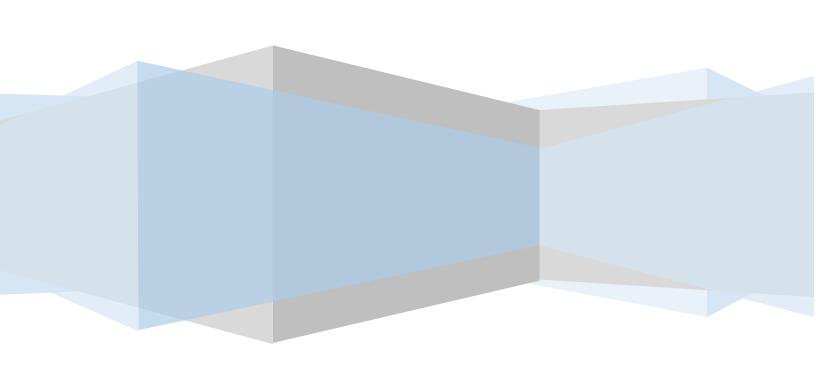
POST OPERATIONS ANALYSIS REPORT

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A. Executive Summary

Average Domestic air traffic has recorded a decrease of 2.5% whereas the average international air traffic has increased by 0.9% in the month of July'23 as compared to June '23.

On average, the Indian Airports in the ATFCM area saw 4797 IFR flights per day in the month of July 2023. The peak day was on 14th July 2023 (4940 IFR flights). Friday's were the busiest days throughout this month with an average of 4912 domestic IFR flights per day.

Total Thirty one (31) ATFM measures were applied this month during periods of congestion at Delhi, Chennai and Mumbai Airport.

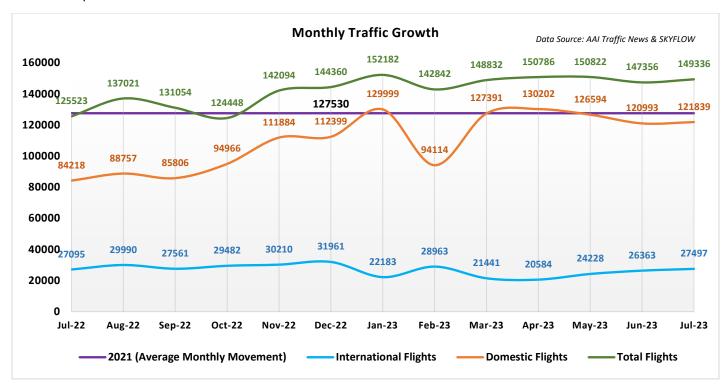


Figure 1: Monthly Traffic Growth

The graph above depicts the Domestic and international Air traffic in Indian ATFCM Area during the last 13 months (July'2022 to July'2023).

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B. Traffic Analysis

I. Air Traffic Movement at Major Airports in India

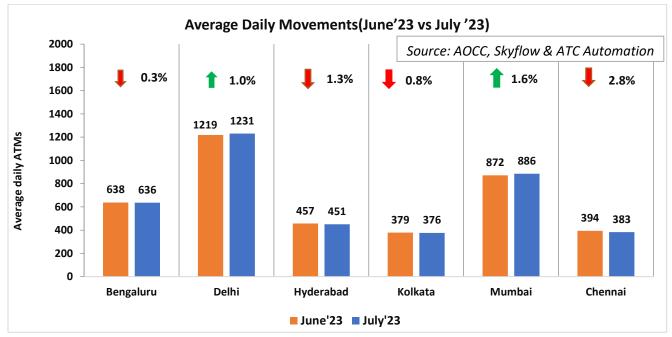


Figure 2: Average Daily Movements (June'23 vs July'23)

The above chart depicts the percentage change in average daily ATMs at six major Airports in July'23 as compared to the previous month (June'23).

Airports\Year	Avg. Daily ATMs (YoY) for six major airports				
Airports\rear	July'19	July'20	July'21	July'22	July'23
Bengaluru	621	188	314	525	636
Delhi	1265	457	728	1171	1231
Hyderabad	493	174	265	405	451
Kolkata	445	120	203	356	376
Mumbai	841	180	395	712	886
Chennai	464	103	200	353	383

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Air Traffic Movement for each day in July'23 is plotted for Delhi, Mumbai, Bengaluru and Hyderabad Airport along with the percentage change w.r.t. Avg. Daily Movement for the same month.

