

## Drug Control Lab functional at Bengaluru airport

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The Kempegowda International Airport, Bengaluru (BLR Airport) – operated by Bangalore International Airport Ltd. (BIAL) now has a fully functional Drug Control Lab.

“We are the first Airport in South India to house a fully operational Drug Control Lab, which incidentally is only the second and the largest such facility in the Country. Testing of all export and import of pharmaceuticals that is required by customs, is therefore done at the Cargo Terminal itself. In addition, the Coolport has also been awarded the Group Distribution Practices Certification for WHO-mandated standards,” said Satyaki Raghunath, Chief Strategy and Development Officer, Bangalore International Airport Limited.

“Our Drug Control Lab is now fully operational and our clients need not go to a city laboratory for the testing required by customs. This has enabled shippers considerable savings in transportation cost and time. Historically, raw material used to be imported to Mumbai and then ferried by road to Bengaluru. We are witnessing a 100 percent growth in import volumes with cargo now being sent directly to Bengaluru as it saves importers a huge amount of transaction cost.” Raghunath said.

BIAL's vision is to make BLR Airport a successful passenger and cargo hub with state-of-the-art infrastructure and technological advancements that deliver efficient airport operations.