

## नोएडा एयरपोर्ट पर विकसित हो रहा अत्याधुनिक मल्टी-मॉडल कार्गो हब मल्टीनेशनल्स के लिए वैश्विक व्यापार के नए अवसरों का द्वार खुलेगा

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ग्रेटर नोएडा। नोएडा इंटरनेशनल एयरपोर्ट पर विकसित हो रहा अत्याधुनिक मल्टी-मॉडल कार्गो हब (एमएमसीएच) देश की लॉजिस्टिक्स क्रांति का अगला अध्याय लिखने को तैयार है। एयर इंडिया एक्सप्रेस एयरपोर्ट सर्विसेज प्रा. लि. की ओर से तैयार कार्गो हब बनकर पूरी तरह तैयार है और नोएडा एयरपोर्ट से उड़ान शुरू होने के पहले दिन से यह हब उत्तर भारत को वैश्विक लॉजिस्टिक्स नेटवर्क से सीधे जोड़ देगा।

एयरपोर्ट के संचालन के साथ ही शुरू होने वाली कार्गो सेवा के जरिये यूपी-एनसीआर के उद्योगों को सीधा वैश्विक संपर्क मिलेगा। इससे दिल्ली एयरपोर्ट पर भी निर्भरता कम हो जाएगी।

दिल्ली-एनसीआर के साथ ही उत्तर भारत के उद्योगों को देश और दुनिया तक अपने उत्पाद आसानी से पहुंचाने की राह खुल जाएगी। नोएडा एयरपोर्ट पर बनकर तैयार पहला ऐसा कार्गो हब होगा, जहां अंतरराष्ट्रीय कार्गो टर्मिनल (आईसीटी) और इंटीग्रेटेड वेयरहाउसिंग एंड लॉजिस्टिक्स जोन के बीच सीधा और निर्बाध संपर्क होगा। एयर इंडिया एक्सप्रेस छोटे और मध्यम उद्यमों के लिए विशेष सेवा मॉडल विकसित कर रहा है, जिसमें सरलीकृत कस्टम प्रक्रिया, कम लागत पर लॉजिस्टिक्स समाधान, और डिजिटल सहायता शामिल होंगे। इससे किसानों, हस्तशिल्पकारों और छोटे व्यापारियों को अपने उत्पाद सीधे अंतरराष्ट्रीय बाजार में भेजने का अवसर

### नोएडा की ओर शिफ्ट होगा कार्गो दबाव

अब तक दिल्ली एयरपोर्ट पर लॉजिस्टिक्स की अधिकतम निर्भरता थी, जिससे वहां की क्षमता पर दबाव बढ़ रहा था। नोएडा कार्गो हब दबाव को कम करेगा और पूर्वी उत्तर प्रदेश, एनसीआर, हरियाणा जैसे क्षेत्रों को तेज और सस्ता विकल्प देगा। विशेषज्ञों का मानना है कि यह हब प्राथमिक कार्गो गेटवे के रूप में उभर सकता है। इस केंद्र को भारत के पहले ग्रीन लॉजिस्टिक्स हब के रूप में विकसित किया गया है। इसमें सौर ऊर्जा, वर्षा जल संचयन, ऊर्जा दक्ष उपकरण और ईको-फ्रेंडली ढांचा है।



पहले चरण का अंतरराष्ट्रीय कार्गो टर्मिनल भवन पूरी तरह तैयार है। कार्गो यूनिट लोड डिवाइसेज को हैंडल करने के लिए कास्टर डेक और मोटोराइज्ड चकस्टेंशंस लगाए जा चुके हैं। स्कीनिंग उपकरण भी अप्रैल तक पूरी तरह स्थापित हो जाएगा। यह देश का अपना लॉजिस्टिक्स सुपरहब बनने की ओर अग्रसर है।

- रामनाथन राजमणि, सीईओ, एयर इंडिया एक्सप्रेस एयरपोर्ट सर्विसेज प्रा. लि.

मिलेगा। इस हब में ई-कॉमर्स, फार्मा, इलेक्ट्रॉनिक्स और ऑटोमोबाइल जैसे उद्योगों के लिए डेडिकेटेड जोन होंगे। रियल टाइम ट्रैकिंग और तेज टर्नअराउंड टाइम से यह वैश्विक आपूर्ति श्रृंखला में शामिल होगा। दरअसल, 30 एकड़ में फैले कार्गो टर्मिनल में जनरल, पेरिशेबल्स, फार्मास्युटिकल्स, एक्सप्रेस कुरियर और स्पेशल (जैसे खतरनाक, कीमती और संवेदनशील) कार्गो को संभालने की व्यवस्था है। कार्गो संचालन को तेज और पारदर्शी बनाने के लिए इसमें क्लाउड-बेस्ड ट्रैक-एंड-ट्रेस सिस्टम लगाया गया है। 87 एकड़ क्षेत्र में फैले इस हब के इंटीग्रेटेड वेयरहाउसिंग एंड लॉजिस्टिक्स जोन में 42 ट्रकों की पार्किंग क्षमता वाला केंद्र और 27 भारी बहनों के लिए डॉकिंग जोन तैयार हो चुका है। यहां बॉडेड वेयरहाउस और लॉजिस्टिक्स पार्क भी होंगे, जिससे माल ढुलाई तेज और किफायती होगी।

चाइना प्लस वन रणनीति में बनेगा विकल्प नोएडा एयरपोर्ट पर बन रहा एमएमसीएच उत्तर भारत को वैश्विक लॉजिस्टिक्स के नक्शे पर प्रमुख गेटवे के रूप में स्थापित होगा। इलेक्ट्रॉनिक्स, फार्मास्युटिकल्स और एग्री-प्रोडक्ट्स जैसे क्षेत्रों में चाइना प्लस वन रणनीति के खिलाफ भारत का मजबूत विकल्प बन सकता है। एआईसीट्स ने उत्तर प्रदेश की फूड प्रोसेसिंग नीति 2023 के तहत हब को लाभकारी बनाने की योजना बनाई है। दूसरे चरण में विश्वस्तरीय कूलपोर्ट विकसित किया जाएगा, जो एग्री-पेरिशेबल्स और तापमान-संवेदनशील कार्गो संभाल सकेगा। राज्य सरकार ने हाल में फल-आधारित प्रसंस्करण इकाई की वित्तीय व्यवहार्यता पर अध्ययन के लिए एक समिति गठित की। यह यूनिट स्थानीय किसानों से फलों की खरीदकर टिन्ड फ्रूट्स और जूस के निर्यात के लिए तैयार करेगी, जो एआईसीट्स के कूलपोर्ट सिस्टम से जुड़ी होगी।



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## पटना एयरपोर्ट के नए टर्मिनल का उद्घाटन करेंगे मोदी

पटना, 21 मई (देशबन्धु)। प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मोदी 29 मई को पटना आएंगे। उसी शाम वे पटना एयरपोर्ट के नए टर्मिनल का उद्घाटन करेंगे। वरिष्ठ भाजपा नेता और उपमुख्यमंत्री सम्राट चौधरी ने बताया कि प्रधानमंत्री अगले दिन 30 मई को रोहतास के बिक्रमगंज में एक जनसभा को संबोधित करेंगे। पहले उनका 30 मई को बिहार आने का कार्यक्रम था। चूंकि इस साल बिहार विधानसभा चुनाव होने हैं, इसलिए



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मोदी के पटना में रात्रि प्रवास के दौरान भाजपा और एनडीए के अन्य सहयोगियों के वरिष्ठ नेताओं से मिलने की संभावना है। भाजपा के प्रदेश अध्यक्ष दिलीप जायसवाल ने कहा कि प्रधानमंत्री बिक्रमगंज में होने वाली विशाल रैली में बिहार को सौगातों की बरसात करेंगे।

प्रधानमंत्री मोदी पटना-सासाराम फोर लेन सड़क, बिहटा एयरपोर्ट टर्मिनल, वाराणसी-रांची सिक्स लेन एक्सप्रेसवे और 600 मेगावाट के नवीनगर थर्मल पावर प्लांट का भी शिलान्यास करेंगे। पहलगाम आतंकी हमले के बाद पाकिस्तानी आतंकी शिविरों पर ऑपरेशन सिंदूर की सफलता के बाद प्रधानमंत्री का यह पहला बिहार दौरा होगा। 22 अप्रैल को पहलगाम आतंकी हमले में 26 पर्यटक मारे गए थे। प्रधानमंत्री मोदी ने 24 अप्रैल को मधुबनी में एक रैली को संबोधित करते हुए पहलगाम आतंकी हमले का बदला लेने की कसम खाई थी। उपमुख्यमंत्री ने कहा कि एएआई की एक टीम 22 से 27 मई तक बिहार के मधुबनी, मुजफ्फरपुर, वाल्मीकि नगर, बोरपुर, सहरसा और मुंगेर में नए हवाई अड्डों के लिए प्रस्तावित स्थलों का दौरा करेगी और व्यवहार्यता रिपोर्ट तैयार करेगी। नए टर्मिनल भवन में आर्टिफिशियल इंटेलिजेंस (एआई) आधारित सुरक्षा और प्रबंधन प्रणाली होगी। इसकी दीवारों को मिथिला और 3डी पेंटिंग से सजाया गया है जबकि यात्रियों को हाई-स्पीड फ्री वाई-फाई, ऑटोमेटिक चेक-इन, वीआईपी लाउंज, डॉरमेट्री, एयर ट्रैफिक कंट्रोल सिस्टम और फायर स्टेशन जैसी सुविधाएं मिलेंगी।



