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Press Note

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Gujarat Chamber of Commerce and Industry today organized an Open-House Session in esteemed presence of Shri Manoj Gangal, Director, Airports Authority of India (AAI) and Deputy General Manager, Air Traffic Management Shri Gaurang Nathwani, to discuss issues/ concerns of Air Traffic Passenger/Cargo and related to various Air-lines operating at both Domestic and International level, especially related to Ahmedabad Airport. Various Travel and Tour Associations including TAAI and representative of Airline companies were also present for the Open House.

Shri Durgesh Buch, President, GCCI, in his welcome address, expressed gratitude to Shri Manoj Gangal, Director AAI - Ahmedabad for accepting GCCI's invitation at short notice to discuss the concerns with stakeholders. He requested Director, AAI to ensure that comfort should be kept in mind before handing over Airport operation to private entity. He expressed grave concern on how common people suffer due to VIP treatment at Airport and remarked that it is not reasonable for today's times. During the interaction he proposed to set up an Advisory Committee for better interactions with Authority and Stakeholders.

Shri Bhavesh Shah, Executive Committee Member and Programme Co-Ordinator, in his theme address, appreciated the development of Ahmedabad Airport under the leadership of Airport Director Shri Manoj Gangal and stated that it is a matter of pride that the Ahmedabad Airport has been recognised globally and has won international and national awards year after year under his leadership.

Shri Manoj Gangal, Director, Airport Authority of India, Ahmedabad, made a detailed presentation on Ahmedabad Airport and its achievements. In his presentation, he stated that over 35,000 passengers are managed daily by Ahmedabad Airport. While discussing about cargo and exports, he stated that mainly Pharma, Textile and Engineering products are being exported from

Ahmedabad Airport. He further stated that Ahmedabad Airport is the safest Airport in the country and explained various compliances regarding Ahmedabad Airport including design for specially-abled persons.

Shri Dilip Padhya, Hon. Secretary (Regional) GCCI, concluded the event with vote of thanks.

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