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AAI Observes Gandhi Jayanti with Focused Cleanliness and Hygiene Initiatives under Yatri Seva Abhiyan 2026

New Delhi, 2 October 2026: Marking the auspicious occasion of Gandhi Jayanti, the Airports Authority of India (AAI), under the aegis of the Ministry of Civil Aviation, observing the nationwide “Yatri Seva Abhiyan 2026” with a focused cleanliness and hygiene initiative across its airports. The observance reinforced the importance of cleanliness as an integral component of passenger service and reflected the spirit of collective responsibility and Shramdaan associated with the occasion.

As part of the initiative, an intensive hygiene audit was undertaken across terminal areas, including toilets, bathrooms, taps and wash areas. Special attention was given to cleanliness, sanitisation and the availability of essential passenger amenities and sanitary products. Housekeeping teams inspected key passenger-contact areas and addressed identified gaps to ensure that airport facilities remained clean, hygienic and welcoming for travellers.

The campaign also saw focused activities related to sanitisation, waste removal and waste segregation, with airport employees and stakeholders participating in Shramdaan at suitable locations. The collective effort highlighted the important role played by airport staff, housekeeping personnel and service partners in maintaining high standards of cleanliness and ensuring the consistent upkeep of facilities.

A symbolic ‘Shramdaan’ activity followed by an inspection of toilets and other passenger-contact areas was envisaged as part of the scheduled programme. The activities were planned to be carried out in a manner that ensured minimal disruption to airport operations and passenger movement.

The initiative also focused on showcasing before-and-after improvements in identified areas, highlighting effective waste-segregation practices and recognising the contribution of housekeeping teams in maintaining airport facilities. Such activities provided an opportunity to reinforce the importance of responsible waste management, regular sanitisation and sustained attention to passenger-facing infrastructure.

The observance of Gandhi Jayanti under Yatri Seva Abhiyan 2026 brought together the values of cleanliness, service and collective participation, translating the campaign's guiding principles of "Seva and Sankalp" and "Service with Smile" into visible action. By involving employees and stakeholders in cleanliness efforts, the initiative sought to strengthen a culture of ownership and responsibility towards the airport environment.

Through these sustained efforts, AAI reiterated its commitment to providing clean, hygienic, safe and passenger-friendly airport facilities across its network. The initiative also underscored that cleanliness is not limited to a campaign or a designated day, but is an ongoing responsibility requiring participation, discipline and collective action from all stakeholders.

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