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उत्तर प्रदेश के गौतमबुद्ध नगर जिले के जेवर में बन रहे नोएडा अंतरराष्ट्रीय हवाई अड्डे पर सोमवार को पहली पूर्ण परीक्षण उड़ान के तहत इंडिगो का एयरबस 320 विमान उतरा, जिसका स्वागत पारंपरिक रूप से पानी की बौछार करके किया गया। इस अवसर पर केंद्रीय नागर विमानन मंत्री के. राममोहन नायडू ने कहा कि आज पूर्ण परीक्षण उड़ान के साथ, हम अगले साल अप्रैल के अंत से पहले हवाईअड्डा परियोजना को पूरा करने के लिए प्रतिबद्ध हैं।

IndiGo plane lands at Noida Airport in first flight validation test

PHOTO: PTI



The upcoming Noida International Airport (NIA) at Jewar in Gautam Buddha Nagar on Monday announced the "successful" completion of its validation flight, a crucial step in the process of acquiring aerodrome licence. The validation flight was conducted by an IndiGo A320

passenger aircraft in the presence of civil aviation minister Kinjarapu Rammohan Naidu.

The flight verified the airport's approach procedures, confirming the accuracy and functionality of its navigational aids and air traffic control systems, it said, adding, it

demonstrates the airport's adherence to the stringent safety and operational standards required for commercial operations. Following the validation flight, NIA will finalise the required documentation for aerodrome certification and submit it to the DGCA, it said.

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Noida International Airport completes validation flight

The National Capital Region's (NCR) second airport, the Noida International Airport, successfully completed its validation flight on Monday for testing navigational aids and air traffic control systems. An Airbus A320 aircraft of IndiGo was used for the validation flight. Monday's flight followed the calibration of the instrument landing system that helps an aircraft to land in poor visibility as well as precision approach path indicator that provides visual descent guidance information during final approach to the runway.



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BUSINESS LINE

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Air India places order for 100 more Airbus jets

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New Delhi

Air India on Monday confirmed that it has placed an order for another 100 Airbus aircraft. This is in addition to the order for 470 aircraft placed with Airbus and Boeing last year.

As per the airline, the new order comprises 10 wide body A350s and 90 narrow body A320 family of aircraft, including A321neos.

AIRBUS A350

Air India is the first Indian airline to operate the Airbus A350 and offers non-stop services from Delhi to London and New York. Meanwhile, the A320 family fleet is the backbone of Air India's domestic and short-haul operations. Besides, the latest order takes the total number of aircraft that Air India ordered with Airbus in 2023 from 250 aircraft, comprising 40 A350 and 210 A320 family aircraft, to 350.

Air India announced that it has selected Airbus' "Flight Hour Services-Component" (FHS-C) to support the maintenance requirements of its growing A350 fleet.

According to the airline, the new materials and maintenance contract will help Air India to optimise the reliability and performance of its A350 fleet, with comprehensive engineering services

and integrated component services, including on-site stock at Delhi provided by Airbus.

LATEST ORDER

Tata Sons and Air India Chairman Natarajan Chandrasekaran said, "With India's passenger growth outpacing the rest of the world, its significantly improving infrastructure, and an aspirational young population increasingly going global, we see a clear case for Air India to expand its future fleet beyond the firm orders of the 470 aircraft placed last year. These additional 100 Airbus aircraft will help to position Air India on the path to greater growth and contribute to our mission of building Air India into a world-class airline that connects India to every corner of the world."

On the aircraft manufacturer's part, Airbus CEO Guillaume Faury said, "Having personally witnessed the formidable growth of the Indian aviation sector in recent months, I am glad to see Air India renew its trust in Airbus with this additional order for both our A320 family and A350 aircraft.

"Through this continued partnership, we are committed to supporting the success of Air India's "Vihaan.AI" transformation plan under Tata's vision and leadership."

