Vistara cancels 14 int'l flights due to delay in delivery of B787 aircraft

New Delhi, 25 October

istara has cancelled at least 14 flights connecting New Delhi with Frankfurt and Paris due to delay in delivery of B787 aircraft, which it has leased from Irish lessor AerCap, Business Standard has learnt.

The B787 (also known as Dreamliner) aircraft was expected to be delivered by this time in October, but as it is still under refurbishment and maintenance processes, it will most likely be delivered some time in November, aviation industry executives said

Vistara had on August 6 stated that it has leased a Dreamliner and therefore, it will operate six flights every week on the New Delhi-Frankfurt route from October 30, instead of the three weekly services currently. Moreover, the full-service carrier had said that it will operate five flights every week on the New Delhi-Paris route from October 30, instead of its two weekly flights currently. Accordingly, it opened book-



ings on these additional flights. Since the leased plane has not been delivered yet, the airline has

October 30 and November 6, the cancelled at least eight flights on the executives said.

route and six flights on the New Vistara spokesperson said: "We con-Delhi-Paris-New Delhi route between firm that there has been a slight, unavoidable delay in the delivery of our third (leased) Boeing 787-9 In a statement on Tuesday, a Dreamliner aircraft, thereby impact-

ing select bookings, of a few days, made for Vistara flights to/from Paris and Frankfurt." AerCap did not immediately respond to queries.

"We regret the inconvenience caused to our customers. We are in touch with them to offer various options that suit them best. Simultaneously, we are also working closely with relevant stakeholders to bring the aircraft into operations as soon as possible," the spokesperson added.

had bought Vistara Dreamliners from Boeing in 2018 but has received only two from the American plane maker. The second Dreamliner was delivered in August 2020. Since then, it has been waiting for Boeing to deliver the remaining four Dreamliners to boost its international flight operations.

Therefore, earlier this year, it had to take a Dreamliner on lease for the first time. The executives said the leased Dreamliner is currently in Abu Dhabi.

Dreamliner is a wide-bodied aircraft with a bigger fuel tank that allows it to easily operate on long-

campaigns in schools and localities

around the airports regarding proper

guidelines for airport operators mandat-

ing routine patrols in the vicinity of air-

ports and informing pilots of any wildlife

activity. The patrols are to be carried out

in random patterns rather than a regular

route so that wildlife do not learn or

become accustomed to the timing of

patrols, the guidelines mentioned. All air-

port operators are requested to review

their wildlife hazard management pro-

gramme to identify the gaps and ensure

its strict implementation in the vicinity

restrictions coming off in late 2021 and

early 2022, the airline's flight operations

With pandemic-related capacity

of an aerodrome, the guidelines noted.

In August this year, the DGCA issued

garbage disposal.

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DOVE DRY SHAMPOO RECALL IN US Market too small, no impact likely in India

were recalled

after Benzene,

cause cancer,

in a few lots

was discovered

which can

Mumbai, 25 October

Hindustan Unilever (HUL) recalled its Dove and Tresemme aerosol dry shampoo in US after discovering they were contaminated with not pose a health risk." HUL benzene, which can cause cancer, but the product continues to be sold in India on

Nykaa Amazon, as verified by Business Standard.

Nvkaa had listed the US as the country of origin for the Dove and Tresemme dry shampoo products

move is unlikely to have any significant impact on the company in India, say analysts.

"Even if Dove and Tresemme dry shampoos are taken off the market, the impact will be insignificant as it is a very small market in India." said Sachin Bobade. vice-president, Dolat Capital.

"Unilever US and Canada codes of dry shampoo produced prior to October 2021 of benzene.'

out of an abundance of cau tion, after an internal investigation identified elevated levels of benzene. An independent health hazard evaluation concluded that levels of benzene detected do said in an email response to Business Standard.

"No other Unilever products or markets The products

are impacted by this voluntary recall. HUL does not manufacture dry shampoos in India. If consumers have any questions, they can

sold on its platform. But the www.UnileverRecall.com for more information," it added.

According to a USFDA notice dated October 21. "Unilever United States today issued a voluntary product recall to the consumer level of select lot codes of dry shampoo aerosol products produced prior to October 2021 from Dove, Nexxus, Suave, TIGI (Rockaholic and Bed voluntarily recalled select lot Head), and TRESemmé due to potentially elevated levels

Aircraft bird strikes jump almost 50% in Jan-July

AVIAN TROUBLE

JUN 19 Engine on SpiceJet's Delhi-bound aircraft carrying 185 passengers caught fire soon after take-off from Patna airport. The plane made an emergency landing minutes later. The engine had malfunctioned due to a

AUG 4 Go First's flight to Chandigarh returned to Ahmedabad after suffering a

SEP 26 Air India flight from Calicut to Delhi was diverted to Kannur after it suffered a bird hit

Indian mobile application developers

hailed the Competition Commission of

India's decision to impose a fine of

₹937 crore on Google as a collective win

for Indian start-ups. The CCI asked

Google to "not restrict app developers

from using third-party billing/payment

tor of the think tank Alliance of Digital

India Foundation, tweeted: "Absolute col-

lective win by the Indian start-up ecosys-

tem. Our Diwali gift for the world. The

verdict is an inflection point. Will result

In March, Google had launched a pilot

in a domino effect in other markets and

programme that allowed a few devel-

opers to offer an additional billing system

Sijo Kuruvilla, former executive direc-

Mumbai, 25 October

FLIGHT RISK For January-July **Bird strike incidents** 478 2020 2021 2022 **Animal strike** 23 incidents 7

2021

2022

App developers cheer Google fine

alongside that of Google Play. That ini-

tiative came ahead of Google's announce-

ment of reducing commissions to 15 per

cent from 30 per cent for the first \$1 mil-

lion of revenue developers earned each

shift, 99 per cent of developers would

qualify for a service fee of 15 per cent or

less on its app store. This was done at a

time when the CCI had initiated a probe

The company said because of the

year using the Play billing system.

