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The undersigned is directed to circulate herewith a copy of the unclassified portion of the Monthly Summary of the Ministry of Civil Aviation for the Month of **August, 2020** for kind information.


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Joint Secretary

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Detailed Monthly information for the month of August, 2020

Important Policy decisions taken and major achievements during the month:

1. MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

- A. A web portal- **Air Suvidha** has been started for filling of Self Reporting Form by all International Arriving Passengers to India and also for processing exemption requests from institutional quarantine requirement from passengers fulfilling prescribed conditions.
- B. Updation of guidelines relating to recommencement of air travel:
- (i) International arriving passengers have been permitted/facilitated to take the connecting flight to their final destination, when exemption from institutional quarantine is granted by the State authorities concerned of the entry airport on the basis of a negative RT-PCR test report.
 - (ii) Airlines have now been allowed to serve pre-packed snacks/meals/pre-packed beverages on domestic flights depending on the duration of flight, subject to adherence to detailed guidelines framed in this regard. Similarly, In-Flight Entertainment, wherever available has also been allowed to be switched on during travel.
- C. 78 new routes have been identified and approved under 1st phase of **UDAN 4.0**, focusing on North Eastern States, Hilly areas and Islands. RCS cell, AAI is in the process of awarding these identified routes to Selected Airline Operators (SAOs). Once the identified routes of RCS-UDAN version 4.0 are awarded, the total valid RCS routes awarded would be 766.
- D. Commencement of new RCS Route:
Three new RCS routes have commenced under UDAN by SAOs in the month of August, 2020, taking the tally of commenced routes to 277
- E. An '**Air Bubble**' is a temporary arrangement between two countries which aims at restarting commercial passenger services when regular scheduled international flights are suspended as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. They are reciprocal in nature, meaning airlines from both countries enjoy similar benefits. Air Bubbles' were created with Maldives and Qatar. A total of 9 'Air Bubbles' have been created so far.
- F. Aircraft Leasing and Financing:
Vide their Order dated 4 August 2020, the State Government of Gujarat, has waived Stamp Duty for 10 years which was applicable in relation to aircraft including helicopters and their engines, when leased in or from the Multi-Services Special Economic Zone, including International Financial Services Centre (IFSC) at GIFT- City. This is in conformance with the proposal sent by MoCA under Rupee Rafeer. It will have the impact of reducing aircraft leasing cost in India by as much as 6%.

G. Airlifting agri-produce for better value realisation for farmers

Over 60,000 MT of agri-produce has been exported from India and air freighted between domestic supply-destination points in 5 months since 01.04.2020. From NER, about 400 MT has been air freighted.

H. Government of India, in exercise of the powers conferred under Rule 160 of the Aircraft Rules, 1937, has granted Conditional Exemption from the provisions of the Rule 15A to the following DGCA approved Flying Training Organizations for drones training:-

- (i) Wings Aviation Pvt. Ltd., Hyderabad.
- (ii) Flytech Aviation Academy, Secunderabad.
- (iii) Alchemist Aviation, Jamshedpur.
- (iv) Ambitions Flying Club Pvt. Ltd., Aligarh,
- (v) Asia Pacific Flight Training Academy, Hyderabad.
- (vi) Falcon Aviation Academy, Faizabad.
- (vii) Government Aviation Training Institute, Bhubaneswar.
- (viii) Orient Flights Aviation Academy, Chennai.
- (ix) Telangana State Aviation Academy, Hyderabad.
- (x) Pioneer Flying Academy Pvt. Ltd., Aligarh.
- (xi) The Gujarat Flying Club, Vadodara.

I. Probity Data for the month of July 2020:

Sl.No	Particulars	CRS	MoCA	Total
1	Cases pending for SP (Sanction of Prosecution)	00	00	00
2	Posts declared as sensitive posts (No.)	00	23	23
3	No. of person occupying sensitive posts beyond 3 years	00	05	05
4	Whether rotation policy implemented? (Y/N)	NA	Yes	Yes
5	Whether practice of conducting interviews for Group B (Non Gazetted) posts has been done away (Y/N)	Yes	Yes	Yes
6	Whether practice of conducting interview for Group C & D posts has been done away (Y/N)	Yes	Yes	Yes
7	Total No. of officers due for review/required to be reviewed under 56 (J)/Similar provisions GR 'A'	00	04	04
8	Total No. of officers due for review/required to be reviewed under 56 (J)/Similar provisions GR 'B'	00	05	05
9	No. of officers reviewed GR 'A'	00	00	00
10	No. of officers reviewed GR 'B'	00	00	00
11	No. of officers against whom FR 56(J)/Similar provisions invoked GR 'A'	00	00	00
12	No. of officers against whom FR 56(J)/Similar provisions invoked GR 'B'	00	00	00

2. DIRECTOR GENERAL OF CIVIL AVIATION (DGCA)

A.

- (i) **511** Licenses / Ratings were issued including **05** FATA (Extension) and **333** Endorsements.
- (ii) **885** – Total number of flight clearances issued (including tourist charter flights).