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## CORPORATE CORNER

### Scope of Aeronautical Engg in Light of the Upcoming Navi Mumbai Int'l Airport

India's aviation sector is poised for a monumental leap with the upcoming Navi Mumbai International Airport (NMIA), a landmark project set to redefine air travel and catalyze economic growth. This state-of-the-art airport, one of the largest planned in India, is expected to handle 60 million passengers annually in its initial phase, with potential to double that capacity in the future. For aspiring engineers, particularly in aeronautical engineering, NMIA opens a world of opportunities, and A. C. Patil College of Engineering in Kharghar, Navi Mumbai, is stepping up to meet this demand with its new four-year B.E. in Aeronautical Engineering, affiliated with the University of Mumbai, starting in 2025. Located just kilometers from Kharghar, NMIA will be a hub of innovation, featuring advanced air traffic management, modern runway systems, efficient cargo handling, and seamless passenger services. Its proximity offers students at A. C. Patil College unique advantages, including access to internships, industrial visits, and collaborations with aviation stakeholders. The airport will drive demand for skilled professionals in aircraft maintenance, airport operations, avionics, and emerging fields like drone technology and sustainable aviation.



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## नोएडा एयरपोर्ट पर मल्टी कार्गो हब बनकर तैयार

### अच्छी खबर

ग्रेटर नोएडा, वरिष्ठ संवाददाता । नोएडा इंटरनेशनल एयरपोर्ट पर विकसित हो रहा मल्टी कार्गो हब पूरी तरह से तैयार है। इसे एयर इंडिया एसएटीएस एयरपोर्ट सर्विसेज प्राइवेट लिमिटेड ने तैयार किया है।

एयरपोर्ट से उड़ान शुरू होने के पहले दिन से यह हब उत्तर भारत को वैश्विक लॉजिस्टिक्स नेटवर्क से सीधे जोड़ देगा। एयरपोर्ट के संचालन के साथ ही शुरू होने वाली कार्गो सेवा के जरिये यूपी-एनसीआर के उद्योगों को सीधा वैश्विक संपर्क मिलेगा। इससे दिल्ली एयरपोर्ट पर भी निर्भरता कम हो जाएगी। नोएडा एयरपोर्ट पर बनकर तैयार पहला ऐसा कार्गो हब होगा, जहां अंतरराष्ट्रीय कार्गो टर्मिनल (आईसीटी) और इंटीग्रेटेड वेयरहाउसिंग एंड लॉजिस्टिक्स जोन के बीच सीधा और निर्बाध संपर्क होगा।

एयर इंडिया एसएटीएस छोटे और मध्यम उद्यमों के लिए विशेष सेवा मॉडल विकसित कर रहा है, जिसमें सरलीकृत

कस्टम प्रक्रिया, कम लागत पर लॉजिस्टिक्स समाधान, और डिजिटल सहायता शामिल होंगे। इससे किसानों, हस्तशिल्पकारों और छोटे व्यापारियों को अपने उत्पाद सीधे अंतरराष्ट्रीय बाजार में भेज सकेंगे। कार्गो हब पर ई-कॉमर्स, फार्मा, इलेक्ट्रॉनिक्स और ऑटोमोबाइल जैसे उद्योगों के लिए डेडिकेटेड जोन बनाए गए हैं। यहां कम लागत पर लॉजिस्टिक्स समाधान और डिजिटल

### एनसीआर के लिए सस्ता विकल्प होगा यह हब

अब तक दिल्ली एयरपोर्ट पर लॉजिस्टिक्स की अधिकतम निर्भरता थी, जिससे वहां की क्षमता पर लगातार दबाव बढ़ रहा था। नोएडा कार्गो हब इस दबाव को कम करेगा और पूर्वी उत्तर प्रदेश, एनसीआर, हरियाणा जैसे क्षेत्रों को तेज और सस्ता विकल्प देगा।

अंतरराष्ट्रीय कार्गो टर्मिनल भवन तैयार है। कार्गो यूनिट लोड डिवाइसेज को हैंडल करने के लिए कास्टर डेक और मोटराइज्ड वर्कस्टेशंस लगाए जा चुके हैं। यह देश का अगला लॉजिस्टिक्स सुपरहब बनेगा। - रामनाथन राजमणि, सीईओ, एयर इंडिया एसएटीएस एयरपोर्ट सर्विसेज प्राइवेट लिमिटेड

सहायता शामिल होंगे।

80 एकड़ में फैले कार्गो टर्मिनल में जनरल, पेरिशेबल्स, फार्मास्यूटिकल्स,

एक्सप्रेस कुरियर और स्पेशल (जैसे खतरनाक, कीमती और संवेदनशील) कार्गो को संभालने की व्यवस्था है। इसमें क्लाउड-बेस्ड ट्रैक-एंड-ट्रेस सिस्टम लगाया गया है। यहां पर 42 ट्रकों को पार्किंग क्षमता वाला केंद्र और 27 भारी वाहनों के लिए डॉकिंग जोन तैयार किए गए हैं। दूसरे चरण में कूलपोर्ट विकसित होगा। जिसमें फलों, सब्जियों को जखराब होने से बचाया जा सकेगा।



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India on 15 May withdrew the security clearance of Celebi's Indian airport services arm, citing national security risks. [BLOOMBERG](#)

## Turkey's Celebi says India's withdrawal of clearance hurting biz

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**C**elebi Aviation Holding, a Turkish ground handling and cargo operator, told the Delhi High Court (HC) on Wednesday that India's decision to scrap the firm's security clearance was against the principles of natural justice, and that the move had affected its business operations in the country.

It said that its business contracts with airports across India are now being cancelled, after the government last week scrapped the firm's security clearance citing national security risks.

"Our (Celebi's) business and contracts have been affected," said senior counsel Mukul Rohatgi, who is representing the Turkish company in the matter. Rohatgi argued that the government's move was in violation of the 'principles of natural justice'.

India on 15 May withdrew the security clearance of Celebi's Indian airport services arm, citing national security risks and halting its operations at nine airports, including Delhi and Mumbai. The decision came amid growing demand for boycotting the firm headquartered in Istanbul, Turkey—a country that sided with Pakistan in the recent escalation of tensions with India.

The government revoked the clearance after Turkey publicly backed Pakistan and criticized India's strikes on terror camps during Operation Sindoor, launched in retaliation to the deadly Pakistan-sponsored terror attack on 22 April in Jammu and Kashmir's Pahalgam that killed 26 tourists.

The government, however, stood its ground, asserting that it had the powers to revoke security clearances and it does not need to assign any reasons while protecting the national security and sovereignty of the country.

"No opportunity of hearing given. It was a bolt from the blue. Without hearing, without notice, without reason..."

Rohatgi said.

**The court asked the government to demonstrate genuine apprehensions in revoking Celebi's security clearance**

Arguing on behalf of the government, solicitor general Tuskar Mehta contended that it is dealing with the most 'delicate' subject of civil aviation and national security and sovereignty of the nation.

The court, however, asked the government to demonstrate genuine apprehensions in revoking the firm's security clearance licence. The matter will be taken up for hearing today.

The company's over 10,000 employees have been temporarily transferred to Air India SATS Airport Services (AI SATS), AI Airport Services (AI ASL) and Bird Group.

*For an extended version of the story, go to [livemint.com](#).*



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## Celebi: Not given hearing or notice before clearance was revoked

**New Delhi:** Turkiye-based Celebi Airport Services Pvt Ltd submitted before Delhi HC Wednesday that Bureau of Civil Aviation Security withdrew the firm's security clearance without any prior notice or opportunity for a hearing, thereby disregarding the regulations governing the sector as well as the principles of natural justice.

The company also insisted that its workforce was Indian, and offered to replace Turkish staff, if that was a concern.

