

Jet Airways receives regulatory approval to resume flights

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Dhaka: Jet Airways announced on May 20 that it has passed a significant milestone on its path to resuming commercial operations. The airline completed the last of its proving flights and has been granted regulatory approval to relaunch flight operations.

Once India's biggest private carrier, Jet Airways stopped flying in April 2019 over financial troubles. Yet, it has since seen a significant investment from Jalan-Kalrock Consortium, enabling its return to the skies.

On the occasion, Chief Executive Officer Sanjiv Kapoor said, "The 'Joy of Flying' was a tagline for Jet Airways in an earlier era. We are delighted to announce that The Joy is coming back. We are grateful to have received the revalidated AOC, the culmination of months of effort by a fantastic and dedicated team that never wavered in its faith and belief that Jet Airways would fly again, backed by the Jalan-Kalrock Consortium, by the Resolution Professional, and by a committee of creditors who were equally determined

to see Jet fly again.”

The certification comes after the airline completed a series of proving flights for the permit on May 17. The flights were audited by representatives of the regulator who simulated real-life situations during the flights to test the flight crew's response.

Jet Airways announced that it intends to recommence commercial operations in July-September 2022. The airline will announce further senior management soon and begin hiring for resumed operations.

The revamped Jet Airways is expected to focus on investing in modern technology and infrastructure as it recommenced operations and will release details in the coming weeks regarding its aircraft and fleet plan, route network, and loyalty programme.

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