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## Sharad Pawar intervenes in Purandar Airport row

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Amid protests against the proposed new greenfield international airport at Purandar in Pune district, NCP-SP chief Sharad Pawar on Monday said he will soon seek a meeting with Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis in the presence of the MP Supriya Sule and the villagers to discuss the problems raised by the locals and also explore options on how to protect the irrigated agriculture area.

He said the villagers met him on Sunday while expressing concerns over displacement and loss of irrigated land, among others. "The villages that have been selected for the development of the proposed airport are

irrigated areas with cultivation of horticulture and sugarcane. These villagers want their villages to be excluded from the airport development," said Pawar.

"If any decision on airport development has to be made, the discussion should take place among the Centre, the state government and the locals. My efforts will be to organise a meeting with CM Devendra Fadnavis in the presence of MP Supriya Sule and the villagers to find a way out. A review will be taken during the meeting on how agriculture in the irrigated land can be saved," Pawar added.

Pawar's meeting took place after clashes on May 3, in which over 25 policemen and several villagers were injured.



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## Threats to airport staff may land you on no-flyer list

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**New Delhi:** Now, threatening frontline staff with violence at airports could lead to unruly passengers being put on the no-fly list, just as it's done for passengers airlines staff on board aircraft.

Airports might also have display boards soon, warning people against making videos of hapless ground staff.

Sources in the airline industry said airline officials are hardly found at boarding gates where passengers often vent their ire following long delays or last-minute cancellations, leaving frontline staff to fend for themselves.

Union aviation minister Ram Mohan Naidu has set up

a panel to review the existing civil aviation requirements (CARs) of DGCA to ensure more effective and speedy redressal of two major passenger grievances — refund of airline tickets to passengers and facilities to be provided by airlines if passengers are denied boarding, flights get cancelled or delayed.

Headed by a senior DGCA official, the panel had its first meeting earlier this month to work on revising passenger-centric rules “in line with international best practices”.

On the issue of ensuring safety for frontline staff, the panel decided that “ground staff must be adequately protected from angry passengers in case of flight disruptions.”



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## Centre extends CISF cover to 69 civil airports

AGE CORRESPONDENT  
NEW DELHI, MAY 19

The Central government has extended an order given to the CISF for temporarily supervising cargo operations and in-line hold baggage screening system at 69 civil airports of the country under its counter-terrorist cover till May 21.

The Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS) had issued an official direction in this context on May 9 and had directed the CISF to undertake this task till May 18. According to the officials, the mandate to supervise cargo at 69 airport by the CISF has been extended till May 21. The cargo and in-line hold baggage screening system (ILHBSS) checking is done by private security staff engaged by the airlines and airport operators.

The CISF, according to the mandate, is only entrusted to frisk passengers and their cabin baggage.

## IndiGo prepares contingency plan amid outcry over Boeing 777 lease from Turkish Airlines

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Airline major IndiGo has made a contingency plan to reduce the potential impact on operations in the event that the damp-leased Boeing 777 aircraft are returned to the lessor, Turkish Airlines, industry sources told *businessline*.

The possibility of returning these aircraft has grown after a massive public outcry called for the cancellation of India's civil aviation links with Turkey.

The public outcry and the renewal of the Boeing 777's lease have coincided.

At present, IndiGo has damp-leased two Boeing 777s with a seating capacity of over 500.

These aircraft are being operated on the Delhi-Istanbul and Mumbai-Istanbul routes.

The plan, according to sources, calls for replacing the damp-leased Boeing 777 aircraft with either Airbus A321neo or the 787-9 Dreamliners on its India-Turkey routes.

### DAMP LEASE

A damp lease is a specific type of aircraft leasing agreement, which generally means the aircraft comes with the cockpit crew (pilots) and is maintained and insured by the lessor, but the airline renting the aircraft will put its own cabin crew on board.



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"The contingency plans take into account the payload factor for extended routes. As of now, the A321neo is seen as the likely replacement," sources told *businessline*.

