

Press release

With awards into the final spurt of completion: Minimax protects the new airport construction in India

Bad Oldesloe/New Delhi, 18.06. 2010 – The mega-project – the new construction of the “Indira Gandhi International Airport” in New Delhi – is nearing completion. Air traffic commenced after the official inauguration in early July. The highly modern Terminal 3 designed for international air traffic was completely equipped with fire protection by Minimax. Innovative fire protection techniques have been installed over the 2 square kilometre terminal surface differing corresponding to risk area. They meet the highest international standards and underscore the sense of responsibility airport operator Delhi International Airport Private Limited (DIAL) and airport owner, the GMR Group, have towards visitors and staff.

The new international passenger airport has been created in the record time of only three years. In future around 32 million passengers will be attended to annually. Optimum safety management is paramount for one of the world's most contemporary airports.

Minimax has done its part through fire protection security: In peak times around 1,200 people were deployed per day. Around 400 kilometres of piping, 600 kilometres of cable and 6.5 kilometres of earth wire were laid. A network of 88,000 sprinklers protects the airport building against fire hazards. The sprinkler system is laid out according to the North American NFPA standard. 80 gas extinguishing systems ensure adequate protection of sensitive areas. Distributed over the entire surface are around 800 fire hydrant cabinets and 7,000 fire extinguishers for mobile extinguishing. The fire protection concept is rounded out by a fire detection system, which includes a total of 60,000 fire detectors, combined with 200 fire detection control panels, thus detecting fire hazards and fire formations around the clock.

As experienced full service provider in the field of fire protection Minimax has provided the smooth progress and the on-schedule completion of the Terminal 3 construction measures. Larsen & Toubro, the EPC contractor appointed by DIAL, honoured this with the “Quality Award”. Moreover Minimax is receiving from the German/Indian Chamber of Commerce “the award for excellent export results in business in India“ in the framework of the official awards ceremony on 16 June 2010.

Minimax Group

The company founded in the year 1902 with its head office in Bad Oldesloe is an internationally leading full service fire protection provider. The company's own research centre is one of the most modern in Europe. The company group generated sales in the year 2009 of around 747 million euros and employs a worldwide staff of 5,000. Further information at www.minimax.de.

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