

CHINA EASTERN AIRLINES CORP LTD
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FORM 6-K

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16

under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of April 2016

Commission File Number: 001-14550

China Eastern Airlines Corporation Limited

(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

Board Secretariat's Office

Kong Gang San Lu, Number 88

Shanghai, China 200335

(Address of principal executive offices)

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

China Eastern Airlines
Corporation Limited
(Registrant)

Date: April 13, 2016 **By:** /s/ Wang Jian

Name: Wang Jian

Title: Joint Company Secretary

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INSIDE INFORMATION

OVERSEAS REGULATORY ANNOUNCEMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT ON OPERATING DATA FOR MARCH 2016

This overseas regulatory announcement is made pursuant to Rule 13.09 and Rule 13.10B of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (“**Listing Rules**”) and the Inside Information Provisions (as defined under the Listing Rules) under Part XIVA of the Securities and Futures Ordinance.

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I. OPERATING DATA

	Estimated amount for March	Actual amount completed for the same period last year	Year- on-year increase (%)	Total estimated amount for the year	Total actual amount completed for the same period last year	Year- on-year increase (%)
Capacity						
ATK (available tonne						
– kilometres)(millions)	2,280.11	2,059.84	10.7	6,849.85	6,006.77	14.0
– Domestic routes	1,153.02	1,090.17	5.8	3,467.95	3,115.88	11.3
– International routes	1,061.75	904.55	17.4	3,179.32	2,694.50	18.0
– Regional routes	65.33	65.12	0.3	202.57	196.39	3.2
 ASK (available seat						
– kilometres)(millions)	16,373.76	14,645.30	11.8	49,719.61	42,906.78	15.9
– Domestic routes	10,488.07	9,972.44	5.2	31,527.11	28,560.51	10.4
– International routes	5,424.39	4,221.68	28.5	16,745.12	12,953.13	29.3
– Regional routes	461.29	451.18	2.2	1,447.38	1,393.14	3.9

	Actual			Total actual		
	Estimated amount for March	amount completed for the same period last year	Year-on-year increase	Total Estimated amount for the year	amount completed for the same period last year	Year-on-year increase
			(%)			(%)
AFTK (available freight tonne						
– kilometres)(millions)	806.47	741.76	8.7	2,375.08	2,145.16	10.7
– Domestic routes	209.10	192.65	8.5	630.51	545.44	15.6
– International routes	573.56	524.60	9.3	1,672.26	1,528.72	9.4
– Regional routes	23.82	24.52	-2.9	72.31	71.00	1.8

Traffic**RTK (revenue tonne –**

kilometres)(millions)	1,608.49	1,511.03	6.4	4,644.47	4,249.73	9.3
– Domestic routes	865.06	823.93	5.0	2,488.16	2,247.97	10.7
– International routes	701.99	647.58	8.4	2,030.15	1,880.44	8.0
– Regional routes	41.44	39.53	4.8	126.16	121.32	4.0

RPK (revenue passenger –

kilometres)(millions)	13,327.87	12,128.08	9.9	39,943.42	34,412.00	16.1
– Domestic routes	8,722.33	8,394.59	3.9	25,449.62	23,032.34	10.5
– International routes	4,259.99	3,412.09	24.8	13,384.19	10,340.59	29.4
– Regional routes	345.55	321.39	7.5	1,109.61	1,039.07	6.8

RFTK (revenue freight tonne

– kilometres)(millions)	418.51	431.02	-2.9	1,116.36	1,212.20	-7.9
– Domestic routes	84.71	75.08	12.8	234.51	210.33	11.5
– International routes	323.12	344.94	-6.3	853.18	971.74	-12.2
– Regional routes	10.68	11.00	-2.9	28.67	30.12	-4.8

Number of passengers carried

(thousands)	8,318.50	7,898.08	5.3	24,374.41	21,928.75	11.2
– Domestic routes	6,920.86	6,654.95	4.0	20,018.26	18,186.86	10.1
– International routes	1,141.30	1,002.46	13.9	3,528.98	2,971.82	18.7
– Regional routes	256.33	240.67	6.5	827.18	770.06	7.4