"The situation is dynamic. We can expect changes to the plan."

Speaking to *businessline*, industry insiders said that a contingency plan was expected on the part of IndiGo, especially as the public outcry over Turkey has grown.

### BENEFITS CITED

On its part, IndiGo defended the codeshare agreement with Turkish Airlines. The airline cited benefits accruing for travellers as well as India's economy.

As per IndiGo, the arrangement with Turkish Airlines has increased seat availability for Indian passengers at reasonable airfares, par-

ticularly during a time when long-haul international airfares have risen due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Prior to the agreement, IndiGo pointed out that Turkish Airlines was the sole carrier on the India-Turkey route, and that the codeshare has helped shift the balance in favour of Indian travellers and the economy.

The codeshare comes under the framework of the Air Services Agreement (ASA) between India and Turkey, which allows for 56 flights per week between the two countries.

Besides, the partnership, IndiGo said, has fuelled aviation and economic growth and created jobs as well as opportunities in India.

### CODESHARE PACT

Furthermore, the airline said the codeshare agreement has made international travel more accessible and affordable, allowing passengers to

benefit from cost-effective two-stop flights from smaller Indian cities to Europe and the US.

Currently, IndiGo offers codeshare seats to travellers at more than 40 points in Europe and the US through its partnership with Turkish Airlines.

### LONG-HAUL MARKETS

"The codeshare has enabled IndiGo to build its presence in the long-haul markets in Europe and the US, putting in place the foundation for self-sufficiency, that is, its long-haul foray with the 40 A321XLR and 30 A350 aircraft ordered by the airline," the airline cited.

"This arrangement not only enhances the connectivity of Indian hubs like Delhi and Mumbai, but the additional revenue has also led to increased tax contributions to the Indian exchequer, supporting economic growth."

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## Air India crew to get Vienna layover on US, Canada flights

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Air India cabin crew on one-stop flights to the US and Canada will get better rest with the introduction of layovers in Vienna in the coming days. This has been made possible by the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) issuing crew member certificates, which pilots and flight attendants must carry on flights to Europe.

The introduction of layovers will also address fatigue-related concerns raised by pilots and crew.

Last month, Air India was forced to reroute its US and Canada flights via Europe after the closure of Pakistan's airspace.

While New York flights now operate non-stop, Chicago, Toronto and Washington flights take a halt in Vienna to refuel. Some flights to San Francisco and Vancouver take a halt in Kolkata and fly eastbound over the Pacific.

According to DGCA's prevailing duty norms, crew operating long-haul, non-stop flights to the US are permitted to undertake one landing within a flight duty period of



**TAKING A BREAK.** Pilots and crew operating one-stop flights to the US had raised concerns about fatigue due to extended work hours and additional take-off and landing in Europe.

20-22 hours. Thus, under normal circumstances, a crew change would be required in Europe. However, the non-availability of adequate CMCs, among other issues, resulted in crew

members having to carry out two landings — one in Vienna and another at the final destination. The DGCA also granted a temporary dispensation from duty norms to enable Air India to con-

tinue its operations.

"For pilots, we had sought a duty time exemption only till May 14, and now those operating one-stop flights to the US and Canada are getting a layover in Vienna since last week. While a large majority of pilots now have the CMCs, in the case of cabin crew, it is still a work in progress," said an Air India official.

**QUESTIONS OF FATIGUE** Sources pointed out that the issuance of CMCs was very slow, with a wait time of over a month, but the process has now been expedited.

Pilots and crew operating one-stop flights to the US had raised concerns about fatigue due to extended work hours and additional take-off and landing in Europe. "Alertness levels need to be at their highest during the take-off and landing phases. Even inadvertent slide deployments can occur due to fatigue. While the airline is operating all the flights, it is unable to maintain the regular schedule. "Flights are getting delayed, and the halt in Europe has added an extra 90-120 minutes to duty time," a crew member pointed out.

