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AERA

Airports Economic Regulatory Authority of India Act, 2008: independent tariff regulation at major airports after private operators entered.

DIAL / MIAL

Delhi and Mumbai airport JVs under OMDA: private consortia with AAI as a minority shareholder to rebuild the two busiest brownfield hubs.

BIAL / HIAL

Bengaluru and Hyderabad greenfield airport companies: State-plus-private JVs that shifted traffic from old inner-city airfields.

CIAL

Cochin International Airport Limited: early greenfield PPP with wide public shareholding, often cited as India's first such airport.

UDAN

Regional Connectivity Scheme, 2016: viability-gap support so smaller routes run even when a metro-style airport JV is not viable.

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