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Singapore: With the increase in demand of temperature sensitive pharmaceutical products, SATS, Singapore's ground handling service provider at Changi airport, is aiming to raise the standards of cold-chain services by launching SATS Coolport Academy to serve as an independent training institute offering International Air Transport Association (IATA) certified and other related courses.

With this academy, SATS becomes the first ground handling agent in Asia to offer specialised training in pharmaceutical handling, attesting to its expertise and reputation in delivering secure cold-chain solutions.

"The shipping of pharmaceutical products is one of the most promising areas in the airfreight industry. This USD60 billion market is helping to compensate for the decline in other goods that had previously been shipped by air. Having SATS Coolport Academy established as an IATA Regional Training Partner in pharmaceutical handling will ensure that there will be sufficient talent in Singapore and the region to support the growth of this segment in the air cargo industry, and ensure the reliable transportation of temperature sensitive pharmaceutical products," said Mr Conrad Clifford, regional vice president for Asia-Pacific, IATA.