

## **GMF Collaborates with Indonesian Industry Players to Strengthen the National Aviation Ecosystem**

**Jakarta, 04 November 2022** – PT Garuda Maintenance Facility Aero Asia Tbk (GMF) participated in the biggest defence exhibition event in Southeast Asia, Indo Defence Expo & Forum 2022 at JiExpo Kemayoran (02-05/11). The exhibition, which was attended by 905 companies from 59 countries, allowed GMF to expand its penetration in the defence market. Defence industry is one of GMF's main business diversification strategies to reach sustainable recovery. On the first day of the event, GMF succeeded in securing several cooperations with domestic industry players who came from a few different sectors, such as PT Ateja Multi Industri (Ateja) which is an international standard fabric manufacturing company, PT Indonesia Polyurethane Industry (IPI) which is a manufacturing company in polymer-based components, PT PUDAK Scientific (PUDAK) which is manufacturing parts and components, and PT MuladaTU (MuladaTU) which is a repair station certified by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), United States, for aircraft spare parts, wheels, brakes, and landing gear.

GMF's step in cooperating with domestic industry players from various fields is a form of GMF's contribution to realizing a national aviation ecosystem that increases the value of domestic product utilization (TKDN). The CEO of GMF, Andi Fahrurrozi, said that GMF wishes to become the backbone of a comprehensive quality improvement of the Indonesian aviation industry ecosystem. "The aviation industry ecosystem not only consists of airlines, MRO, regulators, and authorities, but many cross-sectoral industries can support its development. GMF believes that these supporting elements can become accelerators for the development of the aviation ecosystem in the future," said Andi.

By consistently prioritizing quality standards, GMF hopes that various components and parts that have been relying on international supplies can be gradually produced and provided by local manufacturing companies. In the Indo Defence event, GMF and IPI agreed to cooperate in the production of Part Manufacturer Approval (PMA) plastic and rubber parts. Furthermore, with Ateja, GMF agreed to cooperate in terms of modification, design, and production of fabric materials used as seat covers on airplanes and curtains. The collaboration with PUDAK Scientific will include the manufacture of PMA parts, electroplating & anodizing contra work, utilization of the GMF calibration laboratory, and the manufacture of tools & IMTE. Meanwhile, with MuladaTU, GMF will collaborate for MRO operations and in-house shop improvements, product development, and capabilities for component and landing gear maintenance, and share resources for components, technical publications, and landing gear maintenance to other related item overhaul services.

Andi added that many benefits might be obtained by utilizing the nation's independence in producing various cross-industry needs. "Collaboration is the key for every industry player in the country to survive and rise to increasingly challenging times. Besides increasing the absorption of TKDN, the utilization of the domestic industry can also help the domestic MRO to become more efficient in dealing with global economic conditions next year," said Andi.

## Commercial Aircraft Maintenance Still Running

In addition to intensifying penetration in the defense sector, GMF still does not forget the commercial aircraft maintenance service sector, the core business line for more than 20 years. On the first day of the Indo Defence event, GMF succeeded in cooperating with PT Tri M.G. Intra Asia Airlines (Tri MG), a cargo and charter airline. The cooperation includes base maintenance, line maintenance, and component maintenance. On the second day, GMF also signed a commitment to cooperate with Indonesia Air Asia for line maintenance services at 12 stations and Indopelita Aircraft Services in terms of collaborative use of hangars.

"We believe that cooperation with the core players of the aviation industry is the most crucial step in realizing a national aviation ecosystem that is ready to compete in global competition. So we say thank you very much to all parties who have put their trust in GMF," concluded Andi.

## About GMF

PT Garuda Maintenance Facility Aero Asia Tbk (GMF) is a company engaged in the maintenance, repair, and overhaul of aircraft and industrial services. As the largest MRO service provider in Indonesia, with more than 70 years of experience, GMF originated as Garuda Indonesia Technical Division. Located in the Soekarno Hatta International Airport, GMF has customers from more than 60 countries worldwide. As a world-class MRO, GMF has obtained civil aviation authority certifications from more than 20 countries, including FAA (America), EASA (Europe), CASA (Australia), and DGCA (Indonesia). In 2017, GMF became a public company by releasing its share to the public. Currently, GMF is expanding its business by penetrating the industrial gas turbine engine market. Thus, GMF is expected to realize its vision to become the most valuable MRO company through its mission in providing integrated and reliable maintenance solutions as a contribution to the nation.

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