

Pre-pandemic salaries of Vistara pilots back

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New Delhi : Vistara has restored the salaries of its pilots to pre-pandemic levels, announced the airline. As the industry recovers at a swift pace, the carrier is now in a position to offer its pilots remuneration equivalent to pre-covid days.

India's full-service carrier Vistara said it has reinstated its pilots' salaries and flying allowance to pre-pandemic levels in light of flight operations recovering "at an unprecedented pace".

Capt Hamish Maxwell, Senior Vice President - Flight Operations, Vistara, sent an e-mail to the airline's pilots in this regard.

"Further to reinstating the monthly bonus for all pilots from the month of April 2022, subject to the average global active hours for the preceding month being at least 70, I am very pleased to announce that the base flying allowance (BFA) reduction is also reinstated."

"In March, I wrote to you about the recovery of the industry that we were observing and the hope that it would be sustained. It appears that this has been the case."

Vistara carried 6.40 million passengers in 2021, which is expected to increase significantly this year. According to reports, passenger traffic in India was up by more than 80 per cent year-on-year in April and is expected to recover to pre-Covid-19 levels in the next few months.