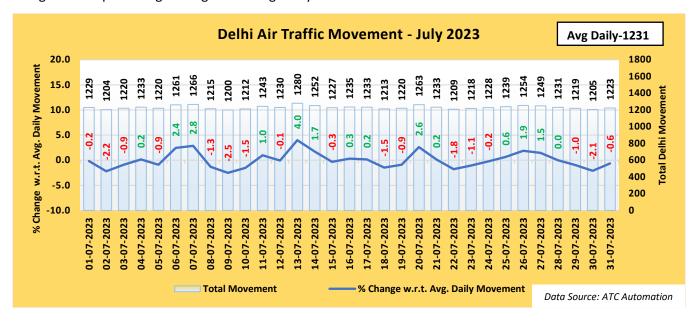


Figure 3: Air Traffic Movement for Delhi –July 2023

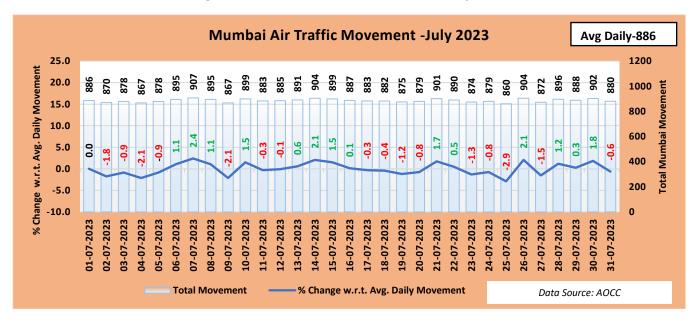


Figure 4: Air Traffic Movement for Mumbai - July 2023

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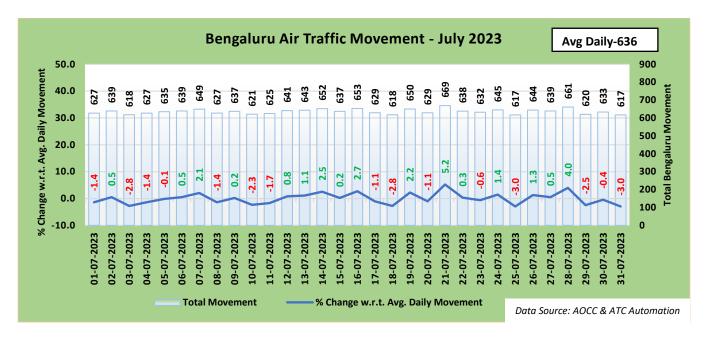


Figure 5: Air Traffic Movement for Bengaluru – July 2023

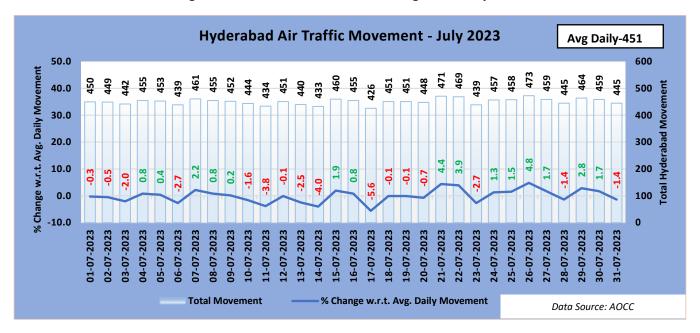


Figure 6: Air Traffic Movement for Hyderabad - July 2023

It can be concluded from the above charts that on 31st July 2023(month end), the ATMs at Delhi, Mumbai, Bengaluru and Hyderabad saw a decline of 0.6%, 0.6%, 3.0% and 1.4% respectively in comparison to the average daily movement for July'23.

