Akasa Air Orders 150 More Boeing 737 MAX Jets For Domestic and International Expansion

- India's fastest-growing airline nearly triples 737 order book to meet rising demand
- All-737 operator adds 737-10 to its single-aisle fleet and additional 737-8-200s

HYDERABAD, Jan. 18, 2024 – Boeing [NYSE:BA] and Akasa Air announced today the Indian carrier has placed a follow-on 737 MAX order, confirming 150 more fuel-efficient jets in its order book. The purchase of 737-10 airplanes and additional 737-8-200 jets by India's all-737 operator was revealed at the Wings India 2024 airshow.

Akasa Air will leverage the 737 MAX family to expand its domestic and international network in the coming years. Since launching operations in 2022, the airline has captured approximately 4% of India's domestic market, serving 18 destinations with a fleet of 22 737 MAX jets.

"We are excited to announce this historic order for 150 new Boeing airplanes, increasing our total orders from Boeing to 226 jets. In addition to supporting our rapid domestic expansion, the efficiency and economics of these new airplanes position Akasa to launch international routes in the coming months," said Vinay Dube, Akasa Air founder and CEO. "The lower carbon emissions of the 737 MAX family allow us to remain focused on sustainable operations, while also providing our environmentally conscious passengers with a more comfortable way to fly. Sustainability is at the core of our business, and we strive for more opportunities to reduce our impact to the environment."

Both 737 MAX variants will provide Akasa Air with added capacity and range on new and existing routes, while reducing fuel use and carbon emissions by 20% compared to older-generation airplanes.

"This milestone demonstrates the strength of our partnership with Akasa Air and is a testament to the capabilities of the 737 MAX family to further the airline's operational priorities," said Stephanie Pope, Boeing Chief Operating Officer. "The efficiency and versatility of the 737-10 and 737-8-200 will support Akasa Air's expansion to meet soaring demand for air travel in the region for many years to come."

As Akasa Air looks to expand its network in India and South Asia, Boeing's 2023 Commercial Market outlook forecasts delivery of 2,705 new commercial airplanes over the next 20 years for the region, of which nearly 90% will be single-aisle jets.

This order finalized in December 2023 and was unidentified on the Boeing Orders & Deliveries website. Previous Akasa Air orders can be found on Boeing.com:

- Akasa Air Orders 72 Fuel-Efficient 737 MAX Airplanes to Launch Service in Fast-Growing Indian Market
- Akasa Air Orders Four 737-8s To Support International Growth Plans

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