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Regular evening flights demanded from Dibrugarh airport

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DIBRUGARH, June 5: The Dibrugarh Press Club (DPC) recently submitted a memorandum to Kinjarapu Rammohan Naidu, Union Minister for Civil Aviation, through the Chief Minister of Assam, requesting commencement of regular evening flights from Dibrugarh airport, a release from the DPC stated.

In the memorandum, the Press Club expressed gratitude for the Civil Aviation Ministry's earlier initiative in extending the airport's runway, a move that has significantly bolstered the air connectivity potential in the region. The Press Club also thanked the government for positively considering the long-standing public demand to name the airport after cultural icon Dr Bhupen Hazarika.

Highlighting Dibrugarh's growing industrial and stra-

tegic importance in Upper Assam and the Northeast as a whole, the Press Club pointed out that the absence of scheduled evening flights is a major impediment to development and mobility. "Despite the installation of night landing facilities in 2010 and the successful evening landing of Jet Airways flight 9W-7079 in 2014, no regular evening services have been operational till date," the memorandum stated.

The Press Club further noted that while the Dibrugarh airport is equipped with modern night navigation systems, these remain grossly underutilised. The lack of evening flights, it said, causes serious inconvenience to business-related travellers, patients, students, tourists, and professionals, many of whom are forced to halt overnight due to a lack of onward connections.

Terming it as a matter of

public necessity and regional development, the Press Club earnestly appealed for urgent intervention of the government to ensure regular scheduled evening flights. "Such a step will not only enhance connectivity but also boost tourism, business, education, and healthcare access across Upper Assam and adjoining areas," the Press Club stated.

The memorandum was signed and submitted by Manash Jyoti Dutta (president), Anil Kumar Poddar (vice president), and Ripunjoy Das (general secretary) of the Dibrugarh Press Club. Copies of the memorandum were also sent to State Cabinet Minister Prasanta Phukan, the airport director of Dibrugarh airport, and the district commissioner of Dibrugarh for information and necessary action. The submission included a copy of an earlier memorandum dated

December 14, 2023.

Review by DC: Meanwhile, the National Centre for Vector Disease Control of the district here held an important meeting of the District Task Force on Japanese encephalitis, dengue, malaria, and other vector-borne diseases at the conference hall of the district commissioner's office, a press release stated.

The meeting discussed various measures to prevent, control, and treat these vector-borne diseases this year. The district commissioner, Bikram Kairi, directed the departmental officials to conduct an extensive awareness campaign in the district to prevent vector-borne diseases, identify vulnerable areas and previously affected areas, medicate pillows in such areas, and take other relevant preventive measures. He also directed departments like agriculture,

fisheries, railways, etc., to identify the breeding grounds and sources of mosquitoes that can spread diseases and take necessary remedial measures.

The DC further urged upon the Dibrugarh Municipal Corporation to issue urgent notices and directives to various establishments to prevent the breeding of mosquitoes. He further appealed to the citizens to be aware and pay attention to personal safety to avoid Japanese encephalitis and other vector-borne diseases. He advised them to clean stagnant water inside and around houses, offices, and other establishments immediately. He also advised people from overseas to contact the health department immediately if they experience any symptoms like fever, headache, etc.

The district commissioner said that Japanese encephali-

tis, dengue, malaria, and other vector-borne diseases can be prevented only if the public is aware and conscious and the health and other departments concerned make concerted efforts in this regard.

The meeting was presided over by DC Bikram Kairi. The additional district commissioner in-charge of the health department, Sanghamitra Baruah, Dibrugarh Municipal Corporation mayor Dr Saikat Patra, joint director of health services Dr Trishna Bora, acting chief health and medical officer Dr Biswajit Baruah, representatives of the departments concerned, district nodal officers of various health department programmes, officers and staff at district and sector levels of the National Health Mission, as well as staff of the National Vector Disease Control Programme were present at the meeting, the release added.



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अपग्रेड के लिए तीन महीने बंद रहेगा दिल्ली एयरपोर्ट का एक रनवे



नई दिल्ली। दिल्ली एयरपोर्ट के एक रनवे को अपग्रेड किया जा रहा है ताकि कोहरे के मौसम में यहां विमानों के संचालन में किसी तरह की बाधा न आए। इस वजह से रनवे नंबर 10/28 करीब तीन महीने बंद रहेगा जिससे 100 उड़ानें 15 जून से प्रभावित होने का अनुमान है।

दिल्ली इंटरनेशनल एयरपोर्ट लिमिटेड (डायल) के सीईओ विदेह कुमार जयपुरियार ने शुक्रवार को यह जानकारी दी। उन्होंने बताया, दिल्ली एयरपोर्ट के चार रनवे में से एक 10/28 को हम तीन महीने के लिए अस्थायी रूप से बंद करने की योजना बना रहे हैं क्योंकि इसे अपग्रेड करने की जरूरत है।

इस दौरान डायल मौजूदा आईएलएस (इंस्ट्रूमेंट लैंडिंग सिस्टम) को अपडेट करेगा, जो पहले से ही खराब है। उन्होंने बताया कि डायल रनवे को कैट III-बी के अनुरूप भी बनाएगा। कैट III-बी एक उन्नत लैंडिंग सिस्टम है जो विमानों को बेहद कम दृश्यता की स्थिति में उतरने की अनुमति देता है। अपग्रेड की वजह से बंद रहने के दौरान कुल मिलाकर 100 उड़ानें प्रभावित हो सकती हैं, जिनमें 43 को पुनर्निर्धारित किया जा रहा है और 57 उड़ानों को रद्द किया जा रहा है। एजेंसी



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IGI Airport to shut runway for upgrades, impacting 100 flights

Rohit Vaid
New Delhi

NCR-based IGI Airport plans to shut 'Runway 10/28' from June 15 for three months to carry out upgrades aimed at improving fog-time operations, a senior official said on Friday.

Accordingly, the runway will be made instrument landing system (ILS) 'CAT III-B' compliant, which will allow for smoother operations during the fog season.

The advanced ILS CAT III-B allows for landing in as low as 50 m of visibility and takeoff at 125 m.

At present, the airport has four runways.

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The move will impact around 100 flights due to the three-month period of runway shutdown, starting from June 15.

According to Delhi International Airport Limited

Chief Executive Vidh Kumar Jaipuria, 43 flights are going to be rescheduled.

The Delhi International Airport Limited (DIAL) manages and operates the IGI Airport.

"We are planning to shut down one runway '10/28' for three months. The upgrade will make the runway CAT III-B compliant," Jaipuria said.

In terms of cancellations, Jaipuria said that 57 departure flights would be cancelled. However, the airport operator, in collaboration with other stakeholders, like airlines has ensured a balanced reduction in connectivity. As per DIAL, only those sectors face cancellations, which have multiple connections.

"On an overall basis, these cancellations surmount to 7.5 per cent of the Delhi airport's total capacity," he said. The IGI Airport handles 1,450 aircraft movements per day.



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DEEPAK PATEL
New Delhi, 6 June

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GMR Group-led DIAL operates the Delhi airport, which is the largest in the country.

"The Delhi airport handles 1,450 aircraft movements per day. Of these, 114 daily movements will be cancelled during the runway upgrade," Jaipuria said at a press conference.

"The number of cancellations will be in the range of 7-7.5 per cent, compared to the usual 3-4 per cent on a normal day. However, this time we have coordinated with airlines in advance and rescheduled flights accordingly, which will help reduce any cascading impact," he said.

Referring to a similar upgrade effort earlier this year, he added, "Last time, the lack of proper rescheduling led to cascading disruptions when wind patterns changed. This time, the impact on passengers will be much lower. Since they've been informed in advance, they will have enough time to rebook or make alternative arrangements."

The upgrade of runway 10/28 will include installing an instrument landing system (ILS) and make it compliant with CAT III-B operations. CAT III-B is a precision landing system that allows aircraft to land in very low visibility conditions, such as dense fog.

It was originally scheduled for April-May. However, unexpected changes in wind patterns during that time severely affected flight operations, causing delays.

As a result, the Ministry of Civil Aviation — on April 21 — directed DIAL to postpone the upgrade and resume oper-



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ations on the runway. The runway was made operational again on May 6, and the upgrade was deferred to June 15-September 15.

"The revised timeline was agreed upon by all airlines," Jaipuria said.

Following this, airlines collaborated with DIAL to rework slot allocations and align with the revised arrival capacity.

"The objective was to ensure optimum use of available runway capacity while maintaining on-time performance," he added.

"During the fog season, the arrival capacity of all runways comes down due to safety concerns, as arriving aircraft have to be spaced out," Jaipuria said.

"In case of westerly winds, arrivals drop from 42 per hour to 30 during CAT III-B operations. But with easterly winds, arrivals fall sharply from 42 per hour to just 15. Once the upgrade is complete, this number will go up to 30 even with easterly winds, significantly improving efficiency," he added.

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Akasa to launch over 100 weekly flights from Navi Mumbai airport

Akasa Air will start more than 100 weekly domestic flights from the upcoming Navi Mumbai International Airport (NMIA), expanding to more than 300 domestic and over 50 international weekly departures in the winter schedule, it said on Friday.

Akasa joins IndiGo in confirming its early commitment to NMIA.

"No airline in India will have a larger percentage of its fleet and operations based out of NMIA than Akasa Air," said Vinay Dube, founder and chief executive officer (CEO) of Akasa Air.

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Therefore, we decided to upgrade runway 10/28 and make it ready to handle CAT III-B flight operations," he said.

Jaipuria also acknowledged the growing impact of changing weather conditions on airport operations.

"We are conducting a study as part of our climate change mitigation plan. This kind of erratic weather behaviour is increasing every year. Based on the findings, we will develop a mitigation strategy," he said.



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एमिरेट्स के प्रेसिडेंट टिम क्लार्क और इंडिगो के मुख्य कार्याधिकारी (सीईओ) पीटर एल्बर्स के बीच द्विपक्षीय हवाई सेवा समझौतों को लेकर हालिया असहमति यह दिखाती है कि पश्चिम एशिया की सरकारी विमानन कंपनियों और भारत के निजी क्षेत्र द्वारा संचालित विमानन उद्योग के बीच प्रतिस्पर्धा में तेजी आ रही है। अंतरराष्ट्रीय हवाई परिवहन महासंघ (आईएटीए) की सालाना आम बैठक में पश्चिम एशिया की सबसे बड़ी विमानन सेवा के प्रमुख क्लार्क ने विदेशी विमानन कंपनियों के साथ द्विपक्षीय सीट समझौते को लेकर प्रतिबंधात्मक नीतियों के लिए भारत सरकार की आलोचना की थी। कंपनी भारत और दुबई के बीच सीट क्षमता को 65,000 प्रति सप्ताह से बढ़ाकर 1,40,000 प्रति सप्ताह करना चाहती थी।

भारत सरकार ने अपनी दलील में कहा कि उसे उन विमानन कंपनियों के अनुचित लाभ पर कदम उठाना होगा जो अपने सरकारी हवाई अड्डों के माध्यम से अधिक यात्रियों को अमेरिका और यूरोप के लिए संपर्क वाली उड़ानों में ले जाने की क्षमता रखती हैं और इससे भारतीय विमानन कंपनियों की लंबी दूरी की उड़ानों पर असर पड़ रहा है। इंडिगो के सीईओ ने क्लार्क की आलोचना को नकारते हुए कहा कि भारत सरकार का रुख 'निष्पक्ष और संतुलित' है। इन दोनों की राय के बीच भारतीय विमानन कंपनियों को अंतरराष्ट्रीय संपर्क के लिहाज से रणनीतिक बदलाव के लिए सक्षम बनाने का सवाल बना हुआ है। एक नजरिये से देखें तो भारत सरकार का रवैया संरक्षणवादी माना जा सकता है। परंतु घरेलू विमानन कंपनियों का तर्क है कि अंतरराष्ट्रीय बाजार में उनके विस्तार को भारतीय हवाई अड्डों को हब के रूप में विकसित करने के व्यापक प्रश्न के हिस्से के रूप में देखा जाए।

