

Airports Authority of India extends round-the-clock services for seamless operations at Jolly Grant Airport, Dehradun

The Airports Authority of India (AAI) swung into action within 24 hours of the devastating floods which ravaged the mountain state of Uttaranchal. In a show of solidarity, AAI extended round-the-clock operations at Jolly Grant Airport. A seamless flow of choppers, aircraft and ground operations for relief work in the natural calamity hit State was enabled with excellent coordination between AAI, State government of Uttaranchal and the Indian Air Force. AAI mobilized all of its infrastructure to ensure efficient and smooth operations at this small airport which has limited resources.

In a bid to enhance search and rescue operations from Dehradun airport, aircraft movements ranging from 53 to more than 120 were handled successfully through optimum utilization by AAI officials working round the clock. In addition to various camps set up around the airport, including that of State



Government, AAI has also set up a help desk-cum-relief camp to extend emergency services for the flood victims and provide possible help and cooperation to the passengers, their relatives and well-wishers at the airports.

AAI has waived off the landing parking charges for relief flights operation from Dehradun airport.

Dehradun airport is the only major airport in the state of Uttaranchal offering excellent connections to New Delhi and other major Indian cities. The other airport in the State is Pant Nagar which is relatively small and caters to mostly tourists. A third airport the Chakrata base airport in Uttaranchal is used mainly by the Air Force.