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II. Comparison of total ATMs (YoY) and Monthwise

The total Air traffic movement(ATMs) including Passenger and other flights such as Cargo flights, International scheduled, International non-scheduled, Domestic scheduled, Domestic non-scheduled, Air taxi & commercial business flights at six major Indian Airports namely Delhi, Mumbai, Bengaluru, Hyderabad, Kolkata and Chennai is plotted for the month of July for two consecutive years 2022 and 2023 respectively. Air Traffic movement is also plotted Airline wise for the last six months for the major Scheduled Operators.

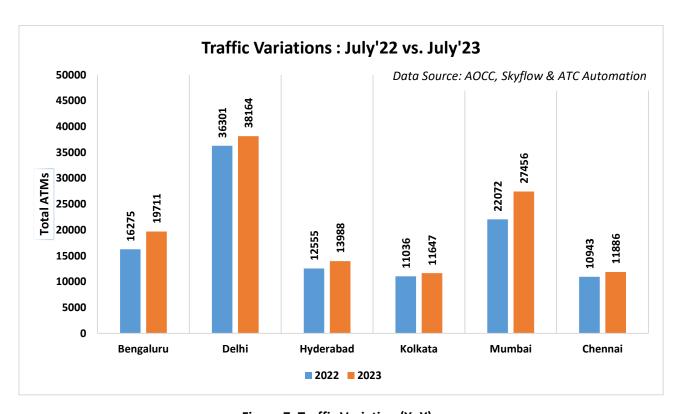


Figure 7: Traffic Variation (YoY)

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III. Flight Operations – Airlinewise

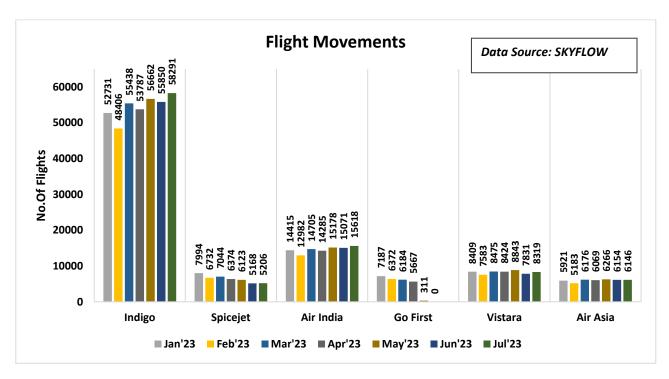


Figure 8: Flight Movements -Airlinewise

Inference:

1. Indigo, Air India and Vistara Airlines have recorded an increase in the monthly average Flight movement in July'23 as compared to June'23 while Spicejet and Air Asia Airlines have recorded a decline during the same period. Go first Airline has stopped operations from 3rd May 2023.

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C. ATFM Post Operations – CDM Analysis

I. Introduction

Analysis Period 1st – 31st July 23

Back Ground

During the above mentioned period, **Thirteen (13)** ATFM measures were applied **for Delhi Airport, Eight (08)** ATFM measures were applied **for Chennai Airport** and **Ten (10)** ATFM measures were applied **for Mumbai Airport** due to the following reasons as illustrated in the bar chart below:—

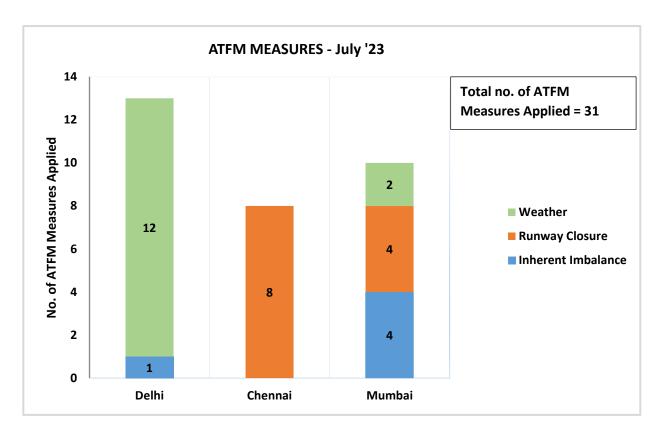


Figure 9: ATFM Measures –July'23

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II. ATFM Measures Overview

Constrained Airport	Delhi	Mumbai	Chennai
Number of ATFM measures applied	13	10	8
Average ATFM Ground delay(in min) due to measures*	16	18	16.3
Maximum ATFM Ground delay(in min) due to measures	74	46	37
% Compliance	74.8	81.4	89.5

