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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 **April, 2024** for kind information.

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10/05/2024  
(Shobhit Gupta)  
Joint Secretary

To

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2. The Press Information Officer (PIO), Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.

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Copy with a copy of Summary also to:-

1. Director (M&C), Civil Aviation, PIB, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
2. ROI to the Council of ICAO, 999, University Street, Suite 14.30, Montreal Quebec, Canada H3C5J9.

**Important Policy decisions taken and major achievements during the month:**

**MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION**

1. Passengers carried by domestic airlines continued to grow and was 391.46 lakh during January-March 2024 as against 375.04 lakh during the corresponding period of the previous year, thereby registering annual growth of 4.34%.
2. Under RCS-Udan, one (01) airport and six (06) routes commenced during the month. A total of 553 routes have been operationalized under RCS-Udan so far.
3. Efforts to promote aircraft leasing from within India continued and Guidelines for in-country transfer of leased aircrafts was issued through DGCA. As part of passenger facilitation initiative, Guidelines were issued mandating Airlines to ensure children 12 years or younger are allocated seat next to accompanying parent/guardian.
4. Under the National Infrastructure Pipeline, the target for Ministry of Civil Aviation is Rs. 91,637 crores. The capex programme was reviewed and monitored regularly and data for 2023-24 has now been compiled. The capex actuals during 2023-24 was Rs. 18,148 crore, the highest annual achievement. This include capex of Rs. 5,248 crore for AAI airports with their own funds. The balance Rs. 12,900 crore was for private funded projects such as Navi Mumbai (Rs. 3,454 cr), Jewar (Rs. 1,664 cr), Delhi (Rs. 1,890 cr) etc.
5. Digi Yatra was launched at 11 new airports in the month of April, making it available at 27 airports.
6. Promotion of drones was continued with following achievements:
  - a) 885 Unique Identification Number (UIN) were issued in the month of April 2024, leading to a total of 21,832 Nos. of drones issued UIN.
  - b) 288 Remote Pilot Certificates (RPC) were issued in the month of April 2024, leading to a total of 10,146 Nos. of RPCs.
  - c) 3 new Type Certificate issued during the month of April 2024. Now, there are total 58 Nos. of type certified Drones.

**DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF CIVIL AVIATION (DGCA)**

**A. The following Civil Aviation Requirement (CAR) in important area has been revised by DGCA during the month of April, 2024:**

1. CAR Section-2, Series-F, Part-I related to registration/ De-Registration of Aircraft has been amended dated 12-04-2024.
2. CAR Section-2, Series-F, Part-VII related to Special Flight Permits has been amended dated 12-04-2024.

3. CAR 66 related to Licensing of Aircraft Maintenance Engineers has been amended dated 12-04-2024.
4. CAR Section-2, Series-t, Part-II related to flight test of an aircraft has been amended dated 12-04-2024.
5. The CAR Section 5, Series F, Part IV, Issue I rev I has been published on 08.04.2024. Following are the significant changes made in the said CAR :
  - BA test has been increased from 10% to 25% of personnel engaged in Aircraft Maintenance, Air traffic control services, Aerodrome operations, Ground handling services.
  - Fuel cell technology based equipment for BA is made mandatory for BA test.
  - Guidelines to operator regarding calibration of BA equipment has been introduced.
  - The procedure of conducting BA test is harmonized with CAR Section 5 series F Part III.

**B. 'Type Certificate' for Drones have been issued:**

- i. 'Type Certificate' has been issued for UAS model " Krishak V2.0 " manufactured by M/s General Aeronautics Private Limited.
- ii. 'Type Certificate' has been issued for UAS model "LMK2301" manufactured by M/s EJJ Aeros Private Limited.
- iii. 'Type Certificate' has been issued for UAS model "Surya Shakti 15L" manufactured by M/s Airbots Aerospace Private Limited.

**C. Remote Pilot Training Organization (RPTO) Authorizations Issued:**

- i. M/s VSP Flight Training Academy Pvt. Ltd., Haryana (RPTO Authorization No.: 13/2024)
- ii. M/s Rotorize Aviation Pvt. Ltd., Thane (RPTO Authorization No.:14/2024)
- iii. M/s OVCT Ventures Pvt. Ltd., Haryana (RPTO Authorization No.:15/2024)
- iv. M/s Virginia Tech India Research and Education Forum, Tamil Nadu (RPTO Authorization No.: 16/2024)
- v. M/s Centurion University of Technology and Management, Vizianagaram, (RPTO Authorization No.: 17/2024)
- vi. M/s Dronelab Technologies Private Limited, Bhopal (RPTO) Authorization No.: 18/2024)

**D. Various Checks/ Approvals**

- i. Oral exam conducted for CGI/Dy. CFI/CFI = **09**
- ii. Annual Surveillance = **02**
- iii. Standardisation Check = **02**
- iv. Proficiency Check = **14**
- v. CFI approval = **01**
- vi. FIR issue check = **03**

Date of Award: 25.04.2024

Award Cost (In Cr.): Rs. 10.74 Cr.

