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The 23rd Southeast Asia Regional Aviation Safety Team (SEARAST/23) and National Coordinators Meeting

(Bangkok, Thailand, **21 – 22 January 2025***)*

Agenda Item 2:   Updates from the APAC Ministerial Conference (Delhi Declaration) and 59th DGCA Conference

UPDATES ON Regional Aviation Safety Group APAC (RASG-APAC/14)

(Presented by the CTA)

SUMMARY

The 14th Meeting of the RASG-APAC took place in Bangkok, Thailand from November 28 to 29 -2024. This RASG-APAC/14 report will be presented to the Air Navigation Commission and the Council. The ICAO APAC will publish formal action taken in due course as a supplement to that Report.

This paper collates the outcome of the RASG-APAV/14 outcomes for review by the meeting.

1.   **INTRODUCTION**

1.1   14th Meeting of the Regional Aviation Safety Group Asia & Pacific Regions (RASG-APAC/14) took place in Bangkok, Thailand from November 28 to 29 -2024.

1.2   The meeting was attended by 109 participants (94 in person and 15 online) from 22 States/Administrations and 9 International Organizations/Industry Partners., The organizations included Association of Asia Pacific Airlines (AAPA), Airport Council International (ACI), Airbus, Boeing, Civil Air Navigation Services organization (CANSO), Flight Safety Foundation (FSF), International Federation of Air Line Pilots' Associations (IFALPA), ICAO and COSCAP-SEA.AAPA, Airbus, Boeing, ICAO, and COSCAP-SEA.

1.3   As per the approved agenda, 22 Discussion Papers and 03 Information Papers. The RASG-APAC/14 adopted 10 (Ten) Decisions.

2.   **DISCUSSION**

2.1   During the meeting, a few of the following noteworthy subjects were discussed:

a.   Outcomes of the Fourteenth Air Navigation Conference (AN-Conf/14) – PPT

b.   Review of the action taken by the ANC on the Report of APANPIRG/34 and the Consolidated Report of PIRG and RASG – WP/2

c.   Where does APAC Stand with the Beijing Declaration Commitments? – WP/3

d.   Asia Pacific Ministerial Declaration on Civil Aviation (Delhi) – WP/4

    e. 59th APAC DGCA Conference Action Items on Safety – WP/5

    f. Update on APRAST/21 and APRAST/22 – WP/6

    g. Updates on the Progress made by the Asia-Pacific Regional Aviation Safety Plan Working Group (AP-RASP-WG) – WP/21

2.2   The list of decisions are provided as **Appendix A**.

3.   ACTION BY THE MEETING

3.1   The Meeting is invited to:

    a) Note the Decisions at **Appendix A**; and

    b) Discuss and agree with any related matters in providing support on their implementation.

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LIST OF DECISIONS OF THE RASG-APAC/14

Decision RASG-APAC 14/1 — Update on APRAST/21 and APRAST/22 – WP/6	
That, the Decisions adopted at APRAST/21 and APRAST/22 as described in Attachment A and B to the WP/6 be endorsed.	**Expected impact**: ☒ Ops/Technical ☐ Achievement of global and regional aviation safety priorities and targets ☐ Enhancement of USOAP effective implementation ☐ Monitoring and administration ☐ Capacity Building and Sharing of Information ☐ Inter-regional ☐ Political / Global ☐ Economic ☐ Environmental
Why: Achievement of global and regional aviation safety goals and targets.	Follow-up: ☒ Required from States
When: Immediate	**Status**: On going
Who: ☒ Sub-groups ☒ APAC States ☒ ICAO APAC RO ☐ ICAO HQ ☒ Other: Industry	

Decision RASG-APAC 14/2 — Update on Work Done by APAC-AIG – WP/7	
That, RASG-APAC/14 approved the APAC-AIG Code of Conduct (CoC) on the cooperation relating to Civil Aviation Accident/Incident Investigation to be recognized as the Investigation Cooperation Mechanism (ICM) for APAC Region. Necessary ToRs in RASG Procedure Handbook shall be amended accordingly.	**Expected impact**: ☒ Ops/Technical ☒ Achievement of global and regional aviation safety priorities and targets ☐ Enhancement of USOAP effective implementation ☒ Monitoring and administration ☒ Capacity Building and Sharing of Information ☐ Inter-regional ☐ Political / Global ☐ Economic ☐ Environmental
Why: Recognition of APAC CoC as an ICM	Follow-up: ☐ Required from States
When: Immediate	**Status**: On going
Who: ☒ Sub-groups ☒ APAC States ☒ ICAO APAC RO ☐ ICAO HQ ☐ Other:	

Decision RASG-APAC 14/3 — Update on Work Done by APAC-AIG – WP/7	
That, AIG WG to monitor the progress of Final Accident Investigation Reports and provide feedback of the published report by the APAC States/Administrations for air transport aircraft accidents above 5,700 kg and report back to RASG-APAC.	**Expected impact**: ☒ Ops/Technical ☒ Achievement of global and regional aviation safety priorities and targets ☐ Enhancement of USOAP effective implementation ☒ Monitoring and administration ☒ Capacity Building and Sharing of Information ☐ Inter-regional ☐ Political / Global ☐ Economic ☐ Environmental
Why: Monitoring the Final reports published on AIG	Follow-up: ☐ Required from States
When: Immediate	**Status**: On going
Who: ☒ Sub-groups ☒ APAC States ☒ ICAO APAC RO ☐ ICAO HQ ☒ Other: AAIIAs	