- (iii) **01** – No. of New AOP (Air Operator Permit) issued to provide Non-Scheduled Air Transport Service.
- (iv) **03** – No. of permission issued to import/local acquire aircraft issued.
- (v) **06** – No. of aircraft endorsed on AOC of Scheduled Operator.

B.

- (i) Type Acceptance issued to following Contracting State Type Certificates for following airplanes for operation of aircraft in India:

Aircraft

- Acceptance for FAA STC ST11216DS for installation of Automatic Dependent Surveillance-Broadcast (ADS-B) out on Textron Aviation Hawker 750 aircraft model.
- Acceptance of FAA STC ST01833WI for modification of Rockwell Collins Global Positioning System (GPS) on Hawker 750 aircraft model.
- Acceptance of FAA STC SA03275CH for modification for installation of Anti-Skid Brake System on Textron aircraft model B200GT.
- Acceptance of FAA STC ST01433WI-D for modification of Rockwell Collins Global Positioning System (GPS) on Hawker 750 aircraft model.
- Acceptance of FAA STC ST11359DS for installation of a UHF Radio on Boeing 777-300ER aircraft model.
- Acceptance of FAA STC ST11358DS for installation of a VIP interior on Boeing 777-300ER aircraft model.

Helicopter

- Acceptance of FAA STC SH 3884SW dated 01/02/2011 for installation of Radome Assembly and Servo Mount on Bell 412 EP.
- Acceptance of FAA STC SR 02684LA dated 16/08/2018 for installation of Main Rotor Blade Assembly on Bell 206 L4.
- Acceptance of FAA STC SR 09347RC-D dated 09/02/2011 for installation of Helicopter Emergency Egress Lighting (HEEL) system kit on Bell 412 EP.
- Acceptance of FAA STC SR01489AT for installation of Fuel cap Kit on Bell 407.

C. Issue of AIC (Aeronautical Information Circular) S. No. 2512020, 4th August 2020, on "Voluntary Safety Reporting System":

Voluntary reports tend to illuminate latent conditions, such as inappropriate safety procedures or regulations, human error, etc. To encourage such reporting and to overcome the drawbacks of mandatory safety reporting system viz, reluctance in admitting personal errors to an employer or to the Regulatory Authority, this AIC has been issued for information, guidance and compliance for the Civil Aviation related activities. Earlier, voluntary reporting system was introduced by the airlines/organizations, however, to make the system more effective, Voluntary safety reporting system in DGCA has been introduced. In this system, anyone who witnesses or is involved or has knowledge of an occurrence, hazard or situation which he/she believes to be of potential threat to flight safety, is requested to report the same. A complete confidentiality and strict anonymity of the reporter shall be ensured. There is a provision of acceptance of anonymous reports with a request to

reporter for giving his identity in case of any further clarification requirement. The information received will be analyzed by a select group of officers who will decide the follow up action to be taken. Action learnt from such reports will be circulated to aviation community by a DGCA safety bulletin. Specific problems or trends shall be brought to the attention of the appropriate authorities and preventive measures followed up. It is assured that no punitive action will be taken on such reporting unless infringement relates to unlawful/criminal/deliberate gross negligent unsafe action. Mandatory safety reporting system will continue to function.

D. Issue of SSP (State Safety Programme) Division Circular No. 02 of 2020 dated 31 st August 2020 on "Safety Data Collection and Processing System (SDCPS)":

SDCPS is a means to capture, store, aggregate and enable the analysis of safety data and safety information to support safety performance management activities. Organizations should have personnel qualified to collect, store safety data and competencies needed to process the safety data. Service providers should ensure a designated custodian for SDCPS. Circular also provides list of minimum safety data and safety information required to be maintained by below service providers for future analysis and decision making to enhance aviation safety:

- (i) Air Operators
- (ii) Approved Maintenance Organizations
- (iii) Certified Aerodromes
- (iv) Air Traffic services (ATS) providers
- (v) Training organizations
- (vi) Organizations responsible for type design of aircraft, engines or propellers
- (vii) Organizations responsible for manufacture of aircraft, engines or propellers

E. The eGCA Project for development of eGCA application/solution:

eGCA project is being implemented in four phases. As on date, Phase 1 & Phase 2 services pertaining to Pilot Licensing, Medical Examination and Flight Training Organization have been made live. Services of Phase 3 & 4 related to other DGCA functions are expected to be completed tentatively by this year end.

3. BUREAU OF CIVIL AVIATION SECURITY (BCAS)

- A. 04 Security Audit of airports carried out.
- B. 37 Security Monitoring/surprise checks carried out.
- C. 05 Security tests carried out to test the efficiency of security system.
- D. 05 Security Survey of airports carried out.
- E. 11 Security Vetting of airports carried out.
- F. 18 Aviation Security training program conducted for 512 persons.
- G. 09 Approval of security programme accorded to SOP/Private/NSOP/Concessionaire/Catering/RA/FFSP/GHA.
- H. Status of implementation of e-Governance:

Total No. of files	Total No. of e-files
13276	13276

4. AIRPORTS AUTHORITY OF INDIA (AAI)

A. Traffic Trend:

JULY 2020

During the month of July 2020, all Indian airports taken together handled 66.56 thousand aircraft movements (excluding General Aviation Movements), 4.59 million passengers and 191.98 thousand tonnes of freight.
(APRIL-JULY) 2020-21