Govt had revoked the security clearance of Celebi, which handles operations at nine major airports in India, citing concerns over national security following Turkiye's support to Pakistan during Op Sindoor.

Citing the Aircraft (Security) Rules-2023, senior advocate Mukul Rohatgi, who appeared for Celebi, argued before a bench of Justice Sachin Dutta that granting a hearing is a statutory requirement. Govt is not entitled to create exceptions to the rules it has made, he said.

According to rule 12 of the Aircraft (Security) Rules, gov't can suspend a company's security clearance for up to one year or cancel it entirely, after providing a hearing opportunity and documenting the reasons. This applies when national security or civil aviation security and interests are at risk, or when entities fail to comply with the security clearance conditions, programmes or rules.

"You have to have reasons. Reasons to be recorded in writing rules out subjectivity," Rohatgi said, seeking transparency on Centre's decision.

Celebi objected to gov't submitting the grounds for revocation of clearance in a sealed envelope to the court. Centre Monday had said revealing the reasons could harm national interests. Centre will present its arguments Thursday. 789



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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.

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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”.

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

**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 heckling airlines staff on board aircraft, reports **Saurabh Sinha**.

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इंडिगो की उड़ान, आपात लैंडिंग



नई दिल्ली से श्रीनगर जा रही इंडिगो की उड़ान खराब मौसम के कारण हवा में हिचकोले खाने लगी। हालांकि, पायलट ने श्रीनगर हवाईअड्डे पर सुरक्षित आपात लैंडिंग की। विमान में तुफान काफ़ीस के कुछ नेताओं समेत 220 से ज्यादा यात्री सवार थे। ओलों की मार की वजह से विमान का अगला हिस्सा क्षतिग्रस्त हो गया।

# Interglobe Aviation Q4 net soars 62% to ₹3,067 cr on record passenger volumes

**CRUISING ALTITUDE.** Revenue from operations grew by 24 per cent y-o-y to ₹22,151.9 crore

**Rohit Vaid**  
New Delhi

IndiGo airline operator Interglobe Aviation on Wednesday reported a 61.9 per cent rise in consolidated net profit for the fourth quarter (Q4) of financial year 2024-25 (FY25) at ₹3,067.5 crore from ₹1,894.8 crore reported during the same period last year.

This rise in profit was attributed to record passenger volumes as well as healthy demand.

The company's board recommended a dividend of ₹10 per equity share subject to the approval of the shareholders of the company at the upcoming annual general meeting (AGM).

The payment of dividend will be completed within 30 days of declaration at the AGM.

Consolidated revenue from operations for the



## Soaring high

	Q4 FY24	Q4 FY25	y-o-y % change
Net profit (₹ cr)	1,894.8	3,067.5	61.9
Total income (₹ cr)	18,505.1	23,097.5	24.8
Passengers (in cr)	2.67	3.19	19.6

Source: IndiGo

budget airline grew by 24 per cent year-on-year (y-o-y) to ₹22,151.9 crore from ₹17,825.3 crore.

Sequentially, revenue remained flat compared to ₹22,110.7 crore.

IndiGo's earnings before interest, tax, depreciation, amortisation and rent (Ebitdar) also rose sharply to

₹6,948.2 crore from ₹4,412.3 crore a year ago, with margins expanding to 31.4 per cent from 24.8 per cent.

### INDIA-PAK FALLOUT

As per the quarterly results, IndiGo flew 19.6 per cent more passengers in the period under review, to 31.9 million.

The carrier's earnings before interest, tax, depreciation, amortisation and rent rose sharply to ₹6,948.2 crore from ₹4,412.3 crore; margins expanded to 31.4%

The airline said the impact of the air space restrictions owing to India-Pakistan hostilities will be felt in the forthcoming results.

"The fourth quarter was very strong; April started strong, and clearly May will be a dampener," IndiGo CEO Pieter Elbers told reporters.

"But, looking at where we are today, and how quickly after the ceasefire the traffic is returning, we're confident

that yes, May will be lower, but basically, yet from June, we will see a recovery of the traffic," he added.

However, on the full financial year 2024-25 basis, IndiGo's net profit declined by 11.2 per cent to ₹7,258.4 crore on a year-on-year basis.

"We are proud to report healthy financial performance for this quarter and the financial year 2025 as we reported a net profit of ₹7,258.4 crore."

"Our sustained performance is the result of record passenger volumes, operational efficiencies, agility and commitment demonstrated by IndiGo employees," Elbers said.

### EU OPERATIONS

"As we build on this momentum, we will continue to focus on cost leadership and further internationalisation with the start of our European operations," he added.

# Domestic air passenger traffic rises over 8% in April on healthy demand

**Rohit Vaid**  
New Delhi

Healthy demand, coupled with capacity addition, pushed India's domestic passenger traffic higher by 8.45 per cent in April on a year-on-year basis.

According to data released by the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA), India's scheduled domestic flight operators ferried over 1.43 crore passengers last month, up from 1.32 crore in April 2024.

On a sequential basis, passenger traffic had grown by over 8 per cent in March 2025 to around 1.45 crore.

"Passengers carried by domestic airlines during January-April 2025 were 575.13 lakh against 523.46 lakh during the corresponding period of the previous year, thereby registering an annual growth of 9.87 per cent and monthly



**TAKING WINGS.** IndiGo achieved the highest market share among all the domestic airlines

growth of 8.45 per cent," the DGCA said in its monthly passenger traffic report.

### TOP PERFORMER

Notably, airline major IndiGo achieved the highest market share among all the

domestic airlines during the month under review.

The airline increased its market share to 64.1 per cent in April from 64 per cent in March. It ferried 91.72 lakh passengers last month, compared to 93.09 lakh in March.

### MARKET SHARE UP

Similarly, Air India and Air India Express posted market share gains.

The group improved its market share from 26.7 per cent in March to 27.2 per cent in April, with 38.90 lakh passengers flown.

### HEADWINDS

Besides, Akasa Air's market share saw a standstill at 5 per cent after carrying 713,000 passengers during the month.

Furthermore, Alliance Air's share remained constant at 0.5 per cent, carrying 0.76 lakh passengers.

In contrast, SpiceJet's market share declined to 2.6 per cent in April from 3.3 per cent in March.

The airline ferried 3.79 lakh passengers last month. Additionally, Star Air maintained its market share at 0.4 per cent, carrying 0.62 lakh passengers.



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## घरेलू हवाई यात्रियों की संख्या अप्रैल में 8% बढ़ी

भारतीय एयरलाइन कंपनियों ने अप्रैल में घरेलू मार्गों पर सालाना आधार पर 8.45 प्रतिशत अधिक 143.6 लाख यात्रियों को सेवाएं प्रदान कीं। यह हवाई यातायात की बढ़ती मांग को दर्शाता है। नागर विमानन महानिदेशालय (डीजीसीए) के ताजा आंकड़ों के अनुसार, घरेलू हवाई यातायात में इंडिगो की हिस्सेदारी सबसे अधिक 64.1 प्रतिशत रही। इसके बाद एयर इंडिया समूह (27.2 प्रतिशत), अकासा एयर (पांच प्रतिशत) और स्पाइसजेट (2.6 प्रतिशत) का स्थान रहा। डीजीसीए ने अपनी मासिक रिपोर्ट में कहा, 'जनवरी-अप्रैल, 2025 के दौरान घरेलू एयरलाइन कंपनियों ने 575.13 लाख यात्रियों की आवाजाही सुनिश्चित की।' भाषा

## IndiGo posts best ever Q4 profit of ₹3,068 crore

Surge driven by Mahakumbh, extended wedding season, among other factors

**DEEPAK PATEL**  
New Delhi, 21 May

India's largest airline, IndiGo, on Wednesday reported its highest ever consolidated net profit for the fourth quarter. The firm's profit rose 61.9 per cent year-on-year (Y-o-Y) to ₹3,068 crore, driven by a surge in travel demand during the Mahakumbh in Prayagraj, an extended wedding season, a sharp reduction in the number of grounded aircraft over the last few quarters, and effective cost control.

The consolidated net profit for FY25 stood at ₹7,258 crore, a drop of 11.2 per cent Y-o-Y. "There was a temporary moderation in demand, led by elections and heatwave, in the first half of the year" IndiGo Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Pieter Elbers said during the post-results conference call with analysts.

"In the fourth quarter, we served the highest number of passengers in any quarter. We also posted the highest fourth-quarter profit for

### Flying high

Consolidated figures for IndiGo

	Q4FY25 (₹ cr)	Q-o-Q chg (%)	Y-o-Y chg (%)
Total income	23,098	0.5	24.8
Total expenses	19,928	-2.6	19.1
Profit after tax	3,068	25.3	61.9

Source: Company



limited. "Of the 2,200 daily flights, only 34 are taking extra flying time (on average nearly 20 minutes). We are taking additional fuel," he explained.

