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Noida airport to start flight ops tomorrow

Lucknow: Commercial flight operations from the Noida International Airport in Jewar will commence on June 15, officials said on Saturday. According to the state government, domestic carrier IndiGo will first launch services from the newly developed facility. A statement said the inaugural flight is scheduled to depart from Chaudhary Charan Singh International Airport, Lucknow, at 7.05 am and arrive at the Jewar airport at 8.05 am on June 15. Officials said the first regular commercial service from the airport will thereafter operate to Bengaluru. The airport, located in Gautam Buddh Nagar district within the Yamuna Expressway Industrial Development Authority area, is considered one of the Uttar Pradesh government's flagship infrastructure projects. Officials said it will strengthen the state's position as a major aviation, logistics and connectivity hub. — PTI

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कल से नोएडा एयरपोर्ट करेगा यात्रियों का स्वागत

ग्रेटर नोएडा। सोमवार 15 जून 2026 की तारीख नोएडा एयरपोर्ट के इतिहास में स्वर्ण अक्षरों में दर्ज होगी। सुबह 8:05 बजे यात्रियों को लखनऊ से लेकर पहली फ्लाइट जेवर में नोएडा एयरपोर्ट की जमीन पर लैंड करेगी। इस मौके को खास बनाने के लिए खुद एयरपोर्ट प्रबंधन ने भी खास तैयारियाँ की हैं।

आधिकारिक सूत्रों का कहना है कि इस फ्लाइट में जहाँ केंद्र व यूपी सरकार के प्रमुख मंत्री व अधिकारी यात्रा कर सकते हैं। वहीं गौतमबुद्ध नगर के कुछ कारोबारी और उद्यमी भी इस दिन के साक्षी बनेंगे।

एयरपोर्ट प्रबंधन से मिली जानकारी के मुताबिक लखनऊ से



नोएडा इंटरनेशनल एयरपोर्ट से उड़ान भरता विमान। फ़्लैग

रनवे पर पहले उतरेगा लखनऊ से आया विमान, बंगलूरु के लिए भरी जाएगी पहली उड़ान

7:05 बजे लांच करियर इंडिगो एयरलाइंस की फ्लाइट यात्रियों को लेकर टेक ऑफ करेगी। करीब एक

घंटे की यात्रा के बाद नोएडा एयरपोर्ट जिसका आईएटीए कोड डीएक्सएन है, पर लैंड करेगी। एयरपोर्ट से जुड़े अधिकारियों का कहना है कि अभी इंडिगो पहले दिन अपनी फ्लाइट का संचालन करेगी।

अगले दिन से अकासा की फ्लाइट शुरू होगी। 15 जून को जहाँ लखनऊ और बंगलूरु की फ्लाइट हैं। वहीं 16 जून से हैदराबाद, जम्मू, अमृतसर जुड़ जाएंगे। एक जुलाई से उड़ानें नियमित होंगी हैं। इसके बाद बरेली, नवी मुंबई, श्रीनगर, जयपुर, जोधपुर, धर्मशाला, भोपाल, चंडीगढ़, किशनगढ़, देहरादून के लिए भी फ्लाइट शुरू होंगी हैं। ब्यूरो

नोएडा एयरपोर्ट से पहली कार्गो फ्लाइट 17 जून को भरेगी उड़ान

पहले चरण में 2.55 लाख मीट्रिक टन है वार्षिक कार्गो क्षमता

यमुना सिटी। नोएडा इंटरनेशनल एयरपोर्ट 15 जून से शुरू होने जा रहा है और यात्री विमान रनवे पर लैंडिंग करने लगेंगे। यात्री विमानों के साथ ही एयरपोर्ट से कार्गो उड़ानों की तैयारी भी पूरी कर ली गई है। 17 जून को एयरपोर्ट से पहली कार्गो फ्लाइट उड़ान भरेगी। पहली कार्गो फ्लाइट घरेलू होगी, जिसके बाद जुलाई से यहां कार्गो की नियमित सेवा शुरू हो जाएगी। कार्गो तैयार करने वाली कंपनी ने यूरोप तक अपना नेटवर्क तैयार किया है।

कार्गो उड़ानों के लिए एयर इंडिया सेटस की ओर से तैयारी की जा रही है। 17 जून को नोएडा इंटरनेशनल एयरपोर्ट से सुबह 5:30 बजे पहली कार्गो फ्लाइट उड़ान भरेगी। एयर इंडिया सेटस ने नोएडा एयरपोर्ट से मध्य पूर्व, दक्षिण पूर्व एशिया और यूरोप तक नेटवर्क जोड़ने की तैयारी की है। इसके लिए एयरलाइंस और हितधारकों से बातचीत चल रही है। जल्दी ही इस पर अमल शुरू हो जाएगा। नोएडा एयरपोर्ट से पहली कार्गो फ्लाइट खाना होने के बाद जुलाई से यहां पर नियमित कार्गो सेवा शुरू करने की तैयारी की जा रही है। यमुना इंटरनेशनल एयरपोर्ट प्राइवेट लिमिटेड और एयर इंडिया सेटस ने नोएडा इंटरनेशनल एयरपोर्ट (एनआईए) से कार्गो संचालन को संयुक्त रूप से विकसित और विस्तारित करने के लिए साझेदारी की थी। जिसके बाद कार्गो का काम तेजी से आगे बढ़ रहा है।



80 एकड़ में कार्गो हब

एयर इंडिया सेटस ने नोएडा इंटरनेशनल एयरपोर्ट पर लगभग 80 एकड़ में कार्गो हब तैयार किया है। यहां से कार्गो की राष्ट्रीय और अंतर्राष्ट्रीय सुविधाएं लोगों को मिलेंगी। पहले चरण में कार्गो की वार्षिक क्षमता 2.55 लाख मीट्रिक टन है। यहां कार्गो टर्मिनल, वेयरहाउस, ट्रकिंग इंफ्रास्ट्रक्चर और डिजिटल मैनेजमेंट सिस्टम तैयार किया गया है।

एयरपोर्ट संचालन से पहले पुलिस ने कसी कमर

ग्रेटर नोएडा। आगामी 15 जून से एयरपोर्ट के प्रस्तावित संचालन को देखते हुए गौतम बुद्धनगर पुलिस प्रशासन ने तैयारियां तेज कर दी हैं। डीसीपी ग्रेटर नोएडा डॉ. प्रवीण रंजन सिंह ने शनिवार को परी चौक, नॉलेज पार्क मेट्रो स्टेशन और अल्फा-1 क्षेत्र का स्थलीय निरीक्षण कर यातायात एवं सुरक्षा व्यवस्थाओं का जायजा लिया। डीसीपी ने एयरपोर्ट जाने वाले यात्रियों की सुविधा, ट्रैफिक प्रबंधन, पार्किंग व्यवस्था और सुरक्षा इंतजामों की विस्तार से समीक्षा की। उन्होंने संबंधित अधिकारियों को निर्देश दिए कि सभी आवश्यक व्यवस्थाएं समय रहते पूरी कर ली जाएं।

जमीन देने वाले 180 किसान जाएंगे लखनऊ

यमुना सिटी। नोएडा इंटरनेशनल एयरपोर्ट से उड़ानें 15 जून से शुरू होने जा रही हैं। एयरपोर्ट में पहला विमान लखनऊ से उड़ान भरकर आएगा और रनवे पर उतरेंगे। इसमें विभिन्न अधिकारी और मंत्रीगण शामिल होंगे, जो लखनऊ से यात्रा करके नोएडा एयरपोर्ट आएंगे। इसके बाद एयरपोर्ट से एक विमान लखनऊ की ओर खाना होगा, जिसमें एयरपोर्ट के लिए जमीन देने वाले 180 किसान शामिल होंगे। जेवर विधायक की ओर से इन किसानों को लखनऊ ले जाने की तैयारी की गई है। 15 जून को सुबह 8:05 मिनट पर लखनऊ से आने वाली फ्लाइट रनवे पर लैंड करेगी। इसके बाद यह 8:35 पर बैंगलुरु के लिए खाना हो जाएगी। इसके बाद 180 सीटर विशेष विमान एयरपोर्ट से लखनऊ के लिए खाना होगा, जिसमें एयरपोर्ट के लिए जमीन देने वाले किसान शामिल होंगे। लखनऊ जाने वाले किसानों की सुबी लगभग फाइनल हो चुकी है और इनकी सूचना भी उच्च अधिकारियों को भेजी जा चुकी है। जेवर विधायक के साथ यह सभी लखनऊ पहुंचेंगे इसके बाद इनकी मुलाकात मुख्यमंत्री योगी आदित्यनाथ से कराई जाएगी।

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एएआई की परीक्षण उड़ान सफल

- आरएनपी और आईएलएस सिस्टम की हुई गहन जांच
- सुरक्षा व वीवीआईपी तैयारियों को भी अंतिम रूप देने में जुटा प्रशासन