**C. Tender Invited for:**

- Construction of 8 nos. of RET's for runway 07-25, 3 Nos. RET's for runway 12-30. Extension of parallel Taxi Track – 'R' with link Taxi-Track and Link Taxi Track –K1 at Chennai Airport.  
Estimate cost: Rs. 356.46 Cr.  
Last date of submission of bid: 24.05.2024

Technical Circular/Technical Instruction Issued: 01

- **TI No. 145-** dated 12.04.2024 Amendment in AAI Engg. Works Manual 2017 in line with DoE Manuals-reg.

**COMMISSION OF RAILWAY SAFETY (CRS)**

- A. 07 statutory inspections of Network Expansion related work of Doubling / Multiple Lines / New Lines / Gauge Conversion for a length of 135.25 km were done by the Commissioners and authorizations issued, thus making the cumulative total of these works during the year 2024-25 to 135.25 km.
- B. 75 Minor Works were sanctioned for Railway Board's sanction.

vii. FI Assessment = 01

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- i. 2376 – Total No. of flight clearances issued (including tourist charter flights)
- ii. 04 – No. of Tourist Charter flight clearances issued
- iii. 06 – No. of AOP renewed (Non-Scheduled Operator)
- iv. 21 - No. of permissions issued to import/Local Acquisition of aircraft
- v. 11 – No. of aircraft endorsed on AOC of Scheduled Operator

F. 1310 Licenses/Ratings were issued including 43 FATA (initial), 9 FATA (Extension) and 439 Endorsements including open rating.

G. Type Acceptance/Authorisation issued:

i. Type Acceptance has been granted to following Contracting State Type Certificates for aeronautical product for operation of aircraft in India:

a) Aircraft:

- i. Letter of Type Acceptance of CAAI TCDS No. A7IL Revision 9 dated 11.11.2021 issued to M/s Gulfstream Aerospace LP for aircraft model G280.
- ii. Letter of Type Acceptance of EASA TCDS No. EASA TCDS A.064, Issue 53 dated 20.03.2024 issued to M/s Airbus for aircraft model A321 -251NX.

b) Helicopter:

- i. Letter of Type Acceptance of TCDS No. H-92 Issue 30 and Revision/Issue dated 08/30/2021 issued to M/s Bell Textron Canada Limited for Bell helicopter 407.

c) Engine:

- i. Letter of Type Acceptance of TCDS No. E-23 Issue27 dated 20.06.2014 issued to M/s. Pratt & Whitney Canada for engine model PW207D.
- ii. Letter of Type Acceptance of FAA TCDS No. E10CE Rev 15 dated 01.09.2000 issued to M/s Rolls Royce Corporation for engine model 250-B17F/1.

ii. Type Acceptance has been granted to following Contracting State Supplemental Type Certificates for aeronautical product for operation of aircraft in India:

a) **Helicopter:**

i. Letter of Type Acceptance of FAA STC No. SR00182IB dated 01/03/2024 issued to Horizon Design Services for installation of Avidyne IFD Navigator(s), replacing existing Garmin Units on Leonardo S.P.A. Helicopters aircraft model A109S.

iii. Air Transport Circular has been amended with ATC 01 of 2022 to ATC 01 of 2024 titled as "Unbundle of services and fees by scheduled airlines" to include the provision that "Airline shall ensure that children upto the age of 12 years are allocated seats with atleast one of their parents/guardians, who are travelling on the same PNR and a record of the same shall be maintained".

**BUREAU OF CIVIL AVIATION SECURITY (BCAS)**

- i. Security Monitoring/surprise checks carried out:- 78
- ii. Security tests carried out to test the efficiency of security system :- 96
- iii. Security audit of airports carried out : 03
- iv. Security vetting of airports carried out:- 87
- v. 23 Aviation security training programme conducted for persons : 2050
- vi. Approval of security programme accorded to SOP/Private/NSOP/ASP/Concessionaire/Catering/RA/FFSP/GHA/FTO: 502

**AIRPORTS AUTHORITY OF INDIA (AAI)**

**A. Airport Service Quality (ASQ) Survey**

During April 2024, ASQ Survey at 14 AAI airports was conducted successfully.

**B. Work awarded for:**

- Reconstruction of Rigid portion of Secondary Runway, 'K' and 'A' Taxiway and Strengthening of 'C' Taxiway at NSCBI Airport, Kolkata.  
SH: - Provision of AGL fittings and associated works.  
Date of Award: 25.04.2024  
  
Award Cost (In Cr.): Rs. 6.74 Cr.
- Resurfacing of main Runway at NSCBI Airport, Kolkata.  
SH: - Provision of AGL fittings and associated works.