## ‘Malaysia Airlines eyes 14% increase in passenger traffic from India in FY26’

bl.interview

**V Sajeed Kumar**  
Kochi

Malaysia Airlines is witnessing a surge in passenger traffic from India, with its reach going beyond metros to tier-two cities. The airline currently operates over 76 weekly flights across 10 cities.

Dersenish Aresandiran, Chief Commercial Officer of Airlines at Malaysia Aviation Group, says passenger traffic is up 30 per cent, with healthy load factors driven by business and leisure travel.

*Edited excerpts:*

### How do you see the growth in the Indian market? What are your expectations this year?

We remain committed to expanding our footprint, particularly in emerging tier-two markets. The swift launch of Kolkata, following the approval of bilateral rights, underscores our agility and commitment to growth.

Additionally, our code-share with IndiGo is also instrumental in enhancing reach across 16 additional cities, offering travellers greater choice and seamless connectivity than ever before.

From Kerala, we currently operate 11 weekly flights to Kuala Lumpur — seven from Kochi and four from Thiruvananthapuram.

Starting June 6, we will increase the frequency from Thiruvananthapuram.

Frequency to Kuala Lumpur from Thiruvananthapuram will increase to five times weekly, offering greater flexibility and more options for both leisure and business travellers.

This brings our total weekly operations from Kerala to 12 flights. India continues to be a key growth market for us, especially as we



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strengthen travel flows between South Asia and the Australia–New Zealand region.

We are significantly increasing connectivity to key Australian cities — Melbourne and Sydney will go up to 21x weekly each, and Auckland to 10x weekly from October — and we are also launching new flights to Brisbane up to 5x weekly from November. Travellers from Kerala, including Kochi and Thiruvananthapuram, can conveniently connect to these destinations via Kuala Lumpur.

We are also expanding reach across India through our code-share partnership with IndiGo — growing from 10 to 16 cities and adding key feeder points such as Goa, Varanasi, Patna, Bhubaneswar, Visakhapatnam and Tiruchi.

### What is your growth in passenger traffic from the Indian market, and what are your projections?

India continues to be a standout growth market for us as passenger traffic has already surpassed the pre-pandemic levels by 30 per cent. For FY26, we are targeting 1.3 million passengers — a projected 14 per cent year-on-year increase. Load factors remain consistently strong, averaging 88 per cent in metro cities and 86 per cent in tier-two markets.

This momentum is driven by the addition of four new routes post-pandemic, the strategic partnership with



IndiGo, and continuous enhancements to the on-board experience, such as the introduction of the A330 neo and 737-8 aircraft featuring complimentary Wi-Fi and elevated dining curated by The Oberoi Group.

### What is your growth in the Kerala market?

Kerala remains a strategically important market with robust and sustained demand across the VFR (visiting friends and relatives), leisure, and spiritual travel segments. Our routes to Kochi and Thiruvananthapuram continue to perform strongly, with average load factors around 85 per cent, peaking at up to 95 per cent during high seasons — a clear testament to the region’s growing potential.

Beyond the numbers, Kerala offers an unmatched tourism experience. We are working closely with key travel partners across our network to position Kerala as a must-visit destination and to drive stronger inbound flows from the East.

### Can you comment on Kerala’s Look East policy?

The Look East initiative is designed to deepen regional tourism links, especially between Kerala and key East Asia-Pacific markets.

This aligns well with our network strategy, as we serve as a gateway to Asia and beyond, connecting passengers from across the region to Kerala via our Kuala Lumpur

hub. By connecting Kerala to our extensive Asia-Pacific network, we support the State’s ambition to attract high-value travellers seeking wellness, cultural and MICE experiences.

The Look East policy complements our growth strategy for the route, positioning Kerala as a premium destination in the region.

### Any plans for a tie-up with Kerala Tourism?

Yes, we recently partnered with Kerala Tourism under the Look East campaign to boost inbound tourism from East Asia.