IndiGo Chief Financial Officer Gaurav Negi said the airline witnessed strong travel demand in April. However, he acknowledged that there was a noticeable decline in bookings and an uptick in cancellations after the Pahalgam terrorist attack. "From April 22 until a few days ago, the bookings saw a decline. Now, it is coming up," he noted. Expressing the hope of a swift rebound, he added: "Let's see how fast the trend will reverse. We are optimistic that by May-end or in June, we will see a full recovery."

On international strategy, Elbers highlighted that IndiGo was pushing into longer-haul markets.

"Indian operators' share was in mid-30s until a few years ago. Over the past years, this share has gone up to 45-46 per cent," he said, citing regional expansion as the primary driver.

"That is why we are now starting flights to destinations like Manchester," he stated.

### 'All within air services agreement': IndiGo defends Turkish airlines deal

IndiGo CEO Pieter Elbers on Wednesday defended the airline's codeshare and aircraft leasing arrangement with Turkish Airlines, stating that the operations are fully within the framework of the bilateral air services agreement signed between India and Turkey. "I think it's important to recognise that the operation to Istanbul is taking place in the context of the air service agreement between India and Turkey," he stated. Relations between India and Turkey have nosedived during the last few weeks, after Turkey repeatedly extended full diplomatic and military support to Pakistan. **BS REPORTER**

any year since our inception," he added.

Operational efficiencies also played a role, with the number of grounded aircraft, which had peaked in Q2 at mid-70s, falling to 50s by Q4. Currently, the number stands at 40s, Elbers stated. This helped offset cost pressures from

forex fluctuations, aircraft re-deliveries, and maintenance.

IndiGo saw a net addition of 67 aircraft in FY25. For full FY26, its capacity growth is expected to be in low double digits.

Elbers emphasised that operational disruptions due to the closure of Pakistan's airspace had been



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## मौसम बिगड़ने का उड़ानों पर असर, 11 डायवर्ट

जासं, नई दिल्ली: बुधवार को मौसम बिगड़ने से आइजीआई एयरपोर्ट पर उड़ानों का संचालन बुरी तरह प्रभावित हुआ। अलग-अलग दिशाओं से आइजीआई एयरपोर्ट की ओर आ रही उड़ानों को जयपुर डायवर्ट कर उन्हें वहां लैंडिंग के निर्देश दिए गए। समाचार लिखे जाने तक एक एक करके 11 उड़ान जयपुर डायवर्ट की गईं।

शाम आठ बजे अकासा की उड़ान को जयपुर डायवर्ट किया गया। इसके 10 मिनट बाद ही सिंगापुर से आ रही एक उड़ान को मुंबई में उतरने के आदेश दिए गए। इसके बाद कोलकाता, अहमदाबाद, लखनऊ, मुंबई, चेन्नई, कोलकाता सहित अन्य स्थानों से आ रही उड़ानों को डायवर्ट किया गया।

जानकारी के अनुसार बुधवार को आगमन से जुड़ी करीब एक तिहाई उड़ानें विलंबित रहीं, जिनमें आधी से अधिक उड़ानों के विलंब होने का प्रमुख कारण बिगड़ा हुआ मौसम रहा। वहीं प्रस्थान की उड़ानों पर भी मौसम का असर हुआ। कई उड़ानें एक से दो घंटे की देरी से रवाना हुईं। प्रस्थान की कुल 35 प्रतिशत उड़ानें विलंबित रही। हालांकि विलंब का औसत करीब 12 मिनट ही रहा।



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## अप्रैल में 1.43 करोड़ ने किया घरेलू हवाई सफर

नई दिल्ली: इस वर्ष अप्रैल में 1.43 करोड़ यात्रियों ने घरेलू मार्गों पर हवाई सफर किया है। इसमें वार्षिक आधार पर 8.45 प्रतिशत की वृद्धि रही है। नागर विमानन महानिदेशालय के डाटा के अनुसार, इस अवधि में 64.1 प्रतिशत बाजार हिस्सेदारी के साथ इंडिगो एयरलाइंस शीर्ष पर रही है। एअर इंडिया समूह की हिस्सेदारी 27.2 प्रतिशत रही है। (भूट)



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## चौथी तिमाही में इंडिगो का शुद्ध लाभ 63 प्रतिशत बढ़ा

नई दिल्ली: इंडिगो एयरलाइंस की पैरेंट कंपनी इंटरग्लोब एंविश्न ने बुधवार को बताया कि बीते वित्त वर्ष की चौथी तिमाही में उसका शुद्ध लाभ 62 प्रतिशत बढ़कर 3,067.5 करोड़ रुपये रहा है। जनवरी-मार्च 2024 में कंपनी को 1,894.8 करोड़ रुपये का लाभ हुआ था। सीईओ पीटर एलब्स ने बताया कि बीते वित्त वर्ष में कंपनी ने 11.8 करोड़ यात्रियों को सफर कराया है। (एए)



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## दिल्ली से श्रीनगर पहुंचे इंडिगो के विमान की आपात लैंडिंग, 227 यात्री बाल-बाल बचे

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दिल्ली से श्रीनगर पहुंचे इंडिगो एयरलाइंस के विमान में बुधवार को तूफान के कारण तकनीकी गड़बड़ी आने के बाद आपात स्थिति में श्रीनगर एयरपोर्ट पर उतारा गया। पायलट की सूझबूझ से विमान में सवार क्रू मेंबर सहित 227 यात्री बाल-बाल बच गए। इस दौरान विमान का अगले हिस्से को भी क्षति पहुंची है।

जानकारी के अनुसार, दोपहर बाद कश्मीर में मौसम अचानक बदल गया। इसी बीच दिल्ली से शाम को इंडिगो का एक विमान 6ई2142, वीटी-आइएमडी श्रीनगर के लिए रवाना हुआ। शाम साढ़े छह बजे जब विमान श्रीनगर एयरपोर्ट के ऊपर आसमान में था तो अचानक मौसम

तूफान के कारण आई तकनीकी गड़बड़ी, विमान का अगला हिस्सा क्षतिग्रस्त

पायलट की सूझबूझ काम आई, बचने पर यात्रियों की जान में जान आई

**यात्री रोते न प्रार्थना करते नजर आए**

विमान से सुरक्षित उतरे यात्री काफी डरे-सहमे नजर आए। यात्रियों के अनुसार, तूफान के कारण विमान में बुरी तरह कंपन हो रहा था। इंटरनेट मीडिया पर प्रसारित एक वीडियो में विमान के हिलने पर यात्री रोते, विल्लाते और प्रार्थना करते हुए दिखाई दे रहे हैं।

के कारण इसमें तकनीकी दिक्कत आ गई। एटीसी ने तुरंत विमान की आपात लैंडिंग की व्यवस्था की और पायलट



श्रीनगर एयरपोर्ट पर बुधवार रात को उतरा इंडिगो का क्षतिग्रस्त विमान। प्रेद

विमान को सुरक्षित नीचे उतारने में सफल रहा। श्रीनगर एयरपोर्ट के निदेशक जावेद अंजम ने घटना की पुष्टि की है।

# IndiGo's Q4 Profit Soars 62% on Demand, Kumbh Tailwinds

Yield up 2.4%, load factor at 87.4%; betting on long-haul market to increase share: Elbers

## Our Bureau

**New Delhi:** IndiGo, India's largest airline, posted a 62% on-year rise in net profit at ₹ 3,067 crore in the March quarter, fuelled by a travel boom due to the Maha Kumbh mela and wedding season. It was the second-highest quarterly profit for the budget airline.

For the fiscal year ended March 31, IndiGo reported a 11% decline in net profit at ₹7,258 crore. The company's board announced a dividend of ₹10 per share.

"It was an exceptionally strong fourth quarter with strong demands, a good execution of our strategy and some events like the Maha Kumbh obviously helping the performance," said Pieter Elbers, CEO of IndiGo.

"Our sustained performance is the result of record passenger volumes, operational efficiencies, agility and commitment demonstrated by IndiGo employees."

IndiGo's yields—a metric of profitability—increased 2.4% on-year to ₹ 5.32 per kilometre last quarter. Passenger load factor improved by 1.1 percentage points to 87.4%.

## Flying High

**Kumbh mela, wedding season helped Co's second-highest quarterly profit in history**

**FY25 Profit: ₹7,258 crore, down 11.2%**

**Load factor: Up to 87.4%**

**Expects the summer holiday to drive traffic further**

## INDIA-PAKISTAN TENSION IMPACTS

- Spurt of cancellations last week when 32 airports were shut due to airspace restrictions

- CFO said trend of cancellation has started to reverse



However, the airline has been impacted by geopolitical tensions between India and Pakistan. It faced largescale ticket cancellations when India shut 32 airports earlier this month due to the conflict with Pakistan.