During the period of (April-July) 2020-21, all Indian airports taken together handled 147.53 thousand aircraft movements (excluding General Aviation Movements), 9.57 million passengers and 498.14 thousand tonnes of freight

B. Work awarded for:

- (i) Re-surfacing of Existing Runway 09/27 for code 'C' type of Aircrafts and Associated Works at Madurai Airport at a Cost of Rs 20.66 Cr. on 18.08.2020.
- (ii) Construction of New Integrated Terminal Building and Associated Works including Maintenance, Operation and AICMC at Vijayawada Airport, Vijayawada (Package-I) at a Cost of Rs. 473.02 Cr. on 26.08.2020.
- (iii) Modernization of Chennai Airport Phase-II - SH: Design, Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of MBR based Sewage Treatment Plant of Capacities 2.25 MLD and 1.2 MLD at a Cost of Rs. 18.27 Cr. on 04.08.2020.
- (iv) Modernization of Chennai Airport Phase-II - SH: Interior Electrical Lighting Works at a Cost of Rs. 22.00 Cr. on 03.08.2020.
- (v) Modernization of Chennai Airport Phase-II - SH: Design, Manufacture, Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of Signages at a cost of Rs. 4.75 Cr. on 07.08.2020.

C. ILBS Operations commenced by AAICLAS at Calicut Airport & International PAX Terminal at Ahmedabad Airport.

5. Air India Ltd.

A. Operational Fleet Size

	As on 31.08.2020
Air India	127
Air India Express	24
Alliance Air	18
Total	169

B. Domestic On Time Performance for the month of August, 2020

Month	Air India	Alliance Air
August-2020	95.4	87.8

C. Vande Bharat Mission:

The detail of flights operated under Vande Bharat Mission by Air India Ltd and Air India Express in the month of August 2020 is as under:

(i) Air India Ltd

City	Origin Country	PAX Carried	Number of Flights
ABU DHABI	UAE	1032	11
AUCKLAND	NEW ZEALAND	221	1
BAHRAIN	BAHRAIN	493	3
BANGKOK	THAILAND	406	3
CEBU	PHILIPPINES	184	2
CHICAGO	USA	1921	17
COLOMBO	SRI LANKA	174	1
DAMMAM	SAUDIA	1091	8
DHAKA	BANGLADESH	311	2
DOHA	QATAR	563	5
FRANKFURT	GERMANY	3199	18
GUANGZHOU	CHINA	233	1
HONG KONG	HONG KONG	301	5
INCHEON	SOUTH KOREA	47	1
JEDDAH	SAUDIA	444	3
KIEV	UKRAINE	233	3
KUWAIT	KUWAIT	2897	21
LONDON	UK	7807	46
MANILA	PHILIPPINES	227	2
MELBOURNE	AUSTRALIA	225	1
MUSCAT	OMAN	400	3
NAIROBI	KENYA	57	1
NARITA	JAPAN	204	2
NEW YORK	USA	1520	13
NEWARK	USA	2804	13
PARIS	FRANCE	1419	11
RANGOON	MYANMAR	105	1
RIYADH	SAUDIA	845	6
SAN FRANCISCO	USA	1301	16
SHARJAH	UAE	1742	12
SINGAPORE	SINGAPORE	608	5
SYDNEY	AUSTRALIA	632	3
TEL AVIV	ISRAEL	154	1
TORONTO	CANADA	3432	18
VANCOUVER	CANADA	1189	12
WASHINGTON	USA	1808	13
YEREVAN	ARMENIA	169	1
GRAND TOTAL		40398	285

(ii) Air India Express

Under Vande Bharat Mission/ Air Bubble Agreement, Air India Express operated repatriation flights as under:

Phase 5: 01stAugust – 31stAugust

From	Passenger Carriage	Number of Flights
ABU DHABI	13,817	95
BAHRAIN	2,744	16
DOHA	4,332	28
DUBAI	25,762	155
KUALA LUMPUR	3,297	20
KUWAIT	474	3
MUSCAT	6,890	39
RAS AL KHAIMAH	354	2
SALALAH	282	2
SHARJAH	10,047	64
SINGAPORE	5,128	30
Total	73,127	454

D. Air India Express carried approx.1204.486 Tons of cargo on evacuation flights operated under Vande Bharat Mission.

6. Commission of Railway Safety

- A. During August 2020, statutory inspections were conducted before opening of **sixteen (16)** lines for public carriage of passengers.
- B. During August 2020, **02** periodical or other inspections were carried out for a length of **322** Kms by the commissioners.
- C. During August 2020, **393** Minor Works have been sanctioned and **03** case of rolling has been recommended for Railway Board's sanction.
- D. Status of implementation of e-Governance:

Total No. of files	Total No. of e-files
698	638(Digitization/Migration of remaining files is under progress)

7. Status of Public Grievances in MoCA

No. of Public Grievances redressed during the month	No. of Grievances pending at the end of the month
1676	1727