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भारतीय विमानपत्तन आर्थिक विनियामक प्राधिकरण Airports Economic Regulatory Authority of India ****

आदेश संख्या 15/2024-25 Order No. 15/2024-25

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: कार्गो हैंडलिंग सेवाएं/Cargo Handling Services

: अरुण एविएशन सर्विसेज प्राइवेट लिमिटेड/ Aroon Aviation Services Pvt. Ltd.

: श्रीनगर अंतरराष्ट्रीय हवाईअड्डा/ Srinagar International Airport

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विषय: मैसर्स अरुण एविएशन सर्विसेज प्राइवेट लिमिटेड द्वारा श्रीनगर अंतरराष्ट्रीय हवाईअड्डा, श्रीनगर में प्रदान की जाने वाली अंतरदेशीय कार्गो हैंडलिंग सेवाओं के लिए तदर्थ टैरिफ का निर्धारण।

Sub: Determination of Ad-hoc Tariff for the Domestic Cargo Handling Services to be provided by M/s Aroon Aviation Services Pvt. Ltd. at Srinagar International Airport, Srinagar.

Aroon Aviation Services Pvt. Ltd. Submission

- 1. M/s Aroon Aviation Services Pvt. Ltd. (AASPL) vide its letter dated 08.10.2024 informed that they have been awarded a concession by AAI Cargo Logistics and Allied Services Ltd. (AAICLAS) for the Operation and Management (O&M) of the Domestic Air Cargo Terminal at Sheikh Ul-Alam International Airport (Srinagar International Airport) for a period of three years, with a provision of further extension of concession by two years.
- 2. M/s AASPL in the aforesaid letter informed that they are likely to commence their operations at Srinagar Airport, after obtaining the necessary approvals from the concerned regulatory authorities. The ISP further stated that the preparation of Multi Year Tariff Proposal (MYTP) in respect of its proposed Cargo Handling Services at Srinagar International Airport is in process and same will be submitted shortly to the Authority for the determination of regular tariff.
- 3. Meanwhile, M/s AASPL requested the Authority to approve the same tariff as was approved by the AERA for M/s AAICLAS, vide Tariff Order No. 13/2022-23 date 05.07.2022, on adhoc basis, for a period of 6 months from the date of commencement of Commercial operations, or, till the determination of regular Tariff by AERA, whichever is earlier.

Authority's Examination

- 4. The Authority notes that presently there are two separate cargo terminals operated by AAICLAS at Srinagar International Airport, for providing Domestic and International Cargo Handling Services.
 - AAICLAS floated a tender for appointment of the new agency to operate & manage the Domestic Cargo Terminal at Srinagar International Airport. Whereas, AAICLAS will continue to provide the International Cargo Handling Services at Srinagar Airport. M/s AASPL was selected as the new agency for Operation and Management (O&M) of the Domestic Air Cargo Terminal at Srinagar International Airport for a period of three years, effective from the commencement date.
- 5. The Authority notes that AASPL vide letter dated 08.10.2024 submitted a proposal for approval of ad-hoc tariff for Domestic Cargo Handling Services at Srinagar Airport, based on the existing tariff applicable to AAICLAS for its domestic Cargo facility at Srinagar International Airport.
- 6. Upon initial review of AASPL proposal, the Authority observed some shortcomings/information gaps and accordingly sought requisite information/clarifications from the AASPL on the following points:
 - (i) Copy of agreement executed between the AAICLAS and AASPL in respect of operation and management of the Domestic Air Cargo Terminal at Srinagar Airport.
 - (ii) Copy of the Security Clearance by BCAS in favour of M/s Aroon Aviation Services Pvt. Ltd. for its functioning as Regulated Agent at Srinagar International Airport.
 - (iii) Expected date of commencement of cargo operations at Srinagar International Airport.
- 7. In response to AERA queries, AASPL vide email dated 01.11.2024 submitted copy of the agreement executed between the AAICLAS and AASPL in respect of the Operation and Management of the Domestic Cargo Handling Services at Srinagar International Airport, for a period of three years, effective from the commencement date. Further, abovesaid agreement can be extended for a period of two years at mutually agreeable terms & conditions between both the parties.
- 8. M/s AASPL also submitted copy of the letter dated 18.09.2024 from Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS) regarding security clearance to the ISP's functioning as a Regulated Agent (RA) at the airports. The Authority notes that security clearance granted by BCAS is valid for a period of five years, from the date of issue of security clearance i.e. 18.09.2024 or the period of validity of contract with the airport operator, whichever is earlier.
- 9. Further, M/s AASPL conveyed that they are likely to commence their domestic cargo handling operations at Srinagar International Airport during January, 2025.
- 10. Subsequently, M/s AASPL vide its letter no. AASPL/AERA/2024-25/001 dated 16.12.2024 submitted Multi-Year Tariff Proposal (MYTP) in respect of its proposed domestic cargo handling services at the Srinagar International Airport.
- 11. The Authority, after having examined the request of AASPL feels that examination of MYTP submission of the ISP in accordance with AERA's Tariff Guidelines, 2011 and issuance of tariff order for the determination of regular tariff for M/s AASPL will take some time. Meantime, in order to facilitate the commencement of domestic cargo handling operations by the new agency, the Authority decides to allow M/s AASPL to levy the tariff for the domestic cargo handling services at Srinagar International Airport, based on the tariff

