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Hawker Beechcraft Delivers First Hawker 4000 in India



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Company sees continued success, future growth opportunities as India market leader

With the recent arrival of the first Hawker 4000 in India, Hawker Beechcraft Corporation (HBC) continues to see growth and demand in the Asia market. India's first Hawker 4000 is based at the Chhatrapati Shivaji International Airport in Mumbai and is being utilized for both business and leisure travel by the HBC customer.

"The Hawker 4000 provides the range, performance and capacity needed to do business in a country as vast as India and throughout this emerging region," said Justin Firestone, president, Asia-Pacific. "This remarkable aircraft can conduct non-stop missions such as Delhi to Tokyo, Mumbai to Shanghai, and Chennai to Manila with ease."

In addition, the flagship Hawker 4000 generated considerable interest from prospective customers earlier this month while on display at India Aviation 2010 in the southern India city of Hyderabad.

“With the first Hawker 4000 in India and the recent India Aviation show, we continue to gain momentum with the world’s most advanced business jet,” Firestone said. “As the market leader for business aircraft in India, we are focused on the needs of the discerning customers in this region and are very much committed to continuing to provide world-class service and support.”

The Hawker 4000 is faster and delivers superior cruise and range performance than its closest competitors. With best-in-class field performance in its category, take-off field length (ISA, SL, MTOW) is just 1,545 m (5,068 ft.). Climb rate is exhilarating, going from sea level to 37,000 feet in just over 14 minutes. Once at altitude, the Hawker 4000 accelerates very quickly to its maximum cruise speed of Mach .84 (896 km/hr), maximizing customer productivity by getting them quickly to their destination. The Pratt & Whitney Canada PW308A engines deliver 6,900 pounds of thrust each flat rated at ISA +22° Celsius and, combined with the Hawker 4000’s advanced wing design, provide impressive high altitude/hot temperature and short field performance.

The Hawker 4000’s cockpit features a Honeywell Epic avionics suite with five high-resolution 20 x 25 cm (8 x 10 in.) LCD displays. It has enhanced situational awareness and flight management systems, backed by real-time system monitoring and status. The airplane comes standard with dual Inertial Reference System, dual air-cycle machines and auto-throttle that are ideally suited for long-range and trans-continental flights. Avionics and utility systems are fully integrated, and advanced composite material construction provides for lower part count, enhanced reliability and lower life-cycle costs.

The composite fuselage of the Hawker 4000 features a 1.83 m (6 ft.) stand-up cabin with a 1.97 m (6 ft. 5.5 in.) width. A flat floor runs the entire length of the aircraft, leading to an impressively large 2.51 cubic m (88.5 cubic ft.)/900 lb. baggage area, accessible from the cabin during flight and on the ground through a dedicated exterior baggage door. An eight-place interior configuration is standard with fully-articulating executive seats in double club format. The interior can be customized with a wide variety of materials and cabin finishes.

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