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To,

Director (P&S, Tariff)

Airports Economic Regulatory Authority of India (AERA), AERA Administrative Complex, Safdarjung Airport, New Delhi – 110003, India

Respected Sir,

SUB: Comments and Suggestions on Consultation paper No.31/2021-22 dt.4.01.2022

We, M/s. Bangalore Custom House Agents Association Ltd.(BCHAAL) would like to highlight on the fastest growing Kempegowda International Airport (KIAL) Bengaluru, under the flagship of Bangalore International Airport (BIAL) both on Cargo front as well as on Passenger front.

Despite COVID strikes, the Airport has performed beyond projections and views. KIAL, is the hub of activities for various industry sectors like Engineering, Medical, Pharma, Perishables, Agri Based Products, Defence, Railways, IT and its products, Chemicals, Plastic Engineering, Automobiles, Gems & Jewellery, Leather, Rubber etc. KIAL has catered to the all the Industrial hubs in and around Bangalore and other parts of the State of Karnataka. The Handling of Shipments at KIAL, has been extended to other neighbouring State of Karnataka, Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu and Kerala.

We welcome the Newly proposed BME Services at KIAL, which will enhance the performance of the Airport and its related activities.

With the receding of the COVID , We as an industry Partner will look to KIAL & BIAL for holding onto the prevailing rates as any rate increase can divert the Cargo Movement to other Airports and loss of Business to the Stakeholders operating through the KIAL.

We, hereunder, propose the following points for the betterment of the Airport and its acitivities:-

- 1. BIAL needs to upgrade the existing infra structure machinery with the Terminal Operators and provide better facilities to the EXIM trade.
- 2. The Need for better upgraded Ground Handling Staff at the Cargo Terminal's will ensure a speedy movement of Cargo within the Terminals.



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- 3. The need for separate Cabin space for the Custom Brokers with better connectivity at a the existing Cargo Terminals is to be addressed on priority.
- 4. Provisions for Parking Area at the Cargo Terminals for Custom Brokers is required with the increase in the movement of the Cargo Traffic.
- 5. Enhanced Conncetivity to the Airport/ Cargo terminals by providing better Rail and Bus facilities is the need of the hour for the Custom Broker Community and other Trade partners.
- 6. BIAL needs to co-ordinate with the operating Airlines and provide promotional offers to the Passengers / EXIM Cargo when the restrictions on Operations are lifted by the Government of India and Karnataka.
- 7. BIAL needs to enhance the existing Airlines Operations by increasing the EXIM Cargo Operating Flights and inclusion of New Cargo Operating flights with additional destinations.

We, request your kind office to consider our submissions and do the needful for the enhancement of performance of the KIAL and Connected Cargo Terminals.

We, hereby pledge to the facilitation measures for the further growth and development of the Bangalore Airport and its Cargo Traffic Movement.

Thanking You,

Yours truly

Sd/-

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