ग्रेटर नोएडा, 13 जून (देशबन्धु)। नोएडा इंटरनेशनल एयरपोर्ट के उद्घाटन से पहले तैयारियों को अंतिम रूप दिया जा रहा है। एयरपोर्ट को प्रत्येक तकनीकी, परिचालन और सुरक्षा मानक पर परखा जा रहा है ताकि संचालन शुरू होने के पहले दिन से ही यात्रियों को विश्वस्तरीय सुविधाएं उपलब्ध कराई जा सकें। इसी क्रम में शनिवार को एयरपोर्ट अथॉरिटी ऑफ इंडिया (एएआई) के विमान ने एयरपोर्ट पर सफल परीक्षण उड़ान भरकर एक और महत्वपूर्ण चरण पूरा किया। परीक्षण उड़ान के दौरान एयरपोर्ट की विभिन्न तकनीकी व्यवस्थाओं का व्यापक मूल्यांकन किया गया। विशेष रूप से आरएनपी (रिक्वायर्ड नेविगेशन परफॉर्मेंस) और आईएलएस (इंस्ट्रुमेंट लैंडिंग सिस्टम) अप्रोच की वैधता एवं कार्यक्षमता की गहन जांच की गई। इसके अलावा रनवे संचालन, नेविगेशन सिस्टम, विमान की सुरक्षित लैंडिंग तथा अन्य उड़ान संबंधी प्रक्रियाओं का भी परीक्षण किया गया। सभी मानकों पर व्यवस्थाएं संतोषजनक पाए जाने के बाद



परीक्षण विमान निर्धारित कार्यक्रम के अनुसार वापस रवाना हो गया।

इससे पहले इंडिगो एयरलाइंस के विमान के माध्यम से भी एयरपोर्ट की परिचालन तैयारियों का परीक्षण किया जा चुका है। उस दौरान विमान की डॉकिंग, ईंधन भरने की प्रक्रिया, यात्रियों के सामान की हैंडलिंग, पुशबैक ऑपरेशन और एरोब्रिज उपकरणों के संचालन का सफल अभ्यास किया गया था। इन परीक्षणों का उद्देश्य एयरपोर्ट संचालन से जुड़ी प्रत्येक प्रक्रिया को व्यवहारिक रूप से जांचना और किसी भी संभावित कमी को पहले ही दूर करना है।

एयरपोर्ट प्रशासन के अधिकारियों के अनुसार सभी विभागों को संचालन शुरू होने से पहले आवश्यक दिशा-निर्देश जारी कर दिए गए हैं। कर्मचारियों को विभिन्न

परिस्थितियों से निपटने के लिए प्रशिक्षित किया गया है और संबंधित एजेंसियों के बीच समन्वय को मजबूत बनाया गया है। अधिकारियों का कहना है कि एयरपोर्ट को पूर्ण रूप से संचालन के लिए तैयार करने हेतु हर स्तर पर लगातार समीक्षा की जा रही है।

पहली व्यवसायिक उड़ान के साथ कई केंद्रीय और प्रदेश स्तरीय वीवीआईपी अतिथियों के आने की संभावना को देखते हुए प्रोटोकॉल और स्वागत व्यवस्थाओं को भी अंतिम रूप दिया जा रहा है। एयरपोर्ट परिसर में आगंतुकों की आवाजाही, यातायात प्रबंधन और विशेष अतिथियों की सुरक्षा को लेकर अलग-अलग कार्ययोजनाएं तैयार की गई हैं। सुरक्षा व्यवस्था को लेकर भी प्रशासन पूरी तरह सतर्क है। गौतमबुद्ध नगर की पुलिस कमिश्नर लक्ष्मी सिंह स्वयं एयरपोर्ट

और उसके आसपास के क्षेत्रों में सुरक्षा तैयारियों की समीक्षा कर रही हैं। उन्होंने संबंधित अधिकारियों को सुरक्षा प्रबंधों को और मजबूत करने, निगरानी व्यवस्था को प्रभावी बनाने तथा सभी आवश्यक इंतजाम समयबद्ध तरीके से पूरे करने के निर्देश दिए हैं। नोएडा इंटरनेशनल एयरपोर्ट के संचालन के साथ ही पश्चिमी उत्तर प्रदेश को अंतरराष्ट्रीय हवाई संपर्क का नया द्वार मिलने जा रहा है। यह एयरपोर्ट न केवल क्षेत्र की कनेक्टिविटी को नई पहचान देगा, बल्कि व्यापार, पर्यटन, निवेश और रोजगार के नए अवसर भी पैदा करेगा। लगातार सफल हो रहे परीक्षण इस बात का संकेत हैं कि एयरपोर्ट अब अपने बहुप्रतीक्षित व्यवसायिक संचालन के लिए पूरी तरह तैयार होने की दिशा में तेजी से आगे बढ़ रहा है।

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बोड़ाकी बनेगा उत्तर भारत का नया ट्रांसपोर्ट हब

ग्रेटर नोएडा, 13 जून (देशबन्धु)। बोड़ाकी क्षेत्र में प्रस्तावित मल्टी मॉडल ट्रांसपोर्ट हब (एमएमटीएच) परियोजना को बड़ा प्रशासनिक और तकनीकी बल मिला है। रेलवे ने परियोजना के लिए 47 हेक्टेयर से अधिक भूमि अधिग्रहण का आधिकारिक नोटिफिकेशन जारी कर दिया है। इसके साथ ही अब जिला प्रशासन अधिग्रहण की आगे की प्रक्रिया को तेज गति से आगे बढ़ाएगा। यह भूमि बोड़ाकी रेलवे स्टेशन के विस्तार, रेलवे अवसंरचना विकास और मल्टीमॉडल परिवहन सुविधाओं के निर्माण में उपयोग की जाएगी।

महत्वाकांक्षी परियोजना के तहत बोड़ाकी रेलवे स्टेशन को विश्वस्तरीय सुविधाओं से लैस आधुनिक परिवहन केंद्र के रूप में विकसित किया जाएगा। स्टेशन परिसर में 13 नए प्लेटफॉर्म बनाए जाने की योजना है, जिससे यह क्षेत्र राष्ट्रीय राजधानी क्षेत्र का एक प्रमुख रेल और लॉजिस्टिक्स केंद्र बनकर उभरेगा। परियोजना के पूरा होने के बाद दिल्ली, नई दिल्ली और आनंद विहार जैसे प्रमुख रेलवे टर्मिनलों पर यात्रियों और ट्रेनों का दबाव काफी

■ 47 हेक्टेयर भूमि अधिग्रहण की प्रक्रिया शुरू

■ 13 नए प्लेटफॉर्म, आधुनिक रेलवे टर्मिनल और लॉजिस्टिक हब से बदलेगी ग्रेटर नोएडा की तस्वीर

हद तक कम होने की उम्मीद है।

बोड़ाकी में विकसित हो रहे मल्टीमॉडल ट्रांसपोर्ट हब को दिल्ली-मुंबई इंडस्ट्रियल कॉरिडोर (डीएमआईसी) के तहत तैयार किए जा रहे मल्टीमॉडल लॉजिस्टिक हब से भी जोड़ा जाएगा। इसके लिए लगभग तीन किलोमीटर लंबी नई रेलवे लाइन बिछाई जाएगी, जो माल परिवहन और औद्योगिक गतिविधियों को नई गति प्रदान करेगी। साथ ही यहां एक अत्याधुनिक रेलवे टर्मिनल का निर्माण भी प्रस्तावित है, जिससे यात्रियों को बेहतर कनेक्टिविटी और आधुनिक सुविधाएं उपलब्ध होंगी।

रेलवे की अधिसूचना के अनुसार भूमि अधिग्रहण चमरावली बोड़ाकी, दादरी, तिलपता करनवास, कटेहरा, पाली, पल्ला तथा चमरावली रामगढ़

गांवों की भूमि पर किया जाएगा। परियोजना के विभिन्न चरणों में इन गांवों की जमीन का उपयोग किया जाएगा। स्टेशन विस्तार के कारण कुछ आवासीय भवन भी प्रभावित हो सकते हैं, जिसके लिए नियमानुसार प्रक्रिया अपनाई जाएगी।

ग्रेटर नोएडा प्राधिकरण के मुख्य कार्यपालक अधिकारी एनजी रवि कुमार ने कहा कि रेलवे की अधिसूचना जारी होने के बाद जिला प्रशासन और संबंधित विभागों के सहयोग से परियोजना की प्रक्रिया को तेजी से आगे बढ़ाया जाएगा। उन्होंने बताया कि एमएमटीएच परियोजना क्षेत्र की परिवहन व्यवस्था, औद्योगिक विकास और आर्थिक गतिविधियों के लिए गेम चेंजर साबित होगी।

