Safety Policy

Safety forms vital part of culture the Civil Aviation Authority of Sri Lanka (CAASL) and is the overriding priority in all activities of CAASL.

CAASL as the place holder organization responsible for implementation of State Safety Programme of Sri Lanka are committed to implementing, developing and improving persistently strategies, management systems and processes to ensure that all aviation activities in Sri Lanka uphold the highest level of safety performance and meet national requirements in line with the international standards.

CAASL commitment is to:

- develop, embed, promote and maintain safety culture in all aviation activities through effective implementation of the State Safety Programme recognizing the paramount importance and value of safety for the growth and sustenance of air transport industry;
- work in collaboration, consultation, cooperation and consensus with the industry partners to minimize risks associated with in all aviation operations to a point that is as low as reasonably practicable and achievable by maintenance of proper organization, personnel, equipment, facilities, services and process and procedures that meet appropriate safety standards;
- actively develop and improve CAASL’s processes in line with the (8) eight critical elements advocated by ICAO for the effective discharge of state safety oversight responsibilities to conform to world-class safety standards;
- comply with and, wherever feasible, exceed legislative and regulatory requirements and international standards relating to safety;
- insist on establishment and maintenance of effective Safety Management Systems by all operators that commensurate with size, nature and complexity of their respective operations.
- allocate necessary resources and provide relevant CAASL staff with adequate, appropriate and timely training on aviation safety and relevant information, ensuring that they are competent to perform their assigned tasks;
- collect, process and analyze aviation safety data systematically with the intent of trend monitoring and disseminate vital safety information where necessary and appropriate, whilst safeguarding data security and confidentiality of data sources;
- establish and measure CAASL safety performance using well developed indicators (SPI) against realistic objectives and/or safety targets (SPT);
- promote safety information sharing and non-punitive safety reporting for enhancement of safety;
- ensure safety is primary responsibility of staff in the executive grade and above and conduct safety and management reviews regularly and ensure that appropriate action is taken;
- take prompt action to discourage infringement of safety requirement; and
- ensure that the application of effective aviation safety management system is integral to all CAASL’s activities, with the objective of achieving the highest levels of safety standards and performance.

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