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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 October, 2023 for kind information.

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Detailed Monthly information for the month of October, 2023

Important Policy decisions taken and major achievements during the month:

MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

- 1. During January 2023 to September 2023, domestic airlines carried 112.86 million passengers as against 87.42 million passengers carried during corresponding period in 2022 registering growth of 29.10%.
- 2. During January 2023 to September 2023, airlines carried 45.99 million international passengers as against 32.94 million passengers carried during corresponding period in 2022 registering growth of 39.61%.
- 3. Amendment in Aircraft Rules, 1937 [Aircraft (First Amendment) Rules, 2023] published in Gazette on 10.10.2023 a significant step towards strengthening aviation safety and ease of doing business. Validity of Pilot Licenses increased from five years to ten years.
- 4. Commencement of new RCS airports and routes: Twenty routes have been commenced in the month of October, 2023.
- 5. MoCA granted permission for operation of charter flights from Afghanistan, Mongolia, Egypt, Turkmenistan, UAE, Kenya and Bahrain under special circumstances.
- 6. Meeting between Ministry of Civil Aviation and the British High Commission, United Kingdom to discuss air services matters between both the countries on 09.10.2023 wherein updating and renewing of the existing 2005 ASA and enhancement of capacity entitlements were discussed.
- 7. Meeting with Netherlands on 20.10.2023 to discuss and brief on the slot capacity constraints and Air Traffic Movement (ATM) capacity at Schiphol. In the meeting, they were advised to allocate the required slots to AI for continuing its existing operations to AMS in Winter 2023 schedule period.
- 8. Meeting between Secretary, MoCA and delegates from Royal Government of Bhutan held on 20.10.2023 to discuss air services matters between both countries wherein MoCA assured them to provide all the relevant cooperation in aviation matters.
- 9. The import of consignment from Russia and 5.4 tons export of empty fuel packages were successfully handled at Madurai Airport for NPCIL Kudankulam on 26.10.2023.

- 10. Import of valuable goods (Silver Ornaments) has recommenced at Indore Airport subsequent to the COVID-19 pandemic, and the first consignment arrived from Bangkok on October 22, 2023, weighing 300 kilograms.
- 11. 1839 drones were registered and Unique Identification Number (UIN) were issued.
- 12. 833 Remote Pilot Certificates (RPC) were issued.
- 13. One new Remote Pilot Training Organisation (RPTO) commenced.
- 14. Six new Type Certificate were issued for drones.

DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF CIVIL AVIATION (DGCA)

- A. (i) 2622 Total No. of flight clearances issued (including tourist charter flights)
 - (ii) 13 No. of Tourist Charter flight clearances issued
 - (iii) 06 No. of AOP renewed (Non-Scheduled Operator)
 - (iv) 12 No. of permissions issued to import/Local Acquisition of aircraft
 - (v) 11 No. of aircraft endorsed on AOC/AOP of Scheduled/Non-Scheduled Operator
- **B.** 1375 Licenses/Ratings were issued including 10 FATA (initial), 24 FATA (Extension) and 463 Endorsements including open rating.

BUREAU OF CIVIL AVIATION SECURITY (BCAS)

- i. Security inspection of airports carried out: 11
- ii. Security Monitoring/surprise checks carried out: 76
- iii. Security Tests carried out to test the efficiency of security system: 52
- iv. Security survey of airports carried out: 02
- v. Security Vetting of airports carried out: 99
- vi. 52 Aviation security training programme conducted for persons: 2747
- vii. Approval of security progralrmie accorded to SOP, rivate/NSOP/ASP/
- viii. Concessionaire / Catering / RA/FFSP / GIIA/FTO: 186

AIRPORTS AUTHORITY OF INDIA (AAI)

- **A. Customer satisfaction survey** Customer Satisfaction Survey at 21 AAI airports and 2 Cargo Terminals was conducted successfully.
- B. ASQ Survey ASQ Survey at 15 AAI airports was conducted successfully.

AI ENGINEERING SERVICES LTD.

- A. DGCA cum EASA approved course of B777 aircraft for B1 category started on 09th Oct, 2023.
- B. AIESL and HAL obtained DGCA approval for painting of A320, B737NG and B737MAX aircraft at Nashik on 03rd October, 2023.
- C. AIESL commenced Line Maintenance support to Air India Express on B737-MAX aircraft.
- D. AIESL successfully shifted MTO classrooms from Palam to Avionics Complex and obtained DGCA CAR147 approval on 18th October, 2023.
- E. Renovated engine storage area set up at Old Airport, Mumbai which meets the low humidity requirement of OEM.

ALLIANCE AIR AVIATION LTD.

- **A.** As on 31.10.2023, Alliance Air is operating to 60 stations with 100 departures per day.
- **B. Fleet Strength** Alliance Air has a fleet of 18 ATR72-600, 2 ATR 42-600 aircraft and 01 Dornier DO 228.

COMMISSION OF RAILWAY SAFETY (CRS)

- **A.** 12 statutory inspections of Network Expansion related work of Doubling/ Multiple Lines / New Lines / Gauge Conversion for a length of 103.37 Kms were done by the Commissioners and authorizations issued, thus making the cumulative total of these works during the year 2023-24 to 1135.35 Kms.
- **B.** 106 Minor Works have been sanctioned and 01 case of roling stock has been recommended for Railway Board's sanction.
