

# SATS to build central kitchen in India



The new SATS unit will be located near Kampagowda International Airport

[SATS Ltd.](#) (SATS) today plans to build a S\$37 million (US\$27.2 million), 14,000 square meter central kitchen in Bengaluru, India.

The unit is expected to produce up to 170,000 ready-to-eat meals per day and be operational in 2022. The central kitchen will be located at [Kempegowda International Airport, Bengaluru](#) (KIAB/BLR Airport), where SATS has signed a deal for a 27,000 square meter plot with Bengaluru Airport City Limited (BACL). SATS already has a long-standing relationship with Bengaluru Airport through two of its associate companies that already operate there - aviation food solutions provider TajSATS and ground handler AISATS.

SATS says it intends to combine its understanding of the latest food trends and authentic Indian flavors, as well as harness product and packaging innovation capabilities, using a wide range of food technologies such as fresh, cook-chill, and advanced ambient and frozen technology, to distribute and export products. Through its digital integrated supply chain, SATS is able to aggregate demand and efficiently scale production to serve different customer needs in India's domestic market and overseas.

SATS intends to train 300 staff at the production facility. Rao Munukutla, Chief Executive Officer of BACL, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Bangalore International Airport Limited (BIAL) said, "We are delighted to partner with SATS as we embark on this exciting chapter of our business. BACL celebrates a culture of innovation and we are confident that this partnership will bring about positive

change in the region. SATS' state-of-the-art food technology facility has the potential to create significant employment and training opportunities, as well as enhance Bengaluru's reputation as a knowledge-based economy".

"Our Bengaluru central kitchen will enable SATS to cater to changing consumer palates by anticipating exciting food trends, while building on decades of culinary expertise in authentic Indian cuisines that can be scaled and exported across our network," said Sagar Dighe, Chief Executive Officer, SATS Food Solutions India Private Limited, in today's announcement.