

SriLankan Airlines reclaims APEX Best Entertainment in Central and Southern Asia



Maria Sathasivam, Senior Manager Product Development (Left) and Ashan Dias Amaratunga (Right) of SriLankan Airlines accepts the APEX Best Entertainment Award for Central/Southern Asia and the APEX Four-Star Major Airline rating from Dr. Joe Leader, Chief Executive Officer of APEX, at the APEX Best Awards ceremony during APEX FTE EXPO 2026 in Singapore.

SriLankan Airlines has reclaimed the APEX Best Entertainment in Central and Southern Asia title while retaining its APEX Four-Star Major Airline rating at the 2027 APEX FTE EXPO, held in Singapore. The dual recognition highlights the airline’s commitment to delivering an exceptional onboard experience, as rated by passengers.

Based on over one million verified passenger votes through TripIt by Concur, the

APEX Awards evaluate more than 600 airlines worldwide, recognising excellence in seat comfort, cabin service, food and beverage, entertainment and Wi-Fi.

Maria Sathasivam, Senior Manager Product Development, SriLankan Airlines, stated, “Recognition of this nature is particularly meaningful to us because it comes directly from our passengers and reflects the actual experiences of those who travel with us. It reaffirms the importance of continuously listening to our passengers and evolving our product.” She added that retaining the Four-Star Major Airline rating for eight consecutive years reflects the airline’s commitment to consistency, while expressing appreciation to passengers and employees for their continued support.

SriLankan Airlines has enhanced its inflight entertainment offering, particularly for its South Asian passenger base, which accounts for over 50 percent of its global weekly operations across India, Pakistan, Nepal, Bangladesh, the Maldives and Sri Lanka.

The expanded entertainment selection features Sinhala variety programmes, popular teledramas presented in box-set format, and documentaries exploring travel, culture, industry and current affairs. Local content also includes exclusive podcasts and interviews from leading Sri Lankan publications, music videos and curated audio compilations featuring seasonal playlists, tributes and emerging artists. Complementing these offerings, SriLankan Airlines has broadened its regional entertainment portfolio with an extensive selection of Tamil, Hindi and South Asian cinema, alongside contemporary regional music albums spanning multiple genres.

These enhancements reflect the airline’s focus on delivering a more diverse, engaging and inclusive inflight entertainment experience, catering to the cultural preferences of passengers across its expanding regional and international network. The latest APEX recognition further reinforces SriLankan Airlines’ dedication to passenger satisfaction, service excellence and continuous product development.