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DGCA renews aerodrome license of Mangaluru International Airport up to September 2028

Mangaluru: The Director General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) has renewed the aerodrome license of Mangaluru International Airport. The renewed license effective from September 16, 2023, will be valid for a period of 5-years, that is up to September 15, 2028. The validity of the current aerodrome license issued on March 16, 2022, ended on September 15, 2023. The airport received the renewed license on September 12.

The DGCA had initially granted aerodrome license to Mangaluru International Airport Ltd, that operates Mangaluru International Airport on September 16, 2021, for a six-month period up to March 15, 2022. The civil aviation regulator subsequently extended the same for a further 18-months from March 16, 2022, up to September 15, 2023. "The latest renewal has seen DGCA do so for a five-year period," the airport spokesperson said.

Issued under Rule 78 of the Aircraft Rules, 1937, the aerodrome license is a key document for the airport operator. The license signifies that the aerodrome meets the specifications regarding its management systems, operational procedures, physical characteristics, assessment and treatment of obstacles, visual aids, rescue, and firefighting as per the civil aviation regulator's Civil Aviation Requirement (CAR) section.

"The aerodrome license gives the airport operator complete management of the airport as per the concession agreement," the spokesperson said. The airport is committed to ensuring top priority to safe operation in all weather conditions. This is also in line with the airport's Vision 2025 which is set to make the airport the safest through state-of-the-art infrastructure and secure using the most advanced technology.

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