

## **AIRPORTS AUTHORITY OF INDIA**

### **PRESS RELEASE**

#### **AAI's 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Day Celebrations capped with colourful cultural Programme- 'Udaan'.**

**New Delhi, 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 2017:**

Airports Authority of India (AAI), the mainstay of Civil Aviation in the Country celebrated its 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Day on 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2017 at Siri Fort Auditorium, New Delhi with full grandeur. Shri P. Ashok Gajapathi Raju, Hon'ble Union Minister of Civil Aviation was the Chief Guest and Shri Jayant Sinha, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Civil Aviation was the Guest of Honour in the Annual Day Function.

The vibrant evening of music and celebration at the Siri Fort Auditorium was followed by the launch of Corporate Plan of AAI by the Chief Guest, Shri P. Ashok Gajapathi Raju, HMCA in the presence of Guest of Honour, Shri Jayant Sinha, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Civil Aviation and Dr. Guruprasad Mohapatra, Chairman, AAI and other dignitaries. The launch followed felicitation of AAI achievers in their respective fields by the Chief Guest. The awards were given by Shri P. Ashok Gajapathi Raju, HMCA for the commendable performance and achievements by various teams/airports on the basis of ACI and CSI survey ratings.

Shri P. Ashok Gajapathi Raju, HMCA complimented the AAI family on fulfilling its role assigned towards Nation building by way of providing safe, secure and affordable flying resulting in India in becoming the 5<sup>th</sup> largest aviation market in the world.

Shri Jayant Sinha, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Civil Aviation asserted that AAI has been instrumental in implementation of various Government Schemes like Make in India, Swaach Bharat, e-Governance, NCAP, Air Sewa and RCS-UDAN.

Shri R. N. Choubey, Secretary (Civil Aviation) conveyed his best wishes through a message which was read out during the event. Secretary (CA) applauded the achievements of AAI in implementation of Regional Connectivity Scheme, Air Sewa initiatives and launch of AAI Cargo Logistics and Allied Services Ltd. (AAICLAS).

Dr. Guruprasad Mohapatra, IAS, Chairman, AAI expressed his satisfaction on achieving great heights of success globally by AAI and was also proud in saying that an interim dividend of Rs 560 crores paid to the Government and getting through Rs 10,000 crores revenue mark has literally reaffirmed his confidence to become one of the World leaders in Aviation in times to come.

After the official programme, the stage was open for Live Performance by renowned Singer – Performer Shaan which was enjoyed by all.

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Shri P. Ashok Gajapathi Raju, Hon'ble Union Minister of Civil Aviation lighting the lamp on the occasion of 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Day Celebrations of Airports Authority of India in the presence of Shri Jayant Sinha, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Civil Aviation and Dr. Guruprasad Mohapatra, IAS, Chairman, AAI.