We launched a high-impact Mega FAM trip, bringing nearly 100 travel agents and influencers from eight key markets to experience Kerala’s unique cultural and natural offerings first hand.

We see significant long-term potential in strengthening this partnership, and are currently exploring future initiatives such as joint digital campaigns, co-branded content, and curated wellness packages to further position Kerala as a top destination across our network.

### Any plans to cater to rising pilgrim travel to India from Malaysia?

To better serve this segment, we offer direct connectivity to Kochi and Thiruvananthapuram.

Our flight schedules and on-board offerings, including vegetarian meal options and accessibility support, are thoughtfully tailored to meet the needs of spiritual travellers.

Beyond Sabarimala, we also recognise the spiritual significance of other destinations across Kerala — from the revered Sree Padmanabhaswamy temple to Guruvayur, Aranmula, Attukal, Chottanikkara and the Jewish synagogue in Kochi.

Our goal is to support and simplify spiritual journeys for all travellers by providing comfort, convenience and seamless service.



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## More Wind Beneath Air India's Wings

New codesharing ties will boost profit pathways

Air India (AI) is ramping up its codeshare arrangements to expand its network coverage and feed its international trunk routes. Since its acquisition by Tata Group nearly two years ago, it has signed 19 codeshare agreements. It now plans to establish 10 additional codeshare partnerships this financial year. Outbound travel from India is one of the fastest-growing components of global aviation. The codeshare strategy helps AI claw back market share from Gulf carriers, which had enjoyed a free run with India-origin traffic. This segment offers some of the highest margins for Indian airlines and helps shore up profitability on domestic routes, where IndiGo leads. AI is upgrading its ageing fleet, and codesharing comes in handy while it awaits aircraft deliveries.

IndiGo is not as aggressive about international alliances, which favour full-service carriers. The budget airline's dominance at home allows for a more relaxed approach to international travel. Yet, it has its own clutch of codeshare agreements, and may have to sign more as it, too, awaits delivery of long-haul aircraft. IndiGo will also have to adapt to changing preferences of Indian flyers, who are increasingly valuing service over price on domestic routes. This shift should support its international play by enabling integrated offerings across segments. While AI is currently taking the fight to West Asian airlines, IndiGo will have to join the party at some point.



Indian airlines have capitalised on the economy's rapid recovery from Covid disruptions to accelerate aircraft capacity additions. This nimbleness has helped offset some of the fuel cost advantages enjoyed by Gulf carriers. Bigger gains are possible if Indian airlines expand their presence in these segments. But fleet size isn't the only constraint. Indian aviation still needs to catch up in areas such as manpower and maintenance. For its part, AI must address legacy issues stemming from its years as a PSU. Innovative strategies like codesharing offer Indian carriers accelerated pathways to profitability.



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| GUEST VIEW

## Flight safety 2.0: Airline bookings must assure privacy

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The Digital Personal Data Protection (DPDP) Act of 2023 has been viewed as a crucial step in safeguarding Indian data and privacy in digital spaces. With the growing reliance on the internet for various services globally, online businesses have seen a significant surge, particularly in fields like airline ticket reservations. Services such as MakeMyTrip and Goibibo that allow one to make bookings online, as well as the websites of airlines like Indigo, Air India, etc., have transformed how people plan and book a trip. These websites deal with and store private information that includes names, contact details, travel plans, payment method details and even data from official identity-proof documents such as passports and PAN or Aadhaar cards. All these pieces of information fall under the definition of 'personal data' under Section 2(t) of the DPDP Act because they can be used to identify the person to whom it belongs. Even though online reservations are convenient, they raise privacy concerns. There are risks

of mass data breaches and the unauthorized use of an individual's data stolen from these databases.