Note: * Average ATFM Delay = $\frac{Total ATFM Delay}{Total Domestic Arrivals}$

Total Arrivals	1566
Total International Arrivals(exempted)	275
Total affected flights in scenario (Domestic Arrivals)	1291
Total Domestic Arrivals with zero ATFM delay	157
Total Domestic Arrivals with ATFM delay	1134

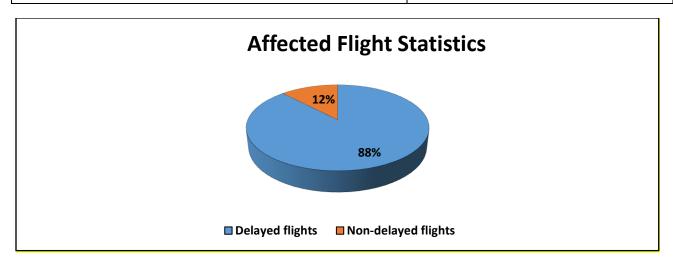


Figure 10: Affected Flight Statistics –July'23

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III. Overall Compliance

Total arrivals	1566
Domestic arrivals	1291
Flights with complete data (ATOT)	1255
Flights with incomplete data	04
Flights Not Operated	32
Compliant*	981
Non-Compliant	274

^{*}Total No. of Revised CTOTs issued = 248 (Compliance calculation for flights which were issued revised CTOT is w.r.t. new CTOT issued)

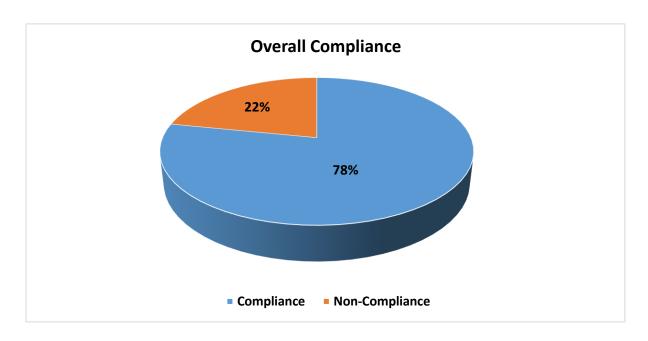


Figure 11: Overall Compliance – July'23

NOTE: Flights with required data (i.e. ATOT) are only considered for compliance measurement

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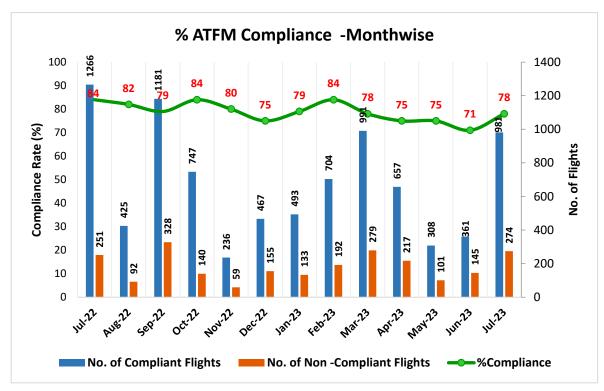


Figure 12: Compliance(Monthwise)

Inference

- 1. Out of the total arrivals captured (1566 flights) during the CDM scenario for the constrained Airports, 82.4% of flights i.e. domestic arrivals (1291 flights) were candidates for ground delay (participating).
- 2. Out of these Domestic Arrivals, 87.8% (1134 flights) are assigned ATFM ground delay.
- 3. Out of the total arrivals captured(1566 flights) to the constrained Airport during the ATFM scenario, only 72.4% of flights(1134 flights) were assigned ATFM Ground Delay.