Mahindra to not use '6e' till disposal of IndiGo suit

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New Delhi, 9 December

Mahindra Electric Automobile Ltd told the Delhi High Court (HC) on Monday that it would not use the "6E" trademark for its upcoming electric car model until the trademark infringement lawsuit filed by IndiGo is decided.

Mahindra said it would be rebranding the model from 'BE 6e' to 'BE 6' but planned to contest IndiGo's claims in court. Meanwhile, IndiGo told the court that it would not pursue an injunction against the auto-maker.

The matter will now be heard in April 2025.

IndiGo had taken Mahindra Electric Automobile to the HC for infringement of its trademark "6e" in the latter's new electric car "Mahindra BE 6e", which is expected to hit Indian roads in February 2025.

The dispute arose when the registrar of trademarks on November 25 accepted Mahindra Electric's request to register the "BE 6e" mark in Class 12.

Under trademark laws, there are a total of 45 classes of trademarks, with Classes 1-34 pertaining to products and Classes 35-45 relating to services.

IndiGo operates under callsign "6e", which is also a key identifier of its branding. In aviation, a callsign is a group of letters and numbers used to identify an aircraft or aviator in air-ground communications (in this case, 6e).

The "6e" brand also offers a wide range of services to its passengers, such as seat selection, priority check-in, complimentary snacks, and the ability to flexibly reschedule and cancel journey. In addition, "6e" add-ons also offer options for extra baggage, pre-booked meals, and lounge access.



एयर इंडिया ने एयरबस को दिया 100 विमानों का ऑर्डर

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समूह द्वारा संचालित एयर इंडिया समूह ने आज कहा कि उसने यूरोप की विमान विनिर्माता कंपनी एयरबस को 100 विमानों का ऑर्डर दिया है। इसमें 90 नैरोबॉडी ए320 परिवार के विमान और 10 वाइडबॉडी ए350 विमान शामिल हैं। यह ऑर्डर पिछले साल समूह द्वारा दिए गए 470 विमानों के ऑर्डर के अलावा है।

फरवरी 2023 में एयर इंडिया ने दुनिया का दूसरा सबसे बड़ा विमान ऑर्डर दिया था। इसके तहत 250 विमानों का ऑर्डर एयरबस को और 220 का ऑर्डर बोइंग को दिया गया था। उस समय विमानन कंपनी के मुख्य वाणिज्यिक और परिवर्तन अधिकारी (सीसीटीओ) निपुण अग्रवाल ने खुलासा किया था कि विमानन कंपनी ने ऑर्डर का विस्तार करने का विकल्प सुरक्षित रखा हुआ है और इसमें 370 अतिरिक्त विमान शामिल किए जा सकते हैं। इससे



कुल संभावित ऑर्डर 840 विमानों तक पहुंच गए जिनमें से 470 विमानों का पक्का ऑर्डर और विकल्प में रूप में 370 विमान शामिल हैं।

विमानन कंपनी ने अब अपने एयरबस के कुछ विकल्पों का उपयोग किया है। टाटा संस और एयर इंडिया के चेयरमैन नटराजन चंद्रशेखरन ने बयान में कहा, 'भारत में यात्रियों की संख्या में वृद्धि बाकी दुनिया में आगे होने से इसके बुनियादी ढांचे में खासा सुधार हो रहा है और महत्वाकांक्षी युवा आबादी तेजी से वैश्विक स्तर पर जा रही है। इसलिए एयर इंडिया के मामले में हमें भविष्य के इसके बेड़े को पिछले साल दिए गए 470 विमानों के पक्के

ऑर्डर से आगे बढ़ाने की स्पष्ट स्थिति दिख रही है।'

उन्होंने कहा, 'एयरबस के ये अतिरिक्त 100 विमान एयर इंडिया को और ज्यादा वृद्धि के रास्ते पर ले जाने में मदद करेंगे और एयर इंडिया को विश्वस्तरीय विमानन कंपनी बनाने के हमारे मिशन में योगदान करेंगे जो भारत को दुनिया के हर कोने से जोड़ती है।'

