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PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby informed that a Committee under the Chairmanship of Capt. Ajay Singh,CFOI was constituted to examine the issue of classification of air transportation in India keeping in view of the ICAO Annexes/provisions and the best Global practices.

Accordingly, the Committee deliberated upon the provisions of ICAO, FAA and EASA on Air Transportations. The Committee also held discussions with the stake holders viz BAOA and RWSI etc.

After deliberating on the issues and discussions held with the stake holders, the Committee has finalised the report and is also hereby placed on the DGCA web site for perusal.

In order to implement the recommendations of the Committee effectively, the comments of the Public are hereby requested on the followings:-

The following classes of air operations are proposed for drafting proportionate and complementary regulations for both certification and operations in India: -

 Commercial Air Transport Operations with Large and Turbojet Aircraft. This would include all commercial air transport operations with bigger aircraft (i.e. above 5700 kg AUW and all turbojet aircraft). These operators could undertake both international and domestic operations whether scheduled or charter.

Operations currently classified as Scheduled Commercial Operations and some categories of Non-Scheduled Operations (e.g NSOP Charter operations with large/turbojet aircraft) and proposed Regional commuter would fall under this category.

 Commercial Air Transport Operations with Small Aircraft. This would include all domestic commercial air transport operations with non-turbojet aircraft below 5700 kg AUW including scheduled and charter operations. This category would include all scheduled and non-scheduled operations for regional/ remote connectivity subject to the same being conducted with non-turbojet aircraft with limited AUW and passenger seating capacity. E.g. Air Taxi/ Commuter Airlines.

General Aviation Operations with Large and Turbojet Aircraft. This
would include all operations other than a commercial air transport
operation or an aerial work operation conducted with bigger aircraft (i.e.
above 5700 kg AUW and all turbojet aircraft) but not available to general
public. These could include international and domestic operations.

This would include state/ government operations, corporate/ business operations with larger aircraft for non-commercial purposes.

• **General Aviation Operations with Small Aircraft**. This would include all operations other than a commercial air transport operations or aerial work operations conducted with aircraft below 5700 kg AUW

The certification regulations based on above classification would have no distinction between aeroplanes and helicopters although operating regulations would address the specific requirements of both categories of aircraft.

The comments in this regard may be addressed to the Director General of Civil Aviation, opposite Safdarjung Airport, New Delhi-110003 or through email to vedprakash.dgca@nic.in. within 10 days of the issue of this notice.

Director General of Civil Aviation.