Chief financial officer Gaurav Negi said the trend of cancellations has started to reverse and he expects the upcoming summer holidays to further drive passenger traffic.

"All these airports have opened up and we think that the peak of the cancellations have happened,

but the trend has started to reverse after the geopolitical events," Negi said in a post-results call with analysts.

IndiGo also announced flights to Amsterdam and Manchester from July—its maiden foray into long-haul flying—using Boeing 787 aircraft leased from European carrier Norse Atlantic. Till now, IndiGo's network remains limited in domestic and up to six hours of flights to international destinations.

Executives said the onboard experience will be noticeably different from a typical no-frills IndiGo flight.

## Flight to Srinagar Hit by Hailstorm

**Srinagar:** A Srinagar-bound IndiGo flight from Delhi with more than 220 people, including TMC MPs, on board encountered sudden hailstorm on Wednesday, prompting the pilot to report the "emergency" to air traffic control at Srinagar. The aircraft later landed safely here and has been grounded, officials said. Some passengers claimed that the nose of the plane was damaged but there was no official word on it. —PTI

All passengers, regardless of cabin, will receive two sets of complementary hot meals—a first for the carrier. In IndiGo Stretch premium cabin, passengers will get complimentary lounge access.

Elbers highlighted that IndiGo is pushing into longer-haul markets. "Indian operators' share was in the mid-30s till a few years ago. Over the last few years, this share has gone up to 45-46%," he said, citing regional expansion as the primary driver. "That is why we are now starting flights to destinations like Manchester."



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**IN APRIL**

## Domestic Air Passenger Traffic Rises by 8.4%



**NEW DELHI** Indian airlines flew 14.3 million passengers on domestic routes in April, an 8.4% increase compared to the same month last year. In terms of market share, IndiGo led with 64.1%, followed by Air India Group (27.2%), Akasa Air (5%), and SpiceJet (2.6%), according to the latest data from the Directorate General of Civil Aviation. The report showed domestic airlines carried 57.5 million passengers in January-April, up from 52.3 million in the same period last year.

### **FLIGHT OPERATIONS HIT AT DELHI AIRPORT DUE TO BAD WEATHER**

Flight operations were hit at Delhi airport on Wednesday evening due to heavy rains and thunderstorms. "Our on-ground teams are diligently working with all stakeholders to ensure a seamless and efficient passenger experience," DIAL said in a post on X. —PTI



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## IndiGo CEO says lease deal with Turkish firm as per rules

SWARAJ BAGGONKAR  
Mumbai, May 21

**LOW-COST CARRIER INDIGO** is compliant with all the regulatory framework and regulations for using aircraft leased from its long-time partner Turkish Airlines, said CEO Pieter Elbers on Wednesday, adding that it is for the government to decide on renewal of leases.

Companies from Turkey operating in India have been at the receiving end of a consumer backlash in the wake of increased tension between India and Pakistan. Last week regulatory body Bureau of Civil Aviation Security revoked the security clearance of Turkish firm Celebi Airport Services, a ground handling company.

Recent reports stated that the Centre is not keen on extending IndiGo's lease agreement with Turkish Airlines, which allows the Indian carrier to operate on the Mumbai-Delhi-Istanbul route. The agreement is set to expire on May 31.

IndiGo operates two Boeing 777s, leased from Turkish Airlines, running direct flights to Istanbul having over 500 seats each. It also offers code-share seats to more than 40 points in Europe and the US through its partnership with the Turkish carrier.

"It is important to recognise that the operation to Istanbul is in the context of the air service agreement between India and Turkey. IndiGo is fully compliant with the regulatory framework and regulations which are there. We have thousands of customers booked mostly beyond Istanbul," said Elbers.



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## **Air passenger traffic grows 8% in April**

INDIAN AIRLINES FLEW 14.36 million passengers on domestic routes in April, 8.45% more as compared to the year-ago period, amid rising air traffic demand. In terms of domestic market share, IndiGo topped the list with 64.1% of the pie, followed by Air India Group (27.2%), Akasa Air (5%) and SpiceJet (2.6%), according to DGCA.

—PTI

**PROFIT SURGES 62% TO ₹3,068 CR; REVENUE JUMPS 24% TO ₹22,152 CR**

## IndiGo logs best-ever Q4 profit after soaring Mahakumbh sales

SWARAJ BAGGONKAR  
Mumbai, May 21

INTERGLOBE AVIATION, WHICH runs India's largest carrier IndiGo, posted its best-ever March quarter profits, riding on robust demand for the Mahakumbh festival. With plane seats in short supply, fares in February had soared. The Gurugram-based company recorded a consolidated net profit of ₹3,068 crore in Q4FY25, a 62% jump year on year (y-o-y). It also beat the consensus estimates from Bloomberg of ₹2,574 crore.

Pieter Elbers, CEO, IndiGo, said demand had been good in the fourth quarter as had the execution "with Mahakumbh obviously helping".

IndiGo's Q4 consolidated revenue from operations jumped 24% (y-o-y) to ₹22,152 crore, beating the estimate of ₹21,887 crore. The number of passengers carried during the quarter increased 20% y-o-y to 31.9 million while the available seat kilometres (ASK) increased by 21% to 42.1 billion. The airline's yield increased by 2.4% to ₹5.32 and load factor improved by 1.1 points to 87.4%.

IndiGo has guided for the induction of one plane every week which will help the airline keep pace with

### FLYING HIGH

InterGlobe Aviation (IndiGo) consolidated financials  
(₹ cr) ■ Q4FY24 ■ Q4FY25 ▲ % change



the growing traffic. "We are expecting the Airbus XLRs to come within this financial year, perhaps even before the end of this calendar year. These will come in two-cabin configuration," Elbers added.

The company also noted that the response to its business class offering has been 'good' on all the sectors it has offered. "We have seen fairly good performance in the Delhi-Mumbai sector. It is important that we create good market awareness on this product. The response has been very good on the Bangkok route as well," Elbers added.

IndiGo is launching its 'Stretch'

business class product on 40 of its Airbus A321neo aircraft. Of these 16 aircraft are already in use. Delhi-Bengaluru, Delhi-Chennai and Delhi-Hyderabad routes have seen business class being offered by the airline.

As of March 31, IndiGo had a total cash balance of ₹48,170 crore, comprising ₹33,153 crore of free cash and ₹15,017 crore of restricted cash.

IndiGo was among the airlines impacted by the closure of Pakistan airspace and the closure of a number of India airports in the current quarter. Two international routes — Tashkent and Almaty — have been suspended by the airline out of the

### Direct flights to UK, Netherlands starting in July

INDIGO WILL START operating direct flights from Mumbai to Manchester and Amsterdam with the leased Boeing 787-9 aircraft in July, and the services to the UK city will also mark the airline's long haul debut. The airline, which has been expanding its fleet as well as overseas connections, will commence Mumbai-Manchester (UK) flight from July 1 and the Mumbai-Amsterdam (the Netherlands) service from July 2, said a release. —PTI

total 41 that it operates. "There are 30-35 flights where the average flying time has increased in the range of 20 mins. We will reinstate Tashkent and Almaty when the Pakistan airspace reopens. Out of the 32 airports closed, 11 were served by IndiGo with total cancellations of 170 flights a day," Elbers added.



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## Govt unlikely to renew IndiGo pact with Turkish Airlines

IANAS

New Delhi, May 19

The government is unlikely to extend the commercial airline IndiGo's leasing agreement with Turkish Airlines due to strained diplomatic relations following Turkey's open support for Pakistan after the Pahalgam terror attack and Operation Sindoor launched by India to avenge the killings of 26 tourists.

"The current pact, which enables IndiGo to operate wide-body aircraft on the Delhi-Istanbul route, expires on May 31. The government review is underway and the deal is unlikely to be renewed given the broader diplomatic context," according to an NDTV Profit report, citing people in the know.

IndiGo currently operates over 500-seater Airbus A330s on lease from Turkish Airlines for its Istanbul flights. The partnership also includes a codeshare deal that allows IndiGo to sell connections to over 40 destinations in Europe and North America



via Istanbul.

On Thursday, IndiGo defended the collaboration, calling it "strategic" and essential for offering Indian flyers long-haul international access.

Apart from the vocal support during the heinous Pahalgam massacre, Turkey has also supplied drones to Pakistan, which were used to attack India during Operation Sindoor.

The issue of renewal of the IndiGo agreement with Turkish Airlines comes up at a time when India is already snapping ties with Turkish businesses and universities.