विशेषज्ञों का मानना है कि मल्टीमॉडल ट्रांसपोर्ट हब और लॉजिस्टिक हब के विकसित होने से ग्रेटर नोएडा राष्ट्रीय माल परिवहन नेटवर्क का महत्वपूर्ण केंद्र बन जाएगा। इससे उद्योगों को तेज और सुगम माल ढुलाई की सुविधा मिलेगी, निवेश आकर्षित होगा और क्षेत्र में रोजगार के नए अवसर भी सृजित होंगे।

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जेवर एयरपोर्ट शुरू होने से पहले पुलिस ने परखी यातायात व सुरक्षा व्यवस्था

ग्रेटर नोएडा, 13 जून (देशबन्धु)। जेवर एयरपोर्ट के संचालन को लेकर ग्रेटर नोएडा में प्रशासनिक और सुरक्षा तैयारियां अंतिम चरण में पहुंच गई हैं। एयरपोर्ट शुरू होने के बाद यात्रियों की बढ़ने वाली आवाजाही को देखते हुए पुलिस और यातायात विभाग



■ परी चौक से एयरपोर्ट तक सफर सुगम बनाने की तैयारी

व्यवस्थाओं को दुरुस्त करने में जुटे हैं। इसी क्रम में शनिवार को प्रमुख यातायात और सार्वजनिक स्थलों का निरीक्षण कर सुरक्षा एवं ट्रैफिक प्रबंधन का जायजा लिया गया। पुलिस कमिश्नर लक्ष्मी सिंह के निर्देश पर डीसीपी ग्रेटर नोएडा डॉ. प्रवीण रंजन सिंह ने परी चौक, नॉलेज पार्क मेट्रो स्टेशन और अल्फा-1 क्षेत्र का स्थलीय निरीक्षण किया। इस दौरान उन्होंने एयरपोर्ट जाने वाले यात्रियों की

सुविधा, यातायात व्यवस्था और सुरक्षा इंतजामों की समीक्षा की। निरीक्षण के दौरान परी चौक क्षेत्र में ट्रैफिक संचालन, पार्किंग व्यवस्था, सार्वजनिक परिवहन सुविधाओं और प्रमुख मार्गों की स्थिति का अवलोकन किया गया। डीसीपी ने संबंधित अधिकारियों को निर्देश दिए कि एयरपोर्ट संचालन के बाद यात्रियों की संख्या में संभावित वृद्धि को ध्यान में रखते हुए सभी आवश्यक व्यवस्थाएं समय रहते पूरी कर ली जाएं। साथ ही ट्रैफिक को सुचारू बनाए रखने के लिए प्रभावी कार्ययोजना लागू करने को कहा। नॉलेज पार्क मेट्रो स्टेशन और अल्फा-1 क्षेत्र में भी सुरक्षा व्यवस्था और ट्रैफिक मूवमेंट की समीक्षा की गई। डीसीपी ने अधिकारियों को संवेदनशील स्थानों पर विशेष निगरानी रखने, यातायात बाधित होने की स्थिति में तत्काल कार्रवाई करने और यात्रियों को हरसंभव सहायता उपलब्ध कराने के निर्देश दिए। निरीक्षण के दौरान प्रभारी पुलिस उपायुक्त यातायात अभय कुमार मिश्र समेत यातायात पुलिस और स्थानीय पुलिस के अधिकारी मौजूद रहे। डीसीपी ने सभी अधिकारियों और कर्मचारियों को जनसुविधा को प्राथमिकता देते हुए सतर्कता और जिम्मेदारी के साथ अपने दायित्वों का निर्वहन करने के निर्देश दिए।

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एआइ और आधुनिक तकनीक से लैस होगा नोएडा एयरपोर्ट



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जेर: नोएडा इंटरनेशनल एयरपोर्ट से 15 जून को कमर्शियल फ्लाइट के संचालन से पहले बीसीएस की स्टैंडर्ड आपरेटिंग प्रोसिजर (एसओपी) के अनुसार विश्वस्तरीय सुरक्षा के पुख्ता इंतजाम किए गए हैं। एयरपोर्ट की हाईटेक सुरक्षा के लिए मल्टी-लेयर सिक्वोरिटी, एआइ आधारित निगरानी, एंटी-ड्रोन सिस्टम और 1030 सीआइएसएफ जवानों की तैनाती के साथ ही उत्तर प्रदेश पुलिस की तरफ से एयरपोर्ट थाने का संचालन शुरू किया गया है। आधुनिक खतरों को ध्यान में रखते हुए एडवांस एंटी-ड्रोन सिस्टम, आपात स्थिति से निपटने के लिए एयरपोर्ट पर फायर फाइटिंग यूनिट,

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• सीआइएसएफ के 1030 जवानों के अलावा यूपी पुलिस व एयरपोर्ट के निजी सुरक्षा कर्मी रहेंगे तेनात



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मेडिकल इमरजेंसी रिस्पान्स टीम के अलावा क्विक रिप्लेशन टीमों हर आतंकी हमले और आपात स्थिति से निपटने के लिए तैयार रहेंगे।

एयरपोर्ट पर सुरक्षा की पूरी जिम्मेदारी सीआइएसएफ जवानों को दी गई है। रनवे की निगरानी के लिए एआइ से लैस हाई रेजोल्यूशन कैमरे रियल-टाइम मॉनीटरिंग करते हुए फेस रिकग्निशन, बिहेवियर एनालिसिस और संदिग्ध गतिविधियों की आटो

डिटेक्शन करते हुए सुरक्षा कर्मियों को अलर्ट देंगे। बेहद जोखिम वाले बम आदि का पता लगाने और उन्हें निष्क्रिय करने के लिए सीआइएसएफ की ब्यूआरटी को मिनी रिमोटली आपरेटेड व्हीकल (एमआरओबी) से लैस किया गया है। एमआरओबी में लगे सेंसर संदिग्ध वस्तु और बम की पहचान करने के साथ ही बेहद कम समय में उसे सुरक्षित स्थान पर निष्क्रिय करने की क्षमता रखता है।

नोएडा एयरपोर्ट पर फिर हुई तकनीकी उपकरणों की जांच

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नोएडा एयरपोर्ट से 15 जून से यात्री सेवाओं की शुरुआत होगी। इंडिगो एयरलाइंस का विमान लखनऊ से उड़ान भर कर यात्रियों के साथ सुबह करीब अठ बजे नोएडा एयरपोर्ट के रनवे पर उतरेगा। यात्रियों में मंत्री व अधिकारियों के शामिल होने की भी संभावना है। उनके स्वागत को लेकर एयरपोर्ट पर तैयारी चल रही है। विमान सेवा को लेकर तकनीकी परीक्षण भी लगातार हो रहे हैं।

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नोएडा एयरपोर्ट पर यात्री विमान सेवा शुरू होने से पहले तैयारी अंतिम दौर में है। भारतीय विमान पत्तन प्राधिकरण

सुबह 11 बजे (एएआइ) का रनवे पर उतरा विमान शनिवार सुबह 11 बजे एयरपोर्ट के रनवे पर उतरा। इस दौरान विमान से नेविगेशन आदि उपकरणों की सटीकता की जांच की गई।

सटीकता की जांच की गई। कुछ समय एयरपोर्ट पर ठहरने के बाद विमान रवाना हो गया। एयरपोर्ट पर यात्री सेवा को लेकर तैयारियों को लगातार परखा जा रहा है।

नोएडा एयरपोर्ट से 15 जून से यात्री



नोएडा इंटरनेशनल एयरपोर्ट पर खड़ा एएआइ का विमान।

सेवाओं की शुरुआत होगी। इंडिगो एयरलाइंस का विमान लखनऊ से उड़ान भर कर यात्रियों के साथ सुबह करीब आठ बजे नोएडा एयरपोर्ट के रनवे पर उतरेगा। यात्रियों में मंत्री व अधिकारियों के शामिल होने की भी संभावना है। उनके स्वागत को लेकर एयरपोर्ट पर तैयारी चल रही है। विमान सेवा को

लेकर तकनीकी परीक्षण भी लगातार हो रहे हैं। एयरपोर्ट की सुरक्षा व अन्य कार्य से जुड़ी एजेंसियों भी अपनी तैयारी पूरी करने में जुटी हैं। अधिकारियों का कहना है कि एयरपोर्ट से अंतरराष्ट्रीय उड़ान सेवा शुरू होने से पहले कस्टम समेत अन्य केंद्रीय विभागों के कर्मचारी भी तैनात हो जाएंगे।

उड़ानें कल से शुरू होंगी, रनवे संचालन समेत अन्य व्यवस्थाएं जांचीं नोएडा एयरपोर्ट पर एएआई का विमान उतरने का परीक्षण सफल



