

PM inducts Dash 8-400 aircraft Dhrubatarata into Biman's fleet

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Dhaka: Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina on December 27 formally inducted the newly brought Dash 8-400 aircraft by Biman Bangladesh Airlines into its fleet through a videoconference from her official residence Gono Bhaban.

The flag carrier got the Canadian 74-seater aircraft to help it expand operations in the short range, including domestic and South Asian networks.

Biman procured three Dash 8-400 aircraft under the G2G (government-to-government) agreement between Bangladesh and Canada. The first one has been inducted on December 27 while the others will be included in the fleet in the next couple of months.

The induction ceremony of the new aircraft was held at the VVIP Terminal of Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport (HSIA) in the capital where State Minister for Civil Aviation and Tourism M Mahbub Ali and Biman officials were present.

Prime Minister Hasina has named the new aircraft “Dhrubatarata” like the other new planes which have already been added to Biman's fleet.

According to a Biman press release, the Dash 8-400 aircraft equipped with eco-friendly and state-of-the-art facilities arrived on November 24.

With the new plane, the number of Biman's aircraft has increased to 19, including four Boeing 777-300ER, four Boeing 787-8, two Boeing 787-9, six Boeing 737, and three Dash 8-400.

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