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Delhi Airport Wins British Construction Industry Award

The Delhi International Airport has won one of the most rigorously judged and coveted international awards in the construction industry – the British Construction Industry award for 2010. Already a recipient of high praise from different quarters for its scale, state-of-the-art features and for the speed in which it was built, the British Construction award, is further affirmation that the Delhi Airport can join the ranks of the finest airports in the world.



Mr. M.P. Naidu, Vice President & Project Director, DIAL-Project, L&T, received the British Construction Industry award on behalf of L&T. Below: A view of the Delhi International Airport.

In the case of the Delhi Airport, the entry was submitted by the principal architect, Mott MacDonald, UK. The construction of the airport – regarded as an icon of infrastructure –



represented the successful outcome of a team effort involving GMR; L&T, the principal contractor; the commissioning authority, Mott MacDonald; and HOK, the principal architect.

As part of the citation, the jury remarked: "The delivery of the New Delhi Airport is a project of unprecedented scale in India. The new 4.4 km runway and 35 million passenger capacity terminal were completed on time in 38 months."

The other International Projects short-listed for this award along with the Delhi International Airport Project include:

- Dubai Metro: Atkins
- Stonecutters Bridge, Rambler Channel, Hong Kong: Arup
- The Third Karnaphuli Bridge, Bangladesh: High-Point Rendel Capital Project Consultants
- UK Pavilion for Shanghai World Expo 2010: Ramboll Safe, Heatherwich Studio, Mace
- Visual Centre for Contemporary Art & The George Bernard Shaw Theatre, Carlos - Ireland: Terry Pawson Architects

Mr. K. V. Rangaswami, Member of the Board and President (Construction), L&T, said, "I am delighted that Delhi International Airport which was recently completed by L&T in record time and readied for the Commonwealth Games 2010 has been selected for this prestigious BCI Award in the International Category. L&T completed this project through a well-integrated team with exceptional skills, best design, high performance, value engineering, global sourcing, safety, health and environment including sustainability. In terms of speed, scale and sophistication, Delhi International Airport is the largest infrastructure project ever executed by L&T and the entire nation is proud of this achievement and proud of this Award."
