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Aviation Industry - A Perspective

The world aviation industry under the prevailing economic environment is facing a very difficult phase. Traffic is down in most markets. Some airlines have disappeared and some are at the brink of bankruptcy, while most others have had to curtail operations in the face of diminishing revenues and yields. The weakening demand for air travel has also had a formidable effect on all stakeholders, from aircraft manufacturers to service providers, as well as the travel and tourism sector. Thus we have to work together, move ahead in a concerted and cooperative manner, which means collaboration through regional organizations and regional integration. .

Regional organizations allow for the pooling of resources and the reduction of costs, a crucial factor now given the demand conditions we are facing. They facilitate the process of liberalization by favouring the converging of existing rules, the development of common rules, or even the creation of a regional regulatory framework. Regional integration can provide more flexibility dealing with issues such as ownership and control, a factor hampering the development of civil aviation on a global scale.

Viewing the significance of these issues, Ministry of Civil Aviation, Government of India, Directorate General of Civil Aviation, Airports Authority of India, Air India and Foundation for Aviation & Sustainable Tourism (FAST) are jointly organizing an Air Transport Symposium - "India – Asia: Civil Aviation Cooperation" on 16 - 17 September 2009 at Ashok Hotel, Chankyapuri, New Delhi and on 18th September 2009 at National Institute of Aviation Management and Research (NIAMAR), Airports Authority of India, Gurgaon Road, New Delhi-110037. Hon. Minister of Civil Aviation, Government of India will be the chief guest and deliver the inaugural address on this occasion. Mr Roberto Kobeth Gonzalez, President, International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) will deliver the key note address in the inaugural session. . Mr. Madhavan Nambiar, Secretary Civil Aviation, Government of India will also address the conference.

FAST is a non-government; international, autonomous and non-profit research organization with the basic objective of promoting civil aviation and tourism, in harmony with the environment. The Foundation provides a common platform for industry and the government to find workable solutions. Recently, the ICAO has registered FAST as the consultancy agency for "Suppliers of Services (Studies)". Earlier the Foundation has organized six International Conferences - in February 1994,

December 1995, February 1998, December 2000, December 2002 and February 2007. All of them were extremely successful in terms of deliberations, participation and outcome.

Conference Agenda

The importance of regional cooperation needs no emphasis and in this regard Civil Aviation could be one of the important drivers of economic growth. The conference will deliberate on three important issues:

- (i) Opening up of the Sky
- (ii) Working to achieve better understanding and common approach in managing upper Air Space (Single Sky)
- (iii) Indian experience of setting up of Airport Economic Regulatory Authority (AERA).
- (iv) Air Carrier Liability and ICAO Economics Analysis & Data Bases (EAD) programme.

Conference Objectives

The main objective for organizing this conference is to provide a global perspective on international air transport liberalization, the success and lessons to be learnt, changes taking place in the industry and show the need and possible ways for Asian States and industry to move forward. The participation of the ICAO, IATA, ACI, CANSO etc. and their detailed deliberations during the event will provide an opportunity to the participant countries to share their experiences with respect to liberalization of air transport policies, with emphasis placed on commercialization/privatization aspects, government economic oversight and relations between regulators, service providers and users, including an overview of the Asian States of the impact of above decisions. The session on Economic Analysis & Databases will highlight and increase the awareness of accurate data and analysis in improving the efficiency, financing and profitability of operations all of which are key to the continuance of an effective aviation system.

In brief, the Conference will focus on bilateral and common control issues and how they immensely benefit the Asian countries in the form of better productivity and improved operational flexibility

The conference aims at :

- Bringing together all Asian airports, airlines and regulatory bodies besides professional world bodies such as International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), International Air Transport Association (IATA), Airports Council International(ACI), SAARC. ASEAN, Gulf Coordination Council , Civil Air Navigation Services Organization (CANSO), European

Commission & FAA etc. and provide a common forum to interact among themselves with respect to free/open skies i.e. liberalization of policies/benefits of mutual cooperation, considering the concerns of airlines in the region.

- Need to develop a road map for Asian Regional cooperation in civil aviation
- Linking aviation services with trade, creating strategic links between tourism industry, building up a better data base, promoting transparency in civil aviation operations in the region

Who Should Attend?

- Civil Aviation Regulatory Bodies/Authorities
- Economic Policymakers
- Airport Developers
- Airport Operators
- Airport Management Companies & Organizations
- Airport Turnkey Solution Providers
- Domestic Airlines
- Air Cargo & Logistics Services
- Air Navigation Service Providers
- Air Traffic Management service providers
- Aviation Consulting Companies
- Aviation Investment Firms
- Aviation Service Providers
- Aviation Training Institutions
- Infrastructure Development Companies
- Investment Banks and Financial Institutions
- IT Companies
- Academic and Research Bodies
- International Airlines operating to/from India
- Commercial Attachees of Embassies in India
- Aviation organization/association

Why Participate ?

The Conference will provide a unique opportunity to delegates from across the Region to exchange ideas on liberalizing policies, common controls resulting in improved operational flexibility and cost effectiveness. Presence of policy makers, senior government officials, domain experts and global leaders from civil aviation offers tremendous interaction opportunities to the participating delegates from the countries in the Region.

Miscellaneous information

Delegation fee: There is no delegation fee.

Visa formalities

The foreign delegates are required to obtain visa in advance from the Indian Embassy/Indian High Commission or Indian Consulate office, as the case may be, in their respective countries, for attending this conference in New Delhi. Therefore, delegates should contact the Indian Embassy/Indian High Commission or Indian Consulate office well in time and fulfil the required formalities for getting the visa for visiting India.

Hotel Accommodation

FAST has tied up arrangements for stay of the foreign delegates in the following hotels.

Delegates are required to contact the hotel for booking their accommodation directly . Tariff/contact details are as follows :

5 Star Hotel	Room Tariff	Location/Address	Contact details
Taj Palace	Delux room @ INR 9500/11,000 (US \$ 198-230)+tax Club room @ INR 13500/15000 (US \$ 282-312) +tax	Diplomatic Enclave, SP Marg, New Delhi (3 Kms from Conf Venue)	Tel: +91 11 66503797 Fax: +91 11 26116309 Email: charu.sehgal@tajhotels.com
The Ashok	Single/Double @INR 7500(US \$ 150) +taxes extra including breakfast	Venue place (Chankyapuri)	Tel: +91 11 26110101 Mob: +91 9210950400 Fax: +91 11 26114401 Email: bhoomikarbm@rediffmail.com
Le-meridian	Single/Double @INR 8500 (US\$178) incl all taxes +breakfast	Windsor place, Janpath, New Delhi. 5 Kms from the conf venue	Tel: +91 11 23710101 Fax: +91 11 23746996 Email: naggarwal@lemeridien-newdelhi.com
The Oberoi	Single @INR 10,000 (US \$ 210) +taxes with breakfast Double @INR 11,500 (US \$ 240) + tax with breakfast	Jakir Hussain Marg New Delhi. 7 kms from conf venue	Tel: +91 11 24604265/ 24363030 Fax: +91 11 243604484 24364758 Email: Arjun.sood@oberoihotels.com reservations@oberoidel.com

Sight-seeing trip to “Taj Mahal”, Agra

Arrangements for a sight-seeing trip to “Taj Mahal”, Agra on 18th September 2009 morning will be made for the delegates who wish to visit this historical place, on payment basis. They will have to make a request on or before 16th September 2009.

For further information, sponsorship opportunities/facilities, delegate registration, local sight-seeing/visit to Taj Mahal, Agra etc.,

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