Weight of freight carried

(million kg)	121.11	119.67	1.2	328.06	332.63	-1.4
– Domestic routes	62.04	54.45	13.9	172.44	153.07	12.7
– International routes	50.34	56.40	-10.7	132.25	155.39	-14.9
– Regional routes	8.73	8.81	-0.9	23.37	24.18	-3.3

	Estimated amount for March	Actual amount completed for the same period last year	Year- on-year increase (pts)	Total Estimated amount for the year	Total actual amount completed for the same period last year	Year- on-year increase (pts)
Load factors						
Overall load factor (%)	70.5	73.4	-2.8	67.8	70.7	-2.9
– Domestic routes	75.0	75.6	-0.6	71.7	72.1	-0.4
– International routes	66.1	71.6	-5.5	63.9	69.8	-5.9
– Regional routes	63.4	60.7	2.7	62.3	61.8	0.5
	81.4	82.8	-1.4	80.3	80.2	0.1
Passenger load factor (%)						
– Domestic routes	83.2	84.2	-1.0	80.7	80.6	0.1
– International routes	78.5	80.8	-2.3	79.9	79.8	0.1
– Regional routes	74.9	71.2	3.7	76.7	74.6	2.1
	51.9	58.1	-6.2	47.0	56.5	-9.5
Freight load factor (%)						
– Domestic routes	40.5	39.0	1.5	37.2	38.6	-1.4
– International routes	56.3	65.8	-9.4	51.0	63.6	-12.5
– Regional routes	44.8	44.9	-0.0	39.7	42.4	-2.8

Note: Please refer to the 2014 annual report of the Company for the definitions of the indicators.

As at 31 March 2016, China Eastern Airlines Corporation Limited (the “**Company**”) operated a fleet of 543 aircraft.

II. BRIEF EXPLANATION

For passenger transportation, international crude oil prices remained low and demand for air passenger market continued to grow in March 2016. Due to an earlier Spring Festival travel season in 2016 as compared to 2015, the Company optimized its passenger capacity and moderately lowered the growth in flight capacity based on changes in market demand. ASK (passenger transportation capacity) increased by 11.8% year- on-year while passenger load factor remained at a high level of 81.4%. From January to March 2016, ASK (passenger transportation capacity), RPK (turnover volume of passenger traffic) and passenger load factor increased by 15.9%, 16.1% and 0.1 pts year- on-year, respectively. The freight transportation market remained flat from January to March 2016, the freight load capacity of the Company decreased by 1.4% year-on-year.

III. RISK ALERT

The board of directors of the Company hereby reminds investors that the operating data set forth above was compiled in accordance with the Company's internal information which has not been audited and may be subject to adjustment. The operating data set forth above may differ from the data disclosed in any regular report for the relevant period. The Company reserves its rights to adjust the operating data based on audit findings and the actual situation. The monthly operating data disclosed by the Company only serves as preliminary and periodical data for investors' reference. Investors are hereby reminded of the investment risks which may result from inappropriate reliance upon or utilization of the information above.

The data set forth above is published on the website of the Shanghai Stock Exchange (www.sse.com.cn), website of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (www.hkex.com.hk) and the column "Investor Relations" on the website of the Company (www.ceair.com).

By order of the Board

CHINA EASTERN AIRLINES CORPORATION LIMITED
Wang Jian

Joint Company Secretary

Shanghai, the People's Republic of China

13 April 2016

As at the date of this announcement, the directors of the Company include Liu Shaoyong (Chairman), Ma Xulun (Vice Chairman, President), Xu Zhao (Director), Gu Jiadan (Director), Li Yangmin (Director, Vice President), Tang Bing (Director, Vice President), Tian Liuwen (Director, Vice President), Ji Weidong (Independent non-executive Director), Li Ruoshan (Independent non-executive Director), Ma Weihua (Independent non-executive Director) and Shao Ruiqing (Independent non-executive Director).