यहां बात यह है कि भारतीय विमानन उद्योग अंतरराष्ट्रीय संपर्क में महत्वपूर्ण इजाफा करना चाहता है। वर्ष 2023 में टाटा के स्वामित्व वाली एयर इंडिया ने एयरबस और बोइंग से 470 विमान खरीदने का विशाल ऑर्डर दिया। इसके बाद उसने गत वर्ष एयरबस को 100 और विमानों का ऑर्डर दिया। इंडिगो ने इस सप्ताह चौड़े आकार वाले एयरबस विमानों के ऑर्डर को दोगुना करके 60 कर दिया। इससे पहले उसने 2023 में 500 विमानों का ऑर्डर दिया था। इसमें कोई शक नहीं है कि ये विमानन कंपनियां जीवंत और बढ़ते विमानन बाजार में अंतरराष्ट्रीय विमानन कंपनियों से मुकाबला कर सकती हैं। उनका यह कहना सही है कि ऐसा करना इस बात पर बहुत अधिक निर्भर है कि भारत के प्रमुख हवाई अड्डों को केंद्र के रूप में विकसित किया जाए जो खाड़ी देशों के ऐसे मजबूत केंद्रों का मुकाबला कर सकें। एक पूर्व-पश्चिम केंद्र के रूप में विकसित होने के लिए भारत के अतीत के प्रयास इन दोनों मोर्चों पर विफल रहे हैं।

भारत में 34 अंतरराष्ट्रीय हवाई अड्डे और 124 घरेलू हवाई अड्डे हैं। इनमें से केवल दिल्ली ही एशिया प्रशांत और पश्चिम एशिया के शीर्ष 10 हवाई अड्डों में आता है। मुख्य रूप से ऐसा संपर्क के मामले में है, न कि अधोसंरचना की गुणवत्ता और सेवाओं के मामले में। इसके अलावा बैगेज प्रबंधन, सीमित टर्मिनल क्षमता और अपर्याप्त रनवे आदि भारतीय हवाई अड्डों की आम समस्याएं हैं। दिल्ली देश का इकलौता हवाई अड्डा है जहां चार लगभग समांतर रनवे हैं। मुंबई में दो ऐसे रनवे हैं जो एक दूसरे को काटते हैं। यानी इनका उड़ान भरने और उतरने के लिए एक साथ इस्तेमाल नहीं किया जा सकता है। दुबई में दो समांतर रनवे हैं लेकिन जल्दी ही वहां इनकी संख्या बढ़कर पांच होने वाली है। केवल छह भारतीय हवाई अड्डे कैट 3 बी मानकों को पूरा करते हैं यानी वे हर मौसम में उड़ान भरने के लायक हैं। केवल 22 हवाई अड्डे ही मुनाफे में हैं और यह बात प्रबंधन की कमियों को दर्शाती है। अगर इसमें एविएशन टर्बाइन फ्यूल की उच्च कीमतों को शामिल कर दिया जाए (इसमें राज्यों द्वारा भारी भरकम कर लगाए जाने का भी योगदान है) तो यह साफ है कि भारतीय हवाई अड्डों को अंतरराष्ट्रीय केंद्रों की हैसियत पाने में अभी कुछ समय लगेगा। अगर भारत सरकार देश के हवाई अड्डों में बदलाव की गति तेज करती है तो वह द्विपक्षीय हवाई समझौतों में मजबूती से बातचीत कर सकेगी।



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जयपुर | एयरपोर्ट पर दुबई की इंटरनेशनल फ्लाइट गुरुवार को दूसरे दिन भी लेट रही। इससे यात्रियों को परेशानी का सामना करना पड़ा। मामला स्पाइसजेट की फ्लाइट एसजी-57 का है। फ्लाइट जयपुर से सुबह 8:55 बजे दुबई के लिए रवाना होनी थी, लेकिन संचालन कारणों के चलते फ्लाइट 4 घंटे देरी से दोपहर 12 बजे रवाना हुई।



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After Indigo, Akasa partners with Navi Mumbai Airport for commercial flights

TDG NETWORK
MUMBAI

Akasa Air on Friday announced its partnership with Adani Airport Holdings Ltd (AAHL) to commence commercial flight operations from the upcoming Navi Mumbai International Airport (NMIA).

A joint statement said Akasa Air will initially operate 100+ weekly domestic departures, scaling up to 300+ domestic and over 50+ international departures weekly in the winter schedule.

As part of its broader network strategy, the airline is also set to ramp up to 10 parking bases by the end of



2026-27, with a focused international expansion into key Middle Eastern and South-east Asian markets.

Recently, Indigo had also partnered with Adani Group for operating commercial flights from the newly built Navi Mumbai airport.

Vinay Dube, Founder and CEO, Akasa Air said: "Our foray into Navi Mumbai

International Airport is a strategic step aligned with Akasa Air's long-term vision to build a future-ready airline that is responsive to the evolving needs of Indian travellers. No airline in India will have a larger percentage of its fleet and operations based out of NMIA than Akasa Air." "Enhanced connectivity from Navi Mumbai

will not only strengthen our network in the western region but also help fuel India's economic engine by improving connectivity, stimulating regional development, and ensuring that the benefits of aviation-led growth reach every corner of the country. This move supports our commitment to supplement existing capacities, unlock new demand centres, and enable sustainable growth," Dube added. "NMIA represents the future of Indian aviation, and our presence from the outset aligns with our vision to serve India's emerging demand with agility, accessibility, and customer-first innovation.



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Pilot training centre to come up near Shivamogga airport

Centre to train 100 pilots with 25 seats for state candidates

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SHIVAMOGGA, DHNS

A pilot training centre is set to become a reality near the Shivamogga airport at Sogane, with the state government initiating the process under the 'Invest, Develop and Operate' model.

A global tender will soon be floated to identify an operator, with the centre to be leased for 20 years.

Sources at the Shivamogga

airport confirmed to *DH* that the Karnataka State Industrial and Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (KSIIDC) has formulated the scheme. The proposed centre aims to train around 100 pilots, with 25 seats reserved exclusively for candidates from Karnataka.

Candidates, who have completed Class 12 with Physics and Mathematics, will be eligible to apply. In addition, they must clear a mandatory med-



Approximately 3,500 square metres of land will be leased to set up and run the training facility near the Shivamogga airport. *DH* PHOTO

ical examination. The course is expected to cost around Rs 50 lakh.

An official from the Shivamogga airport told *DH* that approximately 3,500 square metres of land will be leased to

the agency to set up and run the training facility. Of this, 1,500 sq mts will be allotted near the terminal, and the remaining 2,000 sq mts will be outside the terminal premises. The centre will include offices, classrooms,

a library, and four to five aircraft for hands-on training.

"We are only providing the space; the agency must pay annual rent to the government for utilising the premises. The estimated rent is around 1,200 per square metre," the official said.

While private pilot training academies are already operating at the Kalaburagi and Mysuru airports, the proposed Shivamogga centre will be unique as it is mandated to function for a minimum of 20 years — a condition not applicable to the others.

The official further stated that KSIIDC will offer essential infrastructure support, including fire safety services, ambulance facilities, air traffic control, and access to the runway.

कैच ड्रेन से द्वारका एक्सप्रेसवे की टनल और एयरपोर्ट टनल में नहीं होगा जलभराव

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गुरुग्राम: वर्षा के दौरान प्रगति मैदान अंडरपास में जलभराव को देखते हुए द्वारका एक्सप्रेसवे टनल एवं एयरपोर्ट टनल में कैच ड्रेन विकसित करने पर एनएचआइ ने जोर दिया है। कैच ड्रेन टनलों की शुरुआत में बनाई गई है, ताकि पानी ऊपर से आने के बाद आगे न बढ़ सके। पानी तेजी से निकल सके इसके लिए कैच ड्रेनों को महिपालपुर ड्रेन से जोड़ा गया है। महिपालपुर ड्रेन आगे नजफगढ़ ड्रेन से जुड़ी है। इससे पानी तेजी से निकल जाएगा। उम्मीद की जा रही है इस सुविधा के बाद प्रगति मैदान जैसी स्थिति द्वारका एक्सप्रेसवे टनल एवं एयरपोर्ट टनल में नहीं दिखाई देगी। मानसून आने से पहले दो-तीन तेज वर्षा हो चुकी है, लेकिन टनलों में जलभराव की शिकायत नहीं आई है। जानकार बताते हैं कि कैच ड्रेन कितनी कारगर है, इसका पता तेज वर्षा होने पर ही पता चलेगा। तेज वर्षा होने पर ही जलभराव की तैयारी की परीक्षा होगी।

● टनलों की शुरुआत में बनाई कैच ड्रेन, ताकि पानी निकल सके

● कैच ड्रेनों को महिपालपुर ड्रेन और आगे नजफगढ़ ड्रेन से जोड़ा



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कैच ड्रेन क्या है: कैच ड्रेन एक प्रकार की नाली होती है, जो वर्षा या अन्य जल के प्रवाह को आगे बढ़ने से रोकने के लिए बनाई जाती है। पानी आगे बढ़ने की बजाय इसमें

चला जाता है। इससे जलभराव नहीं होता है। अंडरपास या टनल की शुरुआत में कैच ड्रेन बनाई जाती है, ताकि ऊपर से आने वाला पानी आगे न बढ़े।



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तीन महीने बंद रहेगा आइजीआइ एयरपोर्ट का एक रनवे, 10 हजार उड़ानें होंगी रद्द

जागरण संवाददाता, नई दिल्ली: आइजीआइ एयरपोर्ट पर 15 जून से अगले तीन माह के लिए चार में से एक रनवे बंद होने का रहा है। इसकी वजह से तीन महीने में करीब 10 हजार उड़ानें रद्द होंगी। रनवे 10/28 पर कोहरे से मुकाबले के लिए जरूरी अपग्रेडेशन कार्य होगा है। इसके लिए यह 15 जून से 15 सितंबर तक बंद रहेगा। इस अवधि में शेष बचे तीन रनवे पर ज्यादा दबाव नहीं हो, इसके लिए योजना 114 उड़ानों को रद्द और 43 उड़ानों को रीशेड्यूल किया जाएगा। इस तरह से तीन महीने में 10,260 उड़ानें रद्द होंगी।

इतनी संख्या में उड़ानों के रद्द होने का असर क्या टिकट की कीमत पर पड़ेगा? इस सवाल पर डायल के कार्यालय में हुए कार्यक्रम में इंडिगो, एअर इंडिया सहित अन्य एयरलाइंस प्रतिनिधियों ने दावा किया है कि उड़ानों में कटौती का असर टिकट की कीमतों पर नहीं होगा, क्योंकि जून से सितंबर यात्रियों की आवाजाही के हिसाब से व्यस्त समय नहीं है।

रनवे 10/28 के अपग्रेडेशन का काम इसी वर्ष अप्रैल-मई में होना था, लेकिन अप्रैल में रनवे को बंद

● आइजीआइ एयरपोर्ट पर अपग्रेडेशन कार्य के लिए रनवे 15 जून से किया जाएगा बंद

● इसी वर्ष अप्रैल में एयरपोर्ट पर अव्यवस्था होने से इस कार्य को डायल ने कर दिया था बंद

114 उड़ान रद्द हो रही हैं प्रतिदिन

43 उड़ान अन्य तीन रनवे में होंगी रीशेड्यूल



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किए जाने के बाद एयरपोर्ट पर अव्यवस्था होने लगी। हवा ने भी साथ नहीं दिया। मजबूरी में काम को बीच में ही रोकना पड़ा।

डायल के सीईओ विदेह कुमार जयपुरिवार का दावा है कि इस बार रनवे के बंद होने के कारण समयसारिणी नहीं बिगड़ेगी, क्योंकि जरूरी इंतजाम पहले ही कर लिए गए हैं। इनमें उड़ानों की संख्या में कटौती या रीशेड्यूल करना शामिल है। नागरिक विमानन मंत्रालय की देखरेख में एयर ट्रैफिक कंट्रोलर व एयरलाइंस के प्रतिनिधियों की सहमति से ही यह सब किया गया है।

उनका कहना है कि रनवे 10/28 के बंद होने का प्रभाव शेष बचे तीन रनवे पर ज्यादा नहीं पड़ेगा, क्योंकि व्यवस्था पहले ही की गई है। इसके लिए दो स्तरों पर कार्य किया गया है। रनवे आव्यूमेंसी के आधार पर योजना 43 उड़ानों को रीशेड्यूल कर उन्हें व्यस्त समय से सामान्य समय का स्लॉट दिया है, ताकि तीनों रनवे का फलम सुचारु तरीके से चलता रहे। व्यस्त समय में जिन उड़ानों को रीशेड्यूल नहीं किया जा सकेगा, उन्हें रद्द किया जाएगा। इसके लिए एयरलाइंसों की ओर से सहमति मिल चुकी है।

दी जा रही सूचना

उड़ानों के रद्द या रीशेड्यूल करने का निर्णय पूर्व में लिया जा चुका है। ऐसे में एयरलाइंस यात्रियों को इस निर्णय की जानकारी दे रही है। उन्हें रिफंड या रीशेड्यूल दोनों तरह के विकल्प दिए जा रहे हैं।



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Akasa lines up 15 daily flights from Navi Mumbai airport

SWARAJ BAGGONKAR
Mumbai, June 6

AKASA AIR Adani Airport Holdings (AAHL) have signed an agreement to commence commercial flight operations from the upcoming Navi Mumbai International Airport (NMIA).

