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2.2 Project Context (Addition)

Land and Existing Airside Facility

Land:

S.no	Land Classification	Land Required	
		AC. Cents	
1	Air Side	423.0	
2	City Side	579.5	
3	Approach Road	6.2	
Total		1008.8	

Of the total land area of 1008.8 acres, 38.31 acres is yet to be acquired by the Authority, the rest of the land 970.44 acres has been already acquired by the Authority.

Airside Facilities at Kurnool Airport:

SI no	Facility	
1	Terminal Building	
2	Admin Building	
3	ATC (6 Floors)	
4	ATM and CNS (1 Floor)	
5	IMD (1 Building)	
6	1 Substation	
7	Perimeter Wall (Length: 9Km, Height: 7m)	
8	Approach Road from NH to Terminal Building of 5km	
9	Runway (Length: 2.1 km and Width: 30m)	
10	Apron of 4 Parking Bays	
11	Code 3C Taxiway (Length: 75m, Width: 23m)	
12	Isolation Bay	

Currently there are no facilities for Cargo and MRO in the Kurnool Airport.

Allied Infrastructure of Kurnool Airport:

Kurnool Airport is advantageous of having three other upcoming developments which will form a symbiotic relationship with the Airport:

- 1) City Side Development
- 2) FTO Operations
- 3) Drone City Development

1) Kurnool Airport City Side Development:

APADCL through open bidding will be selecting a Private Partner to develop 579.53 Acres of land as the flagship City Side Services Hub alongside the Kurnool Airport.

While the scope of development shall be left to the choice of the selected developer, the flagship development is expected to capitalize on the following advantages:

- The benefit of availability of the low-cost Airport adjoining the land.
- The lower real estate benefit that can be availed by end users such as IT/ITES sector and
 other service sectors.
- The potential to develop as the Hub for south India's aero skills / training and manpower resource centre for the aviation sector a one stop training and sourcing destination.
- The business advantage, being the closest proximity airport to the KIA Factory in Anantapur, apart from similar other present/emerging industries as part of the Bangalore Hyderabad Industrial Corridor
- Mixed-Use Commercial & Residential Development: Kurnool has a distinct advantage in the context of mixed-use commercial developments due to its real estate prices compared to many other metro cities. This cost-effectiveness makes Kurnool a highly attractive location for developers. As the region benefits from its industrial corridors like the Bangalore Hyderabad Industrial Corridor with a huge potential for is significant growth as well its near proximity from Bangalore and Hyderabad. Due to its land costs and the opportunity Kurnool stands poised for strategic development, offering a high return on investment and the ability to meet the growing need. Similarly, considering the demand drivers for housing, a portion of the land is envisaged to be earmarked for Residential Development.

2) Flying Training Organizations (FTOs)

Kurnool is quickly emerging as a new aviation hub due to many advantages, such as: a) Consistently clear skies and excellent flying weather, b) Strategic central location in Andhra Pradesh, and c) Easy accessibility for aspiring pilots across South India. APADCL is actively involved in developing and managing Flying Training Organizations (FTOs) at Kurnool Airport.

APADCL has selected two private operators through open tenders for commercial development of operations of FTO in Kurnool Airport.

Both the FTO operators have been allotted with a land area of 5000 Sq.m each (total area of 10,000 Sq.m) within Airside for the operation of the FTOs.

The Operators will operate the FTO on a long-term development agreement (LDA), on a lease basis. These FTOs will be Andhra Pradesh's first DGCA-approved Flying Training Organization (FTO).

These two FTOs are expected to bring with them a full suite of world-class pilot training facilities:

- State-of-the-art simulators for realistic, hands-on learning
- Modern, well-equipped classrooms to support in-depth aviation study
- An advanced aircraft fleet to ensure effective and safe flight training

The launch of this state-of-the-art training base in Kurnool opens new opportunities for students from southern India who previously had to travel long distances for quality flight training. Now, they can access modern aircraft, professional instructors, and DGCA-aligned curriculum right in Andhra Pradesh.

3) Drone City:

The Drone City is being developed at Orvakal in Kurnool district, near Kurnool Airport (~ 6km from the Kurnool Airport) spanning 300 acres. The proposed site offers excellent regional and national connectivity—making it highly suitable for industrial development. Positioned near NH 40 and accessible via MDR-180, MDR176, the site benefits from robust transport infrastructure.

Facilities in Drone City will comprise of the following: -

- a. Drone manufacturing and production facility
- b. Drone maintenance, repair and overhauling facility
- c. Common test and research facility
- d. Drone-as-service wing
- e. Common areas & ecosystem support

With strong backing from the state government, the initiative aims to streamline approvals, build cutting-edge infrastructure, and provide essential amenities, positioning Andhra Pradesh as a leading hub for drone innovation and manufacturing.

The Drone City is envisioned as a global hub for drone innovation, manufacturing, and training and is expected to become a world-class center for <u>drone</u> technology, generating 20,000 jobs while training 25,000 drone pilots.

With India's drone market projected to grow 2.5 times to ₹60 billion by 2030, the initiative will create a robust ecosystem encompassing drone manufacturing, R&D, a training academy, maintenance facilities, and an incubation hub for UAV startups.

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