Decision RASG-APAC 14/4 – Coordination Mechanism Between Regional Aviation Safety Groups (RASGs) And Teams (RASTs) – WP/8	
That, APRAST WG Co-Chairs are to: a) Commence a trial of the coordination mechanism with PA-RAST, including the sharing of regional safety alerts/ advisories, virtual meetings between Co-Chairs, and using a common online platform for immediate communication between meetings. b) After assessing the mechanism up to two years, necessary changes to be adopted in the RASG Procedure Handbook and share the same experience with other RASGs.	**Expected impact**: ☒ Ops/Technical ☐ Achievement of global and regional aviation safety priorities and targets ☐ Enhancement of USOAP effective implementation ☐ Monitoring and administration ☒ Capacity Building and Sharing of Information ☒ Inter-regional ☐ Political / Global ☐ Economic ☐ Environmental
Why: Strengthen APRAST outputs and inter-regional sharing of best practices	Follow-up: ☒ Required from APRAST Co-Chairs & Secretariat
When: RASG-APAC/14	**Status**: Open
Who: ☒ Sub-groups ☒ APAC States ☒ ICAO APAC RO ☐ ICAO HQ ☒ Other: Industry	

Decision RASG-APAC 14/5 — Establishment of A RASG-APAC Safety Advisory – WP/9	
That, RASG-APAC/14 agreed to the changes to the ToRs found in the WP/9. All changes will be incorporated in the next revision of the RASG-APAC Procedural Handbook.	**Expected impact**: ☒ Ops/Technical ☒ Achievement of global and regional aviation safety priorities and targets ☐ Enhancement of USOAP effective implementation ☐ Monitoring and administration ☐ Capacity Building and Sharing of Information ☐ Inter-regional ☐ Political / Global ☐ Economic ☐ Environmental
Why: Achievement of global and regional aviation safety priorities and targets.	Follow-up: ☐ Required from States
When: Immediate	**Status**: Closed
Who: ☒ Sub-groups ☒ APAC States ☒ ICAO APAC RO ☐ ICAO HQ ☐ Other:	

Decision RASG-APAC 14/6 — Review of Progress of RASG-APAC/13 Decisions and Conclusions – WP/10	
That, the Decisions adopted at RASG-APAC/13 as described in Appendix A of the WP/10 be endorsed.	**Expected impact**: ☒ Ops/Technical ☐ Achievement of global and regional aviation safety priorities and targets ☐ Enhancement of USOAP effective implementation ☐ Monitoring and administration ☐ Capacity Building and Sharing of Information ☐ Inter-regional ☐ Political / Global ☐ Economic ☐ Environmental
Why: Achievement of global and regional aviation safety goals and targets.	Follow-up: ☒ Required from States
When: Immediate	**Status**: On going
Who: ☒ Sub-groups ☒ APAC States ☒ ICAO APAC RO ☐ ICAO HQ ☐ Other:	

Decision RASG-APAC 14/7 — ICAO Pacific Small Island Developing (PSID) States Liaison Office Progress and Planned Activities 2024/2025 – WP/12

That, noting Pacific Small Island Developing States' (PSIDS') needs for regulatory and technical training, on-the-job training, and appropriately qualified experts to support ICAO-coordinated activities and projects, States are urged to provide: • Regulatory and technical training opportunities; • On-the-job training opportunities; and • Appropriately qualified personnel for temporary deployments or short-to-medium term secondments. to support PSIDS-focused activities and projects.	**Expected impact**: ☒ Ops/Technical ☒ Achievement of global and regional aviation safety priorities and targets ☒ Enhancement of USOAP effective implementation ☒ Monitoring and administration ☒ Capacity Building and Sharing of Information ☐ Inter-regional ☐ Political / Global ☐ Economic ☐ Environmental
Why: To provide training opportunities and the availability of appropriately qualified experts to support improved aviation outcomes for PSIDS.	**Follow-up**: ☒ Required from States
When: Immediate	**Status**: On going
Who: ☒ Sub-groups ☒ APAC States ☒ ICAO APAC RO ☒ ICAO HQ ☐ Other:	

Decision RASG-APAC 14/8 — RASG-APAC Yearly/Standing Work Programme 2024/2025 (proposed) – WP/20

That, the proposed RASG-APAC 2024/2025 Yearly Work Programme is approved, as in **Appendix A of WP/20**.	**Expected impact**: ☒ Ops/Technical ☒ Achievement of global and regional aviation safety priorities and targets ☐ Enhancement of USOAP effective implementation ☐ Monitoring and administration ☒ Capacity Building and Sharing of Information ☐ Inter-regional ☐ Political / Global ☐ Economic ☐ Environmental
Why: To achieve global and regional aviation safety priorities and targets.	Follow-up: ☒ Required from States

When: Immediate	**Status**: On going
Who: ⊠ Sub-groups ⊠ APAC States ⊠ ICAO APAC RO ☐ ICAO HQ ⊠ Other: Industry	

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