The airline will start operations with 15 flight departures a day and by the winter schedule, it expects to move to 40 domestic departures and about 8-10 international departures, said Vinay Dube, founder and CEO, Akasa Air.

Between the Mumbai airport, where the airline has close to 32 departures, and the Navi Mumbai airport, it expects to have 75-80 departures.

While AAHL has not provided a date yet for the opening of NMIA, the operator, which is the second largest in the country (in terms of passengers serviced), had announced a similar partnership with IndiGo for starting commercial flight operations last month.

"The dates are fluid. We are working with NMIA to see what those dates are. The information that we have been provided for the launch (of the airport) date is the end of August," Dube said.

"No airline in India will have a larger percentage of its fleet and operations based out of NMIA than Akasa Air. This move supports our commit-

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■ Akasa Air will start operations with 15 flight departures a day

■ By the winter schedule, it expects to move to 40 domestic and 8-10 international departures

■ The airline said it will operate over 100 weekly domestic departures initially

VINAY DUBE, FOUNDER AND CEO, AKASA AIR

The information that we have been provided for the launch (of the airport) date is the end of August



ment to supplement existing capacities, unlock new demand centres, and enable sustainable growth," Dube added.

There will be no immediate increase in the number of destinations that Akasa connects presently after starting operations at NMIA. The airline connects 28 destinations, including five international destinations.

Akasa will start undertaking bookings for flying to and from NMIA only after AAHL completes all the approvals, following which the flying schedule will be filed.

Akasa did not specify if there will be a difference in cost for it to operate from NMIA compared to the Mumbai airport.

"There will be a set of permissions that will be required before we can start constructing elements of our back office that are required along the check-in area or to house certain maintenance spares that we may have, as we do in every other airport," Dube added.

Akasa Air also announced it will operate over 100 weekly domestic departures initially, scaling up to more than 300 domestic and over 50 international departures weekly in the winter schedule.

As part of its broader network strategy, the airline is also set to ramp up to 10 parking bases by the end of FY27, with a focused international expansion into key West Asian and Southeast Asian markets.



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Delhi airport to cancel 114 flights for 3 months

NITIN KUMAR
New Delhi, June 6

ABOUT 114 DAILY flights to and from Delhi Airport will be cancelled between June 15 and September 15 this year, as one of its four runways undergoes an upgrade, Delhi International Airport (DIAL) CEO Videh Kumar Jaipuria said on Friday.

GMR Group-led DIAL operates Delhi Airport, the largest in the country. "The Delhi airport handles 1,450 aircraft movements per day. Out of these, 114 daily movements will be cancelled during the runway upgrade. Passengers will face inconvenience in the short term, but definitely stand to benefit in the long run," Jaipuria said during a press conference.

As part of the exercise, DIAL will update the current ILS (instrument landing system), which is already out of order. DIAL will also make the runway CAT III-B compliant. CAT III-B is an advanced landing system that allows aircraft to land in extremely low visibility conditions.

He highlighted that this strategic runway overhaul will enhance winter operations, preventing delays during dense seasonal fog. He reassured that all schedule changes have been filed with the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA), ensuring minimal passenger inconvenience.

To prevent cascading delays, a new slot plan has been finalised after multiple rounds of discussions with airlines, DGCA, air traffic control (ATC), and the Ministry of Civil Aviation. The runway closure coincides with the low travel season to avoid disruptions during the festive period rush.

During the three-month closure, arrival capacity will temporarily dip from 42 flights per hour to 32, impacting key sectors like Mumbai and Patna.



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तीन महीने 114 उड़ानें रहेंगी रद्द

नई दिल्ली, प्रमुख संवाददाता। दिल्ली एयरपोर्ट पर आगामी 15 जून से रनवे 10/28 पर मरम्मत कार्य के चलते अगले तीन महीने तक 200 से अधिक हवाई उड़ानें प्रभावित होंगी। मरम्मत कार्य के चलते योजना 114 उड़ानें जहां रद्द रहेगी, वहीं 86 उड़ानों का समय बदला जाएगा।

इससे पहले अप्रैल में मरम्मत कार्य शुरू किया गया था, लेकिन हवा के विपरीत दिशा में उड़ानें भरने में आ रही दिक्कत के चलते हवाई उड़ानें प्रभावित हो रही थी। पूर्वी हवा और उड़ान भीड़भाड़ के कारण इसे स्थगित करना पड़ा था। इसलिए इस बार एयरलाइंस के साथ बातचीत करके पहले ही हवाई उड़ानों का रद्द करने के साथ उसका समय बदला गया है।

दिल्ली अंतरराष्ट्रीय हवाई अड्डे के संचालनकर्ता डायल के मुख्य कार्यकारी अधिकारी (सीईओ) विदेह कुमार जयपुरियार ने बताया कि

‘जलवायु परिवर्तन से निपटने की योजना बनाएंगे’

डायल ने जलवायु परिवर्तन के चलते हवाई उड़ानों पर पड़ने वाले असर को कम करने के लिए नई योजना पर काम कर रहा है। इसके लिए अंतरराष्ट्रीय सलाहकार कंपनी को नियुक्त किया गया है जो इसपर काम करेगा। डायल के अधिकारियों का कहना है कि बीते कुछ सालों से दिल्ली में एक साथ अधिक बारिश, तेज आंधी और हवाओं का चलन बढ़ा है। इससे हवाई उड़ानों पर घुरा असर पड़ता है। उससे निपटने के लिए क्या-क्या किया जा सकता है वह कार्ययोजना इस साल के अंत तक तैयार करने का लक्ष्य रखा गया है।

रनवे 10/28 तीन महीने के लिए बंद रहेगा। इसपर 15 जून से 15 सितंबर तक मरम्मत कार्य चलेगा। इसका मकसद रनवे को अपग्रेड करना है। इस दौरान रनवे पर इंस्ट्रूमेंट लैंडिंग सिस्टम (आईएलएस) को कैट-3 मानक के अनुसार अपग्रेड किया जाएगा। जिससे कोहरे के मौसम में भी उड़ानों का संचालन संभव हो सके। कोहरे के कारण हवाई उड़ानों पर पड़ने वाले असर को कम किया जा सके। डायल के अनुसार, मरम्मत कार्य के चलते योजना 200 उड़ानों पर इसका

असर पड़ेगा। इनमें से 114 उड़ानें रद्द की जाएंगी, जबकि 86 उड़ानों का समय बदला जाएगा और उन्हें पीक आवर्स से हटाकर नॉन-पीक समय में संचालित किया जाएगा।

विदेह कुमार जयपुरिया ने बताया कि मुताबिक रनवे का मरम्मत कार्य 15 सितंबर तक पूरा करके उसपर पुनः संचालन शुरू किया जाएगा। मगर आईएलएस प्रणाली का पूरी तरह से काम 27 नवंबर तक पूरा होगा ताकि कोहरे के मौसम से पहले सारी तैयारियां पूरी हो सकें।



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IGI runway work set to hit 200 flights daily

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NEW DELHI: Delhi's Indira Gandhi International (IGI) airport will cancel 114 flights daily and reschedule another 86 during a three-month runway closure from June 15 to September 15, airport operator Delhi International Airport Limited (DIAL) announced on Friday.

The plan, developed after detailed deliberations with airlines and other stakeholders, aims to prevent a repeat of the

widespread chaos that erupted in April when the same runway maintenance work was attempted without adequate coordination.

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200 flights will be hit daily due to IGI runway closure

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NEW DELHI: Delhi's Indira Gandhi International (IGI) airport will cancel 114 flights daily and reschedule another 86 during a three-month runway closure from June 15 to September 15, airport operator Delhi International Airport Limited (DIAL) announced on Friday.

The plan, developed after detailed deliberations with airlines and other stakeholders, aims to prevent a repeat of the widespread chaos that erupted in April when the same runway maintenance work was attempted without adequate coordination.

DIAL said that while it has rescheduled 86 flights to non-peak hours, 114 flights (57 arrivals and 57 departures) will be cancelled daily when runway 28/10 undergoes upgradation work to make it CAT-III compliant for the upcoming fog season.

"We are better prepared now for this exercise and detailed deliberations and stakeholder consultations were held in the last few weeks," DIAL chief executive officer Videh Kumar Jaipurkar said on Friday, acknowledging that these adjustments were not made previously, which led to the April chaos.

The first attempt to upgrade runway 28/10 in April had to be aborted within four weeks after flight schedules descended into chaos. The airport became unable to handle its daily load of flights, a situation made worse due to unseasonably high spells of easterly winds, which reduced the hourly arrival rate from 42 flights per hour to 32 flights per hour.

The month of May is regarded as the peak of the summer season, including vacation travel, followed by travel surges in the pre-winter and winter months that feature a number of festivals and the wedding season.

Impact on passengers

Delhi airport will see flight cancellations and changes in schedule during a 3-month runway closure till Sept 15

100 Impacted flight slots
57 have been curtailed from peak hours
43 in non-peak hours

Major routes to be hit

From/to Airports	Daily slots	Reduction in slots	Reduction in %
Ahmedabad	42	4	10%
Patna	26	2	8%
Guwahati	26	2	8%
Bengaluru	76	4	5%
Chennai	40	2	5%
Kolkata	44	2	4%
Mumbai	112	4	5%



86 flights to be rescheduled

This means
 114 flights to be cancelled daily. (57 arrivals, 57 dep.)

Why is this happening?

Runway 28/10, one of the four runways at the airport, will undergo upgradation work to make it CAT-III compliant for the upcoming fog season

Operations on runway 28/10 resumed on May 6, almost a month after it shut down, following directions from the ministry of civil aviation (MoCA) citing passenger inconvenience. The ministry had directed that upgradation work resume in June with proper planning.

"For every one hour where flights are delayed, it takes three hours for the flight schedule to become normal, as there is a cascading effect on the remaining schedule," Jaipurkar explained, highlighting why proactive cancellations are necessary this time.

The airport typically handles close to 1,450 flights daily,

meaning around 7.8% of all flights will be cancelled on a daily basis—marginally above the typical 3-4% daily flight cancellations. "So this is just marginally above average," Jaipurkar said.

The plan involves shifting more flights from peak hours to non-peak hours to reduce possible impact during the closure period. "Earlier, we were seeing only 25-26 flights landing in some off-peak hours," Jaipurkar said, explaining how better distribution of flight movements will help manage the constraints.

Key domestic airlines – IndiGo, Air India, SpiceJet and

Akasa Air – did not respond to requests for a comment.

Officials close to the matter, who asked not to be named, revealed that IndiGo will be cancelling 33 daily flights, while Air India will have to cancel 25 flights daily.

