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The undersigned is directed to circulate Monthly Summary of the Ministry of Civil Aviation in regard to the principal activities and the important decisions taken, for the Month of **February, 2022** for kind information.


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To

- 1. All Members of the Council of Ministers**
- 2. The Press Information Officer (PIO),
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2. ROI to the Council of ICAO, 999, University Street, Suite 14.30, Montreal Quebec, Canada H3C5J9.

Detailed Monthly information for the month of February, 2022

Important Policy decisions taken and major achievements during the month:

MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

- A. Indian carriers took part in 'Operation Ganga' to facilitate the evacuation of Indian nationals from Ukraine. Till 28.02.2022, 07 evacuation flights were operated by Indian carriers bringing back more than 1600 Indian nationals back home. This includes one commercial flight operated by Air India on 22.02.2022 from Kyiv before closure of Ukrainian air space on 24.02.2022.
- B. The Board of AI Assets Holding Ltd (AIAHL), AI Airport Services Ltd.(AIASL), AI Engineering Services Ltd (AIESL), Alliance Air Aviation and Hotel Corporation of India Ltd (HCI) have been reconstituted vide this Ministry's O.M. dated 11.02.2022.
- C. 02 new RCS routes have been commenced in the month of February, 2022.
- D. Drone import policy was notified on 09.02.2022, banning import of foreign drones.
- E. Drone (Amendment) Rules, 2022 was notified on 11.02.2022, abolishing the requirement of a drone pilot license.
- F. 109 Unique Identification Number (UIN) were issued in the month of February 2022.
- G. Air bubble with Kyrgyzstan has been established.
- H. AAI Cargo Logistics and Allied Services Company Limited (AAICLAS) has commenced Domestic Air Cargo operations from newly constructed Domestic Air Cargo Terminal at Srinagar airport on 01.02.2022.
- I. Airports Authority of India issued LOI for Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul (MRO) sites at Bhopal Airport to M/s Aero Technics on 22.02.2022.

DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF CIVIL AVIATION (DGCA)

- A. The following Regulations, Civil Aviation Requirements (CARs) in important areas have been issued/revised by DGCA during the month of February, 2022:
 - I.CAR Section 8 Series 'S' Part VIII- Specific approval for Operational use of Electronic Flight Bag (EFB).

II.Revision to CAR Section 8 Series S Part I - Requirements Commercial Air Transport- for Extended Diversion Time Operations (EDTO) and operations by turbine-engine aeroplanes beyond 60 minutes to an en route alternate aerodrome.

III.Amendment:- CAR Section 2, Series C, Part I, Issue II, Rev. 8, 28.02.2022.

IV.Amendment: - CAR Section 2, Series L, CAR 66, Issue II, Rev. 7, dated: 07.02.2022.

BUREAU OF CIVIL AVIATION SECURITY (BCAS)

- A. 02 Security inspection of airports carried out.
- B. 10 Security Audit of airports carried out
- C. 39 Security Monitoring/surprise checks carried out.
- D. 09 Security tests carried out to test the efficiency of security system
- E. 09 Security Survey of airports carried out.
- F. 40 Security Vetting of airports carried out.
- G. 16 Approval of security programme accorded to Scheduled Operators/ Private/ Non Scheduled Operators/ Concessionaire/ Catering/ Regulated Agent/ Fuel Form Security Program/ Ground Handling Agency/Flying Training Organisations.

AIRPORTS AUTHORITY OF INDIA (AAI)

TRAFFIC TREND:

Monthly Traffic Reporter for the month of January, 2022 has been prepared and uploaded on AAI website. The broad highlights of Traffic Reporter for the month of January, 2022 and (April – January) 2021-22 are as follows: -

JANUARY, 2022

During the month of January, 2022, all Indian airports taken together handled 156 thousand aircraft movements (excluding General Aviation Movements), 15.27 million passengers and 246.60 thousand tonnes of freight.

(APRIL– JANUARY) 2021-22

During the period of April – January 2021-22, all Indian airports taken together handled 1422.94 thousand aircraft movements (excluding General Aviation Movements), 146.88 million passengers and 2619.21 thousand tonnes of freight.

A. Airports Council International – Airport Service Quality (ACI-ASQ) Survey

During February, 2022, ACI-ASQ Survey at 13 airports was conducted successfully. 7 AAI airports namely Chennai, Kolkata, Goa, Pune, Patna, Bhubaneswar & Chandigarh which participated in ACI-ASQ survey in 2021 have been chosen for **Voice of Customer Recognition** under ACI World's Voice of the Customer initiative.

- B. AAI Cargo Logistics and Allied Services Company Limited (AAICLAS)** has commenced Domestic Air Cargo operations from newly constructed Domestic Air Cargo Terminal at Srinagar airport on 01.02.2022. AAICLAS has established the mechanism for loading of pallets through "Pallet Loading Stand" at Chennai Airport, first in India.

ALLIANCE AIR AVIATION LTD.

- A.** Letter of Interest (LOI) has been issued to M/s SITA on 01.02.2022 by Alliance Air for the implementation of the Aircraft Communication Addressing and Reporting System (ACARS) for flight tracking of aircraft.
- B.** The Board of Alliance Air has accorded its approval for acquiring new two ATR 42-600 aircraft on a dry lease and LOI has been issued to M/s True NOORD on 14.02.2022.
- C. Fleet Strength and On Time Performance-** Alliance Air has a fleet of 18 ATR72-600 aircraft and on time performance of 81% in February, 2022.

COMMISSION OF RAILWAY SAFETY (CRS)

- A.** 25 statutory inspections of Network Expansion related work of Doubling / Multiple Lines / New Lines / Gauge Conversion for a length of 640.92 kms were done by the Commissioners and authorizations issued, thus making the cumulative total of these works during the year 2021-22 to 1993.04 kms.
- B.** 15 statutory inspections of Railway Electrification works for a length of 704.48 kms were done by the Commissioners and authorizations issued, thus making the cumulative total of these works during the year 2021-22 to 3404.96 kms.

AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION BUREAU (AAIB)

Following report has been accepted by DG, AAIB:-

- i) Accident to M/s Jet Serve Aviation Pvt. Ltd. C90 aircraft VT-JIL at Mumbai on 06.05.2021.
- ii) Accident to M/s IGRUA TB 20 aircraft VT-IGE at Azamgarh on 21.09.2020.
- iii) Serious Incident of Airprox between M/s Indigo A320 aircraft VT-ITD & VT-ISV at Bengaluru on 07.01.2022.
- iv) Serious Incident to M/s Spicejet Q400 aircraft VT-SQC at Belagavi on 24.10.2021.