एयर इंडिया समूह ने बयान में कहा, '100 अतिरिक्त विमानों के ऑर्डर के साथ एयर इंडिया को एयरबस से कुल 344 नए विमान मिलने हैं। इनमें से उसे अब तक छह ए350 विमान मिल गए हैं। एयर इंडिया ने साल 2023 में बोइंग को 220 वाइडबॉडी और नैरोबॉडी वाले विमानों का भी ऑर्डर दिया था जिसमें से 185 विमान मिलने बाकी हैं।' पूर्ण-सेवा वाली विमानन कंपनी एयर इंडिया और उसकी किरायायती विमानन क्षेत्र की सहायक कंपनी एयर इंडिया एक्सप्रेस के पास वर्तमान में क्रमशः लगभग 210 और 90 विमानों का बेड़ा है।



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Airlines in India reported 809 false bomb threats in 5 years

Airlines in India have reported 809 hoax bomb threats in the last five years, with 719 in 2024 alone, as per data tabled in Parliament. "Bureau of Civil Aviation Security has information of a total of 809 hoax bomb threats received by airlines since 2020," Minister of State for Civil Aviation Murlidhar Mohol said in a written reply to the Rajya Sabha on Monday. In 2024, 719 hoax bomb threat messages have been reported by the airlines.

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A-I places order with Airbus for 100 aircraft

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New Delhi, 9 December

Tata-run Air India Group on Monday stated that it has placed an order for 100 planes — 90 narrowbody A320 family aircraft and 10 widebody A350 aircraft — with European aircraft manufacturer Airbus.

This is in addition to the order for 470 planes that the group had placed last year.

In February 2023, Air India placed the world's second-largest aircraft order — 250 planes with Airbus and 220 with Boeing.

At the time, the airline's chief commercial and transformation officer Nipun Aggarwal revealed that the airline had secured “options” to expand the order by an additional 370 planes. This brought the

total potential orders to 840 planes, with 470 firm orders and 370 as options.

The airline has now exercised some of its Airbus options, Natarajan Chandrasekaran, chairman, Tata Sons and Air India, said in a statement.

He said, “With India's passenger growth outpacing the rest of the world, its significantly improving infrastructure and an aspirational young population increasingly going global, we see a clear case for Air India to expand its future fleet beyond the firm orders of the 470 aircraft placed last year.”

“These additional 100 Airbus aircraft will help to position Air India on the path to greater growth and

contribute to our mission of building Air India into a world-class airline that connects India to every corner of the world,” he added.

In a statement, the Air India Group stated: “With the order for 100

additional aircraft, Air India currently has a total of 344 new aircraft coming from Airbus, having received six

A350s so far. Air India, in 2023, had also placed orders for 220 wide-body and narrow-body aircraft with Boeing, of which 185 aircraft remain to be delivered.”

Full-service carrier Air India and its low-cost airline subsidiary Air India Express currently have a fleet of

about 210 and 90 planes, respectively.

Air India chief executive officer (CEO) & managing director (MD) Campbell Wilson had told reporters last month that the fleet size of Air India Group is expected to increase from 300 to about 400 by 2027.

On Monday, the group said it has signed a “Flight Hour Services-Component” contract with Airbus to provide on-side stock in Delhi and support the maintenance requirements of its growing fleet of A350 planes.

Air India's expansion is coming at a time when Airbus has been forced to cut annual production targets due to supply chain issues.

Owing to shortage of engines and other components, Airbus had in June reduced its 2024 delivery target from about 800 to 770 airplanes. Moreover, the company had in June postponed its goal of producing 75 narrow-body aircraft per month from 2026 to 2027.





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AI to add 100 Airbus planes

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Air India (AI) confirmed it placed an order to buy 100 more Airbus aircraft, including 10 widebody A350

and 90 narrow-body A320 family of aircraft. AI didn't disclose the delivery timeline. The aircraft are in addition to orders for 470 aircraft AI placed with Airbus and Boeing last year.