Delhi airport operates four runways: 27/9, 28/10, 29R/11L and 29L/11R. Following closure of 28/10, runway 29R/11L will handle departures, 29L/11R will handle all arrivals, and runway 27/9 will be hybrid, handling both arrivals and departures.

If westerly winds prevail, the three operational runways will handle 42 arrivals and 42 departures each per hour. However,

in case of easterly winds—which caused major problems in April—they will be able to handle 42 departures but only 32 arrivals.

The period of works will coincide with the monsoon season, when wind patterns can vary and force the airport into orienting operations for the easterly winds scenario.

DIAL said flights from major airports have not been impacted significantly, with only a 4-8% reduction in daily flights.

For Mumbai, arrivals will decrease from 56 to 54; for Kolkata, from 22 to 21; for Ahmedabad, from 21 to 19; for Bengaluru, from 38 to 36; for Chennai, from 20 to 19; and for Patna, from 13 to 12.

"The same flights that arrive at an airport depart back, so the same number of departures are also impacted," Jaipurkar explained.

Runway 28/10 requires closure for two key works: making it CAT-III compliant so flights can land in very dense fog spells, and upgrading the existing Instrument Landing System (ILS).

"Even if it finishes by September 15, work will be done before the festive season starts. Ultimately, it will benefit fliers in the fog season, when visibility becomes extremely low," Jaipurkar said.

Currently, during peak fog conditions, only 15 flights can land every hour on the airport's only CAT-III B compliant runway. This upgrade work will allow 30 flights to land every hour, significantly improving winter operations when Delhi's dense fog typically causes widespread flight delays.

DIAL said it shared a slot adjustment plan with airlines on April 25, with airlines providing feedback in the first and second weeks of May. The finalised slots and plan were submitted to the ministry on May 22 and subsequently to the Directorate General of Civil Aviation, which evaluated and approved the plan.



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DIAL preparing climate mitigation plan for IGI airport as extreme weather hits flights

NEW DELHI: Delhi International Airport Limited (DIAL) is preparing a climate change mitigation plan to address rising extreme weather events that have disrupted flight operations. An international consultant has been engaged, and the plan is expected by year-end. "We're seeing erratic weather increase year after year," said DIAL CEO Videh Jaipuriar, citing a surge in easterly winds this May. Between May 2 and June 2, Delhi saw six major thunderstorms with wind speeds up to 96 km/hr, leading to at least 75 flight diversions and widespread delays.

Over 100 flights a day to be cancelled at Delhi airport for 3-month runway upgrade

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THE UPCOMING closure of one of the runways for upgradation at Indira Gandhi International Airport (IGIA) in Delhi is set to kick off for three months between June 15 and September 15, officials said on Friday.

In view of the upgradation of Runway 10/28, the airlines are going to cumulatively cut 114 flights a day — arrivals plus departures — to and from Delhi, which comes out to a cancellation rate of around 7.5%, Videsh Kumar Jaipuria, CEO, Delhi International Airport Limited (DIAL), which operates the airport, said at a press briefing.

On average, 1,450 flights operate every day from the IGIA. DIAL expects minimum disruption to the daily operation due to the upgradation work.

Officials said the airport operator, airlines, and the aviation authorities have worked closely over the past few weeks on slot adjustment to minimise disruptions due to the runway closure, to avoid a repeat of the events in April when unexpected weather events due to sudden changes in wind patterns, coupled with the runway closure led to scores of flights getting delayed or cancelled daily.

UPGRADING RUNWAY 10/28



The work will be carried out from June 15 to Sept 15

- Runway 10/28, one of the four runways at the IGIA, is to be upgraded to the CAT 3B-compliant status
- Airport will then have three runways capable of low-visibility operations
- DIAL had initially attempted the runway upgradation work in April and May
- But the work was stopped amid public outcry over flight delays

According to Jaipuria, unlike in April, DIAL and the airlines are much better prepared to handle the situation this time.

The flight cancellation rate on regular days is in the range of 3-3.5% on average, underlined the DIAL CEO. So, a 7.5% cancellation rate is not too high, he asserted.

Additionally, another 43 flights a day will be moved from

peak hours to non-peak hours to keep congestion in check during the busy hours at the airport.

Runway 10/28, one of the four runways at the IGIA, is to be upgraded to the CAT 3B-compliant status, along with upgradation of its instrument landing system (ILS). Once it reopens, the runway will be fully equipped to handle low-visibility operations

from both ends, instead of just one end at present.

After the upgrade, the airport will have three runways capable of low-visibility operations, equipping it better for winter fog spells. The Delhi airport is prone to dense fog during winter, which can lead to major disruptions.

DIAL had initially attempted the runway upgradation work in April and May, and closed the runway in April.

However, an apparent lack of visible coordination between DIAL and the airlines — which did not rationalise flights to the extent needed — led to substantial delays and cancellations across the network for days, as per people aware of the details.

IGIA is the country's largest and busiest airport, and any major disruption has a cascading impact on flight operations all over the country.

Amid public outcry in April, the Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA) intervened and asked DIAL to operationalise the runway and put off the upgradation works by a few weeks to let the peak summer travel season pass. Airlines were also directed to work on slot adjustments to accommodate the revised aircraft arrival capacity and ensure minimum passenger inconvenience.

DIAL wants the upgradation to be completed before the festival season, which falls between October and December, and is immediately followed by winter, when fog-related disruptions become a challenge.

To that extent, the three-month window is likely to work well for the airport and the airlines. According to Jaipuria, every hour of fog-related disruption takes about three hours to clear out during westerly runway operations. However, during the easterly runway operations, it takes up to six hours for operations to normalise. With low-visibility operations from both ends of Runway 10/28, westerly and easterly operations will be at par in terms of time taken to operations to normalise.

In simple terms, westerly and easterly runway operations refer to the direction in which aircraft land and take off based on the wind direction, as planes generally take off and land against the wind. Westerly operations are when the wind is blowing from west to east, and aircraft usually land from the east and take off towards the west. On the other hand, in easterly operations, wind is blowing from east to west, and aircraft land from the west and take off towards the east.

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नोएडा इंटरनेशनल एयरपोर्ट के पास बनेगा हैबिटेट सेंटर

नोएडा, लोकसत्य

नोएडा इंटरनेशनल एयरपोर्ट के पास हैबिटेट सेंटर और कन्वेंशन सेंटर को बनाया जाएगा। इसके लिए जमीन खरीदने की प्रक्रिया को तेज कर दिया गया है। सेक्टर-5 और नौ में जमीन अधिग्रहण के लिए 27 किसानों की सूची का प्रकाशन किया है।

● 40 एकड़ जमीन की जा रही चिह्नित

यमुना प्राधिकरण का सेक्टर-9 एयरपोर्ट के काफी नजदीक है। यहां पर प्राधिकरण की हैबिटेट और कन्वेंशन सेंटर को विकसित करने की तैयारी है। सेक्टर-9 में 25 एकड़

● अंतरराष्ट्रीय स्तर की हो सकेंगी बैठक, होंगे कल्चरल कार्यक्रम

में हैबिटेट और 15 एकड़ में कन्वेंशन सेंटर बनेगा। यहां पर अंतरराष्ट्रीय स्तर की बैठकें, कॉन्फ्रेंस समेत अन्य विभिन्न आयोजन किए जा सकेंगे। नोएडा एयरपोर्ट और फिल्म सिटी को देखते हुए इनकी जरूरतों को महसूस किया गया।

● पांच औद्योगिक पार्क होंगे विकसित: सेक्टर-5 में अनाथालय, बाल गृह और वृद्धाश्रम विकसित किए जाने हैं, इसके लिए प्राधिकरण को करीब 382 हेक्टेयर जमीन अधिग्रहीत करनी है।

दिल्ली हवाई अड्डे पर यात्रियों की बढ़ेंगी मुश्किलें तीन महीने तक बंद रहेगी एक हवाई पट्टी, 114 उड़ानें रद्द

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दिल्ली हवाई अड्डे के परिचालक डायल ने शुक्रवार को कहा कि एक हवाई पट्टी को बेहतर बनाने के लिए उसपर कार्य किया जा रहा है। उसके बंद होने के कारण 15 जून से तीन महीने के लिए 114 उड़ानें रद्द रहेंगी। दिल्ली अंतरराष्ट्रीय हवाई अड्डा लिमिटेड (डायल) के मुताबिक रद्द होने वाली उड़ानों की संख्या कुल दैनिक उड़ानों का 7.5 फीसद है। हवाई पट्टी आरडब्ल्यू 10/28 को बेहतर बनाने का कार्य 15 जून से 15 सितंबर तक किया जाएगा। रनवे पर विमानों की अधिक आवाजाही के कारण इस कार्य को मई में स्थगित कर दिया गया था। रनवे को सीएटी-तीन के अनुरूप बनाने के लिए इंस्ट्रूमेंट लैंडिंग सिस्टम (आइएलएस) को उन्नत किया जाएगा, जिससे कोहर के मौसम में कम दृश्यता की स्थिति में भी उड़ान संचालन संभव हो सकेगा।

देश के सबसे बड़े और व्यस्ततम इंदिरा गांधी अंतरराष्ट्रीय हवाई अड्डे (आइजीआई) पर प्रतिदिन लगभग 1,450 उड़ानों की आवाजाही होती है। आइजीआई पर चार रनवे हैं - आरडब्ल्यू 09/27, आरडब्ल्यू 11आर/29एल, आरडब्ल्यू 11एल/29आर और आरडब्ल्यू 10/28 - और दो परिचालन टर्मिनल



हस्तक्षेप किया और यात्रियों की शिकायतों व संसदीय स्थायी समिति की वित्तों के बाद रनवे को फिर से खोल दिया गया।

इससे पहले अप्रैल में हवाई पट्टी बंद करने की कोशिश ने देश के सबसे व्यस्त हवाई अड्डे पर उड़ान के समय में व्यापक अव्यवस्था पैदा की थी, जिसके कारण अधिकारियों को दह कार्य रोकना पड़ा था। आठ अप्रैल को शुरू हुआ यह कार्य पांच मई को फिर से शुरू किया गया, जब नागरिक उड्डयन मंत्री राम मोहन नायडू ने

है - टी1 और टी3। टर्मिनल टी2 वर्तमान में रखरखाव कार्यों के लिए बंद है।

डायल के मुख्य कार्यकारी अधिकारी विदेह कुमार जयपुरियार ने शुक्रवार को कहा कि आरडब्ल्यू 10/28 15 जून से तीन महीने के लिए चालू नहीं होगा। जयपुरियार ने कहा कि हम उस रनवे को और बेहतर करना चाहते हैं, ताकि हमें आने वाली किसी भी समस्या से निजात मिल सके, विशेष कर कोहर के मौसम के दौरान। दरअसल, अप्रैल 2025 में इस अपग्रेड की कोशिश की गई थी, लेकिन पूर्वी हवाओं के कारण रनवे संचालन प्रभावित हुआ और चार सप्ताह में ही काम रोकना पड़ा। उस दौरान 400 से ज्यादा उड़ानें बा तो रद्द की गई

थीं या देरी से चली थीं। इस चार गर्मियों में अपग्रेड कार्य शुरू करने का निर्णय इसलिए लिया गया है क्योंकि कोहरा नहीं होता और यात्रा करने वाले यात्रियों की संख्या भी तुलनात्मक रूप से कम होती है। डायल ने एअरलाइंस और नागर विमानन मंत्रालय, डीबीटीए के साथ मिलकर विस्तृत रणनीति बनाई है ताकि उड़ान संचालन पर प्रभाव कम हो। एअरलाइंस को पहले से शेड्यूल में बदलाव और कुछ उड़ानें रद्द करने के लिए कहा गया है। यात्रियों को सलाह दी गई है कि वे अपनी यात्रा की योजना बनाते समय एयरलाइन से उड़ान की स्थिति की जानकारी लें, और संभव हो तो वैकल्पिक उड़ानों या समयों पर विचार करें।



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31K JOBS: YEIDA to set up ₹450-cr electronics hub near Noida Airport

Sector-10 to host the 206-acre electronics manufacturing proj

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GREATER NOIDA: The Yamuna Expressway Industrial Development Authority (YEIDA) has initiated a significant project to establish an advanced electronics manufacturing hub in Sector 10, adjacent to the forthcoming Noida International Airport. The venture, requiring an investment surpassing ₹450 crore, aims to revolutionise the area's industrial development by 2028.

