

Airports Authority of India
Press Release

PM laid the Foundation Stone for Modernization of Chennai Airport Phase-2 and Construction of New Integrated Terminal Building at Trichy Airport

New Delhi, 11th February, 2019: The Foundation Stone for Modernization of Chennai Airport Phase-2 and Construction of New Integrated Terminal Building at Trichy Airport was laid by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India on 10th February, 2019 through video link from Tirupur in Tamil Nadu.

The Foundation Stone Laying Ceremony took place in the august presence of Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu, Shri. Banwari Lal Purohit, Shri. Eddapadi K Palanisawami, Chief Minister, Tamil Nadu, Shri. Pon.Radhakrishnan, Union Minister of State for Finance & Shipping, Shri. O. Panneerselvam, Deputy Chief Minister, Tamil Nadu and other esteemed dignitaries.

The Airports Authority of India, under the supervision of the Ministry of Civil Aviation is committed to provide air connectivity and develop as well as upgrade airport infrastructure across the country. Due to the proactive measures being undertaken by the Government, India is already one of the fastest growing civil aviation markets in the world.

Chennai International Airport is the fourth largest airport in the country in terms of passenger handling and being owned & managed by Airports Authority of India. It is the premier International Gateway and Air hub for Southern India and is driving the economy & trade in the entire Southern peninsula.

Considering increasing passenger traffic, AAI took up the Modernization of Chennai Airport under Phase-I (T-1 & T-4 Terminals) in the year 2008 and completed in 2012. Modernisation of Chennai International Airport – Phase 2 with total project cost of Rs.2467 Cores is now being undertaken by AAI. The construction of new integrated terminal building flanked by the existing terminal 1 and terminal 4, having an area of 1,97,000 square meters with all world-class facilities & service will be undertaken in two phases to cater 35 million passengers annually.

PM also laid the Foundation Stone for construction of new integrated terminal building of Tiruchirappalli International Airport. The proposed air-conditioned Modular Integrated Terminal Building of 75000 sqm. will be able to handle 2900 combined peak hour passenger (including 2300

international & 600 domestic passengers). The work for the new integrated terminal building is expected to be completed by the year 2025-26.

While addressing the public gathering, Hon'ble Prime Minister said "Better facilities at Chennai Airport and New Integrated Terminal Building at Trichy Airport will ensure enhanced air connectivity for the people of Tamil Nadu.

Development of Aviation Infrastructure at Chennai and Trichy Airport will offer better and world –class services to the air travellers.

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Shri. Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister of India during the Foundation Stone Laying Ceremony for Modernization of Chennai Airport Phase-2 and Construction of New Integrated Terminal Building at Trichy Airport in TamilNadu

