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Boeing underscored its commitment to strengthen strategic partnerships with customers, the government, industry and academia aimed to support India's expanding aerospace industry. "With India poised to become the fastest growing, among large economies in the world, Boeing is proud to be a reliable partner for sustaining this projected growth," said Pratyush Kumar, president Boeing India. "We are focusing our efforts to support the Prime Minister's 'Make in India' initiative by developing a competitive supplier base in country that is fully integrated into Boeing's global supply chain, and we are skilling the front-line workforce to become capable of supporting aerospace-grade manufacturing."

2014 marked a year of growth and consolidation for Boeing in India. Boeing completed deliveries of all 10 C-17 Globemaster III airlifters and has completed the contract, which was signed in June 2011. Six P-8I maritime surveillance and anti-submarine warfare aircraft were delivered in the last two years with two additional aircraft deliveries due in 2015 to complete the contract for eight P-8Is, which was signed in January 2009. Boeing also delivered training and support services to the Indian Air Force and Indian Navy to ensure high mission-readiness of both aircraft fleets.

"India is a top-priority market for Boeing and we are committed to working closely with the defense ministry, armed forces and industry to meet India's defense and security needs," said Dennis Swanson, vice president, Boeing Defense, Space & Security in India. "We see tremendous potential for partnerships with the Indian defense sector where Boeing has already started to play a role in the modernization effort of the Indian armed forces. We look forward to strengthening these partnerships in the future."

In 2014, Boeing delivered seven 787 Dreamliners and eight 737-800s and collaborated with the Airport Authority of India on its Total Airspace and Airport Modelling (TAAM) operations and training solutions.

"We are proud of our long history and partnership with India and to be a part of its growing aerospace industry," said Dinesh Keskar, senior vice president, Asia Pacific and India Sales, Boeing Commercial Airplanes. "Boeing's new, fuel efficient airplanes such as the 737 MAX, 787 Dreamliner and 777X will bring innovation to the market and unbeatable fuel efficiencies, helping airlines in India to prosper."

Boeing and its industry partners also celebrated many firsts— the completion of the first floor beam by TAL Manufacturing Solutions' (TAL) for the 787-9 Dreamliner, Dynamics' delivery of the first set of aft pylon and cargo ramp assemblies for the Chinook helicopter and contract with Rossell on the wire harness. These accomplishments and the work by Boeing's other strategic suppliers demonstrate Boeing's commitment to 'Make in India,' and indicate the growing ability of capable and competitive Indian companies to become part of the global aerospace supply chain and make Boeing even more competitive around the world.



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