The planned electronics cluster, covering 206 acres, aligns with Uttar Pradesh's strategy to emerge as a premier electronics manufacturing centre. According to officials, the facility is expected to create employment for more than 31,000 individuals, comprising 11,000 direct and 20,000 indirect positions upon completion.



YEIDA has begun selecting a consultant to manage the sector's infrastructure development and implementation. The authority considers the site's proximity to crucial national infrastructure networks, including the Delhi-Mumbai Industrial Corridor and dedicated freight routes, as a significant advantage for attracting investors nationally and internationally. "This project will not only build a robust electronics ecosystem but also boost employment at scale," said a senior YEIDA official.

A 50-acre plot designated

for Havells India Ltd will serve as the primary facility. The electrical equipment company plans to invest ₹800 crore in establishing a manufacturing unit for fans, air conditioners, switchgear, cables, and lighting systems. Havells' initial phase is scheduled for completion by 2026, providing employment to over 1,000 people.

The Central Government's EMC 2.0 scheme supports the initiative with an approved funding of ₹144 crore. YEIDA will provide more than ₹340 crore from its resources, totalling ₹484 crore in public investment.

YEIDA CEO Arun Vir Singh highlighted the significance of the Centre's backing for Uttar Pradesh's industrial aspirations.

"With this approval, we will now formally allot the land to Havells and commence devel-

opment of the entire cluster. This will attract not only electronics manufacturers but also component suppliers and auxiliary units," Singh said.

The remaining 106 acres of industrial space will be subdivided into 66 plots of varying dimensions, including 32 plots of 1,000 sqm, 18 plots of 2,100 sqm, 6 plots of 8,094 sqm, and additional plots ranging from 1,760 sqm to 32,375 sqm.

The final 39 acres are designated for essential infrastructure, encompassing internal roads, utilities, and green spaces, as part of a detailed master plan ensuring sustainable development.

Construction of YEIDA's Sector 10 electronics cluster is set to begin soon, with plot allocations underway, marking a major step towards India's emergence as a global electronics manufacturing hub.



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Over 100 flights/day to be cancelled at IGIA for 3-mnth runway upgrade

S LALITHA @ New Delhi

STARTING June 15, Delhi's Indira Gandhi International Airport will undergo a major upgrade, resulting in the closure of one of its runways till September 15. A total of 114 daily flights, both incoming and outgoing, will be cancelled during this time. Additionally, 86 arrival and departing flights will be rescheduled daily.

Briefing mediapersons on Friday at the new Udaan Bhavan near Terminal 3, Delhi International Airport Limited CEO Vidh Kumar Jaipuriar said, "Delhi airport operates 1,400 flights daily. The 114 flights that will be cancelled represents between 7% and 7.5% of that figure. Passengers will get inconvenienced in the short term but definitely stand to benefit in the long run."

The timing of 43 flights arriving and departing flights have been adjusted from peak hours to non-peak hours.

Major impact on connectivity to key metro and tier-1 cities

to and from Delhi have been avoided to maintain network stability and passenger convenience during the runway closure. The CEO highlighted minor reduction of incoming flights from these key cities: two each from Ahmedabad, Bengaluru and Mumbai, one each from Patna, Guwahati, Chennai and Kolkata.

The main aspect in the upgradation involves making one of the two ends of the runway known as 10/28 into a CAT-III compliant one by upgrading its Instrument Landing System (ILS). "ILS uses radio signals to provide pilots with precise lateral and vertical guidance on how to approach the runway and allow flights to land in extreme fog conditions. We are readying the runway before the festive season starts," Jaipuriar said.

A new flight schedule for the 90-day period has been prepared in consultation with the Ministry of Civil Aviation, airlines, the DGCA and the Air Traffic Control, he added.



नोएडा इंटरनेशनल एयरपोर्ट के पास बनेगा हैबिटेट सेंटर अंतरराष्ट्रीय स्तर की हो सकेगी बैठक

पायनियर समाचार सेवा। नोएडा

नोएडा इंटरनेशनल एयरपोर्ट के पास हैबिटेट सेंटर और कन्वेंशन सेंटर को बनाया जाएगा। इसके लिए जमीन खरीदने की प्रक्रिया को तेज कर दिया गया है। सेक्टर-5 और नी में जमीन अधिग्रहण के लिए 27 किसानों की सूची का प्रकाशन किया है। यमुना प्राधिकरण का सेक्टर-9 एयरपोर्ट के काफी नजदीक है। यहां पर प्राधिकरण की हैबिटेट और कन्वेंशन सेंटर को विकसित करने की तैयारी है।

सेक्टर-9 में 25 एकड़ में हैबिटेट और 15 एकड़ में कन्वेंशन सेंटर बनेगा। यहां पर अंतरराष्ट्रीय स्तर की बैठकें, कॉन्फ्रेंस समेत अन्य विभिन्न आयोजन किए जा सकेंगे। नोएडा एयरपोर्ट और फिल्म सिटी को देखते हुए इनकी जरूरतों को महसूस किया गया। सेक्टर-5 में अनाथालय, चालू गृह

● सांस्कृतिक कार्यक्रम के लिए प्राधिकरण खरीद रहा है जमीन

और वृद्धाश्रम विकसित किए जाने हैं, इसके लिए प्राधिकरण को करीब 382 हेक्टेयर जमीन अधिग्रहीत करनी है।

इस क्रम में ही गुरुवार को प्राधिकरण ने सेक्टर-5 और नी को विकसित करने के लिए जमीन खरीद की प्रक्रिया को आगे बढ़ाया। साथ ही आकलपुर गांव में किसानों की सूची का भी प्रकाशन किया। बता दें कि आकलपुर की जमीन सेक्टर-10 के अंतर्गत आ रही है। जहां पर पांच औद्योगिक पार्कों को विकसित किया जाना है। एयरपोर्ट शुरू होने के बाद शहर में तेजी से औद्योगिक गतिविधियां बढ़ेंगी।



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114 flights to be cancelled at IGIA for runway closure

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ New Delhi

Delhi International Airport Limited (DIAL) on Friday said 114 flights, accounting for 7.5 per cent of the total daily flights, will be cancelled for three months starting from June 15 due to the closure of a runway for upgradation works.

The Indira Gandhi International Airport (IGIA), the country's largest and busiest airport, handles around 1,450 flight movements daily. It has four runways — RW 09/27, RW 11R/29L, RW 11L/29R and RW 10/28 — and two operational terminals — T1 and T3. T2 is currently closed for maintenance works. The upgradation works of the runway RW 10/28, that was postponed in May after congestion issues, will now be carried out from June 15 to September 15. The Instrument Landing System (ILS) will

be upgraded to make the runway CAT III compliant, which will allow flight operations at low visibility conditions during the fog season. Delhi International Airport Limited (DIAL) CEO Videh Kumar Jaipurkar on Friday said RW 10/28 is not going to be operational, effective June 15, for three months. "...We want to upgrade that runway to mitigate any issues or problems that we were facing, especially during the fog season. So for RW 10/28, there are two upgrades that we are going to do," he said at a press conference here.

According to him, the average reduction in daily flights during the three-month period will be around 7.5 per cent, and passengers are being informed about the changes well in advance. "So, the (number of) flights which are going to be cancelled are about 114. If you look at it from the right perspective, we have got



1,450 operations (flight movements) in a day. Out of that, about 114 operations (flight movements) are going to be impacted, which is 7.5 per cent," he said. As per DIAL, a total of 200 flights will be impacted — 114 will be cancelled and the remaining 86 will be rescheduled from the peak to non-peak hours — during the June 15-September 15 period.

While the runway will resume operations from September 15, the completion of the ILS upgrade will be done by November 27, just before the start of the fog season, Jaipurkar said.

DIAL CEO emphasised that rescheduling and cancellation of flights are not going to have a major impact, especially since passengers are being informed in advance. Efforts have been made to ensure a balanced approach to maintain operational stability and minimise disruptions during

the closure of RW 28/10, he added.

Against the backdrop of certain earlier instances of airlines and the airport operator having differences amid congestion woes, DIAL on Friday stressed that the slot adjustment process was carried out through close coordination among all the stakeholders. Representatives of various airlines were also present at the press conference. Earlier, the RW 10/28 upgradation was planned in April-May this year, and was closed for ILS upgradation on April 8. However, the closure of the runway, easterly winds and congestion impacted flight operations.

In view of the same, the civil aviation ministry directed resumption of operations from RW 10/28 and postponement of runway works from June 15 to September 15. The revised upgradation schedule was also agreed to by the airlines, DIAL said.



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दिल्ली हवाई अड्डा रनवे उन्नयन कार्य तीन महीने में 114 उड़ानें रद्द होंगी

नई दिल्ली, (पंजाब केसरी) : दिल्ली हवाई अड्डे के परिचालक डायल ने शुक्रवार को कहा कि रनवे को बेहतर बनाने के कार्यों हेतु रनवे बंद होने के कारण 15 जून से तीन महीने के लिए 114 उड़ानें रद्द रहेंगी। दिल्ली अंतरराष्ट्रीय हवाई अड्डा लिमिटेड (डायल) के मुताबिक रद्द होने वाली उड़ानों की संख्या कुल दैनिक उड़ानों का 7.5 प्रतिशत है। रनवे आरडब्ल्यू 10/28 को बेहतर

बनाने का कार्य अब 15 जून से 15 सितंबर तक किया जाएगा। रनवे पर विमानों की अधिक आवाजाही के कारण इस कार्य को मई में स्थगित कर दिया गया था। रनवे को सीएटी-तीन के अनुरूप बनाने के लिए इंस्ट्रूमेंट लैंडिंग सिस्टम (आईएलएस) को उन्नत किया जाएगा, जिससे कोहरे के मौसम में कम दृश्यता की स्थिति में भी उड़ान संचालन संभव हो सकेगा।

Three-Month Runway Closure At IGI May Impact 200 Flights Daily

Upgrade To Benefit Flyers In Fog Season When Visibility Goes Down Considerably

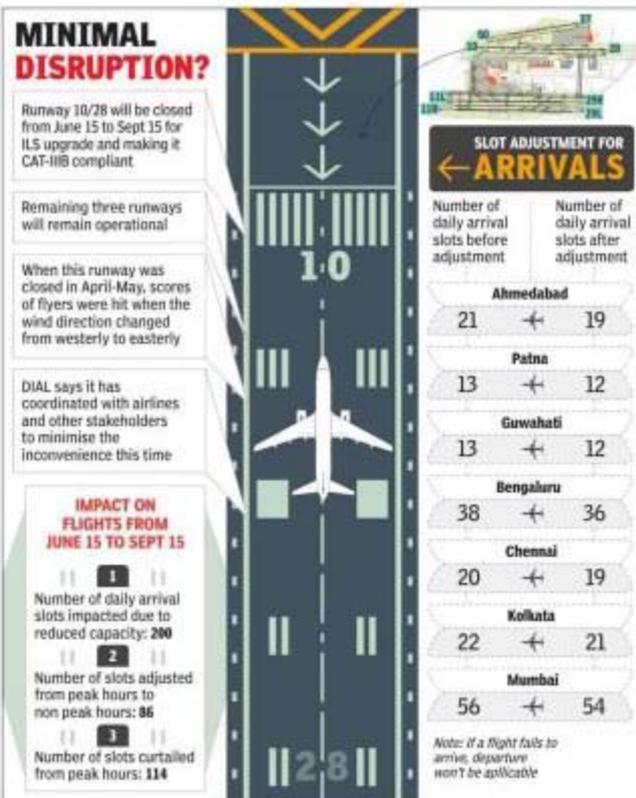
Extreme weather events: IGI working on climate change mitigation plan

Priyangi Agarwal & Ananya Neel Mani | TNN

New Delhi: Flight operations will be impacted at Indira Gandhi International Airport when runway 10/28 is closed from June 15 to Sept 15 for upgradation. However, airport operator Delhi International Airport Limited clarified that only around 200 flights could be impacted daily. It has coordinated with airlines to reschedule 86 flights every day after cancelling 14 daily arrivals or departures during the period. DIAL CEO Vireh Kumar Jaipuria said on Friday that the upgradation work was likely to take around three months but would eventually benefit flyers in the fog seasons when visibility is reduced considerably.