The government on Thursday

revoked the security clearance for Turkish ground-handling firm Celebi Airport Services at Indian airports, due to national security concerns.

The Turkish company handled around 70 per cent of the ground operations at Mumbai airport, including passenger services, load control, flight operations, cargo and postal services, warehouses and bridge operations.

Adani Airport Holdings has also scrapped its agreement with Turkish company DragonPass to provide the latter's customers access to its airport lounges.

"Our association with DragonPass,

which provided access to airport lounges, has been terminated with immediate effect. DragonPass customers will no longer have access to lounges at Adani-managed airports. This change will have no impact on the airport lounge and travel experience for other customers," the Adani Airport Holdings spokesperson said on Thursday.

Hundreds of Indian tourists have cancelled their trips to Turkey and Azerbaijan as part of the nationalistic backlash against these countries for supporting Pakistan in the conflict with India. Leading online travel booking platforms MakeMyTrip and EaseMyTrip have reported mass cancellations and a sharp drop in Indian tourists wanting to travel to Turkey and Azerbaijan.

Similarly, many Indian universities, including Jawaharlal Nehru University, Jamia Millia Islamia, and Maulana Azad National Urdu University, have suspended academic ties with Turkish institutions.

## विमान यात्रियों की चीखें निकलीं, कुछ प्रार्थना करते दिखे



इंडिगो विमान के अंदर का यह वीडियो बुधवार को वायरल हो गया। इसमें यात्री हथों से अपनी आंखें बंद करके प्रार्थना करते दिख रहे हैं।

दिल्ली से श्रीनगर जा रहा विमान बुधवार को तूफान की चपेट में आ गया। इंडिगो विमान में लोग आपात स्थिति में मदद के लिए प्रार्थना करते भी नजर आए। वहीं सोशल मीडिया पर विमान से जुड़ा एक वीडियो भी सामने आया है। इसमें यात्री चिल्लाते हुए नजर आ रहे हैं। विमान ऊपर-नीचे हिलता हुआ नजर आ रहा है।

### आपबीती

#### 30 मिनट पहले सीट बेल्ट बांधने की घोषणा

एक अन्य यात्री ने कहा कि श्रीनगर में उतरने से करीब 20-30 मिनट पहले सीट बेल्ट बांधने की घोषणा की गई क्योंकि विमान में हलचल थी।

#### यह बहुत डरावना था

यात्री शीख समीउल्लाह ने बताया कि मैं इंडिगो की उड़ान में था। सब कुछ सामान्य लग रहा था। तभी पायलट ने अचानक घोषणा की कि हमारे सामने एक खराब स्थिति है और हमें अपनी सीट बेल्ट बांधने के लिए कहा। यह डरावना था।

#### लगा कि मेरी जिंदगी खत्म : सागरिका घोष

गुणमूल संसद सागरिका घोष ने कहा कि मुझे लगा कि मेरी जिंदगी खत्म हो गई है। लीग चिल्ला और प्रार्थना कर रहे थे। उस पायलट को सलाम जिसने हमें इस स्थिति से निकाला। सागरिका विमान में गुणमूल कांग्रेस के एक प्रतिनिधिमंडल के साथ थीं। उनके साथ डेरेक ओब्रायन, घोष, नदीभूल हक, ममता ठाकुर और मालस भूयान शामिल थे। सागरिका ने कहा, जब हम उतरे तो हमने देखा कि विमान का नोज बुरी तरह क्षतिग्रस्त हो गया था। लैंडिंग के बाद प्रतिनिधिमंडल ने पायलट को धन्यवाद दिया।

#### पायलट की हो रही तारीफ

सोशल मीडिया यूजर पायलट की सुझबुझ की तारीफ भी कर रहे हैं। यात्रियों ने पायलट और फ्लाइट कर्मी को धन्यवाद कहा है। यात्रियों के मुताबिक कर्मी ने मौके पर त्वरता दिखाई और विमान को सुरक्षित लैंडिंग में मदद की।

#### मौत के मुंह से निकल आया

ओपैस मकबूल ने एक्स पर लिखा कि मैं विमान में था और श्रीनगर से घर वापस जा रहा था। मैं मौत के मुंह से निकल आया। विमान का अंगला हिस्सा क्षतिग्रस्त था। हमें ज्यादा कुछ देखने की इजाजत नहीं थी।

#### विशेषज्ञ बोले, बड़ा हादसा होने से टला

विशेषज्ञ कहते हैं कि इंडिगो का विमान बड़े हादसे से बचा है। हवा में रहते हुए विमान भीषण तूफान व ओलावृष्टि की चपेट में आया है। उसकी नोज कोन टूट गई है, जो किसी भी विमान को

हवा को काटते हुए आगे बढ़ने में मदद करती है। अगर नोज कोन टूट जाती है तो बैलेंस गड़बड़ जाता है। निश्चित तौर पर पायलट ने सुझबुझ का परिचय देते लोगों की जान बचाई।

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## इंडिगो की मैनचेस्टर-एम्स्टर्डम के लिए सेवा

नई दिल्ली। इंडिगो जुलाई से मैनचेस्टर और एम्स्टर्डम के लिए सीधी उड़ान सेवा शुरू करेगी। कंपनी द्वारा लीज पर लिए गए बोइंग 787-9 विमानों के साथ उड़ान सेवा शुरू की जाएगी। कंपनी की तरफ से कहा गया है कि वह अपनी उड़ान सेवा का विस्तार कर रही है। अंतरराष्ट्रीय स्तर पर उड़ान सेवा का विस्तार हो, इसी उद्देश्य के साथ एक जुलाई से मुंबई-मैनचेस्टर (ब्रिटेन) और दो जुलाई से मुंबई-एम्स्टर्डम (नीदरलैंड) के लिए उड़ान सेवा शुरू होगी।



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## ‘भारतीय विमानों के लिए हवाई क्षेत्र बंद रखेगा पाकिस्तान’

नई दिल्ली, एजेंसी। पाकिस्तान ने भारतीय विमानों के लिए अपने हवाई क्षेत्र को एक और महीने के लिए बंद रखने का फैसला किया है। बुधवार को एक मीडिया रिपोर्ट में यह जानकारी दी गई।

22 अप्रैल को पहलगांम आतंकी हमले के कारण नई दिल्ली द्वारा उठाए गए कड़े कदमों के बाद पाकिस्तान ने पिछले महीने भारत के लिए अपने हवाई क्षेत्र के इस्तेमाल पर रोक लगा दी थी। यह प्रतिबंध 23 मई तक एक महीने के लिए लगाया गया था।



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## IndiGo Q4 net surges 62% to ₹3,067 crore

**The Hindu Bureau**

NEW DELHI

Budget airline IndiGo's parent InterGlobe Aviation posted a net profit of ₹3,067 crore for Q4FY25 and a net profit of ₹7,258 crore for FY25.

While the Q4 net profit saw a 62% year-on-year growth, the annual net profit declined by 11%.

The airline netted a total income of ₹23,097 crore in Q4, which was 24.8% higher than Q4 FY24, said IndiGo CEO Pieter Elbers.

The performance was aided by robust travel demand with passenger number growing 21%, or 3.2 crore, for IndiGo last fiscal.

On the sticking point of airline's partnership with Turkish Airlines under



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which IndiGo uses two Boeing 777 aircraft for flights to Istanbul from Delhi and Mumbai and allows passengers to connect to Europe and U.S., the CEO said, "flight operations to Istanbul are within the framework of the air service pact between India and Turkey. We are compliant with all regulatory norms."

# Delhi flight hit by hail in J&K

**SRINAGAR:** A Srinagar-bound Indigo flight from Delhi with more than 220 people on board encountered a sudden hailstorm leading to severe turbulence on Wednesday, prompting the pilot to report an "emergency" to Air Traffic Control at Srinagar.

The flight, which was also carrying a five-member delegation of Trinamool Congress, later landed safely at Srinagar at 6.30pm, officials said.

"IndiGo flight 6E 2142 operating from Delhi to Srinagar encountered sudden hailstorm en route. The flight and cabin crew followed established protocol and the aircraft landed safely in Srinagar," the airline said.

Some passengers said the nose of the plane was damaged but there was no official word on it. Visuals on social media showed damage to the aircraft's nose. **HTC**



The damaged IndiGo flight which landed safely in Srinagar.



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# Govt to decide deal with Turkish carrier: IndiGo

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**NEW DELHI:** IndiGo is fully compliant with all regulatory frameworks governing its operations with aircraft leased from Turkish Airlines, IndiGo CEO Pieter Elbers said on Wednesday, adding that the decision to renew these leases lies with the Indian government.

IndiGo operates direct flights to Istanbul using two Boeing 777 aircraft leased from Turkish Airlines, and offers codeshare connections to Europe and the US through its partnership with the Turkish carrier.

