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**Northern Region**

**Press Brief**

**Visit of MoSCA Shri Jyant Sinha to ATS Facility at Airports Authority of India,  
Regional Headquarter, Northern Region IGI Airport ,New Delhi,**

**New Delhi, 10th May,2018 :-** The Hon'ble Minister of State for Civil Aviation (MoSCA), Sh. Jayant Sinha, visited the Air Traffic Services facility at IGI Airport on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2018, to take stock of the current working environment and upcoming projects.

The Hon'ble Minister showed inspected greivew the various Air Traffic Control Units and spend time observing the live operations from the control tower of IGI Airport. The MoSCA interacted with the Air Traffic Controllers (ATCOs) and appreciated the contribution and commitment of the Air Traffic Control fraternity in keeping the skies safe.

The Hon'ble Minister encouraged the ATCOs to continue doing the good work and to strive to be the best in the world.

MoSCA paid a visit to the upcoming new ATS facility which includes the iconic 102 M high Control Tower. He was apprised of the progress of the project for installation and commissioning of the New Automation system in the new facility. He was briefed on the criticality of shifting the operations from the existing facility to a new facility in a live environment, while ensuring the safety of operations.

MoSCA impressed upon AAI, to setup a robust R&D unit to support and enhance the ATM activities in India. He wanted that India should take the lead in developing ATM tools and systems, under the Make in India program of GoI, to be the best-of-the-best in this field.

The Hon'ble Minister also visited the Central Command Centre (CCC) of the Central Air Traffic Flow Management (C-ATFM). He was briefed on the functioning of the ATFM unit and the genesis of ATFM in India. MoSCA showed keen interest in the principles of ATFM and appreciated the efforts of the AAI team in taking the lead in the implementation of this initiative in this region. He exhorted AAI to excel in this field and implored that India should set an example for other countries, not only in the South-East Asia Region but in the world, for the successful implementation of this system.

MoSCA congratulated the AAI team in ensuring the safety of skies and wished them all the best for their continued effort to enhance the efficiency of air operations in India.

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**Sh. Jayant Sinha, Hon'ble Minister of State for Civil Aviation during his visit at Air Traffic Services facility at AAI's Regional Headquarter, Northern Region, IGI Airport, New Delhi on 7th May 2018, to take stock of the current working environment and the upcoming projects. Shri A.K. Dutta, Member (ANS), AAI (extreme left) and Shri Rakesh Kalra, Regional Executive Director, AAI,Northern Region (exteme Right )are also seen.**

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