The runway is being closed to make it CAT-III compliant to facilitate operations during dense fog in Delhi's winter. It was first closed for upgrades in April and May, but caused delays of hundreds of daily flights. Worsened by prevalence of easterly winds, which lowered the hourly landing capacity from 42 to 32 flights per hour, the runway had to be reopened to facilitate peak season flights.

Delhi airport operates with four runways: 27/9, 10/28, 28R/11L and 28L/11R. DIAL said when runway 10/28 remains closed, runway 28R/11L will handle departures, 28L/11R will manage arrivals and runway 27/9 will serve both arriving and departing flights. During westerly winds, the three remaining runways can accommo-



date 42 arrivals and 42 departures per hour. However, when easterly winds prevail, the departure capacity remains at 42 per hour while the arrival capacity reduces to 32 per hour.

Jaipuria said Delhi airport handled around 1,460 flights daily, of which around 7.5% could be cancelled in the affected period. Normally, the airport sees an average of 3.5% cancellations. "It is just a little bit more than the normal average. It will not significantly disrupt the operations," Jaipuria said. He said after consultation with all stakeholders, more flights have been shifted from peak hours to non-peak hours. "The difference is that the last time, we did not reschedule the flights, and there were delays due to the cascading effect," said Jaipuria.

DIAL earlier said that during peak fog season, only 15 flights landed every hour on the only CAT-III compliant runway, but this upgradation work would double that number.

DIAL said flights from big airports wouldn't face a major impact. For instance, the number of arrivals from Mumbai would only reduce from 56 to 54 per day and from Bengaluru, 38 to 36 daily. "The same flights that arrive at an airport fly back. Hence the same number of departures are impacted," Jaipuria explained.

Jaipuria revealed that every hour of fog disruption took over three subsequent hours for operations to become normal because of safety issues because the space between two flights had to be maintained at a specific level.

New Delhi: Delhi airport is preparing a climate change mitigation plan, expected to be ready by year-end. DIAL CEO Vireh Kumar Jaipuria said that since the number of erratic weather events increased year on year, they have roped in an international consultant to prepare a plan to help the airport make necessary changes.

When asked about how the airport is preparing for changing weather patterns, such as the intense fog period during last winter season and easterly winds blowing for a higher number of days this summer, Jaipuria said, "We're getting a study done on a climate change mitigation plan because we have seen this kind of erratic weather behaviour increasing on a year-to-year basis." He added that after the international consultant completes the study within this year, they will come out with the mitigation plan.

On Jan 15 this year, very dense fog to dense fog shrouded the city till noon. It was last winter season's most delayed lifting of dense fog, impacting flight diversions and delays. Between May 2 and June 2, Delhi recorded six major thunderstorms with speeds touching 50-80 kmph, resulting in the diversion of over 75 flights and delays of hundreds of flights.

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Air India posts operating profit in FY25; revenue soars 14% to ₹61,000 crore

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New Delhi

Aided by lower fuel costs and a surge in passenger numbers, Tata Sons' promoted full-service global airline Air India (standalone) achieved an operating profit in the last fiscal year (FY25) on a year-on-year basis, sources told *businessline*.

Besides, sources attributed financial gains from the merger between Air India and Vistara to enhanced efficiency along with higher savings.

Though the exact value of the operating profit was not immediately known, sources revealed that EBIT-DAR (earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, amortisation and rent) "landed in the black".

Sources told *businessline* that financials for FY25



FLYING HIGH. In 2024-25, Air India carried 44 million passengers, registering an annual growth of 9.9 per cent AAI/TSS

were declared to the board during a recently held meeting. At present, the Tata Group-led airline is working on ways to accelerate its financial turnaround via a transformation programme Vihaan.AI.

REVENUE GROWTH

In 2024-25, Air India carried 44 million passengers, regis-

tering an annual growth of 9.9 per cent.

As per sources, revenue grew by almost 14 per cent to ₹61,000 crore in FY25 on a y-o-y basis. Air India did not respond to *businessline*'s queries.

"Revenue in FY25 was up by 14 per cent," sources said. "Earning an operating profit after several years is

an encouraging sign for the airline. The results show that Vihaan.AI transformative programme is working amid stiff competition," sources added.

During FY24, Air India saw a strong 23.69 per cent increase in turnover, reaching ₹38,812 crore in FY24 from ₹31,377 crore.

Additionally, Air India recorded its highest consolidated annual operating revenues of ₹51,365 crore in FY24, up 24.5 per cent over FY23.

In May, Air India CMD Campbell Wilson told *businessline* that the Vihaan.AI programme had passed its halfway mark.

"The key thing left is to upgrade the legacy aircraft, which has been more challenging than it had been initially expected."

As part of the transformation, Air India has placed an order for 570 new aircraft.



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Akasa Air signals expansion with 100 flights from Navi Mumbai

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Akasa Air will commence operations at Navi Mumbai airport with a hundred-plus weekly domestic departures, it said on Friday after signing a memorandum of understanding with the airport.

The Navi Mumbai airport is expected to open in August end but no date has been finalised yet.

Akasa Air will scale up its operations to 300-plus domestic and 50-plus international departures per week in the winter schedule providing additional air connectivity to Mumbai metropolitan

region. The airline has 32 daily departures from Mumbai and those it will continue to maintain with no plans of any consolidation of operations. Akasa Air will focus on connecting tier-II cities from Navi Mumbai.

"No airline in India will have a larger percentage of its fleet and operations based

out of Navi Mumbai international airport than Akasa Air," its Chief Executive Officer Vijay Dube said.

Dube said the partnership with Adani group-run Navi Mumbai airport supports the airline's commitment to supplement existing capacities and unlock new demand centres.



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We want to keep our planes cost effective: ATR officials

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Plane maker ATR is working on a raft of improvements to lower operating costs of aircraft in order to support the Indian government's regional connectivity scheme.

This comes amid inflationary pressures that have pushed up the prices of aircraft globally and on concerns over cost effectiveness of the ATR platform.

"We want to keep our platform as cost effective as we can to support the Indian government mission to provide accessible and affordable air travel to its population. Sometimes it entails doing incremental innovation, as we have done on the engine, and we are looking at other areas," said ATR's chief commercial officer Alexis Vidal in an interaction with *businessline*.

TARIFF THREATS

While the US government's tariff threats pose an added challenge to aircraft manufacturers, rising costs of raw materials, labour expenses and supply chain issues have lifted prices of commercial aircraft. Vidal said since the end of 2022 ATR is delivering aircraft including to those in India with Pratt & Whitney engines that provides 20 per cent savings in maintenance and 3 per cent saving in fuel costs. He said the plane maker is collaborating with various suppliers on other improvements and added that ATR aircraft are the most competitive on regional routes.

ATR entered the Indian market in 1999. While IndiGo is its largest and successful customer with 48 ATR 72 aircraft, airlines like Air Pegasus and Air Carnival



who flew these planes shut operations. Regional airline flybig suspended its ATR operations in November 2023 over unpaid lessor dues.

Currently over 70 ATR aircraft are in operation in India and the country is the second largest market for the turboprop planes after Indonesia. Other Indian operators include Alliance Air (20 aircraft) and FLY91 (5).

The plane maker has revised its forecast and now sees an opportunity for 300 ATR planes (up from 200) in India in a decade. Jean-Pierre Clercin, ATR's commercial head for Asia-Pacific said the plane maker's earlier forecast considered airports with active operations and actual trips performed. This model has been revised to include airports which do not have any active operations or those which are under construction.

Clercin said discussions are on with existing and new customers in India for more aircraft. The government's Ude Desh Ka Aam Nagrik scheme has also worked as a catalyst for ATR's growth in India and the plane maker has delivered 27 new aircraft to India in five years.

"Udan is a gold standard of aviation schemes. We are very impressed," Clercin remarked. Companies have also expressed interest in the ATR-72 freighter as these can be useful in transporting high value and perishable items in remote hilly regions of the country.

IndiGo may line up 30-50 ATR plane order in Paris

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IndiGo, India's largest airline, is likely to place an order for 30 to 50 ATR 72-600 turboprop aircraft during the Paris Air Show later this month, people familiar with the matter told *Business Standard* on Friday. The deal, if finalised with the Franco-Italian aircraft manufacturer ATR, could be valued between \$450 million and \$750 million, based on an estimated transaction price of around \$15 million per aircraft, they said.

Discussions between IndiGo and ATR for a new batch of aircraft have been ongoing since last year, the sources said. "The deal size could be increased from 50 planes to a larger number," a source added.



Asked for comment, an ATR spokesperson told *Business Standard*: "It's best to ask IndiGo about its plans."

"What we can say is that ATR aircraft provide an outstanding value proposition for India's regional mobility needs, as demonstrated by our 25-year presence and dominant market share in the country. With unparalleled fuel efficiency, versatility, and accessibility, our aircraft perfectly match India's need for sustainable, cost-effective regional connectivity," the spokesperson added.

IndiGo did not respond to *Business Standard's* request for comment till the time of going to the press. **Turn to Page 3**

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Experts flag infra limitations at major airports as hurdle for ATR operations

The Indian carrier, which currently operates a fleet of about 48 ATR 72-600s, had earlier placed an order for 50 such aircraft in 2022 as part of a strategy to expand its regional footprint under the government's UDAN scheme to improve air connectivity in underserved towns. Four aircraft since have been sold or leased to other airlines under that contract were completed by early 2025.

The ATR 72-600 is a twin-engine turboprop aircraft typically seating around 70 passengers, although IndiGo configures its planes in a high-density 78-seat layout. The aircraft is primarily deployed on short regional routes, with a range of about 1,700 km.

"IndiGo has utilised the ATRs on all sorts of routes, from monopoly under regional connectivity scheme (UDAN) to some ultra-rapid high-frequency ones in South India," said Aranya Joshi, aviation analyst and founder of the blog Network Thoughts. "The airline has also experimented with routes, some working well and some not continuing," he said.

The turboprop fleet enabled IndiGo to expand its network to smaller destinations such as Kolhapur, Kishanganj and Kullu, which are not feasible for the airline's Airbus fleet, according to Joshi.

But he also flagged infrastructure limitations at major airports as a major hurdle for ATR operations. "One of the bigger challenges has been getting slots at Delhi or Mumbai for the ATR," he said. "The development of secondary airports — like Navi Mumbai and Jewar — could ease this constraint and support rapid network expansion. How much does the government incentives going forward also needs to be seen."

Since 2023, IndiGo has placed several aircraft orders. Last Sunday, it announced an order for 30 additional Airbus A350 widebody planes, adding to its April 2024 order for 30 A350s, bringing its total widebody order to 60 aircraft. Deliveries will begin in 2027 and continue into the

next decade. These widebody planes, which have larger fuel tanks than narrow-body A320s, are key to IndiGo's long-haul expansion, targeting routes like India-US, India-Europe, and India-Australia to compete with Air India and Gulf carriers.

The recent widebody orders followed IndiGo's record-breaking June 2023 order for 500 Airbus A320neo family aircraft to boost its narrow-body fleet for domestic and short-haul

international operations. Airbus Chief Commercial Officer Benoit de Saint-Exupery said on Sunday that IndiGo's total order book now stands at 1,600 aircraft, including these recent widebody orders and earlier large-scale A320 family purchases over the past decade.

