

CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY  
ISLAMABAD AIRPORT

INVESTIGATION REPORT INTO A GROUND INCIDENT  
PIA TRAFFIC SUZUKI VAN NO. 942 HIT THE NO.1  
ENGINE OF A/C AP-BAT (PK-301/280484) AT  
ISLAMABAD AIRPORT

1. INVESTIGATION

|      |                                        |                                                                                                                                                                   |
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| 1-1  | <u>History</u>                         | Not applicable                                                                                                                                                    |
| 1-2  | <u>Injuries</u>                        | None                                                                                                                                                              |
| 1-3  | <u>Damage to aircraft</u>              | R/H Fan Cowl dented slightly and scratched and drain mast bent.                                                                                                   |
| 1-4  | <u>Other damage</u>                    | The roof of Suzuki Van No. 942 badly damaged (see Appendix 'E').                                                                                                  |
| 1-5  | <u>Crew Information</u>                | Not applicable.                                                                                                                                                   |
| 1-6  | <u>Aircraft Information</u>            | AP-BAT, B-747 (PK-301)                                                                                                                                            |
| 1-7  | <u>Meteorological Information</u>      | Moderate and calm                                                                                                                                                 |
| 1-8  | <u>Aids to Navigation</u>              | Not applicable                                                                                                                                                    |
| 1-9  | <u>Communication</u>                   | Not applicable                                                                                                                                                    |
| 1-10 | <u>Aerodrome and ground facilities</u> | Not applicable                                                                                                                                                    |
| 1-11 | <u>Flight recorders</u>                | Not applicable                                                                                                                                                    |
| 1-12 | <u>Wreckage</u>                        | Not applicable                                                                                                                                                    |
| 1-13 | <u>Fire</u>                            | Not applicable                                                                                                                                                    |
| 1-14 | <u>Survival aspects</u>                | Not applicable                                                                                                                                                    |
| 1-15 | <u>Tests and research</u>              | Not applicable                                                                                                                                                    |
| 1-16 | <u>Additional Data</u>                 | a. Suzuki Van No. 942, belonging to Traffic Department P.I.A. Islamabad Airport.<br><br>b. Driven by Mr. Munir Bhatti, P-32719, Traffic Officer, un-authorisedly. |

## 2. ANALYSIS

- 2-1 On 28th April, 1984 Mr. Munir Bhatti P-32719 T/O was on duty as a Ramp Supervisor for flight No. PK-301.
- 2-2 At about 0950 hrs. L.T. Mr. Munir Bhatti un-authorisdlly drove the Ramp Suzuki Van No. 942 near economy class passenger step when passenger boarding was in progress.
- 2-3 He did not have an apron driving licence, nor he had any civil driving licence.
- 2-4 All of a sudden he remembered to pick-up Trim supervisor of the flight, he therefore reversed the suzuki van No. 942 to avoid inconvenience to the passengers. While reversing the Suzuki Van hit No. 1 engine of aircraft AP-BAT, B-747 (See Appendix 'A').
- 2-5 On inspection by Duty aircraft Engineer Mr. Bashir Ahmed (See Appendix 'C') he found R/H Fan Cowling dented slightly and scratched and Drain Mast bent (See Appendix 'D').
- 2-6 The Duty Aircraft Engineer got the Fan Cowling cleaned and polished. He further checked for cracks and found everything in order. Duty Aircraft Engineer therefore, released the aircraft to fly back to base (See Appendix 'D').
- /The roof of 2-7 /Suzuki Van No. 942 was badly damaged (See Appendix 'E').

## 3. CONCLUSION

- 3-1 The probable cause of the incident was due to following reasons:-
- 3-1-1 Mr. Munir Bhatti P-32719 T/O did not have apron driving licence and was therefore driving the vehicle unauthorisedly. (See Appendix 'A' & 'B').
- 3-1-2 Mr. Munir Bhatti also did not have any Civil driving licence (See Appendix 'A').
- 3-2 Mr. Munir Bhatti was not authorised by Duty Station Manager Mr. F.R. Chishti as stated by Mr. Munir Bhatti to drive the vehicle (See Appendix 'A' & 'B'). This is a case of gross carelessness and negligence.

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- 3-3 Poor supervision check and control by Duty Station Manager.

#### 4. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 4-1 Strict disciplinary action may be taken against Mr. Munir Bhatti Traffic Officer for his negligence, carelessness and driving Suzuki Van No. 942 unauthorisedly.
- 4-2 Duty Station Managers Shifts should exercise better supervision and greater care in controlling their staff to prevent re-occurrence of similar nature. Furthermore Duty Station Managers should also check the driving licence and Apron driving licence of the staff detailed on driving duties.
- 4-3 Station Traffic Manager should issue necessary instructions on the subject advising all concerned to exercise greater caution and ensure that no unauthorised person is allowed to drive any vehicle on the Apron area.