

## **Kempegowda International Airport, Bengaluru receives Environmental Clearance (EC) for second stage of expansion**

*Expansion to include the construction of a new passenger terminal along with the second runway*

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Bangalore International Airport Limited (BIAL) today announced that it has been formally accorded the EC for its second stage expansion of the Kempegowda International Airport, Bengaluru. This expansion will include the construction of a new terminal along with the second runway, taxiways, aprons, aircraft parking and all aviation facilities and structures. The expansion is envisaged to accommodate the future traffic growth which is likely to reach 55 million passengers annually by 2029-2030 and approximately 1 million tonnes of cargo movement. The expansion within the existing airport site area will cater to both aeronautical and non-aeronautical infrastructure facilities.

The second stage expansion approval was granted by the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India. “The second stage EC for our airport is an exciting milestone which now paves the way for us to secure final approvals for the project. This expansion will help us in contributing significantly towards the state's economic development and is key to achieving our overall vision of making Bangalore the Gateway to South India. We remain committed to developing a world-class project in a timely and responsible manner and ultimately bring widespread benefits to this state”<sup>□</sup> said **Mr. G V Sanjay Reddy, MD, BIAL.**

The airport is recognized to have a considerable economic and social impact on the region. This impact extends to the wider benefit that the airport brings to the regional business interests. The proposed expansion will contribute not only to the economic development of the region but will also play a major role in propelling growth in the travel and tourism industry, which further has a cascading impact on allied industries. Besides the economic benefits, this expansion will create direct and indirect employment thereby contributing holistically to the economy of the state.

### **BIAL's respect and commitment for the environment**

The Kempegowda International Airport, Bengaluru is single-mindedly designed to ensure that the city of Bangalore not only gets an airport that is world-class in terms of service and efficiency, but also ensures the long-term wellbeing of the environment and the community around it. In a way, it stands for progress - not just as a sudden change - but as a long-term promise for the city, it is based on a very genuine concern for the city's well-being and harmony. 'Sustainable progress' is a thought that sets the direction not just for the airport, but for the city.

“As a responsible corporate, Bangalore International Airport Limited accords high priority to protect the environment and conservation of natural resources. Our approach to sustainability incorporates understanding and learning from experience and to progressively develop capabilities to respond according to industry best practice. We are committed towards adopting best practices and set similar benchmarks across all functions at the airport” further added, **Mr. G V Sanjay Reddy.**

The airport's green canvas includes integration of sustainable practices across business verticals and includes infrastructure, terminal operations, information technology, corporate functions and project management. Every year BIAL revisits its initiatives and adopts industry best practices on various green initiatives for the airport i.e. rain water harvesting projects, water conservation projects, energy

conservation projects, solid waste management projects, renewable energy projects, green belt development, housekeeping etc. The airport continues to work towards creating, conserving, and ascertaining a safe and clean environment for sustainable development.

The existing terminal is a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) gold certified infrastructure by the Indian Green Building Council (IGBC). BIAL received the recognition for energy efficient, eco-friendly and sustainable terminal building design. BIAL is also recognised by Airports Council International (ACI) and is accredited with Airport Carbon Accreditation Level 3 which is recognised as the optimisation level.

For the complete environmental clearance letter please click:

<http://www.bengaluruairport.com/bial/pdf/clearanceEnvBial.pdf>

#### **About Bangalore International Airport Limited**

BIAL is a Public Limited Company under the Companies Act formed to build, own and operate Bangalore's Greenfield private sector-owned and operated airport - the Kempegowda International Airport, Bengaluru. Private promoters hold a 74% (GVK - 43%, Siemens Projects Ventures -26%, and Flughafen Zurich AG- 5%) stake in BIAL while the government holds the remaining 26% (Karnataka State Small Industries Development Corporation- 13%, Airport Authority of India - 13%).

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