

ICAO reaffirms full support for Bangladesh's aviation sector development

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Dhaka : International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) has reassured its commitment to provide Bangladesh's aviation industry with all-out support for its continued development.

The reassurance came during a meeting between Air Vice Marshal Md Monjur Kabir Bhuiyan, Chairman of Civil Aviation Authority of Bangladesh (CAAB), and Salvatore Sciacchitano, Council President of ICAO.

The meeting took place on the sidelines of the 59th ICAO Director General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) Conference held in Cebu, Philippines, which concluded on October 18.

ICAO Secretary General Juan Carlos Salazar was also present during the meeting, said a release.

Both ICAO leaders praised Bangladesh for its progress in the aviation sector, the release added.

The conference, themed "Shaping the Future of Aviation: Sustainable, Resilient, and Inclusive," was attended by civil aviation chairpersons and director generals from 39 countries, including Bangladesh, the United States, China, France, Canada, the United Kingdom, and Australia, alongside representatives from 11 international organisations.

During the conference, Bangladesh presented two key discussion papers titled "Balancing Regulatory Requirements and Innovation in Aviation" and "The Role of Aviation Training in Shaping a Sustainable, Resilient, and Inclusive Aviation Industry".

These papers were well-received by ICAO, the United States, and other participant nations, further mentioned the release.

On the sidelines of the conference, CAAB Chairman also held bilateral meetings with representatives from several countries, including the United States, Canada, China, Singapore, the United Arab Emirates, South Korea, Sri Lanka, the Maldives, France, and Japan.

Discussions focused on various aspects of Bangladesh's aviation sector while several countries expressed keen interest in investing in the country's industry.

They also offered assistance in raising Bangladesh's aviation sector to international standards, promoting the adoption of new technologies, and improving aviation services.

According to them, these efforts would contribute to making Bangladesh's aviation industry more modern, secure, and globally competitive, which would be crucial to stand out in today's era of massive aviation success globally.