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PART I: SECTION (I) — GENERAL

Government Notifications

THE AIR NAVIGATION REGULATION OF 1955

Notice under Regulation 126

OPENING OF DOMESTIC AIRPORTS FOR OPERATION OF REGIONAL COMMERCIAL FLIGHT

MEMBERS of the public are hereby notified that in pursuance of the decision taken by the Government for opening of domestic airports for operation of regional commercial flights, the following airports are opened for operation of regional commercial flights subject to terms and conditions stated below:

	Location of the Airport			
Name of the airport	Grama Niladhari Division	Divisional Secretariat	District	Province
Batticaloa Airport Location Indicator : VCCB Airport Identifier : BTC	Puthunagar	Manmunai North	Batticaloa	Eastern Province
Jaffna Airport Location Indicator : VCCJ Airport Identifier : JAF	Miladdy North Miladdy South Kurumbasiddy Palaly South Palaly West	Valikamam North	Jaffna	Northern Province
Ratmalana Airport Location Indicator: VCCC Airport Identifier: RML	Kandawala	Rathmalana	Colombo	Western Province



Airport and Aviation Services (Sri Lanka) Ltd., has been appointed as the Service Provider for provisions of aeronautical services specified under paragraph (a), (c), (b), (e), (f), (g), (h), (j), (k) and (I) of Section 31 of the Civil Aviation Act, No. 14 of 2010 at those airports.

Complete information relation to physical characteristics of the abovementioned airports and the facilities, and services available at those airports including the operational hours of the airports has been provided in the Sri Lanka Aeronautical Information Publication (AIP), which is published in the official website of the Civil Aviation Authority of Sri Lanka (www.caa.lk).

Aircraft arriving in Sri Lanka or departing to overseas destinations may land firstly at or depart lastly from the above-mentioned Airports and such aircraft may disembark and embark, passengers, cargo and mail as applicable on such flights at those airport.

Every aircraft operating into and out of the abovementioned airports shall conform to the applicable national laws, regulations, rules and implementing standards relating to border controls and the established operating procedures relating to entry and departure of aircraft, which are published in the AIP.

Every departing and arriving passenger, in and out of the abovementioned airports shall conform to the applicable national laws, regulations, rules and implementing standards and also the established operating procedures relating to entry and departure of persons and baggage and they may be subject to the applicable screening processes that will be performed by the respective government authorities in charge of customs, immigration and emigration, aviation security, public health, plant and animal quarantine and narcotics control *etc*.

All inbound or outbound cargo including mail and other articles of the abovementioned airports shall be in conformity with the applicable national laws, regulations, rules and implementing standards, and also the established operating procedures relating to entry and departure of cargo, mail and other articles which are published in Sri Lanka Aeronautical Information Publication and such cargo, mail and other articles may be subject to the applicable screening processes that will be performed by the respective government authorities in charge of customs, aviation security, public health, plant and animal quarantine and narcotics control *etc*.

No person inclusive of any item carried by that person or vehicle is permitted enter or remain in any area which is designated as Security Restricted Area of the aforementioned airports unless such person or vehicle has been issued with a valid airpot access permit by the Airport Operator and the access permit is displayed conspicuously for inspection. The foregoing condition is not applicable to a passenger holding valid travel documents and a current boarding pass for an inbound flight terminating at or outbound flight originating from those airports, if the passengers complies with the security screening procedures.

Operation of unmanned aerial vehicles including drones within and in the vicinity of the airport premises is completely prohibited

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