**Data minimization:** Under Section 4 of the DPDP Act, online platforms for flight bookings, classified as 'data fiduciaries,' must seek the express and informed consent of users before they process their personal data. The Supreme Court, in its *K.S. Puttaswamy vs Union of India* judgment, held that privacy is a basic constitutional right flowing from Article 21 of the Constitution. This necessitates not only explicit consent, but also data minimization, the principle of which entails collecting, processing and storing only the least personal data required for a specific purpose. Online travel agencies often collect a huge amount of information, even though some of it may not strictly be required for reservations. For instance, the details of a user's occupation are often requested for profession-based discount offers. But under the DPDP law, the right to privacy demands that only necessary data shall be procured and processed.

**Security and accuracy:** Section 8 of the DPDP Act places an obligation on data fiduciaries like online travel agencies to ensure the security and accuracy of personal data collected. The security measures that are

required to be implemented include encryption as well as secure payment gateways for customers to pay, in addition to periodic audits. In *Google India Pvt Ltd vs Visakha Industries Ltd* (2019), the Supreme Court clarified the liability of intermediaries to safeguard the data of their users.

**Data erasure:** Section 12 of the Act grants people a number of rights, including the right to correct, complete, update or erase their data. This will mean that customers can ask an airline or travel agency to delete their data after the end of their journey (or whenever required). This is in line with directives provided by various court judgments, like the landmark judgment of *K.S. Puttaswamy* and the 2023 case of *Mrs. X vs Union of India*, where the court emphasized the need for people to be in control of their personal data.

**Penalties:** The DPDP Act prescribes stringent punishments. It imposes a large fine for a failure to secure personal data, especially in case of a data breach. This measure is

expected to make airlines and reservation systems tighten their internal data security systems and thereby decrease the possibility of data breaches. In 2018, the UK Information Commissioner's Office imposed a fine of £20 million on British Airways after the details of over 400,000 clients were leaked

through a breach. This could happen with any airline. In fact, in the Air India data breach of 2021, the personal data of approximately 4.5 million individuals was reportedly compromised, an event that led the air carrier to establish stricter internal security measures.

**Cross-border data transfers:** Another major challenge could be the cross-border transfer of data in case of international travel

via foreign airlines through bookings done on domestic platforms. The movement of personal information across national boundaries poses a problem, as different jurisdictions follow different laws. For instance, the EU's General Data Protection Regulation has stringent norms for cross-

border data transfers and requires additional safeguards, whereas India's DPDP law is a bit more lenient and permits cross-border transfers unless explicitly prohibited. The law gives the Indian government the authority to blacklist countries for data transfers. As a result, companies in the civil aviation sector will have to navigate varying regulatory requirements and adjust their policies accordingly whenever a country is blacklisted.

**Flight safety 2.0:** The DPDP Act is aimed at providing an environment of openness and trust in digital services, as it endeavours to protect personal data through well-defined rules related to data protection. Online booking platforms will have to revise and refine their procedures for collecting, storing and processing data in order to comply with the law. Such adjustments will likely lead to higher expenditure, as online platforms will be required to implement robust cyber security protocols, conduct regular employee training and periodically review the digital systems procured from third-party vendors to ensure compliance. Overall, these measures will not only enhance the security and reliability of travel booking platforms, but also foster greater confidence and trust among their users.

**Online booking platforms must fully implement India's new law to keep our personal data secure**



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## दिल्ली एयरपोर्ट पर उड़ानों में देरी और रद्दीकरण का सिलसिला जारी यात्रियों को झेलनी पड़ी परेशानियां