IV. CTOT Compliance rate – Airportwise

MUMBAI FIR (78%)*	Compliant	Non Compliant	% Compliant
Ahmedabad	41	4	91%
Aurangabad	6	0	100%
Mumbai	61	10	86%
Bhuj	0	1	0%
Vadodara	8	7	53%
Bhopal	10	1	91%
Indore	14	6	70%
Jabalpur	3	1	75%
Jamnagar	4	2	67%
Kandla	3	2	60%
Keshod	0	1	0%
Nagpur	12	4	75%
Pune	19	12	61%
Rajkot	11	3	79%
Shirdi	7	0	100%
Surat	3	2	60%
Udaipur	7	3	70%
KOLKATA FIR (73%)*	Compliant	Non Compliant	% Compliant
Prayagraj	2	1	67%
Agartala	1	0	100%
Siliguri	15	3	83%
Varanasi	11	5	69%
Bhubaneswar	19	11	63%
Kolkata	44	10	81%
Chakeri	1	1	50%
Durgapur	2	0	100%
Darbhanga	2	1	67%
Gorakhpur	3	7	30%
Guwahati	32	7	82%
Gaya	0	1	0%
Imphal	1	0	100%
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Jharsuguda	2	2	50%



Khajuraho	2	2	50%
Dibrugarh	1	2	33%
Patna	28	2	93%
Ranchi	11	7	61%
Raipur	11	6	65%

DELHI FIR (72%)*	Compliant	ompliant Non Compliant	
Amritsar	7	7	50%
Bareilly	2	0	100%
Chandigarh	18	7	72%
Dehradun	15	2	88%
Delhi	62	13	83%
Kangra	1	0	100%
Gwalior	1	2	33%
Jodhpur	11	4	73%
Jaipur	20	5	80%
Jaisalmer	0	1	0%
Jammu	8	4	67%
Leh	4	3	57%
Lucknow	27	2	93%
Pantnagar	0	1	0%
Shimla	1	1	50%
Srinagar	23	24	49%
Uttarlai	0	1	0%
CHENNAI FIR (85%)*	Compliant	Compliant Non Compliant	
Bangalore	89	13	87%
Vijayawada	4	2	67%
Coimbatore	26	2	93%
Kochi	35	4	90%
Calicut	1	1	50%
MOPA Goa	16	2	89%
Goa	23	20	53%
Hubli	5	0	100%
Hyderabad	75	7	91%
Begumpet Hyderabad	1	0	100%
Vijaynagar	1 1		50%



Kannur	2	0	100%
Kurnool	7	0	100%
Madurai	10	0	100%
Mangalore	5	3	63%
Chennai	47	4	92%
Sindhudurg	0	2	0%
Tuticorin	8	0	100%
Tirupati	1	0	100%
Thiruvananthapuram	20	5	80%
Visakhapatnam	8	3	73%

^{*}FIR wise compliance rate

Note: The above list contains only those airports which had flights to the Constrained Airport and are affected by ATFM measures.

Airports with % compliance less than the average compliance(78%) for the month are highlighted in red.



V. CTOT Compliance rate – Airlinewise

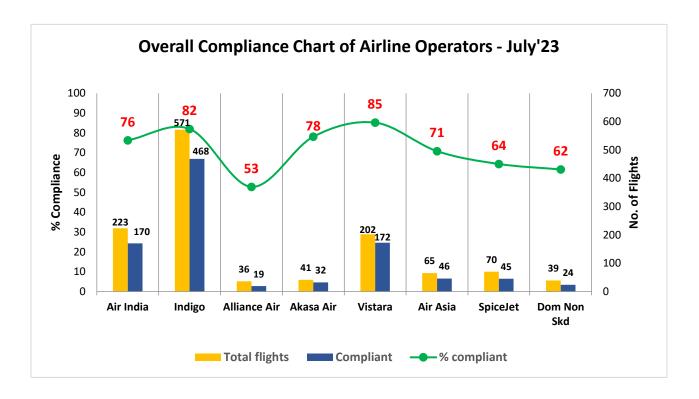


Figure 13: Airline wise Compliance -July'23

Inference

- 1. Out of the total domestic arrivals with complete data in the CDM scenario, 78% arrivals are compliant.
- 2. Chennai region has the highest compliance rate of 85% whereas Delhi region has the lowest compliance rate of 72%.
- 3. Indigo, Akasa Air and Vistara Airlines have a CTOT compliance higher than the average recorded compliance for the month of July'23.



