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## Airports Economic Regulatory Authority Of India

Order No. 52 /2020-21

AERA Building, Administrative Complex, Safdarjung Airport, New Delhi – 110003

Date of Issue: 06th November, 2020

In the matter of arrangement to continue to levy of existing tariffs (Aeronautical charges and Domestic Cargo Handling charges) in respect of Sardar Vallbhbhai Patel International Airport (SVPIA), Ahmedabad, vide Order No. 14/2018-19 dated 23.07.2018, Order No.17/2020-21 dated 01.07.2020 and Order no. 27/2018-19 dated 14.11.2018, with regard to economic regulation of Aeronautical Services provided by the Airport Operator, Adami Ahmedabad International Airport Ltd (AAIAL) with effect from 07.11.2020 to 31.03.2021.

AERA has determined the Aeronautical charges of AAI Sardar Vallbhbhai Patel International Airport (SVPIA), Ahmedabad, vide Order No. 14/2018-19 dated 23.07.2018, Order No.17/2020-21 dated 01.07.2020 for additional landing charges in lieu of abolition of FTC by GoI w.e.f. 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020 and Order No. 27/2018-19 dated 14.11.2018 for Domestic Cargo Handling charges for M/s CSC for the Second Control Period which are valid up to 31.03.2021.

2. Adani Ahmedabad International Airport Ltd (AAIAL) vide its letter No. AAIAL/CO/AERA-IT/2020/1 dated 17.09.2020, has submitted that Airports Authority of India (AAI) has selected Adani Group for operation, management and development of Sardar Vallbhbhai Patel International Airport (SVPIA), Ahmedabad, for a period of 50 years. As part of the transition process, Adani Group has formed a Special Purpose Vehicle namely, Adani Ahmedabad International Airport Ltd (AAIAL). A Concession Agreement for Sardar Vallbhbhai Patel International Airport (SVPIA), Ahmedabad has been signed between Airports Authority of India (AAI) and Adani Ahmedabad International Airport Ltd (AAIAL) on 14.02.2020. As per the agreement Adani Ahmedabad International Airport Ltd (AAIAL) (the



concessionaire) shall undertake operations, management and development of the Sardar Vallbhbhai Patel International Airport (SVPIA), Ahmedabad, subject to the terms and conditions of the Concession Agreement from the date of commencement of operations by AAIAL.

- 3. AAIAL, vide its letter no. AAIAL/CO/AERA-IT/2020/1 dated 17.09.2020, has further stated that they need some time to submit MYTP for the consideration of the Authority and requested the Authority to allow continuation of the existing aeronautical tariff from the date of COD till determination of tariff by AERA based on submission of MYTP as per the provisions of AERA Regulatory Framework. AAIAL vide mail dated 02.11.2020 further stated that AAIAL will take over the domestic cargo operations from AAICLAS as per the agreement and requested AERA to allow AAIAL to charge the existing tariff approved for the present concessionaire M/s CSC for Domestic Cargo Handling service.
- 4. AAI also confirmed vide email dated 20.10.2020 that Adani Ahmedabad International Airport Ltd (AAIAL) will start commercial operations w.e.f. 07.11.2020. The MOU between the GoI and AAIAL has been signed on 21.10.2020.
- 5. Since AAIAL is likely to assume the role of Airport Operator at Sardar Vallbhbhai Patel International Airport (SVPIA), Ahmedabad and will start commercial operations w.e.f. 07.11.2020, the Authority has decided to allow AAIAL to levy existing tariffs with respect to Aeronautical Charges as well as Domestic Cargo Handling charges as applicable as on 06.11.2020 from the date of commencement of operations by AAIAL i.e. 07.11.2020 till 31.03.2021 for the remaining period of Second Control Period.

## **ORDER**

In view of the above, to avoid any regulatory vacuum in respect of the tariffs being levied by the regulated entities and considering change in the status of Airport Operator at Sardar Vallbhbhai Patel International Airport (SVPIA), Ahmedabad, the Authority, in exercise of powers conferred by Section 13(1) of the Airport Economic Regulatory Authority of India Act, 2008 hereby orders that:

(i) The Airport Operator, Adani Ahmedabad International Airport Ltd (AAIAL) is allowed to continue to levy and collect the existing Aeronautical Tariffs and Domestic Cargo Handling Tariffs vide Order No. 14/2018-19 dated 23.07.2018, Order No.17/2020-21 dated 01.07.2020 and Order no. 27/2018-19 dated 14.11.2018 as applicable on 6.11.2020 w.e.f. 07.11.2020 to 31.03.2021.



- (ii) The Airport Operator shall submit MYTP for 3<sup>rd</sup> control period well in time as per the provisions of AERA Regulatory Guidelines.
- (iii) The Airport Operator shall ensure compliance of the Order.

By the Order of and in the Name of the Authority

(Dr. Moses George)
Director (Legal)

To,

Shri Behnad Zandi

Chief Executive Officer

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- 2. Directorate General of Civil Aviation, for issue of AIC.