नई दिल्ली, (पंजाब केसरी) : राजधानी स्थित इंदिरा गांधी अंतरराष्ट्रीय (आईजीआई) एयरपोर्ट पर सोमवार को उड़ानों के संचालन में लगातार बाधाएं बनीं रहीं। मौसम और तकनीकी कारणों के चलते जहां कई उड़ानों में देरी हुई, वहीं कई को रद्द भी करना पड़ा। कुल मिलाकर 15 अंतरराष्ट्रीय उड़ानों समेत 37 उड़ानें देर से रवाना हुईं, जबकि 24 घरेलू व अंतरराष्ट्रीय उड़ानों को रद्द किया गया। आईजीआई से 12 अंतरराष्ट्रीय उड़ानें अपने निर्धारित समय से देर से प्रस्थान कर सकीं, जबकि तीन फ्लाइट्स देरी से दिल्ली पहुंचीं। इसके अलावा, चार अंतरराष्ट्रीय उड़ानों को टेक-ऑफ से पहले रद्द कर दिया गया, वहीं आने वाली तीन विदेशी उड़ानें भी रद्द की गईं। घरेलू उड़ानों की बात करें तो कुल 22 फ्लाइट्स निर्धारित समय से विलंबित रहीं। वहीं, दिल्ली से उड़ान भरने वाली 17 घरेलू उड़ानों को रद्द कर दिया गया। इनमें धर्मशाला और अमृतसर की दो-दो, श्रीनगर की चार, चंडीगढ़ की तीन, लेह, प्रयागराज, दरभंगा, जयपुर और गोवा की दो-दो उड़ानें शामिल रहीं। हालांकि, घरेलू आगमन वाली उड़ानों में न तो कोई देरी हुई और न ही कोई रद्द की गई। कुछ उड़ानों में तकनीकी दिक्कतें सामने आईं, जिससे यात्रियों को उड़ान के दौरान असुविधा का सामना करना पड़ा। क्रू मेंबर्स ने यात्रियों को पानी व शीतल पेय उपलब्ध कराकर स्थिति संभालने की कोशिश की, लेकिन एयर कंडीशनिंग सिस्टम की समस्या उड़ान समाप्त होने तक बनी रही।



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## 69 हवाई अड्डों पर सामान की जांच करती रहेगी सीआईएसएफ

नई दिल्ली, (पंजाब केसरी) : केंद्र सरकार ने आतंक रोधी अभियान के तहत देश के 69 हवाई अड्डों पर माल ढुलाई परिचालन और सामान जांच की स्वचलित व्यवस्था की अस्थायी निगरानी के लिए केंद्रीय औद्योगिक सुरक्षा बल (सीआईएसएफ) को दिए गए आदेश को 21 मई तक बढ़ा दिया है। आधिकारिक सूत्रों ने सोमवार को यह जानकारी दी। नागर विमानन सुरक्षा ब्यूरो (नैसीएस) ने नौ मई को इस संदर्भ में आधिकारिक निर्देश जारी किया था और सीआईएसएफ को 18 मई तक यह कार्य करने का निर्देश दिया था। सूत्रों ने बताया कि आदेश को 21 मई तक बढ़ा दिया गया है।

सीआईएसएफ के प्रवक्ता ने पहले कहा था कि पहलगाम में आतंकवादी हमले और उसके बाद देश में सुरक्षा परिदृश्य के 'प्रत्यक्ष जवाब' में इन प्रक्रियाओं के लिए

- सरकार ने आतंक विरोधी अभियान के तहत निगरानी अवधि को 21 तक बढ़ाया : केवल यात्रियों और विमान में उनके सामान की तलाशी लेने का काम सौंपा गया

सीआईएसएफ को 'अस्थायी रूप से' जिम्मेदार सौंपने का आदेश दिया गया है।

आदेश के अनुसार, सीआईएसएफ को केवल यात्रियों और विमान में उनके सामान की तलाशी लेने का काम सौंपा गया है। माल ढुलाई और सामान जांच की स्वचलित व्यवस्था विमानन कंपनी और हवाई अड्डा संचालकों द्वारा नियुक्त निजी सुरक्षा कर्मचारियों द्वारा की जाती है। देश के 69 हवाई अड्डों की सुरक्षा के लिए सुरक्षा बल को 'कठिन परिश्रम' करना पड़ रहा है। एक वरिष्ठ अधिकारी ने बताया कि कई छुट्टियां रद्द कर दी गई हैं और माल ढुलाई की जांच व सामान जांच