ग्रेटर नोएडा, कार्यालय संवाददाता। नोएडा इंटरनेशनल एयरपोर्ट जेवर से 15 जून से व्यावसायिक उड़ानें शुरू हो रही हैं। इससे जुड़ी तैयारियों को अंतिम रूप दिया जा रहा है। शनिवार को एयरपोर्ट अथॉरिटी ऑफ इंडिया (एएआई) के विमान को उतारा गया और परीक्षण उड़ान सफल रही। इस दौरान इस दौरान नेविगेशन सिस्टम, रनवे संचालन और अन्य तकनीकी व्यवस्थाओं की गहन जांच की गई।

अधिकारी के मुताबिक नोएडा एयरपोर्ट को हर तकनीकी और परिचालन मानक पर परखा जा रहा है, ताकि शुरुआत से ही यात्रियों को बेहतर सेवाएं मिल सकें। एएआई के विमान को रनवे पर उतार कर विशेष रूप से आरएनपी (रिक्वायर्ड नेविगेशन परफॉर्मंस) और आईएलएस (इंस्ट्रुमेंट लैंडिंग सिस्टम) संपर्क की वैधता की जांच की गई। इसके अलावा विमान की डॉकिंग, टर्न-अराउंड गतिविधियां और



जेवर स्थित नोएडा इंटरनेशनल एयरपोर्ट पर शनिवार को एयरपोर्ट अथॉरिटी ऑफ इंडिया के विमान को उतारा गया। इस दौरान परीक्षण किया गया। • हिन्दुस्तान

अन्य ग्राउंड ऑपरेशंस का भी परीक्षण किया गया। सभी परीक्षण सफल रहने के बाद विमान वापस रवाना हो गया। बता दें कि इससे पहले इंडिगो एयरलाइंस का विमान भी एयरपोर्ट पर उतारकर विभिन्न व्यवस्थाओं का अभ्यास किया गया था। एयरपोर्ट प्रशासन के अनुसार संचालन शुरू होने से पहले कर्मचारियों को आवश्यक दिशा-निर्देश दिए जा चुके हैं।

पुलिस आयुक्त कर रही सुरक्षा तैयारियों की समीक्षा

एयरपोर्ट पर विमानों का संचालन शुरू होने से पहले सभी विभागों को पूरी तरह तैयार रहने को कहा गया है। इंडिगो विमान के अभ्यास के दौरान डॉकिंग, ईंधन भरने, सामान की हैंडलिंग, पुशबैक और एरोब्रिज उपकरणों के संचालन जैसी प्रक्रियाओं का सफल परीक्षण किया गया। पहली उड़ान के साथ कई वीवीआईपी मेहमानों के आने की संभावना है। इसके महेनजर प्रोटोकॉल और स्वागत व्यवस्था की तैयारियां भी तेज कर दी गई हैं। पुलिस आयुक्त लक्ष्मी सिंह खुद एयरपोर्ट और उसके आसपास के क्षेत्रों की सुरक्षा तैयारियों की समीक्षा कर रही हैं। सभी इंतजाम समय पर पूरे करने के निर्देश दिए हैं।

ट्रांसपोर्ट हब प्रोजेक्ट को रफ्तार मिलेगी

ग्रेटर नोएडा, कार्यालय संवाददाता। ग्रेटर नोएडा में बोड़ा की गांव के पास प्रस्तावित मल्टीमॉडल ट्रांसपोर्ट हब (एमएमटीएच) परियोजना को अब रफ्तार मिलेगी। इसके लिए सात गांवों की 47 हेक्टेयर से अधिक जमीन अधिग्रहण की अधिसूचना जारी की गई है।

रेलवे द्वारा जारी की गई अधिसूचना के बाद बाद जिला प्रशासन अधिग्रहण की कार्रवाई को पूरा करेगा। अधिकारी के मुताबिक बोड़ा की रेलवे स्टेशन का विस्तार कर इसे एमएमटीएच के रूप में विकसित किया जा रहा है। यह 358 एकड़ में फैला होगा। एक ही परिसर में रेल, मेट्रो और बस की सुविधा मिलेगी।

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CHENNAI

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Parandur airport crucial for State to achieve \$1.5 trillion economy: experts

It will not only improve connectivity but also attract investments, support exports, and prove city's global competitiveness. An airport must be viewed not only as a transport hub, but also as a strategic economic asset, they say at a panel discussion

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CHENNAI

For Tamil Nadu, which is aiming to become a \$1.5 trillion economy, it is crucial for Chennai to get a second airport at Parandur at the earliest, say experts.

While speaking at a panel discussion on why Parandur is vital for the city and the State, industry leaders said it would not only improve connectivity but also attract investments, support exports, and showcase Chennai's global competitiveness. It is important to view an airport not only as a transport hub but also as a strategic economic asset that will unlock new opportunities, they said.

K. Phanindra Reddy, a former IAS officer, said, "The second airport is like regaining a lost opportunity. You cannot get back the time and opportunities lost, but you can at least ensure that you lose no further. The decision will be made very quickly. This State has great strengths,



Need of the hour: J. Krishnan, partner, S. Natesa Iyer Logistics LLP; V.K. Girish Pandian, president of the Industrial Estate Manufacturers Association, Guindy; Vijay Gopalan, former CFO, AirAsia India; and ex-IAS officer K. Phanindra Reddy at a panel discussion. S.R. RAGHUNATHAN

and this gap must be overcome."

J. Krishnan, partner, S. Natesa Iyer Logistics LLP, and governing council member of Madras Chamber of Commerce and Industries, said Chennai was unique in having both a port and an airport, but while other cities woke up early and realised the need for a second airport, the city missed the bus long ago. "Tamil Nadu is one of the premier States in the country contributing to the

tax kitty, [has created a lot of] employment [opportunities], has a motivated workforce, and very few States boast such advantages. But it has not been leveraged. Chennai has been focusing on semiconductor, IT, ITES, and hence, air cargo is increasingly important. The current infrastructure is highly inadequate. We need to think fast and act right and rapidly," he added.

V.K. Girish Pandian, president of the Industrial Es-

tate Manufacturers Association, Guindy, said the government's priority must be to ensure that the second airport is established at a good time.

Vijay Gopalan, former CFO of AirAsia India, said the Parandur airport would be hugely beneficial for the State economically. He recollected how the airline, which wanted to make Chennai its hub, eventually chose the Bengaluru airport in 2013, and highlighted the capacity

constraints of the existing city airport.

"Some of the best cities in the world such as Singapore, Hong Kong, Tokyo, and Dubai are aviation hubs. Even ten years ago, we had an opportunity. There is only so much we can do with the existing airport, and we need a much larger airport. In front of our eyes, we lost to Bengaluru. The second airport is not a luxury but an absolute necessity for the State," he said.

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Ranchi airport posts ₹87.56 cr net profit in FY 2025-26 as passenger traffic hits 27 lakh

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Ranchi

The Birsa Munda Airport generated a net profit of ₹87.56 crore in the 2025-26 financial year, while passenger traffic reached 27 lakh during the fiscal, its director Vinod Kumar said on Saturday.

He said the airport's remarkable progress in passenger traffic, amenities, financial performance, and infrastructural development reflects the economic progress of Jharkhand.

"In FY 2023-24, the airport earned a profit of ₹49.21 crore, which increased to ₹64.60 crore in FY 2024-25. It further rose to ₹87.56 crore in the financial year of 2025-26. This achievement



reflects continuous improvement in operational efficiency and revenue generation capacity," Kumar said.

About passenger traffic,

he said the airport handled about 27 lakh passengers in 2025-26, a significant increase from 6.5 lakh in 2014-15.

"This growth symbolises

the flourishing economic activities, trade, tourism, and improved air connectivity in Jharkhand," Kumar added.

Several important devel-

opment projects have been completed at the airport in recent years, which include the construction of a new air traffic control (ATC) tower, installation of DVOR and ILS systems, apron expansion, passenger boarding bridges, expansion of the security area, and modernisation of passenger facilities.

"These projects have further strengthened the airport's capacity, safety, and operational efficiency," its director said. Kumar said the airport will organise 'Yatri Suvidha Divas' on June 15.

A series of programmes will be organised to promote passenger convenience, public awareness,

social responsibility, environmental conservation, and the enrichment of local culture on the occasion, he said.

To promote environmental conservation, a tree plantation and sapling distribution drive will also be conducted.

"To showcase Jharkhand's rich cultural heritage, folk dances, local art, and handicraft exhibitions will be organised. Painting and quiz competitions will be held for children, while blood donation camps, free health check-up camps for passengers and stakeholders, and free eye check-up camps for taxi and auto drivers will also be organised," Kumar added.