ATR is a joint venture between Airbus and the Italian aerospace group Leonardo, with each owning a 50 per cent stake in the manufacturer. IndiGo's current fleet

stands at about 430 aircraft, comprising 48 ATR 72-600s, three leased widebody aircraft, and a mix of narrow-body Airbus planes.

The Paris Air Show, held biennially at Le Bourget near Paris, is one of the world's largest aerospace exhibitions, where major aircraft manufacturers and airlines announce new products, technologies, and commercial deals. This year's edition will take place from June 16 to 22.

इंडिगो देगी 30-50 एटीआर विमानों का ऑर्डर!

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देश की सबसे बड़ी विमानन कंपनी इंडिगो इस महीने के आखिर में पेरिस में आयोजित एयर शो के दौरान 30 से 50 एटीआर 72-600 टर्बोप्रॉप विमानों का ऑर्डर दे सकती है। मामले से अवगत लोगों ने बिजनेस स्टैंडर्ड को आज यह जानकारी दी। एटीआर के साथ सौदा होने पर 1.5 करोड़ डॉलर प्रति विमान के अनुमानित मूल्य पर 45 से 75 करोड़ डॉलर का लेनदेन हो सकता है।

इंडिगो के बेड़े में फिलहाल करीब 46 एटीआर 72-600 विमान मौजूद हैं। उसने सरकार की उड़ान योजना के तहत क्षेत्रीय विस्तार रणनीति के तहत 2017 में ऐसे 50 विमानों का ऑर्डर दिया था। उसके बाद चार विमान बेच दिए गए अथवा पट्टे पर दे दिए गए। उस अनुबंध के तहत विमानों की डिलिवरी 2025 की शुरुआत तक पूरी हो गई थी। सूत्रों ने कहा कि इंडिगो और एटीआर के बीच

विमानों की एक नई खेप के लिए पिछले साल से ही बातचीत चल रही है। एक सूत्र ने कहा, 'सौदे को 50 विमानों से भी बढ़ाया जा सकता है।'

एटीआर प्रवक्ता ने बिजनेस स्टैंडर्ड द्वारा पूछे जाने पर कहा, 'इंडिगो की योजना के बारे में उससे ही पूछना बेहतर रहेगा।' उन्होंने कहा, 'हम केवल इतना बता सकते हैं कि भारत की क्षेत्रीय मोबिलिटी जरूरतों को पूरा करने के लिए एटीआर के विमान बेहतर हैं। देश में 25 साल की हमारी मौजूदगी और उल्लेखनीय बाजार हिस्सेदारी से यह बिल्कुल स्पष्ट है।'

इस मामले में टिप्पणी के लिए इंडिगो को भेजे गए ईमेल का खबर लिखे जाने तक कोई जवाब नहीं आया।

एटीआर 72-600 दो इंजन वाला टर्बोप्रॉप विमान है जिसमें आम तौर पर करीब 70 यात्री बैठते हैं। मगर इंडिगो अपने विमानों को 78 सीटों के साथ तैयार करवाती है। इसके जरिये मुख्य तौर पर क्षेत्रीय मार्गों पर उड़ान सेवाएं प्रदान की जाती हैं। (शेष पृष्ठ 4 पर)



■ कंपनी पेरिस में 30 से 50 एटीआर 72-600 टर्बोप्रॉप विमानों का ऑर्डर दे सकती है

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पेरिस में एटीआर विमानों का ऑर्डर देगी इंडिगो!

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विमानन विश्लेषक और नेटवर्क थॉट्स के संस्थापक अमय जोशी ने कहा, 'इंडिगो ने एटीआर विमानों का इस्तेमाल क्षेत्रीय कनेक्टिविटी योजना उड़ान के तहत सभी प्रकार के मार्गों पर किया है। उसने कुछ मार्गों पर इसका प्रयोग भी किया है जिनमें कुछ अच्छी तरह से काम कर रहे हैं और कुछ पर परिचालन नहीं हो रहा है।'

जोशी के अनुसार, टर्बोप्रॉप बेड़े ने इंडिगो को अपने नेटवर्क का विस्तार कोल्हापुर, किशनगढ़ और कडप्पा जैसे छोटे शहरों तक करने में समर्थ बनाया है। उसने 2023 से कई विमानों के ऑर्डर दिए हैं। पिछले रविवार को उसने 30 अतिरिक्त एयरबस ए350 वाइडबॉडी विमानों के ऑर्डर की घोषणा की थी। अप्रैल 2024 में भी उसने 30 ए350 विमानों का ऑर्डर दिया था। इस प्रकार उसके वाइडबॉडी विमानों का ऑर्डर 60 विमानों तक पहुंच गया। विमानों की डिलिवरी 2027 में शुरू होगी। एटीआर एयरबस और इटली के एयरोस्पेस समूह लियोनार्डो का बराबर हिस्सेदारी वाला संयुक्त उद्यम है।

अकासा एयर नवी मुंबई से शुरू करेगी 100 से अधिक साप्ताहिक उड़ानें

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अकासा एयर नए बनने वाले नवी मुंबई इंटरनेशनल एयरपोर्ट (एनएमआईए) से 100 से ज्यादा साप्ताहिक घरेलू उड़ानें शुरू करेगी और सर्दियों के समय उड़ानों की साप्ताहिक घरेलू संख्या बढ़कर 300 से अधिक और विदेशी उड़ानों की संख्या 50 से अधिक हो जाएगी। विमानन कंपनी ने शुक्रवार को यह जानकारी दी।

इंडिगो की तरह अकासा ने भी नवी मुंबई इंटरनेशनल एयरपोर्ट के प्रति अपनी शुरुआती प्रतिबद्धता की पुष्टि की है। कुछ ही दिन पहले इंडिगो ने कहा था कि वह एनएमआईए से 15 से अधिक शहरों के लिए 18 दैनिक उड़ानों के साथ परिचालन शुरू करेगी और उसका लक्ष्य नवंबर 2025 तक 79 उड़ान तथा मार्च 2026 तक 100 से अधिक उड़ान करना है।

मुंबई का पुराना हवाईअड्डा और नवी मुंबई इंटरनेशनल एयरपोर्ट दोनों ही अदाणी एयरपोर्ट होल्डिंग्स लिमिटेड (एएचएल) के अंतर्गत आते हैं। उम्मीद की जा रही है कि नवी मुंबई हवाईअड्डा अगले कुछ



महीनों में परिचालन शुरू कर देगा।

एएचएल के मुख्य कार्याधिकारी अरुण बंसल ने अकासा के तीव्र विकास और दूरदर्शी दृष्टिकोण पर जोर देते हुए विमानन कंपनी का उद्घाटन भागीदार के रूप में स्वागत किया।

नवी मुंबई हवाईअड्डे को मुंबई के मौजूदा हवाईअड्डे पर भीड़भाड़ कम करने के लिए डिजाइन किया गया है। यह अपने पहले चरण में सालाना आधार पर दो करोड़ यात्रियों और 50 लाख टन कार्गो को संभालेगा।

यात्री यातायात को बढ़ावा देने के अलावा अकासा ने साल 2026-27 तक एनएमआईए में 10 विमान पार्किंग बेस स्थापित करने और पश्चिमी एशिया तथा दक्षिण पूर्व एशिया की दिशा में अपने अंतरराष्ट्रीय विस्तार को आगे बढ़ाने की योजना बनाई है।



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2024 में भारतीय एयरलाइंस को सबसे ज्यादा बम की धमकियां मिलीं: रिपोर्ट

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भारत में 2024 में यात्री उड़ानों को बम से उड़ाने की फर्जी धमकियों में भारी वृद्धि हुई। एक आधिकारिक रिपोर्ट के अनुसार, पिछले छह वर्षों में फर्जी बम धमकियों में 300 गुना वृद्धि दर्ज की गई। 2024 में कुल 1,019 फर्जी धमकियां मिलीं, जबकि 2018 से 2023 के बीच 330 धमकियां प्राप्त हुई थीं। अक्टूबर 2024 में सबसे ज्यादा 687 धमकियां मिलीं। फर्जी धमकियों का मुख्य स्रोत 'एक्स' था, जहां से 611 धमकियां आईं। इसके अलावा, ई-मेल, मौखिक, फोन कॉल, लिखित और टेक्स्ट संदेश के माध्यम से भी धमकियां दी गईं। इन धमकियों के कारण 600 से अधिक घरेलू और अंतरराष्ट्रीय उड़ानों पर असर पड़ा, जिससे विमानन कंपनियों को भारी नुकसान हुआ और यात्रियों को असुविधा का सामना करना पड़ा।

Amid Covid & Global Chaos, Indians' Big Fear: Missing that Flight

Summer travel sentiment remains strong with packages for domestic and international spots pricier by up to 15%

Anumeha Chaturvedi & Prachi Verma

New Delhi: Kanika Mehra, a schoolteacher from Noida is looking up flights and hotels for her

upcoming holiday this month. It's turning out to be a difficult choice. June flight fares for Vietnam, a destination at the top of her list, are about 50% higher than those in July, signalling high

demand during the summer school break. Mehra, wanting to escape the domestic summer rush in the hills, turns to Sri Lanka. But the southwest monsoon season is playing on her mind, though the fares are lighter on the pocket.

Flight fares for Georgia, another emerging destination, are up as well and the visa will take over 10 days to arrive. She says she'll likely pick Thailand eventually, considering the easier access and more reasonable fares.

Fares could rise up to 15%, especially to international destinations such as Georgia, Vietnam and Sri Lanka, which have turned out to be more affordable than some of the top domestic spots over the past year, said Tavleen Bhatia, chief marketing and revenue officer at Cleartrip.

In 2024, Vietnam welcomed about 500,000 Indian tourists, a fourfold jump from pre-pandemic levels. India was the top primary market for Sri Lanka in December last year with 52,881 arrivals, accounting for a 21.3% share. Around 124,300 Indian tourists visited Georgia in 2024, marking a 46.8% increase from the previous year.

Despite global uncertainties, and the recent spike in Covid-19 cases in India, travel sentiment remains strong and holiday packages for ongoing summer breaks for both domestic and international destinations are pricier by up to 15% year-on-year, said travel experts.

"Travellers had been in the wait-and-watch mode last month following Operation Sindoor, but bookings are now happening full throttle," said a travel industry insider.

Holidays Heat Up

Ladakh, Bhutan, Sri Lanka, Vietnam and Thailand continue seeing high demand

FARES ARE SET TO RISE UP TO 15% FOR INTERNATIONAL DESTINATIONS LIKE GEORGIA, VIETNAM, AND SRI LANKA



SPECIAL CHARTER FLIGHTS TO BHUTAN FROM BENGALURU, AHMEDABAD SEEING OVER 80-90% OCCUPANCY

Source: Cleartrip, SOTC Travel, Booking.com

Searches for Tokyo and Abu Dhabi up 110% and 180% YoY

Bounceback from May Low

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Domestic destinations in demand are Ladakh, Himachal Pradesh, Goa and Kerala while popular international ones include Bhutan, Thailand and Sri Lanka.

A three-night Goa getaway package for the second week of June for two adults is priced at Rs 66,290, inclusive of flights, hotel, one activity and four meals on a popular travel portal.

In comparison, a four-night-five-day package for two at Ha Long Bay in Vietnam for June 22 is substantially lower at Rs 47,932 on the same platform. That includes hotel accommodation, four activities and nine meals.

On average, package prices are up 7-8% compared to last summer, primarily driven by high demand, fuel prices and dynamic airfare fluctuations, Jatinder Paul Singh, CEO and cofounder of Viacation.



"For domestic travel, Ladakh, Himachal Pradesh, Andaman and Ooty are among the top picks," he said. "Internationally, destinations like Bali, Thailand, Maldives and Sri Lanka continue to attract significant interest from Indian travellers." Occupancies are 13% higher than last year for StayVista while average room rates are up 6%, said Amit Damani, cofounder of the villa and bungalow rental company. "There was a concern around how summer bookings will pan out following the conflict between India and Pakistan, but bookings have bounced back from the second half of May," he said. "We are especially seeing higher demand in Southern India, Uttarakhand and Goa." Bhutan is seeing high interest, said SD Nandakumar, president and country head for holidays and corporate tours at SOTC Travel.

