

Two EDGE Group Mission Support Entities Sign Depot Level Maintenance Agreement

GAL, a leading regional provider of integrated aircraft sustainment solutions for military and civilian customers, today announced they have signed a new long-term Depot-Level Maintenance (DLM) service contract with EDGE sister entity AMMROC, a leading provider of military maintenance, repair, and overhaul (MRO) services in the region. The DLM will support GAL's Performance Based Logistics contract with the UAE Air Force and Air Defence (AFAD). In line with the contract, AMMROC will facilitate GAL in undertaking aircraft, engine and component depot level maintenance services for its AFAD customers.

Under the terms of the agreement, the two entities will collaborate to execute the depot maintenance at AMMROC's world-class MRO facility in Al Ain. The contract provides GAL with valuable in-country capability to extend support and reduce turnaround times when implementing deliverables to its customer. The required DLM services entail supporting platforms for airframes, engines and components services.

The announcement was made during the ongoing Dubai Airshow, which runs until 18 November at Dubai World Central.

Speaking on the significance of the agreement, Khalid Al Breiki, President of Mission Support at EDGE and Managing Director of GAL, said, "Given the ongoing challenges regarding logistics and supply chains in the prevailing socio-economic landscape, GAL looks forward to enhancing efficiencies with AMMROC's support, ensuring that our clients in the critical defence space continue to receive the world-class maintenance and allied support they have come to expect. These collaborations reinforce our shared commitment to the sustainability of the UAE's MRO sector, as well as realise the wider mission of EDGE: boosting regional defence and MRO capabilities through shared synergies while merging resources and expertise."

Hareb Al Dhaheri, AMMROC CEO, said: "In a post-pandemic world, the defence sector is under growing pressure to optimise resources and maximise efficiencies where possible. In this context, AMMROC's contract with GAL goes a long way in adding value for our customers through reducing turnaround times and ensuring best-in-class, localised solutions. This contract helps AMMROC push the boundaries of conventional MRO services and further elevates the company's position as a leader in shaping the future of the regional sector."

GAL provides aviation readiness solutions for military and civilian entities in the region and beyond. Working with the world's largest original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) and MRO service providers, the company helps its clients achieve exceptional fleet readiness through world-class MRO, supply chain, engineering, training and technical augmentation solutions.

With scope to support over 35 different fixed and rotary wing aircraft types, AMMROC operates an international centre of excellence in military aircraft MRO that successfully meets the dynamic needs of military operations.

AMMROC and GAL are part of the Mission Support cluster of EDGE, an advanced technology group that ranks among the top 25 military suppliers in the world.