New Technology Enablers for the RSAF's Smart Airbase of the Future

The Republic of Singapore Air Force (RSAF) has taken steps in its transformation to become future-ready with smart airbase developments. Apart from existing initiatives, the RSAF continues to explore & leverage on advancements in technology to enhance effectiveness & efficiency in its base operations.

ENHANCED MUNITIONS LOADING FOR FIGHTER AIRCRAFT

The loader provides manpower savings of up to 66% as it requires only one person to operate. Its omni-directional Mecanum wheels makes it highly manoeuvrable in tight spaces and the use of data analytics and robotics allow for better performance, greater precision and efficiency in munitions loading.



AUTOMATED INSPECTION & PROACTIVE MAINTENANCE

Existing aircraft hangar sensors are enhanced with improved AI algorithms to better classify and detect defects. Unmanned Ground Vehicles are on trial and plans are in place for trials of the Smart Fleet Management System on improved performance and aircraft maintenance insights.



EXPEDITIOUS RUNWAY DAMAGE ASSESSMENT & REPAIRS

Remote deployment of self-organised drones will reduce manpower and time required for runway damage assessments whilst ensuring crew safety. Enhanced with AI, the drones can detect, classify and share data on the damage in real-time to increase situational awareness.

AUTOMATED LOGISTICS & PERSONNEL TRANSPORTATION

Autonomous vehicles will be used for daily logistics and transportation operations. This frees up manpower resources for better organisational effectiveness



ENHANCED AIRBASE SECURITY

Self-organised drones will be deployed for perimeter patrols. Capable of detecting, identifying and tracking targets, the drones can provide real-time situational displays via live-video feeds to enhance base security.

ENHANCED AIRBASE SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

Data collected by base systems and drones is shared real-time and processed by Decision Support Systems through data analytics and AI to sense-make and recommend solutions. With enhanced situational awareness, the Base Command post will allow commanders to make timely and robust decisions on complex airbase operations.

