

Alliance Air and ATR Extend 20-Year Maintenance Partnership

Toulouse, 19 December 2022 – Alliance Air, India’s national carrier, and market-leading regional aircraft manufacturer ATR, announce the extension of their Global Maintenance Agreement (GMA) for another five years. This year marks 20 years of partnership since the airline signed its first ATR pay-by-hour maintenance contract in December 2002.

Through this package, the airline will continue to benefit from the repair, overhaul and pooling services of Line Replaceable Units, along with the availability and maintenance of propellers and landing gears for its fleet of two ATR 42-600 and 18 ATR 72-600.

M. Vineet Sood, Chief Executive Officer of Alliance Air, said: “Our ATRs have been playing a strategic role in enabling us to offer our communities quick, comfortable and reliable access to essential services. 20 years ago, we decided to optimise our operations and maintenance activities with the ATR GMA. 20 years later, we reaffirm our trust in the manufacturer’s expertise, looking forward to reaching the next significant milestone of 25 years of a win-win partnership.”

ATR SVP Customer Support and Services, David Brigante, added: “When two companies work together for twenty years, it is not a transactional relationship, but a true partnership. As India’s national airline, Alliance Air provides crucial air links that create new opportunities for millions of people. Our job is to ensure that they can fulfill their mission every day. That’s why we have been continuously improving the quality of our services ever since our first agreement in 2002 to match Alliance Air’s needs and, more generally, the challenges of regional airlines today.”

About Alliance Air

Alliance Air is wholly owned by the Government of India through AI Asset Holding Ltd., and is run as an independent Strategic Business Unit. It has an existing fleet of 18 ATR 72-600 and is in process of expanding its fleet by inducting two more ATR 42-600 to cater to airports with landing restrictions. Alliance Air operates 125+ flights/day to 50+ destinations within India with focus on connecting Tier II & III cities.

Alliance Air is the front runner in promoting the “Regional Connectivity Scheme” (RCS) of the Government of India, the very objective of which is to make air travel affordable and widespread, to boost the national economy.

About ATR

ATR is the world number one regional aircraft manufacturer with its ATR 42 and 72 aircraft the best-selling aircraft in the less than 90-seat market segment. The unifying vision of the company’s employees is to help everyone, no matter where they are in the world, to connect and develop in a responsible manner. Thanks to the efficiency of turboprop technology and the benefits of the company’s focus on continuous innovation, ATR aircraft open more than 100 new routes on average every year, burn up to 45% less fuel and emit up to 45% less CO2 than regional jets. For all of these reasons, ATR aircraft have been chosen by some 200 companies in 100 countries around the world. ATR is a joint-venture between Airbus and Leonardo. For more information, please visit www.atr-aircraft.com.

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