की स्वचलित व्यवस्था को निगरानी के लिए रिजर्व स्टाफ को अस्थायी ड्यूटी पर लगाया गया है।

प्रवक्ता ने बताया कि सभी हवाई अड्डों पर सुरक्षा व्यवस्था को 'मजबूत' बनाने के लिए सीआईएसएफ के अधिकार क्षेत्र में वृद्धि 'आवश्यक' थी। नौ मई को जारी निर्देश में सीआईएसएफ कर्मियों को इन 'महत्वपूर्ण' हवाई अड्डों की आकस्मिक जांच करने तथा प्रवेश नियंत्रण की देखरेख करने का भी अधिकार दिया गया था। केंद्रीय गृह मंत्रालय के अधीन लगभग दो लाख कर्मियों वाला सीआईएसएफ राष्ट्रीय नागरिक विमानन सुरक्षा बल है।



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## Jet aborted takeoff to avoid runway collision in NYC

**New York:** Federal officials are investigating why two planes got dangerously close on a runway at New York's LaGuardia Airport earlier in May despite the airport being equipped with advanced surface radar system that's designed to help prevent such close calls.

Both the federal aviation administration (FAA) and national transportation safety board (NTSB) said Monday they are investigating the May 6 incident when a Republic Airways jet had to abort takeoff and slam to a stop because a United Airlines plane was still taxiing across the runway.

In audio from the tower that ABC obtained from the website [www.LiveATC.net](http://www.LiveATC.net), air traffic control said to the pilot of Republic Airways jet: "Sorry, I thought United had cleared well before that."

At the time that controller was directing the Republic Airways jet to takeoff, a ground controller on a different radio frequency was directing the United plane to a new taxiway after it missed the first one it was supposed to use to exit the runway. Both airlines



On May 6 at LaGuardia Airport, a Republic Airways jet had to abort takeoff and slam to a stop as a United Airlines plane was still taxiing across the runway

and the airport referred questions to FAA. The number of close calls in recent years has created serious concerns for FAA, NTSB and other safety experts. NTSB's investigation of a Feb 2023 close call in Austin highlighted the concerns, but there have been a number of high-profile near misses.

LaGuardia is one of just 35 airports across the country equipped with the FAA's best technology to prevent such runway incursions.

But it's clear the technology is not perfect because close calls continue happening. FAA is taking a number of additional steps to try to reduce the number of close calls. AP



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## Air India SATS opens ₹200-cr logistics park at B'loru's Kempegowda airport

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India's emerging position as a global player in air freight and cargo service market got a boost with Air India SATS Airport Services Private Limited (AISATS), a global airport services management company, launched the AISATS BLR Logistics Park at Kempegowda International Airport, Bengaluru.

Positioned as one of the largest on-airport logistics parks in South India, constructed with an investment of Rs 200 crores, the facility was inaugurated, with a promise of

strengthening India's logistics and cargo infrastructure.

The park will also give impetus to the growth of the airport, which is the third busiest in India, accounting for 40% of the South India's total air cargo volumes and achieving its highest-ever annual cargo tonnage of 5,02,480 MT in FY25.

With this logistics park, the airport authorities aim to handle 1 million metric tonnes of cargo by 2030.

Amid the trade war between USA and China, India stands to gain by presenting itself as an alternative. Along with strategic advantage, it also takes lead with a developing

network of global airports, which is conducive for faster cargo flow, especially for industries such as pharmaceuticals, electronics, textiles and e-commerce.

Spread across 8 acres, the park is a cluster of three distinct buildings. A two-level main warehouse offering more than 2,40,000 sq ft of warehousing, a pay-per-use public storage space for MSMEs, Customs House Agents, logistics companies and office space. As value added services, AISATS will also provide trucking services to ensure faster, economical and seamless movement of cargo.