

Airports Authority of India

Press Release

Dr. Sharad Kumar takes over as Member (Operations) at Airports Authority of India (AAI)

New Delhi, 01st May, 2023: Dr. Sharad Kumar has taken over the charge of Member (Operations) from 01st May, 2023 on the Board of Airports Authority of India (AAI). Prior to this appointment, Dr. Kumar was serving as Airport Director, Chennai International Airport.

As Member (Operations), AAI, Dr. Sharad Kumar will be responsible for Airport management, Airport facilitations and IT, Services, up-keep and maintenance of airport infrastructure, for safety and rescue services, including logistic support, security, liaison and co-ordination activities, promoting indigenization under AatmaNirbhar Scheme of the Government.

Dr. Kumar has over 30 years of experience and expertise in construction, maintenance & modification of airports in India. He started his career in AAI in 1990 at Jammu Airport and later worked in diverse capacities in various airports across the country like Mumbai, Delhi CHQ, Goa, Jabalpur, Nagpur, Sikkim, covering all five regions. He was instrumental in the day-to-day operation & smooth functioning of Biju Patnaik International Airport, Bhubaneswar and Srinagar International Airport as Airport Director before joining Chennai.

Dr Kumar is a Graduate of Civil Engineering from the South Gujarat University of SVNIT, India, and MBA in Human Resource Management. He also holds an International Airport Professional – IAP degree accorded by Airports Council International and International Civil Aviation Organization and a Ph. D., in Management from KIITS, Bhubaneshwar, Odisha, India. He has addressed various seminars on aviation matters in India and abroad and is a sought after key note speaker on such forums.

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