MANAGING AIR TRAFFIC

1970 '72 1980 '86 1990 '95 2000 '03 '06 '07

Till 1972, all airports were under direct government control

1972 International Airports Authority of India (IAAI) formed to manage the four metropolitan airports—Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata and Chennai

1986 National Airports Authority (NAA) created to manage domestic airports

1995 IAAI and NAA merged to form Airports Authority of India (AAI)

2003-04 Hyderabad and Bangalore allowed new private greenfield airports

2006 Delhi and Mumbai airports restructured and to be developed by private operators

2007 Govt considers corporatization of AAI's air navigation services, appoints consultants

Source: Ministry of civil aviation; Mint research