

Airports Authority of India

Press Release

AAI launches a Booklet SUGAM “Sustainable Green Airports Mission on the World Environment Day

New Delhi, 5th June, 2023: SUGAM “Sustainable Green Airports Mission”, a publication on the various initiatives taken up by Airports Authority of India (AAI) on sustainability was launched on World Environment Day by Shri Jyotiraditya M. Scindia, Hon’ble Union Minister of Civil Aviation and Steel in the presence of the Gen. (Dr.) V.K. Singh (Retd.), Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Civil Aviation, Road Transport and Highways; Shri Rajiv Bansal, Secretary, MoCA; Shri Sanjeev Kumar, Chairman, Airports Authority of India, and other senior officials.

This booklet highlights the various initiatives taken up by AAI on sustainability and becoming carbon neutral, in line with the Panchamrit goals declared by the Hon’ble Prime Minister of India at COP26. The objective of this booklet is to document and inform all stakeholders about the initiatives being taken by AAI, learn over time, track progress, and seek cooperation in enhancing actions towards efficient and sustainable airport operations and achieving the target of carbon neutrality.

At the launch of the booklet, Shri Jyotiraditya M. Scindia HMCA appreciated the efforts and initiatives taken by the AAI to publish SUGAM which highlights AAI’s commitment towards sustainable development and concern towards climate change.

SUGAM is the first such effort showcasing the sustainability initiatives taken at AAI airports, emphasising renewable energy and energy-efficient measures. It also provides an in-depth analysis of energy performance and emission intensities across Indian airports. AAI has devised a roadmap to shift from fossil fuel-based energy to green power from renewable sources to reduce the carbon footprint. AAI has also planned to optimise energy efficiency and onsite solar capacity, and to adopt other renewable energy options to switch over its operations on 100 percent renewable energy.

AAI is already meeting about two thirds of its energy requirements through renewable energy. Encouraging the usage of green energy at the airports, Solar plants with a combined commissioned capacity of 55 MWp have been installed & commissioned at AAI airports with 42 airports running on 100% Renewable Energy.

SUGAM, developed under the guidance of Hon'ble Union Minister, encapsulates his vision to and commitment to India's updated 2030 Nationally Determined Contributions and long-term net zero goal by 2070. The booklet aims to promote transparency and knowledge sharing, encouraging other airports to learn from AAI's experiences and contribute to the collective goal of achieving net zero emissions.

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