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Government of India

Ministry of Defence

D(N-II/Ops)

Directorate of Civil Aviation
Inward No. <i>489</i>
Date: <i>27/11/15</i>

226, South Block, New Delhi

Dated: *23* October, 2015OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Defence clearance for setting up of a new Greenfield Airport at Mopa in Goa

Reference is invited to Ministry of Civil Aviation's letter No. AV-20015/8/95-VB(Vol. III) dated 1-5-2000 conveying approval for setting up of a new Greenfield International Airport at Mopa in Goa. Subsequently, Secretary (Civil Aviation), Government of Goa vide D.O. letter No. 43/DOCA/MOPA-Approvals/2015/33 dated 28.01.2015 sought approval of Ministry of Defence for setting up of a new Greenfield International Airport at Mopa in Goa (copy enclosed).

2. This proposal has been got examined in consultation with Naval Headquarters (NHQ). Ministry of Defence have no objection to the proposal by Government of Goa for creation of a Greenfield Airport at Mopa in Goa at a distance of approx. 20 nautical miles, North North East (bearing 010 deg) from INS Hansa subject to the following conditions:

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- (a) Airspace designation and promulgation thereof by AAI for proposed Mopa Airport including the Terminal Control Area, Aerodrome Traffic Circuit, VOR Holding Areas, Outbound Track, Final Approach, Missed Approach of all Instrument Approach Procedures for all categories of aircraft and Standard Instrument Arrival & Departure for both runways is to be kept within 5 nm to the south of Mopa airfield.
 - (b) The control zone of Mopa is to be restricted up to height of 5000 ft. towards South of Mopa and a 5 nm semi-circular airspace centred on ARP may be allotted as a part of Control Zone. In addition, a buffer zone of 2.5 nm width is to be provided south of the control zone. The aerodrome traffic circuit for visual circling approaches be designed on the Northern side of the proposed runway.
 - (c) In order to effect safe and concurrent operations, both military and civil at the two airfields, the Approach Control should positively be handled by Dabolim ATC. Any new ATS procedures to be designed are to be done in consultation with the IN.
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To *Secretary, Goa*

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- (d) A time slot of at least one hour during the day is to be made available for military flying in Mopa control zone which forms part of sector North of Dabolim Local Flying Area.
- (e) Provision of a Naval Air Enclave to cater for Naval Aircraft operations from Mopa airfield is to be catered for. The area should be sufficient to construct an apron, hangar and Admin/ Technical building capable of handling at least 02 LRMR (Boeing 737-800 equivalent) aircraft at a time. The facilities of proposed Airport at Mopa are to be extended for military rescue and diversionary operations free of cost.
- (f) Operations from the proposed airfield should at no stage interfere with any military maritime/air operations, particularly those undertaken to combat piracy or coastal security operations planned from INS Hansa. Launch of military operational missions would take priority over normal operations.
- (g) A hotline be established by the applicant between the ATCs of the new airfield and INS Hansa for instantaneous coordination at all times.

Encl.: as above



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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Defence clearance for setting up of a new Greenfield Airport at Mopa in Goa

Reference is invited to OM of even no. dated 23.10.2015 from Ministry of Defence according 'no objection' to the proposal by Government of Goa for creation of a Greenfield Airport at Mopa in Goa at a distance of approx. 20 nautical miles, North North East (bearing 010 deg) from INS Hansa subject to the certain conditions enumerated at para 2 (a) to (g) of this letter.

2. Subsequently, Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA) vide letter No. AV.20015/94/2015-AD dated 17.12.2015 requested for dropping of clause (d) and (e) of para 2 of MoD's letter dated 23.10.2015 for aiding exclusive and unhindered civil operations. This request was also made by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Goa vide letter dated 23.11.2015 and 26.05.2016, including modification in clause 2(f) of MoD's letter dated 23.10.2015.

3. Based on consultation with all the stakeholders, the competent authority has accorded approval for following modifications in the OM of even no. dated 23.10.2015 from Ministry of Defence regarding no objection to the proposal by Government of Goa for creation of a Greenfield Airport at Mopa in Goa:

- (i) The requirement of of one hour flying restriction mentioned in clause 2(d) has been reviewed and recommended for deletion. In consultation with ATC Mopa, the conduct of military flying will be undertaken in area North of Mopa Airfield beyond its Control Zone. There would be no effect on civil flying operations whilst military flying is being conducted in this area.
- (ii) As regards clause 2(e), provision of Naval Air Enclave is considered critical for naval aircraft operations and recommended to be retained. The proposed 5 acre land for this purpose could be given on lease for the entire period of concession. The proposed Naval infrastructure would be created at the cost of MoD/IN with a separate independent entry/exit to the naval facility.
- (iii) The clause 2(f) is considered vital in view of national security. The clause has been reviewed and recommended to be read as "Launch of military operational missions would take priority over normal operations in the case of an emergency as declared by the Government of India. Operations from the proposed airfield should at no stage interfere with Search and Rescue (SAR)



12/2016/CR Section-MCCA Other high priority military maritime air operations, including coastal security operations planned from INS Hansa".

4. Besides above, all other conditions mentioned in the OM of even no. dated 23.10.2015 on the above mentioned subject, remain the same.

This issues with the approval of Raksha Mantri.



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