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Bengaluru International Airport renamed as Kempegowda International Airport, Bengaluru and New Terminal inaugurated

Bangalore International Airport Limited (BIAL) today held a celebration at the airport to announce its name change from Bengaluru International Airport to Kempegowda International Airport Bengaluru and the inauguration of its Terminal which has been elevated in design, exteriors, facilities and infrastructure. The event was presided over by Chief Minister of Karnataka Shri Siddaramaiah and the Chief Guest was Hon'ble Union Minister of Civil Aviation Shri Ajit Singh. Other dignitaries from the state as well as the center graced the occasion and over 2000 people attended.

As the founding father of the city and an icon for citizens, Kempegowda laid the stage for the development of the entire region. Kempegowda planned and build the city of Bangalore and is noted for his societal reforms and contribution in building temples and water reservoirs in Bangalore. The airport's new name honors the founding father of the city.

Speaking at the event **Dr. GVK Reddy, Chairman and Managing Director GVKPIL and Co-Chairman BIAL** said "With Karnataka on the growth path, there is a need to lay a strong foundation of world-class infrastructure. Our endeavour at GVK has always been to go beyond just catering to these needs. We look at this region's economic growth as an opportunity to empower people, enrich their lives and to contribute to the nation's development. To keep pace with these rising demands, we need to create top-notch facilities, which will bring the world to Bangalore and take the city to the world."

The airport not only reflects the city's dreams, but also the culture, ethos and landscape of the state of Karnataka. At the same time, the terminal is at par with the best in the world in terms of conveniences, with double the existing area, facilities to host some of the largest aircrafts, and world-class technologies. The new infrastructure is built on the existing facility's efficient and passenger-friendly design, while incorporating elements of the region that it serves. It reflects the vision of GVK BIAL in creating a destination that represents the varied cultural, ethos and artistic elements of South India.

Speaking about the airport **Mr. G V Sanjay Reddy Managing Director, BIAL** said, "Since the operations of this airport began, we have worked closely with the Government of Karnataka to promote the region and its rich culture and heritage. We have so much to showcase to the world and make them aware of an entire new side of the region. It has been our objective to play a significant role in the economic development of the state. Today we are a step closer to realizing our vision of being the Gateway to South India."

The terminal epitomizes the technological prowess of Bangalore. Apart from a new VIP terminal that befits the prominent personalities who visit the city and state

frequently, the city is now ready to welcome large aircraft such as the Airbus A380 through a new Code F contact stand. The terminal has 26 boarding gates, 15 aerobridges (including 1 Code F to facilitate A380). Further, a new, high-tech AOCC (Airport Operational Control Center) serves as the nerve-centre of the airport and helps both airlines and concessionaires to streamline processes. This ensures smart decision-making and faster turnaround making the operations as well as travel through the airport more efficient and economical for passengers.

The entire design has been created with the passenger in mind for a delightful experience across the spectrum of travellers who use the airport. The design of the terminal takes into account existing core strengths i.e. short walkways, ease and convenience of usage, linear flow and flexible design. Passengers can enjoy the comfort of more check-in counters, seating areas, a large security hold area and added aerobridges.

Befitting the Garden City, the airport has been designed, with over 100 acres of landscape greeting the traveller to bring out the essence of the city as a tranquil and green zone. Indigenous plants, trees and shrubs have been used to reflect the region's natural beauty, while green practices make this LEED Gold certified infrastructure one of India's most eco-friendly facility. On the interiors, elements of Mysore painting and relief works, which are emblematic of Karnataka art, are given prominent display using modern materials.

Inspired by a smile, the roof is an aerodynamic marvel. It is the unifying element for the new and existing facilities, bringing both together as one composition. Artwork by renowned artists such as Yusuf Arakkal, Jatin Das, Siddhartha Das and Satish Gupta have been commissioned to enhance the experience of the travellers. F&B and retail concepts have been carefully created to provide a new platform for local cuisines, art-forms and over 500 artisans whose products - from Channapatna toys to Bidriware and Mysore silks - will be available. With historians and experts consulted at every planning stage, it's a truly authentic experience.

Weeks before the launch, Bangaloreans experienced first-of-its-kind and a unique preview of the airport with its new features, services and facilities. All this through vehicles fitted with state-of-the-art Glasstrons and photoboxi that travelled across the city to experience and share a truly inclusive partnership between the city and the airport.

The Kempegowda International Airport, Bengaluru enhanced is envisioned to meet the growing aviation needs of the city through the development of a passenger friendly and well operated airport. The master plan ensures that the size and capacity of the airport's facilities is in line with passenger traffic forecast and projected cargo growth. This airport has the capacity to handle to handle 20 million passengers annually.

| New Capacity | New Capacity | Enhanced facilities |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Total area of 1.5 million sq. feet 20 MPPA 86 check-in counters 24 departure emigration counters 24 arrival immigration counters 30 Common User Self Service Check-in 26 Boarding gates | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 13 baggage reclaim belts 32 domestic security consoles 16 international security consoles 15 Boarding bridges including a Code-F stand that can accommodate an Airbus A380 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A new VIP Terminal of 10000 sq. ft Baby care rooms Smoking rooms Prayer room 2 New lounges 1 day hotel 1 Bus lounge Spa 25 Retail outlets 13 New restaurants |

About Bangalore International Airport Limited (BIAL)

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 Bengaluru International Airport. Private promoters hold a 74% (GVK - 43% Siemens Projects Ventures - 26%, and or Flughafen Zurich AG- 5%) stake in BIAL while the government holds the remaining 26% (Karnataka State Industrial Investment and Development Corporation - 13%, Airport Authority of India - 13%).

About GVK

GVK is a leading Indian conglomerate with presence across energy, resources, airports, transportation, hospitality and life sciences sectors. GVK set up India's first independent power plant and has around 6000 MW projects under generation and development. It is the first company in India to develop six-lane road project under PPP model and has around 3000 lane km expressway projects under operations and development. Having already invested over USD 3.3 billion, GVK has projects worth over another USD 6.6 billion in the pipeline, in India. It has acquired Australian Coal Mines in Queensland with 8 bt reserves for USD 1.26 billion and envisages an investment of USD 10 billion to for setting up mines, 500 km rail project and 60 mtpa port project which will form one of the world's largest integrated coal mining operations.

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