

New CEO of Delhi Duty Free announced as Ashish Chopra



Current Deputy CEO, DDFS, will take the reins as CEO on December 5, 2020

Current Deputy CEO of Delhi Duty Free Services (DDFS), Ashish Chopra, has been appointed as Chief Executive Officer, replacing current CEO Philip Eckles. Chopra will begin his new role on December 5.

Chopra joined DDFS as Head of Purchasing in 2013; he was promoted to the position of Chief Operating Officer (COO) in April 2017 and then further promoted to the position of Deputy CEO in September 2019.

Prior to joining DDFS, Chopra had spent several years in international buying, merchandising and retail roles with some of India's largest retail companies.

Mr GBS Raju, Chairman of Delhi Duty Free Services, commented: "Over his seven years with the organisation Ashish has played an integral role in the success of Delhi Duty Free and I know as he takes on these new responsibilities that he will skilfully lead DDFS as it recovers and rebuilds from the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. I, along with the Directors of the Board, wish Ashish every success in his new role".



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Ray Hernan, Chief Executive Officer, ARI — part of the joint venture that creates DDFS — commented: “I congratulate Ashish in his promotion to CEO. Ashish brings significant commercial expertise to the role and has a strong track record in driving growth; already playing a central role in the success of the business at Delhi Duty Free. I look forward to working closely with Ashish as we manage through the impact of COVID-19 and drive future growth of the business. On behalf of the team at ARI, I wish him great success”.



Current CEO Philip Eckles will retire next month