approved by the Authority for M/s AAICLAS vide Tariff Order No. 13/2022-23 dated 05.07.2022.

The ad-hoc tariff considered by the Authority for M/s AASPL (as per the **Annexure-I**) shall be effective from the Commercial Operations Date (COD) up to 30.06.2025, or, till the determination of regular Tariff for the ISP, whichever is earlier.

<u>Order</u>

Upon careful consideration of the material available on record, the Authority, in exercise of powers conferred by Section 13(1)(a) of the Airports Economic Regulatory Authority of India Act, 2008, hereby orders that:

- (i) M/s Aroon Aviation Services Pvt. Ltd (AASPL) is allowed to levy, on ad hoc basis, the Tariff for Domestic Cargo Handling Services at Srinagar International Airport as per **Annexure-I**, effective from COD up to 30.06.2025, or, till the determination of regular tariff for the ISP for its First Control Period, whichever is earlier.
- (ii) Tariff approved, as above, shall be the maximum charges to be levied to the Users and no other charge(s) is to be levied over and above the approved Tariff.
- (iii) The Tariff approved as above is excluding of applicable taxes.
- (iv) The Airport Operator, shall publish the approved Tariff in respect of Domestic Cargo Handling Services to be provided by AASPL at Srinagar International Airport, at its official website for the information of all Stakeholders.
- (v) The Airport Operator shall ensure compliance of this Order.

प्राधिकारी के आदेश से और उसके नाम पर

By the Order of and in the Name of the Authority

(सुयश नारायण / Suyash Narain)

सचिव / Secretary

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- 2) Sh. Ajay Bhardwaj (CEO), AAICLAS, AAICLAS Complex, Delhi Flying Club Road, Safdarjung Airport, New Delhi-110003.
- 3) Sh. Javed Anjum, Airport Director, Airports Authority of India, Sheikh Ul-Alam International Airport, Srinagar, Jammu & Kashmir.

ADHOC TARIFF APPROVED BY AERA FOR AASPL IN RESPECT OF ITS DOMESTIC CARGO HANDLING SERVICES AT SRINAGAR INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

AD-HOC TARIFF IS EFFECTIVE FROM COD UP TO 30.06.2025

(A) - CHARGES LEVIABLE TO SHIPPERS / CONSIGNOR(S) ETC. ON DOMESTIC OUTBOUND CARGO

Sl. No.	ACTIVITY	AAI CHARGES	
		INR PER KG PER DAY	MINIMUM (INR) PER AWB
1	Standard Charges for processing & handling (TSP charges inclusive of off-loading/Loading/ Shifting & Forklift usage)		
a)	General Cargo	0.96	141.00
b)	Special (AVI) ^{\$}	1.92	281.00
c)	Perishable/ Dangerous/ Valuable* Cargo	1.92	281.00
2	Demurrage Charges/Storage		
a)	General Cargo	0.96	141.00
b)	Special (AVI) ^{\$}	1.92	281.00
c)	Perishable/ Dangerous/ Valuable* Cargo	1.92	281.00
3	Courier Handling	1.28	153.00
4	Amendment of Airway Bill	128.0 per AWB^	
5	Return Cargo Charges	128.0 per AWB^	
6	Strapping Charges	12.77 per Bag	
7	In addition to the above, penal charges applicable for mis-declaration of weight as below:		
a)	Up to & inclusive of 2 percentage	No penal charges (this is not applicable for Valuable Cargo)	
b)	2-5% variation	2 times of excess weight	
c)	More than 5%	5 times of excess weight	