VI. Reason For Non Compliance

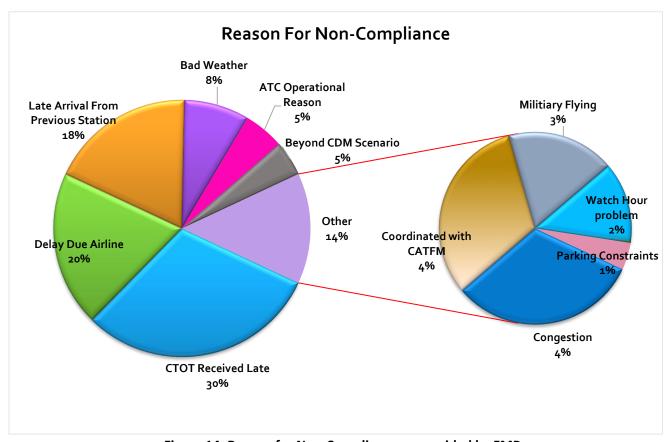


Figure 14: Reason for Non-Compliance as provided by FMPs

Inference:

- 1. 30 % of the CTOT Non- compliance was reported by concerned FMPs to be due to late receipt of CTOTs and by the time the aircraft had already initiated pushed back or startup. Some ATFM measures due to weather were initiated at short notice resulting in delay in dissemination of CTOTs to few flights.
- 2. 20 % of CTOT Non- Compliance was reported by concerned FMPs to be due to delay by Airlines.
- 3. 18 % of the CTOT Non- compliance was reported to be due to late arrival from the previous station. Updated EOBTs of such flights was not available to ATFM unit leading to wastage of unused slots.
- 4. 5% of flights captured during the ATFM measures did not operate during the scheduled flight plan timings resulting in under utilization of the constrained Airport.



VII. Air Delay during the CDM Scenario period

Average Air Delay to domestic arrivals* within the CDM Scenario period for Delhi, Mumbai and Chennai was 7.3, 11.2 and 9.0 minutes respectively.

*Note: Only calculated for domestic arrivals with both ATOT and ALDT information

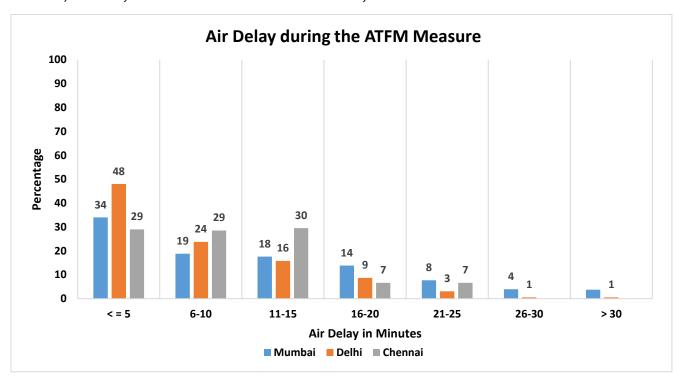


Figure 15: Air Delay distribution during the CDM period

Inference

- 1. 53% of domestic arriving flights to Mumbai had an Air delay of equal to or less than 10 minutes during the CDM period.
- 2. 72% of domestic arriving flights to Delhi had an Air delay of equal to or less than 10 minutes during the CDM period.
- 3. 58% of domestic arriving flights to Chennai had an Air delay of equal to or less than 10 minutes during the CDM period.



Tangible Benefits due to ATFM Measures

A modest attempt is made to find out the tangible benefit of ATFM measures applied.

Assumptions:

- •When ATFM measures are not in force, all flights take off at their ETOT where Estimated take off time(ETOT)= Estimated off block time(EOBT) + default taxi time
- •All flights have an Estimated elapsed time(EET) as calculated by SKYFLOW using the Flight Plan information and Basic Aircraft data.

Methodology:

Air delay (with ATFM measures in force) is calculated during the period when ATFM measures are in force by summing the air delay for all the flights landing at constrained Airport.

i.e. Total Air Delay = ∑ (Actual Flying time - SKYFLOW calculated EET)

Air delay (with no ATFM measures) is calculated as the sum of Air delay for all the flights during the above said period with no ATFM measures in place and the air delay for each flight is the difference in its ideal landing time and its ideal estimated landing time.

