited with a commitment to provide Honda's latest passenger car models and technologies, to the Indian customers.

HSCI's first state-of-the-art manufacturing unit was set up at Greater Noida, U.P in 1997 with an investment of Rs. 450 crore. The total investment made by the company in India till date is Rs. 1620 crores. At present, the company has a capacity of manufacturing 100,000 cars.

HSCI's second manufacturing facility is in Tapukara, Rajasthan. This facility is spread over 600 acres and will have an initial production capacity of 60,000 units per annum, with an investment of about Rs 1,000 crore. The first phase of this facility was inaugurated in September 2008. Plant has been awarded with "National Energy Conservation Award" for their efforts in energy conservation in automobile manufacturing sector for the year 2010.

The company's product range includes Honda Jazz, Honda City, Honda Civic and Honda Accord which are produced at the Greater Noida facility with an indigenization level of 77%, 76%, 74% and 28% respectively. The CR-V is imported from Japan as Completely Built Units.

Honda Jazz is the company's first offering in the premium compact car segment. The Jazz is a segment-defining car that has won accolades and adoration all over the world. Honda's all-new Third Generation Honda City was launched in September 2008. It comes with a completely new design, new engine, spacious cabin and equipped with various active and passive safety features. The new Honda City achieved milestone sales with 50,000 units sold within one year of its launch.

HSCI launched the 1.8 S Civic in India in July 2006. The company launched the Sportier and More Aggressive New Honda Civic in September 2009. Honda launched a refreshed version of the 3rd generation CR-V in November 2009.

Honda's models are strongly associated with advanced design and technology, apart from its established qualities of durability, reliability and fuel-efficiency.

The company operates under the stringent standards of ISO 9001 for quality management and ISO 14001 for environment management.