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LUCKNOW

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Bomb hoax delays Lko-Delhi flight at Amausi airport

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■ Lucknow

A Lucknow-Delhi Indigo flight was delayed on Friday after a hoax bomb threat was received shortly before it was to take off from the Chaudhary Charan Singh International Airport at Amausi here.

The IndiGo flight carrying around 180 passengers was scheduled to depart from Lucknow at 11:15 am however

sources said that a tissue paper with "bomb" written on it was found inside the toilet of the aircraft after the boarding had been completed. The aircraft was shifted to the isolation bay and standard security protocols were followed after all concerned authorities were informed and de-boarding of passengers was carried out.

Sources said that the frisking of the passengers was completed by 12:30 pm which

was followed by a screening of the luggage. "The anti-sabotage check was completed by 1356 hours and nothing was found on the aircraft," the sources added. The plane departed at 3.05 pm.

The Indigo spokesperson, while giving details, said that shortly before take-off, a security threat was noticed onboard IndiGo flight 6E 2111 scheduled to operate from Lucknow to Delhi on June 12, 2026. "Following the estab-

lished protocol, we informed the relevant authorities immediately and fully cooperated with them in carrying out the necessary security checks. We regret the inconvenience caused to our customers. We made all efforts to minimise it including offering them refreshments and timely updates. As always, safety and security of our customers, crew and aircraft are our topmost priorities," she said.

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TELEGRAPH

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Valley airport concern

MUZAFFAR RAINA

Srinagar: The proposed closure of Kashmir's only civilian airport for weeks starting in July has sparked concern in the Valley, with chief minister Omar Abdullah on Friday taking up the issue with central ministers to caution them on the move's impact on lives and tourism here.

The announcement comes weeks after the Union cabinet approved the development of the Srinagar airport civil enclave at an estimated cost of ₹1,677 crore to enhance passenger-handling capacity, modernise aviation infrastructure and significantly improve air connectivity to and from Kashmir.

Separately, Srinagar airport recently issued a passenger advisory that said a total closure of runway operations



Srinagar airport.
File picture

was proposed from October 1 to October 16. An official said repairs were being done as part of Phase III of the runway-resurfacing project.

It also said the runway would remain unavailable on Mondays and Tuesdays from July 1 to September 30. The operations will thus remain suspended for around seven weeks between July 1 and October 16.

An official spokesperson said Omar held back-to-back meetings with defence minister Rajnath Singh and Union minister for civil aviation K. J. Somaiya in New Delhi on Friday to raise concerns over the proposed closure of the airport.

In a statement, an official spokesperson said the chief minister underscored the importance of maintaining uninterrupted air connectivity to Jammu and Kashmir, particularly during the peak autumn tourism season when the Valley attracts a large number of visitors from across the country.

The chief minister requested the defence minister to explore the possibility of operating civilian flights from the Awantipora Air Base, as was done during similar airport closures in 1998 and 2010.

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Taxiing towards takeoff: Noida Airport to compete with IGI for passengers, airlines

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New Delhi: Constrained supply struggling to cope with exploding demand has long been the prevalent theme for critical infrastructure in India, across sectors. Additional capacity becomes ready long after the existing one has got saturated and is bursting at seams. Challenges of this scenario are well known to desi consumers, who have been at the receiving end of many a demand-supply crunch.

Noida International Airport (NIA) will break this mould when it becomes operational Monday. It brings choices to air travellers in a region where the sole hub, Delhi's IGI, handled 7.8 crore flyers last year, 27% less than its current capacity of 11 crore passengers annually (CPA) with four runways and three terminals.

This West Asia war-ravaged year has not been great for the global economy in general and aviation in particu-

lar. An IGI still having room for more flights, and an NIA keen to make its mark quickly, is good news for fliers, who will have more options in the near future. But it also brings its own challenges for NIA operator Flughafen Zürich AG, an unprecedented one in India as new airports here have traffic waiting for them when they open. Not so with NIA.

Sample this. Existing airports in Bengaluru (HAL) and Hyderabad (Begumpet) were shut for commercial operations when the two IT cities got new airports in 2008. Goa got Mopa as Navy's Dabolim has restrictions on commercial operations. Mumbai got its second airport with the existing CSMIA operating way beyond capacity, so any additional flight goes to Navi Mumbai. And Vizag airport will not see commercial flights once Bhogapuram gets operational later this year.

NIA, however, will have to compete for flights with the hugely better connected IGI.

Especially during the ongoing West Asia crisis when airlines are cutting flights left, right and centre as operating costs spiral and the rupee falls.

The NIA developer had appointed Landrum & Brown (L&B), one of the world's oldest aviation planning consultancy firms, to conduct a traffic study. To determine that, L&B first did so for the Delhi region as a whole. The study projects NIA will account for about 8% of Delhi-NCR's air traffic demand this fiscal, with that share rising to almost 14% in the fiscal ending March 2030. IGI will "continue to be favoured by airlines during the initial years post commencement of operations at NIA... once traffic at IGI nears its ultimate capacity, it is expected that there will be spillage of traffic to NIA," it says.

NIA opens with an initial capacity of 1.2 crore passengers per annum (CPA), which is the capacity of IGI's oldest and smallest terminal, T2. So with no capacity constraints,

what the long-awaited second commercial airport in the short term means for Delhi-NCR fliers is more options especially in peak hours as IGI has no spare slots in highly sought morning and evening timeslots of 6-9 am/pm. People who need to reach Delhi or other big cities in time for morning business meetings and be back in time to sleep at home will have more early morning and late-night flights.

While it sounds easy, NIA has not had it easy since inception. It was to have three launch airlines — IndiGo, Akasa and Air India Express. But due to massive losses of the AI Group last fiscal, the Tata group budget carrier has pulled out of NIA. So Noida will primarily be an IndiGo airport with some flights by Akasa to begin with. Regional flights, which so far didn't get IGI slots, could make a bee-line for Noida unless Delhi airport changes its stance.

Moreover, airlines have no cost advantage at NIA. Delhi

govt has temporarily cut VAT on jet fuel to 7%, dimming the shine on Noida's 1% VAT advantage. Connectivity will also be a major issue in initial years as long as going by road is the only option for passengers and till NIA gets a metro link.

"NIA has been bid out on revenue-sharing, which is per passenger basis and there's no revenue share for cargo. Almost a quarter of air cargo destined to and from NCR comes from NIA's catchment area. However, in India, 70-75% cargo goes in the belly of passenger planes. So, unless you have enough commercial flights, cargo buildup can't happen," said an industry insider. NIA is betting big on cargo.

Taking off amid turbulence, this could have financial implications. But NIA's long-term story is rock solid. So much so that other big private airport operators in India are already seeing a role for themselves when and if Flughafen Zürich AG decides to dilute its stake in Noida Airport.

The reason is the population growth of the Delhi-NCR megapolis, which will become the most populous urban conglomerate globally by overtaking Tokyo by 2030 when population touches the 9-crore mark, according to NCR Planning Board. That is the time when NIA is projected to be completing the first of its three phase-wise expansions. Phase 1 expansion will see NIA T1 growing to a capacity of 3 CPA. The current plans are for two runways and as many terminals to reach a peak capacity of 7 CPA.

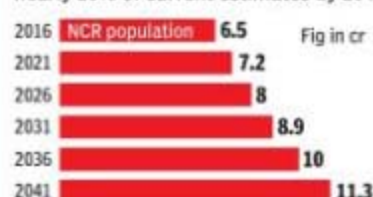
An airport is a long-term story. The Palam Airfield was established by the British in the 1930s and expanded to be used as an airbase during World War II. Commercial flights here started in 1962 when the same were moved from Safdarjung Airport due to increase in traffic. In its nineties, IGI is yet to see the final chapter in its evolution which will be the replacement of T2 with T4 sometime in the next decade.

HOW NIA PLANS TO GROW

- > Starting capacity (T1 with one runway) | 1.2 crore passengers annually (CPA)
- > T1 to expand to 3 CPA by 2030
- > Work on T2 & second runway starts when passenger traffic hits 2.4 crore
- > T2 to be built in two stages of 2 CPA each
- > Reaching 80% capacity to be trigger for launching the next phase of development
- > UP govt working to expand NIA area to over 5,000 hectares in the coming years to house many more terminals and runways

The People Rush

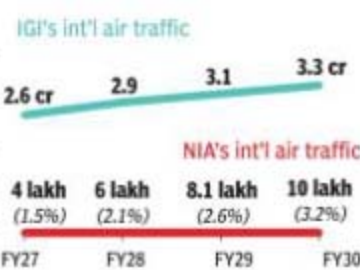
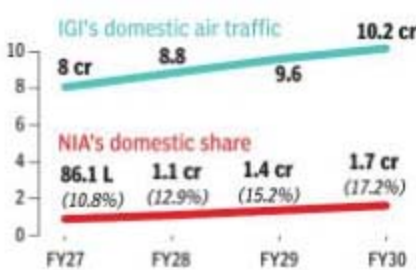
A massive urban agglomeration like Delhi-NCR needs multiple airports with its population projected to grow by nearly 50% of current estimates by 2041



Source: NCR Planning Board. Combined population of Delhi and parts of Haryana, Rajasthan and UP in the NCR

How much will Delhi's air traffic grow by 2030?
What L&B study estimates and Noida airport's share in it

Source: L&B study for NIA



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Ghats to Taj & Kumbh: Artist's 2-yr journey finds canvas

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Noida: When passengers walk into Noida International Airport on June 15, they will be greeted not just by the usual glitter of steel and glass, but by a 100-foot painting depicting the state's heritage and an installation with more than 8,500 brass bells — two artworks by Padma Shri artist Paresh Maity.

