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Mactan Airport temporarily closes runway on 11 AUG 2017

Mactan Cebu International Airport (MCIA) has scheduled a temporary runway closure on August 11 as part of the preliminary works for the second phase of the runway rehabilitation plan.

From 2:30 am to 8:30 am, the planned six-hour closure calls for the resurfacing of 350 meters of each end of the runway known as the Touch Down Zones (TDZ). These are the areas where a landing aircraft makes initial contact on the runway and are subject to the greatest wear and tear.

The runway rehabilitation works are undertaken by the Mactan Cebu International Airport Authority (MCIAA), their technical team, and appointed contractors. This closure had been planned and coordinated with MCIAA, GMCAC, Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines, and all commercial airlines operating in MCIA.

“The runway repairs are precautionary in nature and are designed to ensure that the best possible level of safety is afforded to the passengers and stakeholders of the Mactan- Cebu International Airport,” said MCIAA General Manager Steve Dicdican.

In July 2017, the first half of the repair works was carried out to establish the new Temporary Touch Down Zones and to correctly configure the runway according to the reduced runway length while works are taking place. The Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines (CAAP) also conducted a flight safety check.

“The initial runway resurfacing plan was originally envisioned to be carried out over a 6-month period with daily closure of the runway for 7 hours each night. This, however, proved to be too disruptive for the airlines and passengers so alternative measures were established to ensure the work could be done in phases with minimum disruption to airport operations,” said Andrew Harrison, Chief Executive Advisor of GMR MEGAWIDE Cebu Airport Corporation (GMCAC).

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ABOUT GMR MEGAWIDE CEBU AIRPORT CORPORATION

GMR-MEGAWIDE Cebu Airport Corporation (GMCAC) is a Filipino-led consortium managing the terminal operations and other related areas of the Mactan-Cebu International Airport. Under the Public-Private partnership framework, the GMR Group of India and the MEGAWIDE Construction Corporation joint venture, shall deliver a second terminal and rehabilitate the existing one to reduce congestion as well as meet the growing passenger traffic. GMCAC is undertaking this capital extensive project to provide a world class terminal airport with a welcoming ambiance that is distinctly Filipino.



GMR-MEGAWIDE Cebu Airport Corporation took over the management of MCIA on November 1, 2014. The concession agreement will last for 25 years.

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