



PRESS RELEASE

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Myanma Airways (Myanmar National Airlines) commits to up to 12 ATR 72-600s

The flag carrier of Myanmar sets out to upgrade its regional aircraft fleet with new ATR 72s following the successful restructuring plan to meet the region's booming travel business

Myanmar's state-owned national airline Myanma Airways, to be named Myanmar National Airlines in the near future, today signed a deal with ATR for 6 new generation ATR 72-600s with options for 6 additional aircraft. The acquisition of these new ATRs forms part of the carrier's ambitious strategy to expand its global footprint to establish Myanma Airways (Myanmar National Airlines) as a major carrier in the region. In parallel with the new order, following the company's dynamic development efforts, ATR will assist Myanma Airways (Myanmar National Airlines) to enhance its maintenance capabilities through the set-up of a modern MRO in Yangon meeting the highest international standards.

The new airplanes are scheduled for delivery in 2015 through to 2017. The new ATR 72-600s will complete and gradually replace the existing ATR fleet, boosting the airline services considerably by opening new routes, increasing flight frequencies to existing routes and offering the highest level of comfort to Myanma Airways (Myanmar National Airlines) customers.

Myanma Airways (Myanmar National Airlines) Managing Director Mr. Than Tun noted that today's order represents another important step in the company's strategy to build a strong foundation for the future. "The decision to continue with ATR for our short haul operations underpins the Myanma Airways (Myanmar National Airlines) long term strategy to build up not only a fleet of the world's most fuel efficient and reliable aircraft but also MRO station in Yangon International Airport. The ATR -600 series family's outstanding operational efficiency and comfort make it the right choice for Myanmar National Airways. These new generation airliners match perfectly Myanmar's market".

"We are delighted to be supporting Myanma Airways (Myanmar National Airlines) in this period of growth for both the country and the airline," declared Patrick de Castelbajac, ATR Chief Executive Officer. "The newly acquired ATRs will pave the way for Myanmar National Airlines to have the most modern and fuel-efficient fleet, helping to reduce its operating and fuel costs and deliver state-of-the-art amenities to its customers, while maximizing financial flexibility for the company."

ATR fleet in Myanmar has almost doubled in the past two years as passenger demand continues to grow.

About the ATR 72-600:

Passenger capacity: 68-74 seats

Engines: Pratt & Whitney 127M

Maximum power at take-off: 2,750 horse power per engine

Maximum weight at take-off: 23,000 Kg

Maximum load: 7,500 Kg

Maximum range with full passenger load: 900 nautical miles (1,665 Km)



About Myanma Airways - Myanmar National Airlines:

Myanmar National Airways the national flag carrier of Myanmar. Founded in 1949 as Union of Burma Airways, the company was then renamed Myanma Airways and will now be operating under the name of Myanmar National Airlines. Myanmar National Airlines today operates scheduled services to all major domestic destinations, and is in the midst of a major restructuring plan aimed at establishing Myanmar National Airlines as a major carrier in the ASEAN region and beyond. The airline network will rapidly expand outside Myanmar with the introduction of 10 Boeing 737-800 and 737-Max 8 as in the near term, and the renewal of its regional fleet with the brand new ATR 72-600.

About ATR:

ATR is the leader in the regional aviation market. ATR turboprop aircraft are recognized as the most eco-friendly regional airplanes and are the world benchmark in terms of efficiency, reliability and economics on short-haul routes. ATR is ISO 14001 certified. Today more than 180 operators fly ATRs in over 90 countries worldwide. ATR is an equal partnership between two major European aeronautics players, the Airbus Group and Alenia Aermacchi (a Finmeccanica Group company).

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