The works, commissioned nearly two years ago, had come with a straight brief: create something magical and immersive, something that would give the building a soul. Maity (61), a native of Tamluk in West Bengal whose career spans nearly five decades and 90 solo ex-

hibitions across India and abroad, rose to the challenge.

The first work, Jagriti (awakening), is a painting measuring 8 by 100 feet, composed of six panels. Completed in Oct 2025 and installed at the airport shortly thereafter, it draws its philosophical structure from Sadanga, or the six limbs of art, that form the bedrock of classical art theory.

Each of its panels is devoted to a place of religious and cultural significance in UP. The first is Varanasi with its ancient ghats and temples. The second panel depicts Sarnath, where



Artist Paresh Maity

Gautam Buddha delivered his first sermon. Two others capture the Taj Mahal in Agra at sunrise and the still waters of Kusum Sarovar in Mathura-Vrindavan. The fifth panel paints Ayodhya, the birthplace of Lord Ram, and the last is on Mahakumbh at Prayagraj, roiling with the energy of the world's largest spiritual gathering.

"The work reflects the idea of spiritual awakening and India's rich civilisational legacy," Maity said, adding that he spent nearly two years in research and travel, revisiting the six sites depict-

ed in Jagriti, sketching and absorbing before committing anything to panel.

The second work, Mystic Abode, is an installation comprising 18 panels and more than 8,500 brass bells. "The installation invites visitors to pause, engage their senses, and experience a moment of calm amid the pace of contemporary life," Maity said.

For passengers rushing to board an early flight, or waiting out a delay, the works offer a reason to stop, look and, for a moment, feel somewhere rather than merely passing through.

Maity is also credited with creating one of the world's longest murals for the international terminal at IGI Airport.

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Maintenance of Srinagar airport runway necessary, no major repair in 15 yrs: AAI

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The Airports Authority of India (AAI) on Saturday said it will undertake a major overhaul of the runway at Srinagar International Airport, with phased maintenance work planned from July and a proposed 15-day closure in October, as the runway has not undergone major repairs in the last 15 years.

AAI Director for Srinagar airport, Javed Anjum, said runway maintenance was long overdue as such repairs are generally required every 10 years.

"Every runway needs maintenance. Here, the last maintenance was done 15 years ago. Maintenance of a runway is necessary every 10 years. So, we have taken up the maintenance of the runway at the airport here," Anjum said.

According to AAI, flight operations will remain suspended on Mondays and Tuesdays from July to facilitate phased repairs. The authority has also proposed a complete closure of the runway for a



Javed Anjum, Director, Srinagar International Airport, addresses a press conference in Srinagar on Saturday. ANI

fortnight in October to carry out the final phase of the work.

"Monday and Tuesday are mandatory. For safe aircraft operations, we need safe runways. We will take up a small portion of the runway every Monday and Tuesday, while flight operations will continue during the remaining days of the week," Anjum said.

He said the final phase of the project would require a complete shutdown of the runway for 15 days in October.

The airport director, however, said the AAI would abide by any decision taken by the government regarding flight operations during the maintenance period.

"As and when we get instructions, whatever the government's plan is, we will abide by that. If we are asked to operate flights or defer the maintenance schedule, we will do so," he said.

The proposed October closure has raised con-

cerns within the tourism industry, which fears it could affect tourist arrivals during the peak Durga Puja holiday season.

Meanwhile, airport authorities said Srinagar airport continues to witness significant growth in connectivity and infrastructure development. During the Airports Authority of India's "Yatri Suvidha Diwas", officials highlighted improvements in passenger facilities, cargo operations and future expansion plans.

Passenger traffic at the airport, however, declined from 4.47 million in 2024-25 to 3.38 million in 2025-26 following the Pahalgam terror attack in April 2025, in which 26 people, mostly tourists, were killed.

Despite the dip, officials said passenger traffic had grown from 2.04 million in 2014-15 to 4.47 million in 2024-25, reflecting the airport's expanding role in regional connectivity and economic development.

"The Government of India has allocated Rs 1,667 crore for the expansion of Srinagar airport. The terminal capacity

will increase from 2.5 million passengers per annum (MPPA) to 10 MPPA, while the terminal area will expand from 20,000 sq m to 71,000 sq m. A multi-level parking facility with capacity for 1,000 vehicles will also be developed," officials said.

The new terminal will be built to international standards and will be capable of handling 15 aircraft simultaneously. The expansion project is expected to be completed within four years.

Authorities also said that, in collaboration with the Jammu and Kashmir administration and the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI), a new airport link road from the ring road is being planned to improve passenger access to the airport.

Cargo operations have also expanded significantly, with annual cargo handling increasing from 7,000 metric tonnes to 10,500 metric tonnes over the past five years. The airport currently has an annual cargo handling capacity of 40,000 metric tonnes.



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तकनीकी खराबी के कारण एयर अरेबिया की फ्लाइट डायवर्ट

कोच्चि। यूएई के शारजाह से कोझिकोड आ रही एयर अरेबिया की एक फ्लाइट को शनिवार सुबह तकनीकी खराबी के चलते कोचीन अंतरराष्ट्रीय हवाई अड्डे पर डायवर्ट करना पड़ा। कोचीन अंतरराष्ट्रीय हवाई अड्डा लिमिटेड के प्रवक्ता के अनुसार, विमान के इंजन रिक्स थ्रस्ट सिस्टम में समस्या आने के बाद फ्लाइट जी9 454 को कोच्चि में उतारा गया। एहतियात के तौर पर हवाई अड्डे पर सुबह 3:34 बजे पूर्ण आपातकाल (फुल इमरजेंसी) घोषित कर दी गई थी। विमान सुबह 3:38 बजे सुरक्षित लैंड कर गया और सभी 170 यात्री व चालक दल के सदस्य सुरक्षित हैं। विमान में नौ बच्चे भी सवार थे। खराबी ठीक होने के बाद फ्लाइट सुबह 7:15 बजे कोझिकोड के लिए रवाना हो गई। एजेंसी

AI crash: No timeline for final report

No specific details about probe status, findings

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Aircraft accident probe agency AAIB on Friday issued an interim statement on the probe into Air India's AI-171 plane crash that killed 260 people on June 12 last year, and said the final report would be released upon completion of all investigative activities, requisite international review and consultation processes.

The Aircraft Accident Investigation Bureau (AAIB) said the investigation team had undertaken an extensive and rigorous examination of all relevant technical, operational, organisational and human factors associated with the accident over the last year.

It did not provide a timeline for the final report, nor specific details about the probe status or findings so far.

The update was met with scepticism from some families, who gathered in Ahmedabad to mourn the victims.

In its interim statement on the progress of the probe, the AAIB said it remained firmly committed to conducting a thorough, independent, objective and evidence-based investigation.

"The final report will be released upon completion of all investigative activities and the requisite international review and consultation processes



Bereaved relatives at the crash site on the first anniversary of the tragedy, in Ahmedabad on Friday. REUTERS

prescribed under ICAO Annex 13," it said.

ICAO (International Civil Aviation Organization) Annexure 13 refers to investigations into aircraft accidents.

According to the AAIB, the investigation had been supported by accredited representatives, technical advisers and subject matter experts from relevant organisations.

Meanwhile, the AAIB noted that the sole purpose of an accident investigation was to enhance aviation safety through the identification of lessons and safety recommendations, and not to apportion blame or liability.

"Accordingly, the AAIB urges all stakeholders, including the media and the public, to refrain from speculation or premature conclusions while the investigation remains in progress," the statement said.

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No final report, only interim statement



Dhairya Gajara

MUMBAI

Analysis of evidence gathered to investigate the Air India AI-171 crash in Ahmedabad last year is underway, said the Aircraft Accident Investigation Bureau (AAIB) on the first anniversary of the accident. The investigative body also said it may conduct additional evaluations to ensure the conclusion is supported by scientific analysis.

