

Draft of New Aviation Policy prepared

KARACHI (2 March 2019): In pursuance of the directions of the Honourable Prime Minister of Pakistan, a draft for the New Aviation Policy 2019 has been prepared. This draft policy is a joint effort of Aviation Division, PCAA and all relevant stakeholders.

The main vision of this policy is to regulate and facilitate the stakeholders with the objective to revive the aviation sector. Accordingly, on the directions of Minister of Aviation, Mohammadmian Soomro and Secretary Aviation / DGCAA, Shahrukh Nusrat, the draft of NAP-2019 has been shared with aviation industry stakeholders for final discussion / deliberations on 04th March, 2019 at CAA Headquarters. Upon finalization, the same would be presented to the Federal Cabinet for approval.

Phase-1- National Aviation Policy

The new policy once implemented, would have number of direct and indirect benefits and incentives for airlines operators, pilots / cabin crew and most importantly the passengers travelling by air within Pakistan. It is pertinent to mention that PCAA has recommended several unprecedented initiatives including rationalization of all passengers' related PCAA charges and aeronautical charges on domestic operations. Additionally, PCAA charges related to Aviation Sector for provisioning of land and spaces have also been rationalized substantially.

In order to facilitate the airlines, validity period of Licences to Airlines and General Aviation Operators is being increased from 01 year to two (02) years. At the same time, validity of Personnel licence / Cabin crew certificate is also being enhanced upto five (05) years within the rationalized fee. Aircraft Manufacturing Industry and Maintenance Repair Organizations (MROs) policy has also been reviewed with incentives to promote development in these fields.

Tourism Promotion and Regional Integration (TPRI) Licence

In order to promote tourism and facilitate connectivity of socio economic destinations, a separate category licence namely Tourism Promotion and Regional Integration (TPRI) licence is being introduced on incentivized business friendly terms.

Phase-2-Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)

Prime Minister's programme regarding Green and Clean movement has also been given special emphasis by addressing all the five components through CSR programme at all the PCAA airports. The plantation for billion trees Tsunami has been initiated.

Phase-3-Rationalization of Aeronautical Charges

The matter of facilitating the aeronautical charges with the international flights is also under process and shall be announced once cleared by the competent forum.

Phase-4- Review of syllabi

TPL, SPL, PPL, CPL, ATPL syllabi are being reviewed to make it more objective and flying oriented.

The ground schooling and flying club curricula are also being addressed to produce more professional and knowledge based potential pilots.