

# EXECUJET SET TO ENTER INDIAN MARKET

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**ExecuJet Aviation Group is set to expand into the Indian market for the first time, following a successful tender bid for new fixed-based operation (FBO) and maintenance, repair and overhaul (MRO) facilities at Indira Gandhi International Airport in New Delhi, India.**

Together with its Indian partner, The Bird Group, ExecuJet has been awarded one of a limited

number of licences to develop, construct and operate an FBO and an MRO facility as part of the airport's overall development strategy.

Mike Berry, Vice President of ExecuJet Middle East, says: "This is a significant win for ExecuJet as we have had India on our radar for many years. The airport has awarded only two licences in order to consolidate and improve its MRO and FBO services. These new facilities will provide ExecuJet with the platform to expand our geographic footprint and service proposition, in line with our own growth strategy. I congratulate Delhi International Airport Limited (DIAL) for running a transparent tender process."

Gerrit Basson, Chief Executive Officer of ExecuJet Aviation Group, says: "We are delighted to be partnering with The Bird Group. Headquartered in New Delhi, with over 40 years of experience in India and expertise in aviation services, they are the perfect partner for this expansion programme."

Mrs Radha Bhatia, Chairperson, The Bird Group, says, "ExecuJet has already established a leading global aviation business and we are delighted to be announcing a partnership with them. In line with the 'Make in India' programme, we shall be creating a state-of-the-art world-class infrastructure for private aircraft operators."

Berry adds: "A maintenance, planning and engineering team will be in place within the next three months. The business will be expanded as the managed fleet and customer base increases, handled by a highly experienced management team and supported by 'FBO One' management software."

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