Although Union Civil Aviation Minister Ram Mohan Naidu had said the final investigation report into the crash would be released by its first anniversary, AAIB did not publish the full report. On Friday, Naidu said the investigation continues with diligence and professionalism in accordance with estab-

lished national and international procedures. "We remain committed to a thorough and objective determination of the causes of the accident and to further enhancing aviation safety," he said on X. On Friday, AAIB issued an interim statement for the disaster, which occurred shortly after the Boeing 787-8 took off from Ahmedabad

AI-171 CRASH

on June 12, 2025. According to AAIB, the past 12 months have been defined by an "extensive and rigorous" gathering of evidence. It said the probe team has focused on a wide range of technical, operational, organisational, and human factors while working with internationally accredited representatives, technical advisers, and domain experts.

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No final report...

The AAIB stated that significant progress has been made in reviewing aircraft systems and flight recorder data, engine-related components, and detailed maintenance history and operational records relevant to the investigation. The agency is currently analysing the evidence gathered and the results of various examinations "in a comprehensive and integrated manner." It added that additional technical evaluations and specialist examinations, wherever considered necessary, will continue.

The Federation of Indian Pilots (FIP) has, on multiple occasions, written to the AAIB about several possible theories that might have led to the crash, raising concerns that the investigation is overlooking serious electrical problems with the Boeing 787s. In its statement on Friday, the agency said every aspect of the accident will be examined "with the utmost care and diligence so that the findings and safety recommendations command the confidence of all stakeholders."

It also urged all stakeholders, the media, and the public to refrain from speculating or jumping to premature conclusions while the investigation progresses. "The sole purpose of an accident investigation is to enhance aviation safety through the identification of lessons and safety recommendations, and not to apportion blame or liability," it added.

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LUCKNOW

IndiGo flight cleared after bomb scare

An IndiGo flight from Ahmedabad to Delhi made an emergency landing at Lucknow's airport Friday following a bomb threat found on a lavatory tissue paper. Flight 6E-2111 landed safely, and all 180 passengers were evacuated. Security agencies, including bomb disposal and dog squads, conducted a comprehensive three-hour search of the aircraft and luggage. Finding no suspicious items, authorities declared the plane safe. The flight subsequently departed for Delhi. Officials are now investigating to identify the person responsible for the hoax.

-Biswajeet Banerjee

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Bomb Scare Forces Flight's Emergency Landing in Lucknow

UP State Bureau

LUCKNOW

Panic gripped passengers aboard an Ahmedabad-to-Delhi flight after a bomb threat message was reportedly discovered on a piece of tissue paper during the journey, prompting authorities to divert the aircraft and carry out an emergency landing at Lucknow airport.

The flight was en route to Delhi when the suspicious note was found, immediately alerting the cabin crew. Following standard security protocols, airline officials



informed air traffic control and security agencies, leading to a swift decision to land the aircraft in Lucknow as a precautionary measure.

Upon arrival, the plane was moved to an isolated area of the airport where security personnel, bomb disposal squads and intelligence agencies launched a comprehensive inspection.

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Air India seeks to defer aircraft deliveries amid downsizing bid

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Air India Ltd. is looking to defer aircraft deliveries, cut flights and postpone expansion plans after majority owner Tata Group instructed the carrier to focus on reducing its record losses, according to people familiar with the matter.

The change in strategy is an abrupt pivot from an ambitious growth plan. It reflects the loss of confidence in an airline that suffered a fatal crash a year ago and has since incurred an annual loss equivalent to about \$3 billion.

The downsizing will involve a variety of efforts to reduce costs. Air India is in discussions with Airbus SE and Boeing Co. to slow down deliveries of as many as 500 planes previously ordered, said the people, who asked not to be identified because the talks are private. Doing so would enable Air India to push back the large payments due to plane makers upon delivery. The carrier is also revalu-

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ating plans to fly to new domestic and international destinations, pruning some routes and postponing launches at some airports, such as the new Noida International Airport near New Delhi, the people familiar with the matter said.

Air India's cowed ambitions follow a series of challenges that have pushed it deep into the red. The deadly crash last June, Pakistan closing its airspace to Indian carriers, and the war in Iran have disrupted flights, forced costly rerouting and driven up fuel expenses. The weak Indian rupee has also added to its financial woes since much of the airline's costs are in dollars.

The Tata Group, which took over the national carrier in 2022, now wants Air India to temper its growth strategy to focus on stabilizing current operations and implement cost-cutting measures, people familiar with the matter said. Air India earlier this year announced flight cuts due to the Iran war and airspace shut-downs. An Air India spokesperson said the Bloomberg queries were highly speculative, and the carrier remains committed to modernizing its fleet and carrying out its long-term transformation plan.

Tata and Airbus didn't respond to requests for comment. A Boeing spokesperson declined to comment.

The flag carrier, which operates its namesake Air India full-service airline and low-cost arm Air India Express, has been losing money for more than a decade even though revenue and operations have grown on the back of the country's strong economic expansion and surging travel demand.

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एयर इंडिया ने टाटा को दिया 55,000 करोड़ रुपये का घाटा

नई दिल्ली, लोकसत्य। एयर इंडिया का एक विमान पिछले साल 12 जून को अहमदाबाद में हदसे का शिकार हो गया था। उसके बाद से कंपनी को पिछले एक साल में करीब तीन अरब डॉलर यानी 28,500 करोड़ रुपये का घाटा हो चुका है। इसे देखते हुए टाटा ग्रुप ने एयर इंडिया को अपने रेकॉर्ड नुकसान को कम करने पर ध्यान देने को कहा है। ब्लूमबर्ग की एक रिपोर्ट में सूत्रों के हवाले से बताया गया है कि एयर इंडिया विमानों की डिलीवरी टालने, उड़ानें कम करने और विस्तार की योजनाओं को आगे बढ़ाने पर विचार कर रही है। एरणनीति में यह बदलाव कंपनी की महत्वाकांक्षी विकास योजना से एकदम अलग है। इस कटौती में लागत कम करने के कई प्रयास शामिल होंगे। सूत्रों ने बताया कि कंपनी एयरबस और बोइंग के साथ बातचीत कर रही है ताकि पहले ऑर्डर किए गए 500 विमानों की डिलीवरी की गति धीमी की जा सके। इससे एयर इंडिया डिलीवरी के समय किए जाने वाले बड़े भुगतान को टाल सकेगी। एयर इंडिया की चुनौती एयर इंडिया साथ ही नई घरेलू और अंतरराष्ट्रीय उड़ानों की योजनाओं की



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भी समीक्षा कर रही है, कुछ रूट कम कर रही है और कुछ हवाई अड्डों पर सेवाएं शुरू करने में देरी कर रही है। इनमें नोएडा इंटरनेशनल एयरपोर्ट भी शामिल है। एयर इंडिया की कई चुनौतियों का सामना करना पड़ा है जिससे उसे भारी नुकसान हुआ है। इस कारण उसे अपनी महत्वाकांक्षी योजनाओं पर ब्रेक लगाना पड़ रहा है। पिछले साल जून में अहमदाबाद में हुए क़ैश, पाकिस्तान के भारतीय एयरलाइंस के लिए अपना हवाई क्षेत्र बंद करने और ईरान युद्ध के कारण उड़ानें बाधित हुईं, लंबे रूट लेने पड़े

और ईंधन का खर्च बढ़ गया। रुपये में गिरावट ने भी उसकी वित्तीय मुश्किलों को बढ़ा दिया क्योंकि एयरलाइन का अधिकांश खर्च डॉलर में होता है। कुल घाटा टाटा ग्रुप ने 2022 में एयर इंडिया को खरीदा था। एयर इंडिया को 2022 से अब तक 55,000 करोड़ रुपये से ज्यादा का घाटा हो चुका है। यह नुकसान टाटा ट्रस्ट्स के बोर्ड के लिए चिंता का एक बड़ा विषय है। टाटा ग्रुप की होल्डिंग कंपनी टाटा संस के पास एयर इंडिया की ज्यादातर हिस्सेदारी है। सिंगपुर एयरलाइंस ने 2024 में एयर इंडिया में 25.1% हिस्सेदारी खरीदी थी। टाटा ग्रुप चाहता है कि एयर इंडिया अपनी ग्रीन स्ट्रैटजी को थोड़ा धीमा करे, अपने कामकाज को स्थिर करने तथा लागत कम करने के उपायों को लागू करने पर ध्यान दे। हालांकि एयर इंडिया के एक प्रवक्ता ने कहा कि एयरलाइन अपने बेड़े को आधुनिक बनाने और बदलाव की अपनी दीर्घकालिक योजना को पूरा करने के लिए प्रतिबद्ध है। टाटा और एयरबस ने टिप्पणी के अनुरोधों का जवाब नहीं दिया। बोइंग के प्रवक्ता ने टिप्पणी करने से इनकार कर दिया।

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TELEGRAPH

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Air India changes course

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Calcutta: Air India is looking to defer aircraft deliveries, cut flights and postpone expansion plans after majority owner Tata Group instructed the carrier to focus on reducing its record losses, a Bloomberg News report said on Friday.