\$ AVI - Live Animal(s) Cargo; ^ AWB - Air Waybill

NOTES:

- 1. The free period for outbound domestic cargo shall be 12 hours for examination/processing by the shipper/consignor/authorized representative etc. and 12 hours for Airlines at SHA or as per the orders issued by Govt. of India, from time to time.
- 2. 10% discount in the domestic cargo handling charges will be granted to the shippers/consignors who opt for engaging their own manpower for offloading cargo from their vehicles at Truck Dock and shifting to the examination/storage area before handing over to the airlines concerned, wherever applicable.
- 3. Consignment of human remains, coffin including unaccompanied baggage of deceased and human eyes will be exempted from the preview of domestic cargo handling & demurrage charges. No X-ray Baggage Inspection System (XBIS) / Explosive Trace Detector (ETD) charges leviable on these shipments.
- 4. The domestic cargo handling charges are inclusive of forklift charges wherever forklift usage is involved. No separate forklift charges will be levied.

- 5. As per IATA definition, Special cargo consists of cold storage, live animals, hazardous goods & valuable cargo.
- 6. *Valuable cargo consists of gold, bullion, currency notes, securities, shares, share coupons, travelers' cheques, diamonds (including diamonds for industrial use), diamond jewellery, jewellery & watches made of silver, gold platinum and items valued at USD 1000 per Kg. & above.
- 7. Charges will be levied on the 'gross weight' or the chargeable weight' of the consignment, whichever is higher. Wherever the 'gross weight' and (or) 'volume weight' is wrongly indicated on the Airway Bill and is found more, charges will be levied on the 'actual gross weight' or 'actual volumetric weight', whichever is higher.
- 8. For mis-declaration of weight above 2% and up to 5% of declared weight, penal charges @ double the applicable domestic cargo handling charges and for variation above 5%, the penal charges @ 5 times the applicable domestic cargo handling charges will be leviable on the differential weight, subject to minimum amount equivalent to the applicable minimum domestic cargo handling Charges. No penal charges will be leviable for variation up to and inclusive of 2%. No weight deviation permissible in VAL cargo.
- 9. XBIS usage charges INR 1.00 per kg subject to minimum of INR 150.00 per shipment. The same is applicable at 50% per kg subject to minimum of INR 100.00 per Odd Dimension Cargo (ODC) shipment where physical checks with the help of ETDs are facilitated. However, in random check cases in ETDs by airlines after scanning through XBIS, no charges to be levied for usage of ETDs.
- 10. Any other agencies operating at airport utilizing AASPL equipment like Forklift, Tractor and any other equipment shall be charged separately.
- 11. All bills shall be rounded up to the nearest higher of Rupee 1.00. (e.g. 1.25 = 2.00; 3.85 = 4.00)
- 12. The Tariff Rates indicated herein above are excluding of all applicable taxes, if any.
- 13. Tariff determined as above will be maximum Tariff to be charged from the Users. No other charge(s) to be levied over and above the approved Tariff.

(B) - CHARGES LEVIABLE TO SHIPPERS / CONSIGNOR(S) ETC. ON DOMESTIC INBOUND CARGO

Sl. No.	ACTIVITY ACTIVITY	AAI CHARGES	
		INR PER KG PER DAY	MINIMUM (INR) PER AWB
1.	Standard Charges for processing & handling (TSP charges inclusive of off-loading/Loading/Shifting & Forklift usage)		
a)	General Cargo	0.96	141.00
b)	Special Cargo (AVI) ^{\$}	1.92	281.00
c)	Perishable/Dangerous/Valuable* Cargo	1.92	281.00
2.	Demurrage Charges/Storage (per day)		
a)	General Cargo	0.96	141.00
b)	Special (AVI) ^{\$}	1.92	281.00
c)	Perishable/Dangerous/Valuable* Cargo	1.92	281.00
3.	Courier Handling	1.28	153.00

SAVI- Live Animal(s) Cargo

NOTES:

1. The free period for inbound domestic cargo shall be one working day for processing / delivery by the consignee / authorized representative etc.

