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Medical and religious tourism to fuel growth for aviation industry in India



Dear Friends,

Compared with the GDP contribution of any other sector, the global air transport industry is larger than the automotive industry, chemicals manufacturing and probably more than half the size of the global financial services industry. In fact, if air transport was a country, its GDP would rank it somewhere around 20th in the world making it an important constituent to the economic growth of a country.

Realizing its potential, the Indian government is giving this sector a strong push. Minister of State for Civil Aviation, Jayant Sinha, has claimed that air travel in India is now cheaper than travel by auto-rickshaws on per kilometer basis. Explaining the mathematics behind his claim, Sinha

**Airplanes
cheaper than
autos in India:
Jayant Sinha
explains
math**

said, "These days, passengers spend only Rs 5 per kilometer on air travel from Indore to Delhi. But if you take an auto rickshaw in this city, then you need to spend a relatively higher price of Rs 8 to 10 per kilometre." He added that if entrepreneurs took the lead, then the country would have passenger drones, helicopter taxis and air- rickshaws powered by electricity, leading to freedom from traffic jams and probably offering cheaper solutions.

Travel & Tourism industry is the real conduit to growth of aviation Industry in any country. India's rank in the Travel & Tourism Competitiveness Index (TTCI), 2017 has shown a 25 places jump from 2013. Considering growth in religious and Medical tourism, theme based circuits are being developed by the government under the Swadesh Darshan Scheme spanning the entire country.

All the signs indicate that the Aviation Industry in India is set to grow. Cheap air service can make the bullet train obsolete before it even starts in India.

Happy Landings.

Gp Capt Sanjiv Aggarwal

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Ministry of Tourism recognizes Medical & Wellness Tourism as Niche Tourism Products for promotion

- India has emerged as a major Medical Tourism destination.
- India amongst the top 6 MVT (Medical Value Travel) destinations of the world which include Thailand, Singapore, India, Malaysia, Taiwan and Mexico
- The Ministry offers financial support as Marketing Development Assistance, for Publicity, and for organising Wellness and Medical Tourism Promotion shows.
- Medical & Medical attendant visa introduced to ease the travel process.
- The e-tourist visa regime expanded to include medical visits as well.
- Facilitation counters at the major airports for tourists arriving on Medical Visas.
- A National Medical and Wellness Tourism Board constituted

Def-Expo India 2018

The tenth in the series of biennial Land, Naval and Internal Homeland Security Systems Exhibition, will be held at East Coast Road, Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India from 11th to 14th April 2018. The ninth edition of Def-Expo India, held in March 2016, had recorded an unprecedented growth in



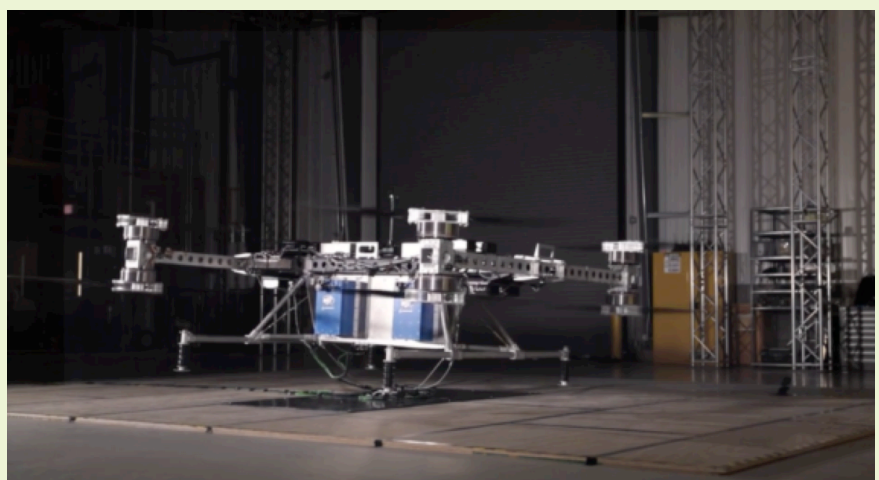
foreign as well as domestic company's participation over its previous editions. An impressive 232 foreign companies from 32 countries participated in the show along with 15 country pavilions. A growth of 12.64% in terms of space booking.



FUTURISTIC!!!

Boeing unveiled a new unmanned electric vertical-takeoff-and-landing (eVTOL) cargo air vehicle (CAV) prototype that will be used

to test and evolve Boeing's autonomy technology for future aerospace vehicles. It is designed to transport a payload up to 500 pounds for possible future cargo and logistics applications.



BOEING NUMBER ONE FOR THE SIXTH CONSECUTIVE YEAR



Boeing delivered more commercial airplanes than any manufacturer for the sixth consecutive year and set an industry record with 763 deliveries in 2017, driven by high output of the market-leading 737 and 787 jets. At the same time, the company grew its backlog with 912 net orders, reflecting healthy demand for its single-aisle and twin-aisle airplanes.

Boeing reached a new high on the 737 program as it raised production to 47 airplanes a month during the year and



began delivering the new 737 MAX, contributing to a record 529 deliveries, including 74 of the MAX variety. On the 787 Dreamliner program, Boeing continued building at the highest production rate for a twin-aisle jet, leading to 136 deliveries for the year.



On the orders front, 71 customers placed the 912 net orders, valued at \$134.8 billion at list prices. The total extends Boeing's backlog to a record 5,864 airplanes – at year end – which is equal to about seven years of production.

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THRUST ON TOURISM & PROTECTION OF RIGHTS OF PASSENGERS TO PROVIDE FILLIP TO AVIATION INDUSTRY



With the repeal of Air Corporation Act in March, 1994 the provision of tariff approval was dispensed with by the Government. Under the prevailing regulations (sub-rule (1) of Rule 135 of the Aircraft Rules, 1937, every air transport undertaking engaged in scheduled air services are required to establish tariff having regard to all relevant factors, including the cost of operation, characteristics of services, reasonable profit and the generally prevailing tariff. The fares so established, are required to be displayed by the airlines on their websites in compliance of sub-rule (2) of Rule 135 of the Aircraft

Easy to understand Air Passenger Bill of Rights to be issued

Rules, 1937. Airlines remain compliant to the regulations as long as the fare charged by them does not exceeds the fare structure displayed on their website. Any instance of predatory tariffs can be brought to the attention of the Director General of Civil Aviation. Anti-competitive practices are also within the purview and regulation of the Competition Commission of India. Pricing deregulation has allowed competition to bring down prices dramatically in India, making it one of the lowest-fare markets in the world, with only between 1% and 2% of tickets being transacted at the highest fare basket.

Ministry of Tourism launches “Incredible India 2.0 Campaign”

To promote various tourism destinations and products of India, promotional activities are being undertaken by the 14 India Tourism Offices based in New York, Los Angeles, Toronto, London, Frankfurt, Amsterdam, Paris, Milan, Dubai, Johannesburg, Sydney, Beijing, Singapore and Tokyo. Government has taken various other initiatives to boost tourism in the country, which inter-alia include:

- Extended the facility of e- Visa for the citizens of 163 countries.
- Launched 24x7 Toll Free Multi-Lingual Tourist Helpline 1800111363 in 12 Languages.
- Constituted Medical & Wellness Tourism Promotion Board.

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