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The carrier is also reevaluating plans to fly to new domestic and international destinations, pruning some routes and postponing launches at some airports, such as the new Noida International Airport near New Delhi, the sources told Bloomberg.

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AHMEDABAD

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AI171 crash: No report a year later, ICAO deadline missed

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Mumbai: The Aircraft Accident Investigation Bureau (AAIB) released no report on the Air India Flight 171 crash on Friday, the first anniversary of the tragedy in Ahmedabad that claimed 260 lives. It thus missed the International Civil Aviation Organisation's (ICAO) 12-month deadline for a final or interim report.

The Annex 13 document of ICAO, which lays down the guidelines for accident investigation, doesn't mandate but only recommends that member states release a final report within 12 months of an accident.

The ministry of civil aviation on Friday said that significant progress has been made in the examination and analysis of aircraft systems, flight recorder data, and engine-related components. The Federation of Indian Pilots (FIP) said it had requested the govt not to put out an interim report.

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Uma Kadam

Senior cabin supervisor Shraddha Dhawan's family at an interfaith memorial service held in Mumbai on Friday. Families and friends of 11 deceased crew members who were from Mumbai gathered to mourn their loss. AI pilot Amol Mahadik, who lost his wife and crew member Aparna, urged people 'not to jump to conclusions or place blame on the pilots or crew before the investigation is complete'

Probe in advanced stage, says AAIB

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The evidence gathered and the results of various examinations are currently being analysed in a comprehensive and integrated manner... Additional technical evaluations and specialist examination, wherever considered necessary, will continue to be undertaken to ensure that all findings and conclusions are supported by verified evidence and scientific analysis," the ministry said.

For decades, India had honoured the 12-month deadline for fatal airline accident reports, but since the 2010 Air India Express Mangalore accident, that trend has changed. The final report was released in 2012. The final report into the 2020 Air India Express crash in Kozhikode was released 13 months later. Prior to that, the final reports of the 2000 Alliance Air Patna crash, 1996 Charkhi Dadri mid-air collision, 1993 Indian Airlines Aurangabad, 1991 Indian Airlines Imphal, and 1990 Indian Airlines Bengaluru accident and other accidents were released within a year of occurrence.

Under ICAO's Annex 13, the purpose of an investigation is to find out the causes in order to prevent a repeat. The ICAO, hence, recommends that if a final report cannot be released in 12 months, an interim report must be released to the public on the anniversary, to be repeated annually until the final report is out. India did not release an interim report on Friday.

"Given the controversy surrounding the AI 171 accident, we requested the govt to not release an interim report," said Capt C S Randhawa, president of the Federation of Indian Pilots (FIP).

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one stating that the pilot sabotaged the aircraft and the other that the B787 suffered a fatal technical fault — have been at the centre of controversy. "The interim report will lead to greater confusion and speculations. Such an action could be detrimental to the AAIB probe," said a letter sent by FIP to the govt early this week.

The closest international parallel to AI 171 may be Ethiopian Airlines Flight 302, the 2019 Boeing 737 MAX crash that killed 157 people. Days after the accident, B737 MAX was grounded the world over. Ethiopia released the final report in Dec 2022. In an unusual response, the US's National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) and France's Bureau of Enquiry and Analysis (BEA) issued separate critiques. The NTSB said the report shifted blame away from the airline and its pilots, while containing factual errors. It also said that Ethiopia had issued the report without letting the NTSB review newly added material, as required under ICAO's Annex 13. By contrast, Indonesia's investigation into the related Lion Air 610 B737 MAX crash was completed and released almost exactly on the one-year deadline.

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BANGLORE

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As losses begin to hurt, AI asked to downsize Majority Owner Tata Group Tells Airline To Focus On Reducing Its Record Losses

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Didn't want interim report out: Pilots' body

Told Govt There'd Be 'Confusion, Speculation' Given Conflicting Theories About Ahd Crash

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ther investigations being carried out," said a letter sent by FIP to the govt early this week.

The London-bound AI171 crashed immediately after taking off from Ahmedabad airport on June 12, 2025. Of the 242 people on board,



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241 were killed, and 19 other victims were from the ground at the hostel complex of Ahmedabad's B.J Medical College that the plane crashed into.

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MUMBAI

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Can't believe it's been a year, say kin of crew members who died

Srimoyee Palit

Mumbai: "When I got to know that the aircraft was flying to Gatwick (airport in London), I was sure that it was the aircraft which had Aparna on board. But I was still hopeful. The same night I landed in Mumbai and came to know that none of the crew had survived. I can't believe it has been one year since then." As Air India employees, former colleagues, friends and family members gathered in Mumbai on Friday to mark the first anniversary of the AI171 crash in Ahmedabad, Amol Mahadik's recollection of the day he lost his wife captured the grief that continues to linger within the airline community.

The London-bound Boeing 787-8 crashed shortly after take-off from Ahmedabad on June 12 last year, killing 260 people. One passenger survived. All 12 crew members died in the accident, 11 of whom were based in Mumbai.

Mahadik, an Air India employee whose wife Aparna was among the cabin crew members on board, recalled being at a training academy when he first learnt that an aircraft had gone down in Ahmedabad.

"By the time I got to the classroom, the news had broken out and I got to know that a plane had gone down in Ahmedabad. I still didn't think it would be Aparna's plane, because obviously you don't think of such things, right?" he said.

The memorial service on Friday, which was attended by serving and retired Air India employees and families of the crash victims, included multi-faith prayers, hymns, readings and a minute's silence.

The names of the deceased crew members were read



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(Top) Father of flight attendant Shraddha Dhawan; (middle) a friend of Dhawan's, who said 'Some days I wish she would return, walk in with her bag'; and (above) friends of crew members' relatives

A close friend of Shraddha Dhawan, one of the deceased crew members, said that the loss is incomparable. "It was particularly heartbreaking when Shraddha's young daughter, Adya, asked about her mother," she said, adding that Shraddha Dhawan had often spoken about working abroad.

Addressing the gathering, Amol Mahadik said, "I would also urge people not to jump to conclusions or place blame on the pilots or crew before the investigation is complete. The crew members we lost were dedicated professionals who took immense pride in their work, and hence they deserve to be remembered with dignity and respect."

He added that Air India had stood by the affected families over the past year: "All of the belongings, forensic reports and related documents have been shared with the families. Air India has supported us throughout this difficult period for us and has been there for the families whenever needed," Mahadik said.

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and dedicated aviation professionals.

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Etihad Airways told to refund ₹1.21L ticket cost to Karnal judge

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The District Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission (DCDRC), Karnal, has directed Etihad Airways to refund Rs 1,21,737 as ticket cost, along with 9% interest per annum from the date of purchase, and pay compensation and litigation costs to a Civil Judge and her husband after holding it guilty of deficiency in service and unfair trade practices.

The commission awarded a compensation of Rs 75,000 each to the complainants for mental agony and harassment, along with Rs 22,000 towards litigation expenses.

It directed the airline to comply within 45 days, failing which the amount will carry interest at 12% per annum.

The complaint was filed by Nitika Bansal, a Civil Judge at the Karnal court, and her husband, a Block Development and Panchayat Officer (BDPO) in Fatehabad district. The couple had booked round-trip tickets from New Delhi to Zurich via Abu Dhabi and a return journey from Rome to Delhi after their wedding in 2025. The tickets were purchased through MakeMyTrip, said counsel Rajan Gupta.

He said the airline preponed the departure time of their flight from New Delhi by 1.10

hours. The revised schedule made it impossible for the complainants to reach the airport on time due to work commitments. Despite requesting the airline to restore the original schedule, provide an alternative flight, or issue a refund, their requests were rejected, forcing them to book a flight of another airline at a higher cost.

Commission president Jaswant Singh, along with members Neeru Agarwal and Sarvjeet Kaur, observed that the passengers had informed the airline of their difficulties before the travel date, giving the airline sufficient time to accommodate their request, or resell their seats.



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Air Arabia flight diverted to Kochi after technical snag

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An Air Arabia flight (G9 454) operating from Sharjah to Kozhikode was diverted to Cochin International Airport in the early hours of Saturday after the crew reported a technical issue involving the aircraft's engine reverse thrust system, airport officials said.

According to officials of Cochin International Airport Limited (CIAL), the airport authorities activated emergency response procedures after receiving information about the technical snag. The aircraft landed safely at Kochi airport, and all 170 passengers, nine infants and crew members were reported safe. After the snag was rectified, the flight resumed its journey to Kozhikode from Kochi at 7.15 am, nearly four hours after its unscheduled landing. — TNS