- 2. 10% discount in the domestic cargo handling charges will be granted to the consignee/authorized representative who opts for engaging their own manpower for loading cargo into their vehicles for delivery at designated areas from the airlines concerned, wherever it is applicable.
- 3. Consignment of human remains, coffin including unaccompanied baggage of deceased and human eyes will be exempted from the purview of domestic cargo handling & demurrage charges. No XBIS / ETD charges leviable on these shipments in case it is screened.
- 4. The domestic cargo handling charges are inclusive of forklift charges wherever forklift usage is involved. No separate forklift charges will be levied.
- 5. Charges will be levied on the 'gross weight' or the chargeable weight' of the consignment, whichever is higher. Wherever the 'gross weight' and (or) 'volume weight' is wrongly indicated on the Airway Bill and is found more, charges will be levied on the 'actual gross weight' or 'actual volumetric weight', whichever is higher.
- 6. As per IATA definition, Special cargo consists of cargo stored in cold storage, live animals, valuable & hazardous goods.
- 7. *Valuable cargo consists of gold, bullion, currency notes, securities, shares, share coupons, travelers' cheques, diamonds (including diamonds for industrial use), diamond jewellery, jewellery & watches made of silver, gold platinum & items valued at US\$ 1000 and above.
- 8. Any other agencies operating at airport utilizing AASPL equipment like Forklift, Tractor and any other equipment shall be charged separately.
- 9. All bills shall be rounded up to the nearest higher of Rupee 1.00. (e.g. 1.25 = 2.00; 3.85 = 4.00)
- 10. The Tariff Rates indicated herein above are excluding of all applicable taxes, if any.
- 11. Tariff determined as above will be maximum Tariff to be charged from the Users. No other charge(s) to be levied over and above the approved Tariff.

(C) - SCHEDULE OF CHARGES LEVIABLE TO AIRLINES FOR DOMESTIC CARGO HANDLING, INCLUDING WHERE RA FACILITATION IS PROVIDED BY AASPL

SI. NO.	ACTIVITY	PER KG. (INR)	MINIMUM CHARGES PER FLIGHT (INR)
1	Unloading of incoming cargo loaded on trolleys (Bulk cargo handling)	0.79	105.00
2	Loading of outgoing cargo on trolleys (Bulk cargo handling)	0.79	105.00
3	Loading of Container/Pallet	1.40	263.00
4	De-stuffing of Container/Pallet	1.40	263.00

Notes:

- a. The Tariff Rates indicated herein above are excluding of all applicable taxes, if any.
- b. Tariff determined as above will be maximum Tariff to be charged from the Users of the Cargo Handling Services. No other charge(s) to be levied over and above the approved Tariff.
- c. All bills shall be rounded up to the nearest higher of Rupee 1.00.
- d. Example:
 - (i) TSP = INR 263.59 (Actual Calculated Amount)
 - (ii) GST @ 18% of (i) = INR 47.45 (Actual Calculated Amount)
 - (iii) Total Amount (i)+(ii) = INR 31104 (Actual Calculated Amount)
 - (iv) Bill Amount = INR 312/- (rounded up to nearest higher Rupee 1.00)

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(D) - REGULATED AGENT FACILITATION CHARGES

Applicable to Domestic Outbound Cargo.

SI. No.	Particulars	Charges (INR)
1	(i) X-ray machine usage charges	INR 1.00 per kg, subject to minimum of INR 150/- per shipment / AWB
	(ii) Use of Explosive Trace Detector (ETD) for ODC*	INR 0.50 per kg subject to minimum of INR 100/- per shipment / AWB
2	Screening & Certification charges	INR 1.32 per kg, subject to minimum of INR 120/- per shipment
3	Security Services for escorting of Cargo from Cargo Terminal to Aircraft and vice versa and handing over to the Airlines representative (For both Scheduled Airlines and Non-scheduled Airlines)	INR 0.10 per kg, subject to minimum of INR 1,000/- per flight (subject to negotiation based on type of Aircraft & Load)

^{*} Odd Dimension Cargo

NOTES

- 1. All bills preferred by the handling company shall be rounded off to the next higher of Rupee 1/-.
- 2. The Tariff Rates indicated herein above are excluding of all applicable taxes, if any.
- 3. Tariff determined as above will be maximum Tariff to be charged from the Users of the Cargo Handling Services. No other charge(s) to be levied over and above the approved Tariff.

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