Total Air Delay (with no ATFM measures) = ∑ (Ideal LDT - Ideal ELDT)

*Ideal LDT is taken by assuming every flight is landing at a specified interval based on the Arrival acceptance rate(AAR) defined,

*Ideal ELDT = ETOT + SKYFLOW calculated Flying time

Fuel Saving Calculation:

Great Circle Distance(GCD)* was calculated for all the arrivals during the ATFM Measure from the point of origin to destination. Assuming Airbus 320 as reference aircraft for flights (flight distance equal to or less than 3000 nm) and B777 for international flights (flight distance more than 3000nm):

Fuel consumption (Kgs / nm) for each affected flight in the scenario was then calculated using the Reference document: ICAO Carbon emissions calculator methodology, version10, Appendix C: ICAO Fuel Consumption Table.

The Fuel consumed per minute(Kg/min) was calculated for each affected flight.



Total Air Delay(with ATFM Measures)= 10274 mins

Total Air Delay (with no ATFM measures) = 23502 mins

Reduction in Air delay due to ATFM measures= (23502-10274) = 13228 mins

Fuel Saving Calculation:

Total Fuel saved during the ATFM Measure: 7,47,249.29 Kg

Total reduction in CO_2 emission: 3.16(KgCO₂/kg fuel)* 7,47,249.29 Kg = 23,61,307.75Kg

3.16 = constant representing the number of tonnes of CO2 produced by burning a tonne of aviation fuel.

^{*}GCD (Great Circle Distance): The distance between origin and destination airports is derived from latitude and longitude coordinates originally obtained from ICAO Location Indicators database.



D. Glossary

ATFM Parameters	Definition
Affected Flight statistics	An insight of participating traffic in the scenario i.e. ratio of the domestic arrivals to the constrained airport affected by ATFM measures (assigned delay by the Ground Delay Program) to the domestic arrivals not affected by ATFM measures (not assigned any delay) within the CDM scenario.
ATFM Ground delay	ATFM ground delay defined as CTOT-ETOT (Calculated take off time – Estimated take off time)
Average ATFM delay	Total monthly ATFM delay (in minutes) Total Domestic Arrivals
Maximum ATFM delay	Maximum ATFM delay (in minutes) assigned in the month
Overall compliance rate	Defined as monthly ATFM departure slot adherence rate of regulated flights. Flights having ATOT within the ATFM Slot Tolerance Window (STW) of minus 5 to plus 10 minutes of CTOTs, are considered as compliant flights
CTOT Compliance rate of Airline operators	An overview of CTOT compliance rate of various Airline operators
CTOT Compliance rate of Airports within different Regions	An overview of CTOT compliance rate of Airports within 4 FIRs
Air delay statistics	Air delay defined as difference between AET & EET, whereAET(actual elapsed time) can be obtained from (ALDT-ATOT) and estimated elapsed time(EET)can be obtained from FPL/RPL or (CLDT-CTOT). Therefore, Air delay = AET-EET Average Air Delay is calculated as: Average Air Delay Total Air Delay to domestic arrivals (with values greater than zero) Total Domestic Arrivals CLDT: Calculated Landing Time CTOT: Calculated Take off Time ALDT: Actual Landing Time ATOT: Actual Take off Time

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Annexure-A

Compliance by Airlines with Flight Planning Requirements of Common Business rules(CBR)- July2023



I. Introduction:

Accurate and timely input in respect of flight intent is paramount to the correct traffic demand projection and eventually effective ATFM implementation. FPLs remain the main source of tactical demand prediction for ATFM systems. Early filing of error free FPL helps in improving the lead time required for ATFM measures and reduces the number of unexpected flights(pop-up). This in turn helps in improving the accuracy of demand-capacity imbalance prediction and optimizes slot utilization.

