

**Brief Note on Memorandum of Understanding to be signed on
24.08.2019, 11.AM at R.No.313, Vikasa Soudha, Bengaluru**

Government of Karnataka has accorded its Administrative approval for the Development of Kalaburagi Airport on 27.03.2007. An approximate cost of Rs.22.00 Crores for acquisition of 742 acres of land and an amount of Rs.208.00 Crores has been incurred for the construction works at Kalaburagi Airport. Till now total of Rs.230.00 Crores expense on development and construction of Kalaburagi airport has been incurred. The development works of Kalaburagi Airport has been undertaken by the Public Works Department of Government of Karnataka along with the technical guidance from M/s RITES India Pvt. Ltd. The works of the Airport is almost nearing completion and the first trial run of flights has been conducted during August 2018.

Kalaburagi Airport has been qualified for operations during the 3rd round of bidding/selection under the Regional Connectivity Scheme-UDAN (RCS-3.0). Alliance Air and Godhavath Air Pvt. Ltd. have been qualified as “Selected Airline Operator (SAO)”for Kalaburagi-Bangalore-Kalaburagi, Kalaburagi-Hindan-Kalaburagi, Kalaburagi-Tirupati-Kalaburagi routes.

An agreement of Memorandum of Understanding has been signed on 24.08.2019 for the Development, Operation and Maintenance of Kalaburagi Airport between Karnataka Industrial Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd. (KSIIDC on behalf of Government of Karnataka) and Airports Authority of India (AAI on behalf of Ministry of Civil Aviation, Government of India). Therefore Kalaburagi Airport will be developed, operated and maintained by Airports Authority of India, Govt. of India as a functional airport. The signing of the agreement will open the doors of the Hyderabad-Karnataka region in terms of aviation connectivity to Bangalore and also to the entire country. It will facilitate overall economic development of Hyderabad-Karnataka region.