2020

Source: DGCA

New Delhi, 25 October

Ten days back, an Akasa Air flight flying to Bengaluru returned to Mumbai as one of the engines suffered a bird hit, resulting in foul odour within the cabin. Such bird strike incidents have been on an increase in India, the DGCA data shows, as airlines

are boosting their flight operations after

being battered by the pandemic for

approximately two years. There were 974 bird strike incidents (a 49.3 per cent increase) across the country in the January-July period of 2022 as compared to the corresponding period of 2021, according to the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) data that has been reviewed by Business Standard.

Bird and animal strike incidents are considered one of the most potent threats to flight operations.

According to the DGCA data, the

number of animal strike incidents at that all airport operators in India have Indian airports has increased from seven been advised to conduct awareness in the January-July period of 2021 to 23 in 2022.

A DGCA official said that the chief secretaries of the state governments have been informed about the rising bird and animal strike incidents and about compliance with Rule 91 of The Aircraft Rules, 1937. Rule 91 talks about strict regulation on disposing of garbage (carcass) after slaughtering and flaying of animals in a 10-km radius of any airport. Birds like vultures and animals like dogs are attracted to that garbage if left out in the open, leading to bird and animal strike incidents.

Each airport in the country with scheduled flight operations has an airfield environment management committee to identify the sources that attract stray animals and birds in the vicinity of that aerodrome.

The DGCA official quoted above said

Head Office: Lokmangal, 1501,

have gathered steam this year.

Shivajinagar, Pune-411005, Request for Proposal (RFP)

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OTT apps: COAI bats for 'same service, same rules' under draft telecom Bill

SUBHAYAN CHAKRABORTY New Delhi, 25 October

geographies."

Arguing that there is a need to enforce the principle of 'same service, same rules' in the telecom industry, the Cellular Operators Association of India (COAI) came out in support of the government's move to bring over-the-top (OTT) communication service providers under the ambit of the telecom Bill. The COAI — which has all three private telecom service providers (TSPs) Reliance Jio, Bharti Airtel, and Vodafone Idea as its members — said that while adoption of new technologies and services by various players in the ecosystem was welcomed, regulatory con-

LEVEL PLAYING FIELD

■ COAI says OTTs pay no duties or levies, don't buy spectrum, and aren't subject to any regulation

communication services ride on network provided

by telecom service providers, consuming huge bandwidth

■ Says new technologies are welcome but similarly placed players need similiar regulation

ditions and treatment must be made uniformly applicable for similarly placed players. The COAI said OTT players consume humongous amounts of bandwidth, which puts tremendous pressure on the network infrastructure established by TSPs. It also stressed that

communication services need to be defined in the draft Bill to ensure there

was no ambiguity. The draft extends the definition of telecommunication service to include OTT players such as WhatsApp, Signal, Zoom, Skype, Google,

and Telegram, which provide (voice or video) calling and messaging services.

into the Play Store payment system in

2020. Indian start-ups have been claim-

ing since then that Google abused its

monopoly position, enforcing the billing

system, and levying a 30 per cent com-

mission on the transactions. All apps dis-

tributed on the Google Play Store that

offer in-app purchases of digital goods

need to use Google Play's billing system.

dating app TrulyMadly, said that it was "a

great verdict" that would protect Indian

entrepreneurs from "digital colonialism".

Stage, a regional OTT platform, said the

order set a precedent for how other tech

firms would treat Indian developers and

consumers. "All in all, this is a landmark

order, CCI along with ADIF and everyone

else involved in this fight deserves a huge

round of applause," he said.

Vinay Singhal, co-founder and CEO,

Google did not comment on the issue.

Snehil Khanor founder and CEO of

definition The was amended after TSPs had argued for years for a levelplaying field, since OTT communication and satellitebased services offered audio and video calls and messaging without paying for licence or spectrum.

"It has been erroneously suggested that telecom services and OTT applications do not operate on the same layer, when in fact services such as calls (voice/video) whether provided by the TSPs or the OTT apps, operate on the same layer, essentially riding on the network layer," the COAI said.

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'ASKED TO RESIGN', BYJU'S STAFFERS MEET KERELA MINISTER PEERZADA ABRAR app from Technopark said that Byju's, which was

Bengaluru, 25 October

A group of Byju's employees on Tuesday met Kerala labour minister V Sivankutty, alleging that the edtech giant was forcing more than 170 staffers to resign, as it looked to discontinue operations and close its

Thiruvananthapuram office. "The employees of Byju's

Thiruvananthapuram had come to see me. The employees have many grievances, including job loss. The Labour Department will conduct a serious investigation in this regard," Minister Sivankutty posted on his Facebook page.

TechnoparkToday, a community digital media platform for IT professionals

to stop its operations. "The company management is

enforcing employees for forceful resignation," it said. Prathidhwani, the welfare organisation of techies took up the issue and requested the labour minister to intervene and help employees reach an

amicable and dignified

working in Carnival building,

at Technopark, was planning

settlement with the firm and a revised exit policy with compensatory benefits. These include payment of

the salary for October 2022 on the November 1, 2022, and a one-time settlement of salary for the upcoming three months. They also want 'all earned leaves' encashment and full settlement of variable pay (as applicable to each employee).