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The Eighth Meeting of the Asia/Pacific Wildlife Hazard  
Management Working Group (AP-WHM/WG/8)

*Bangkok, Thailand, 25 to 28 May 2026*

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**Agenda Item 2: Review of Outcomes of Related Meetings/Seminars**

**OUTCOMES OF AOP/SG/9 AND APANPIRG/36 MEETINGS**

(Presented by the SECRETARIAT)

**SUMMARY**

This paper presents outcomes of AOP/SG/9 and APANPIRG/36 Meetings related to the Asia Pacific Wildlife Hazard Management Working Group (AP-WHM/WG).

**1. INTRODUCTION**

1.1 The Ninth Meeting of the Aerodromes Operations and Planning Sub-group (AOP/SG/9) was held in Bangkok, Thailand from 30 June to 04 July 2025 and the Thirty-sixth Meeting of the Asia/Pacific Air Navigation Planning and Implementation Regional Group (APANPIRG/36) was held in Bangkok, Thailand from 24 to 26 November 2025.

1.2 The Final Reports of AOP/SG/9 and APANPIRG/36 are available at:  
<https://www.icao.int/APAC/meetingdocs?fid=531>

**2. DISCUSSION**

Report on the Ninth Meeting of AOP Sub-group (AOP/SG/9)

2.1 APANPIRG/36 reviewed the report of the AOP/SG/9 and noted that the AOP/SG/9 adopted 8 (Eight) Conclusions and 2 (Two) Draft Conclusions that were of purely technical or operational nature.

2.2 APANPIRG/36 noted that AOP/SG/9 reviewed the Report of the Seventh Meeting of the Asia/Pacific Wildlife Hazard Management Working Group (AP-WHM/WG/7) held in Pokhara, Nepal from 7 to 9 May 2025. The full report of AP-WHM/WG/7 provided on ICAO APAC Office website at: <https://www.icao.int/APAC/meetingdocs?fid=592>.

Outcomes of the ICAO Asia/Pacific Wildlife Hazard Management Workshop

2.3 APANPIRG/36 noted that ICAO Asia/Pacific Wildlife Hazard Management (WHM) Workshop was conducted on 5 – 6 May 2025 in Pokhara, Nepal.

2.4 APANPIRG/36 also noted that the AOP/SG/9 had reviewed the key takeaways of the workshop endorsed by AP-WHM/WG/7 and adopted the following Conclusion formulated by AP-WHM/WG/7:

**Conclusion AOP/SG/9 – 9 (Draft Conclusion AP-WHM/WG/7 – 1): ICAO Asia/Pacific Wildlife Hazard Management Workshop**

*That, key takeaways of the ICAO Asia/Pacific Wildlife Hazard Management Workshop be circulated to Asia/Pacific States/Administrations for information and consideration and published on the ICAO APAC Website eDocuments Webpage.*

2.5 APANPIRG/36 further noted that ICAO APAC Office had circulated the State Letter Ref.: T 11/5.13.2 – AP121/25 (AGA) dated 16 September 2025 regarding the key takeaways of the Workshop, which is also available at APAC eDocuments Webpage under AGA Heading <https://www.icao.int/APAC/apac-electronic-documents#tabs-2>.

Wildlife Strike – A Safety Concern

2.6 APANPIRG/36 noted that the AOP/SG/9 had endorsed the following Draft Conclusion formulated by AP-WHM/WG/7 for consideration by APANPIRG/36 and coordination with RASG-APAC:

<b>Conclusion APANPIRG/36/4 – Acknowledgement of Wildlife Strike as One of the High-Risk Category of Occurrences (HRCs) for Asia and Pacific Regions</b>	
<p>What: Acknowledging that wildlife strike is a widespread concern affecting States in the Asia Pacific Region, and some States in Asia Pacific Region have already identified Wildlife Strike as one of the National High-Risk Category of Occurrences (N-HRCs) in their National Aviation Safety Plan (NASP):</p> <p>a) Wildlife Strikes should be considered to identify as one of the Regional HRCs (R-HRCs) in the Asia-Pacific Regional Aviation Safety Plan; and</p> <p>b) take up the concern of wildlife strike to the appropriate forum of ICAO for seeking additional Safety Enhancement Initiatives as mitigation measures for all APAC States/Administrations.</p>	<p>Expected impact:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Political / Global</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Inter-regional</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Economic</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Environmental</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ops/Technical</p>
<p>Why: For harmonised application and enhancing safety at or in the vicinity of aerodromes.</p>	<p>Follow-up: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Required from States</p>
<p>When: 26-Nov-25</p>	<p>Status: Adopted by PIRG</p>
<p>Who: <input type="checkbox"/> Sub Groups <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> APAC States <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ICAO APAC RO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ICAO HQ <input type="checkbox"/> Other:</p>	

2.7 The AOP/SG Secretariat has coordinated with APRAST Secretariat for necessary action on this Conclusion.

Challenges in AOP Fields and Priorities for 2026

2.8 APANPIRG/36 noted that the AOP/SG identified the following challenges in aerodrome operations and planning field:

- a) Certification of military aerodromes used for international operations.
- b) Safety oversight and safety management of Ground Handling Services.
- c) Slow Implementation of GRF and Runway Safety Team.
- d) Slow pace of transition from ACN-PCN to ACR-PCR Method of Reporting Pavement Bearing Strength.
- e) Wildlife strike hazard reduction.

2.9 To address above challenges, the AOP/SG planned to conduct following activities in 2026:

- a) Organize Workshop on Civil/Military Cooperation in aerodrome certification.
- b) Invite States/Industry (aerodrome operator, airlines operator and ground handling agent) to present their good practices in AP-AA/WG/8 Meeting/or Organize Workshop in Ground Handling Services.
- c) Encourage States/Industries to opt Aerodrome Assistance Go-Team/Runway Safety Go-Team Mission on a cost recovery basis to obtain assistance for implementation of GRF and RST establishment.
- d) Organize Workshop with the support from US FAA on Aerodrome Pavement Design and Evaluation including ACR-PCR Method of Reporting Pavement Bearing Strength.
- e) Assistance to States on wildlife strike hazard reduction through the implementation of Asia/Pacific wildlife Hazard Management Go-Team Technical Assistance Mission.

**3. ACTION BY THE MEETING**

3.1 The Meeting is invited to:

- a) note the information contained in this paper;
- b) note Conclusion AOP/SG/9 - 9 and Conclusion APANPIRG/36/4 (paragraphs 2.4 and 2.6 refers); and
- c) discuss any relevant matters as appropriate.

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