AIP India, ENR 1.9 section 4 on Flight Planning in the context of ATFM recommends Flight Planning requirements for all Airline Operators –

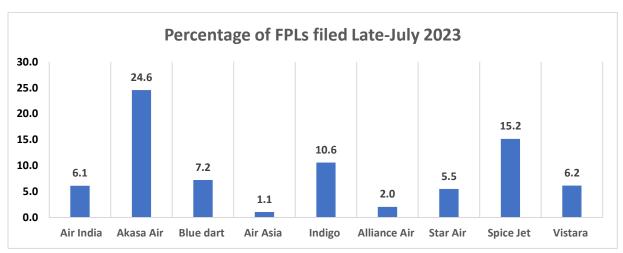
- "a) Flight plans shall be submitted at least 3 hours before the estimated off block time (EOBT);
- b) The window for filing FPL is between 3 Hours and 120 Hours (Five days) before the EOBT. Earlier filing of FPL will give a realistic demand data to the CCC and hence the requirement of ATFM measures can be identified early for better planning. Late filing of a flight plan will lead to inaccuracies in predicting the demand and may lead to undesirable delay;"

II. Analysis

A. An analysis has been conducted to find out the difference between the flight plan filing time and filed EOBT for all the FPLs received at ATFM system from 1st July 2023 to 31st July 2023.

The purpose of the analysis is to monitor the compliance with the provisions of AIP India, section 4, ENR 1.9 regarding Flight Planning requirements in the context of ATFM.

This flight plan filing requirement has been reiterated through the recently agreed ATFM common business rules (CBR) document and is recognized as a metrics to be monitored regularly for any improvement.





The table below lists the number of filed flight plans (FPLs) filed with less than 3 Hours prior to EOBT:

Name of Airline	Number of FPL filed late	Total No. Of FPL	% Delayed Filing
Air India	992	16174	6.1
Akasa Air	1786	7271	24.6
Blue dart	43	595	7.2
Air Asia	69	6542	1.1
Indigo	7055	66658	10.6
Alliance Air	131	6402	2.0
Star Air	43	782	5.5
Spice Jet	900	5933	15.2
Vistara	510	8273	6.2
Total no. of FPLs for Scheduled Airlines	11529	118630	9.7

B. The analysis of non-receipt of DLA (Delay) messages for flight plans filed was also conducted. The EOBT of FPL received was compared with Actual Take off time (ATOT) received through DEP (Departure) messages. Thus, only those FPLs were considered for the analysis for which DEP messages were available and no associated DLA messages was received.

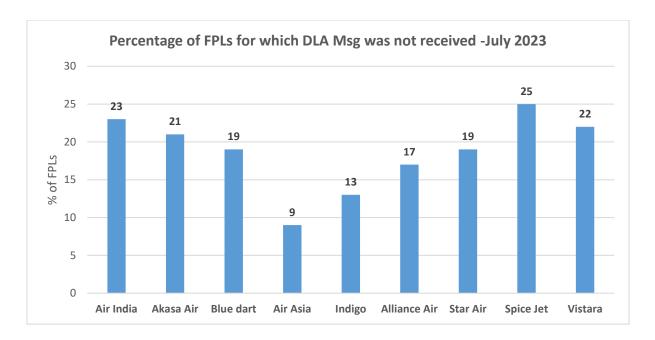
The Table below lists number of flights (Airlines wise) for which no DLA message was received in July 2023

Analysing for each flight:{(EOBT of original FPL)- (ATOT received)} > 30 minutes)

Name of Airline	DLA Message not received	Total No. of flights considered for analysis	% of flights for which no DLA message was received
Air India	2347	10016	23
Akasa Air	724	3413	21
Blue dart	91	491	19
Air Asia	528	5577	9
Indigo	6126	48400	13
Alliance Air	354	2108	17
Star Air	61	317	19
Spice Jet	950	3824	25
Vistara	1639	7357	22

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C. For analysis of non-receipt of CNL (cancel) messages for July 2023, annulled FPLs were considered for which no CNL/DEP/DLA messages were received. A FPL gets annulled in the SKYFLOW system, if it doesn't get activated through Dep message /surveillance data/ manual activation by FMP within a defined system parameter.

The table below lists the number of Flights for which no CNL Msg. was received in July 2023:

Name of Airline	CNL message not	No. of annulled FPLs
	received	
Air India	67	130
Akasa Air	1	5
Blue dart	3	4
Air Asia	7	19
Indigo	86	218
Alliance Air	321	395
Star Air	12	19
Spice Jet	139	154
Vistara	11	25

