Boeing Demonstrates 787 Dreamliner Capabilities in New Delhi

NEW DELHI, India, July 13 -- The Boeing [NYSE: BA] 787 Dreamliner made its India debut landing at New Delhi International Airport at 11:09 a.m. (IST), arriving from Tokyo.

"Indian air carriers have recognized the tremendous value the Boeing 787 offers airlines," said Dinesh Keskar, president Boeing India.

Air India is one of the early customers and has ordered 27 787s. Jet Airways also has ordered 10 Dreamliners. The 787 offers the potential to enhance the revenues of customers due to its passenger appeal and reduction in maintenance costs and fuel burn.

"We look forward to the airplane's introduction into the fleets of our valued customers in India," said Keskar. He also mentioned that the 787's visit was a great day in the long history of Boeing's partnership with India.

The airplane will depart for the Mumbai Airport in the evening of July 15 and will fly back to Seattle on the morning of July 16.

The 787 Dreamliner is built by an international team and will provide airlines around the globe with a new level of efficiency in operations, with a 20 percent reduction in fuel use when compared to similar-sized airplanes. The 787 also brings a new level of passenger comfort to travelers including bigger windows and more personal space as well as an environment designed to help them arrive at their destinations feeling refreshed.

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