There is a notable surge in travel interest for Tokyo and Abu Dhabi this summer with the destinations seeing a 110% and 180% increase in searches, respectively, from the same time last year, said Santosh Kumar, country manager for India, Sri Lanka, Maldives and Indonesia at Booking.com.

"Manali, Darjeeling, Rishikesh and Munnar are among the top 10 most searched destinations this month," he added.

Bounceback from May Low → 7

The Indian budget carrier will also focus on connecting tier-II cities via the new hub **Akasa Plans 50 Departures from Navi Mumbai: CEO**

Our Bureau

Mumbai: Akasa Air plans to operate 50 flights from the upcoming Adani-backed Navi Mumbai airport, starting off with about 15 departures which will be a combination of both domestic and international, said Vinay Dube, its chief executive officer.

The Navi Mumbai airport is expected to open by the end of August, although the exact date is yet to be finalised. Dube claimed Akasa Air would be the airline with the most number of flights from there.

"I'm sure there'll be others, but I don't believe there'll be any other airline in India, or in fact the world, that would have a larger percentage of their network based out of Navi Mumbai Airport as compared to Akasa," Dube told reporters at a virtual roundtable on Friday.

Arun Bansal, CEO of Adani Airports Holdings Limited, said in a press statement, "Their rapid growth and forward-looking approach make them an ideal partner in NMIA's journey to becoming a key domestic and international hub."

Budget carrier Akasa operates some 32 flights from Mumbai daily. "In Mumbai, we have close to 32 departures today and Navi Mumbai, we expect to take that up to about 75 to 80 odd departures as we exit winters. That's how signifi-

cant this is for us," said Dube.

The airline will continue to maintain these flights with "no plans to consolidate operations", Dube said. The carrier will also focus on connecting tier-II cities through its Navi Mumbai hub.

Akasa Air is the second airline to sign an agreement with Navi Mumbai airport. IndiGo, which

will be the first to commence flights from the new airport, plans to start with over 18 daily departures to 15 cities from day one of the airport's opening and aims to increase operations to 79 departures by November.

Akasa Air will start with over 100 weekly domestic departures, scaling up to more than 300 domestic and 50 international departures per week in the winter schedule. The airline plans to expand to 10 parking bases by the end of FY27, focusing on international growth in key Middle Eastern and Southeast Asian markets.

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Air India, Icelandair enter codeshare partnership

NEW DELHI: Air India and Icelandair, on Monday announced their codeshare partnership, significantly boosting connectivity between India and Iceland, while offering seamless travel options across 15 routes in India and Europe.

The partnership offers seamless travel experience with convenient connections times, unified baggage allowances, and enhanced connectivity through major European hub airports.

Under the agreement, Air India customers will gain seamless access to Icelandair-operated flights to Reykjavik via Air India's European gateways. Air India will add its 'AI' designator code on Icelandair-operated flights between Reykjavik and London Heathrow, Lon-



don Gatwick, Frankfurt, Paris, Amsterdam, Copenhagen, Milan, and Zurich.

Icelandair customers will benefit from convenient connections on Air India-operated flights to key Indian cities. Icelandair will add its 'FI' designator code on Air India-operated flights between Delhi and Amsterdam, Paris, Copenhagen, Frankfurt, London Heathrow; and between Mumbai and Frankfurt, London Heathrow.

MPOST

Last year saw highest-ever hoax bomb threats against Indian aviation

Most of the threats were made through social media platform 'X'

MPOST BUREAU

NEW DELHI: Hoax bomb threats made to the Indian civil aviation sector broke all records in 2024 as their number rose by more than 300 times over the last six years. Almost 60 per cent of these menacing messages were sent using social-media platform X, an official report has said.

A total of 1,019 such threats were received last year as compared to 330 such messages made during the preceding years between 2018 and 2023. The maximum of such messages, 687, were received in the month of October 2024, according to the report accessed by PTI.

Ninety-six such threats were received in June 2024, followed by 57 in April, 51 in November, with the numbers tapering during the rest of the months.

The highest number of such fraudulent threats were issued on X (611), followed by e-mails sent to airport operators, air-



lines and the CISF (281), verbal (47), phone calls (45), written (29) and text messages (six).

The threats were issued against more than 600 domestic and international flights of multiple Indian carriers, leading to a "major" operational and financial hit to the airlines, the passenger itinerary and comfort and a "mega" scrambling of the security paraphernalia.

PTI reported in October 2024 that the Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS)

under the Union civil aviation ministry has tweaked the procedures to convene the Bomb Threat Assessment Committee (BTAC) in the wake of these huge numbers of messages being sent over the social media. The BTAC is a multi-agency platform of various agencies that is convened once a threat call linked to an airport or airline is received.

Of the 1,019 threats last year, agencies declared 86 per cent as non-specific or hoax, 8 per cent as specific or action-

Takeaways

» A total of 1,019 such threats were received last year as compared to 330 such messages made during the preceding years between 2018 and 2023.

» The maximum of such messages, 687, were received in the month of October 2024

able and in the remaining 6 per cent, the BTAC was not convened, the report prepared by aviation security agencies said.

However, all such threats made in 2024 were finally declared hoaxes.

In all the cases, the security paraphernalia deployed at the airports was activated with "limited or full-scale" anti-sabotage and sanitisation checks being undertaken by security personnel and bomb-disposal teams along with sniffer dogs, a senior officer said.



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THE PIONEER

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Airlines profit margin never crossed 5 per cent: IATA

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA ■ New Delhi

Airlines are grappling with a skewed value chain globally and historically, the profit margin has never crossed 5 per cent, according to IATA Chief Economist Marie Owens Thomsen. Also, she expressed hope that any efforts to address making the airline value chain less skewed will surely be an example for other countries. India is one of the world's fastest growing civil aviation market.

At an interaction in the national capital this week, Thomsen said the skewed value chain for the global airlines industry is also a result of legacy policies. Thomsen is the Chief Economist & Senior Vice President Sustainability at the International Airport Transport Association (IATA), a grouping of over 350 airlines. "Nobody sat down from the beginning and said, I'm going to create a super skewed value chain and make sure that the airlines never

Make any money. "I don't think anybody had that intent. But unfortunately, that's sort of where we've ended up. And our industry globally has never made a profit margin in excess of 5 per cent," she said.

While noting that all participants in the value chain make more money than the airlines, she mentioned about the oligopolistic pricing power among the aircraft manufacturers and the outsized market power of oil companies.

"... Then downstream, you know, notably here in India, maybe a very price competitive environment... Our customers choose their airlines primarily on price. So the airlines are left completely squeezed between these two with very few ways out," she said.

Further, Thomsen said that if the Indian government tries to do everything to create a less skewed value chain, and that becomes possible, then that would surely be an example to follow for every other country.



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तुर्की एयरलाइंस के विमान में मिले विस्फोटक

नई दिल्ली। भारत ने तुर्की की सरकारी एयरलाइन टर्किश एयरलाइंस को सुरक्षा नियमों का उल्लंघन करने पर कड़ी चेतावनी दी है। नागर विमानन महानिदेशालय (डीजीसीए) द्वारा दिल्ली, हैदराबाद, चेन्नई और बेंगलुरु हवाई अड्डों पर 29 मई से 2 जून डीजीसीए ने दी सख्त चेतावनी के बीच की गई औचक निरीक्षण में कई गंभीर खामियां उजागर हुईं, जिनमें एक उड़ान में विस्फोटक सामग्री भी मिली, जिसकी न तो अनुमति ली गई थी और न ही इसका खुलासा किया गया था।

एक कार्गो उड़ान में खतरनाक वस्तुएं पाई गईं, जिनमें विस्फोटक पदार्थ शामिल थे। इन विस्फोटकों को भारत के ऊपर से ले जाने या भारत में लाने के लिए डीजीसीए की विशेष अनुमति आवश्यक होती है, लेकिन न तो ऐसी अनुमति ली गई थी और न ही इसका खुलासा किया गया था। निरीक्षण के दौरान यह पाया गया कि ग्राउंड ऑपरेशन को हैंडल कर रहे कर्मचारियों के पास न तो प्राधिकृत प्रमाण पत्र था



और न ही वैध दक्षता कार्ड। साथ ही, विमान की लैंडिंग पर कोई मान्यता प्राप्त रखरखाव इंजीनियर मौजूद नहीं था और उसकी जगह एक तकनीशियन ने पूरी प्रक्रिया अंजाम दी। डीजीसीए ने पाया कि टर्किश एयरलाइंस और उसके ग्राउंड हैंडलिंग एजेंट के बीच कोई सेवा स्तर समझौता मौजूद नहीं था। इसके अलावा ग्राउंड इन्फ्रामेंट की ठोस निगरानी और जवाबदेही की व्यवस्था भी नहीं पाई गई। नागर विमानन मंत्रालय ने स्पष्ट कहा है कि तुर्की एयरलाइंस की भारत में सभी उड़ानें अब डीजीसीए की सख्त

निगरानी में रहेंगी और आवश्यकता पड़ने पर फॉलो-अप निरीक्षण भी किए जाएंगे ताकि सतत सुरक्षा निगरानी सुनिश्चित की जा सके।

वरिष्ठ अधिकारियों ने बताया कि ये निरीक्षण सीधे उन विमानों पर किए गए जो टर्किश एयरलाइंस भारत में संचालित कर रही है। डीजीसीए की चेतावनी से टर्किश एयरलाइंस पर नियमों का सख्ती से पालन करने का दबाव बनेगा। भविष्य में ऐसी कोई चूक पाई गई, तो फ्लाइट परमिट रद्द होने तक की कार्रवाई हो सकती है।



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THE TELEGRAPH

KOLKATA

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Flight hoax calls

■ **NEW DELHI:** The number of hoax bomb threats targeting Indian aviation surged to 1,019 in 2024, over 300 times higher than in the preceding six years, a report has said. Nearly 60 per cent of the threats were posted on X. October alone saw 687 such messages, triggering heavy security responses. While all were later declared hoaxes, the disruptions caused financial and operational setbacks. **PTI**



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Fork out ₹5,000 or miss flight, airline tells sisters, 9 & 17, as both are minors

Airline Insists On Cash Payment As 'Unaccompanied Minor Fee'

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Kolkata: A Kolkata-Ahmedabad flight turned into a nightmare for two sisters, Mahira (9) and Manyata (17), after airline ground staff demanded Rs 5,000 in cash as an "unaccompanied minor fee" for the younger girl, warning that failure to pay would result in them missing the flight. The airline claimed the 17-year-old didn't qualify as an adult as she had not yet turned 18.

The sisters were scheduled to board Akasa Airlines flight QP 1926 to Ahmedabad, where their mother

awaited them. But at the check-in counter, the journey took a distressing turn.

Two of their cousins — both aged 21 — were flying a separate airline but were checking in around the same time and offered to pay the fee through UPI. However, airline staff allegedly insisted on a cash payment, saying the counter was closed and no QR code could be generated. The children managed to pool in funds and pay, after which they were allowed to board.

Some airlines in India charge an "unaccompanied minor fee" for children aged between 5 and 12 for specific



A file photo of Mahira & Manyata with their mother Shalini Dugar

assistance services. The policy requires a parent or guardian above 18 to fill in an "unaccompanied minor form" at check-in, with contact details of the person receiving the child at the destination.

In this case, the family said no such documentation was provided, and at Ahme-

dabad, there was no ID verification of the receiving parent, further undermining the rationale behind the fee.

TOI reached out to Akasa for a response, but none was received till the time of going to press. "They were simply told to pay or miss the flight," said the girls' mother, Shalini Dugar. "No explanation, no breakdown of charges, and no receipt was given until my elder daughter insisted."

The family said the girls had travelled from Nepal with their cousins, stayed a night in the West Bengal capital, and were flying home. "We don't mind paying a legitimate fee, but we deserve an explanation, an apology, a refund and action against those responsible for distressing the children," Shalini added.