"It is important to recognise that the operation to Istanbul is taking place in the context of the Air Service Agreement (ASA) between India and Turkey," Elbers said during a media interaction on the airline's fourth-quarter and full-

year financial results for 2024-25.

"IndiGo is fully compliant with all regulatory frameworks and regulations which are there. We have thousands of Indian customers booked mostly beyond Istanbul,"

The lease agreements with Turkish Airlines for the Boeing 777s are valid until May 31. "The decision to renew these leases lies with the Indian government," Elbers noted.

The IndiGO CEO's remarks came days after the Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS) revoked security clearance for Turkish company Celebi Airport Services India Pvt Ltd on May 15, citing national security concerns.

The revocation of Celebi's security clearance follows mounting tensions between India and Turkey over the latter's diplomatic and military ties with Pakistan.



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### INDIGO TO PAY DIVIDEND AFTER RECORD Q4 PROFIT

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**NEW DELHI:** IndiGo reported a record fourth-quarter profit due to a spike in travel during Mahakumbh, prompting India's largest airline by market share and fleet size to announce its first dividend after five years.

InterGlobe Aviation Ltd, which operates the carrier, recorded a profit after tax (PAT) of ₹3,068 cr in quarter ended March, a jump of 61.9% from ₹1,895 crore a year earlier.

The company's board recommended a dividend of ₹10 per equity share, subject to shareholder approval. That's 100% on a face value of ₹10 per share.

Total income for Q4 rose 24.8% year-on-year to ₹23,098 crore. Revenue from operations rose 24.3% to ₹22,152 crore.



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## Metro ops affected; 12 flights diverted to Jaipur, 1 to Mumbai

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FOUR PERSONS were killed in Delhi and Ghaziabad during a major storm that hit Delhi-NCR on Wednesday evening. While many vehicles were damaged and trees uprooted, traffic was disrupted at several locations, and Metro services were affected. Also, power outages because of trees falling on electricity lines were reported from across the Capital.

An unidentified man in a wheelchair died at Lodhi Road after a high-beam electric cable fell on him, Delhi Police said. In Gokulpuri, a 22-year-old man named Azhar got trapped under a tree and died. A resident of Maujpur, he was declared brought dead at the hospital.

Kavinagar Assistant Commissioner of Police Swatantra Singh said that around 8 pm, information was received that a 40-year-old man had died after a tree fell on him in Ghaziabad. "The man has been identified as Muzamil. He was on a bike when the tree fell on him...", he added. Also, a 38-year-old woman died in Ghaziabad after the wall of BMR Public School collapsed on her jhuggi. Four others were injured in the incident.

Officers of the Delhi Fire Services said they received more than 25 calls about trees falling.



**The IndiGo flight that hit turbulence mid-air.** P77

Two trees fell outside the Nizamuddin police station, crushing two cars. In Teen Murti, a taxi was damaged due to a tree falling.

Trees falling at multiple locations — Copernicus Marg, Teen Murti Marg, Mathura Road, and KG Marg, among others — disrupted traffic in the Capital, the Delhi Traffic Police said.

Metro operations were also affected. "Due to the sudden windstorm, there has been some damage to OHE (overhead equipment) or external objects falling/coming onto Metro tracks at certain locations," a Metro spokesperson said. Normal services resumed on the Yellow Line by 10.05 pm and on the Red Line by 11.03 pm.

Meanwhile, 12 flights were di-

verted to Jaipur and one to Mumbai from Delhi Airport, a source said. An IndiGo flight heading to Srinagar from Delhi faced severe turbulence and damage. While the nose of the aircraft suffered damage due to the weather, the flight landed safely. Srinagar Airport Director Javed Anjum said. On board the flight were Trinamool Congress MPs Derek O'Brien, Sagarika Ghose, Md Nadimul Haque and Mamata Thakur.

Delhi also witnessed power disruptions. With power lines damaged by falling of trees, electricity supply was suspended to many areas to prevent electrocution. "...power disruptions were witnessed in areas across the Capital, such as parts of Bawana, Narela, Jahangirpuri, Civil Lines, Shakti Nagar, Model Town, Wazirabad, Dhirpur, Burari," Tata Power DDL, which supplies power to North Delhi, said. BSES, too, said it had to cut power in several areas to prevent electrocution.

In Noida, several areas like Bisrakh Mor, DND flyover, Film City, and Sector 52 Metro Station, saw huge traffic.

While the main gate of Apex Golf Avenue residential society in Greater Noida West collapsed during the rain and storm, at least four cars were damaged at Ajnara Homes after a tree fell over them. In a similar incident, an eucalyptus tree was uprooted on Dadri Road.

**'UP TO GOVT TO DECIDE ON TURKISH AIRCRAFT LEASES'**

## Turkish Airlines partnership 'fully compliant' with govt rules: IndiGo CEO

**SUKALP SHARMA**  
NEW DELHI, MAY 21

AMID THE backlash in India over Turkey's support for Islamabad in the India-Pakistan conflict, India's largest airline IndiGo on Wednesday said that the carrier's codeshare partnership with Turkish Airlines and the operation of damp-leased wide-body jets between the two countries are fully compliant with all Indian rules and regulations, and are strictly within the framework of the India-Turkey bilateral air services agreement.

On the upcoming renewal of the damp lease arrangement, IndiGo CEO Pieter Elbers said that it is for the Indian government to decide, and the airline will have fallback plans in case of changes in the current arrangement.

There have been calls from some quarters in India for IndiGo to end its relationship with Turkish Airlines, including its damp lease of two wide-body jets of the Istanbul-based carrier, with which IndiGo operates its flights to Istanbul from Delhi and

### ON DAMP-LEASE RENEWAL



IndiGo

**ON THE** damp-lease agreement with Turkish Airlines, Elbers said, 'We have had this operation in place for some time now. It has served the Indian customers well'

**'AS A** good airline, we make sure that we have fallback plans in case of changes,' he said, adding that IndiGo will "deal with it, and we adjust our network accordingly"

Mumbai. These planes are high-density Boeing 777 aircraft with over 500 seats apiece, allowing IndiGo to carry significantly more passengers than what its regular narrow-body aircraft can carry. The codeshare agreement also enables the Indian carrier to offer connections to over 40 destinations in Europe and North America on the Turkish Airlines network via Istanbul.

The lease arrangement is ending this month, and the airlines

cannot go ahead with a renewal unless New Delhi greenlights it. Following India's decision to cancel the security clearance of Turkey-headquartered airport ground handling major Celebi, speculation is rife that the IndiGo-Turkish Airlines damp lease renewal may not receive a favourable decision from the government.

The past few days have seen a growing clamour for a boycott of Turkey and review of Turkish

firms' presence in India in the wake of Operation Sindoor. Apart from Ankara's open support for Islamabad in the recent India-Pakistan military, widespread use of Turkish drones by Pakistan in operations against India has added to the disapproval for Turkey in India.

"The flights between India and Turkey are governed and are within the framework of the air service agreement between the two nations. Two, the operations which are taking place are fully compliant and in line, not only with the regulatory framework, but also with all the rules and regulations from the (Indian) government. We still have lots and lots of Indian customers booked on these flights, mostly connecting over at Istanbul and flying to other parts of the world for their travel needs," Elbers said in an investor call on Wednesday.

"On the (damp lease) renewal, that's up to the government to decide. We have had this operation in place for some time now. It has served the Indian customers well... The government has a view on what is the overall land-

scape and the overall setting and the holistic picture, and we operate within that guidance and framework," Elbers added.

In response to a question on IndiGo's options if the damp lease arrangement with Turkish Airlines is not renewed beyond May, Elbers said: "As a good airline, we make sure that we have fallback plans in case of changes. And I think we have demonstrated that over the last years, be it domestic, be it International... We'll deal with it, and we adjust our network accordingly".

In the past, IndiGo has operated its flights to Istanbul from Delhi and Mumbai using its narrow-body Airbus A320neo and A321neo aircraft whenever the Boeing 777 jets faced technical issues or the lease arrangement was not in place. For instance, for about two weeks in November, IndiGo operated its Turkey flights using narrow-body aircraft as the process for renewal of the damp lease of the Boeing 777 planes was underway at the time.

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**AS PART OF AIRLINE'S INTERNATIONALISATION STRATEGY**

## IndiGo to fly thrice weekly to Manchester, Amsterdam from Mumbai starting early July

**SUKALP SHARMA**  
NEW DELHI, MAY 21

INDIGO WILL start operating flights to Manchester and Amsterdam from Mumbai from early July, marking the long-haul debut for India's largest airline that has been making concerted efforts to rapidly expand its international network and go beyond short-haul international routes. While Manchester and Amsterdam are the initial long-haul routes for IndiGo, the airline is understood to be evaluating multiple other key long-haul markets in Europe and beyond to expand its international footprint.

The carrier's Mumbai-Manchester service will start on July 1, and the Mumbai-Amsterdam service will begin on July 2. Both will be thrice weekly services and will be operated with the wide-body Boeing 787-9 aircraft that the carrier has taken on damp



**In a first for IndiGo, the airline will offer complimentary hot meals to all flyers on flights to Manchester and Amsterdam — a departure from its model of paid meals.** *Reuters*

lease from Norse Atlantic Airways. IndiGo has opened bookings for these services with one-way fares starting at Rs 24,499 for Manchester and Rs 26,999 for Amsterdam.

The aircraft that will operate these flights have 56 business class seats, marketed as IndiGoStretch seats, in a 2x3x2 configuration, while the economy cabin consists of 282 seats in a

3x3x3 configuration. In a first for IndiGo, the airline will offer complimentary hot meals to all flyers on these flights, which is a departure from its model of paid meals. As the airline's regular fleet does not have ovens on board, it serves only cold meals and instant meals prepared with hot water.

Over the past few months, IndiGo signed agreements with Norse Atlantic Airways to damp

lease a total of six Boeing 787-9 Dreamliner aircraft, one of which is already operating on its Delhi-Bangkok route. These aircraft will support IndiGo's debut into the European market, starting with Manchester and Amsterdam, while the airline awaits the delivery of its A321XLR planes from this year and A350-900 aircraft from 2027 onwards.

As part of its "internationalisation strategy", IndiGo plans to induct extra-long-range narrow-body Airbus A321 XLR aircraft and wide-body Airbus A350 planes to operate medium- and long-range international flights. The carrier evidently does not want to wait for these aircraft to further fuel its international expansion, and therefore decided to enter the long-haul market using damp-leased planes. The airline is understood to be in the market for more wide-body leasing opportunities.

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## Domestic flyer traffic grows 8% in April: DGCA

*New Delhi:* Indian airlines flew 143.6 lakh passengers on domestic routes in April, 8.45 per cent more as compared to the year-ago period. **PTI**

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## इंडिगो जुलाई में मुंबई से मैनचेस्टर अपनी सीधी उड़ानें शुरू करेगी

- इन मार्गों पर यात्रियों को निःशुल्क गर्म भोजन उपलब्ध कराया जाएगा

नई दिल्ली, एजेंसी।

बजट एयरलाइन कंपनी इंडिगो जुलाई में मुंबई से पट्टे पर लिए गए बोइंग 787-9 विमानों के साथ मैनचेस्टर और एम्स्टर्डम के लिए अपनी सीधी उड़ानें शुरू करेगी। ब्रिटेन के इस शहर के लिए उड़ान सेवा की शुरुआत के साथ एयरलाइन की लंबी दूरी की उड़ानों की भी शुरुआत होगी। इंडिगो ने बुधवार को जारी बयान में बताया कि वो अपने बेड़े के साथ-साथ विदेशी संपर्क का विस्तार कर रही एयरलाइन 01 जुलाई से मुंबई-मैनचेस्टर (ब्रिटेन) उड़ान और 02 जुलाई से मुंबई-एम्स्टर्डम (नीदरलैंड) सेवा शुरू करेगी।



एयरलाइन की दोनों सेवाएं हफ्ते में तीन बार संचालित की जाएंगी और इन मार्गों पर यात्रियों को निःशुल्क गर्म भोजन उपलब्ध कराया जाएगा। इंडिगो ने कहा कि यह मैनचेस्टर की उड़ान के साथ भारत और उत्तरी यूके के बीच सीधी कनेक्टिविटी प्रदान करने वाली एकमात्र एयरलाइन होगी।

एयरलाइन के मुख्य कार्यपालक अधिकारी (सीईओ) पीटर एल्बर्स ने कहा कि लंबी दूरी की उड़ानों में इसकी शुरुआत वैश्विक विस्तार की

यात्रा में महत्वपूर्ण क्षण है। उन्होंने कहा, हम मुंबई को मैनचेस्टर से जोड़ने वाली अपनी पहली लंबी दूरी की सेवा की बिक्री शुरू करने पर बहुत गर्व और उत्साहित हैं, जो कई मायनों में बहुत ही खास मार्ग है।

उल्लेखनीय है कि बजट एयरलाइन कंपनी इंडिगो वर्तमान में 400 से अधिक विमानों के बेड़े के साथ 90 से अधिक घरेलू और 40 अंतरराष्ट्रीय गंतव्यों को जोड़ने वाली 2,200 से अधिक दैनिक उड़ानें संचालित करता है।



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## IndiGo to pay dividend after 5 years on record Q4 profit

Airline's quarterly profit jumps 62% to ₹3,068 crore on a spike in travel during Mahakumbh

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IndiGo reported a record fourth-quarter profit due to a spike in travel during Mahakumbh, prompting India's largest airline by market share and fleet size to announce its first dividend after five years.

InterGlobe Aviation Ltd, which operates the carrier, recorded a profit after tax (PAT) of ₹3,068 cr in quarter ended March, a jump of 61.9% from ₹1,89.5 crore a year earlier.

The company's board recommended a dividend of ₹10 per equity share, subject to shareholder approval. That's 100% on a face value of ₹10 per share.

Total income for the quarter rose 24.8% year-on-year to ₹23,098 crore. Revenue from operations increased 24.3% to ₹22,152 crore. Its expenses in Q4 stood at ₹9,928 crore, rising 19.1% on the back of higher aviation turbine fuel (ATF) prices and aircraft leases.

The carrier's available seat kilometres (a measure of capacity) and revenue passenger kilometres (a metric of passenger traffic) rose 13.1% to 57.47 billion and 135.4 billion, respectively. While the passenger load factor (occupancy) remained flat at 86%, the yield improved 1.3% to 15.15 per km.

"IndiGo's Q4 FY25 performance highlights its operational strength and cost discipline. IndiGo's cash balance of ₹48,900 crore, including ₹33,800 crore in free cash, provides ample financial flexibility," said Vinit Bolinjkar, head of equity research at Ventura Securities. "These results reaffirm IndiGo's market leadership and its ability to scale efficiently while maintaining financial resilience."

For FY25, IndiGo's total income stood at a record ₹84,098 crore, rising 18.1% over the previous fiscal. However, its



IndiGo eyes capacity growth in early double digits in FY26, said its CFO.

PAT dropped 11.2% to ₹7,258 crore, largely due to forex losses and higher operating costs.

The company said its revenue was driven by better performance in the second half of the year on account of the

cal shot up 21.1% year-on-year to ₹76,505 crore. A major component was the fuel cost, which at ₹26.87 crore rose 9.6%. On the other hand, expenses on aircraft repair & maintenance increased 13% to ₹11,219 crore.

addressing a media briefing. "In the first half, we saw temporary moderation in traffic due to the heat wave and elections. However, the second half was driven by festivities, weddings and Mahakumbh."

In the post-earnings concall, IndiGo's chief financial officer Gaurav Negi, said, "We see early double-digit capacity growth in FY26. In Q1 of FY26, we foresee capacity growth in mid-teens." The airline also expects fleet expansion to be in the range of 10-12% in FY26.

In the previous fiscal, the airline added 13.1% capacity, increasing its available seat kilometres to 157.47 billion from 139.3 billion. IndiGo's revenue passenger kilometres increased 13.3% to 135.4 billion in FY25 as it flew more passengers during the year.

### AIR POWER

**INDIGO'S** board has recommended a 100% dividend of ₹10 per equity share

**THE AIRLINE'S** total income for the quarter rose 24.8% year-on-year to ₹23,098 crore

**FOR** FY25, IndiGo's total income stood at a record ₹84,098 crore, rising 18.1% over previous fiscal

**BUT** its PAT for FY25 dropped 11.2% to ₹7,258 crore due to forex losses, higher operating costs

festive season and Mahakumbh in Uttar Pradesh, which saw a spike in air travel. Operationally, the company had fewer aircraft grounded during the year at 40 compared with 50 in the previous year. IndiGo's total expenses in the last fis-

The airline flew a record number of passengers in the last fiscal. "IndiGo carried 118.6 million passengers in FY25, which means 1 million passengers every three days," said chief executive officer Pieter Elbers while



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Srinagar-bound flight caught in hailstorm; narrow escape, say passengers



The Delhi-Srinagar IndiGo flight that hit turbulence mid-air

**SRINAGAR:** A Srinagar-bound IndiGo flight from Delhi with more than 220 people, including TMC MPs, on board encountered sudden hailstorm on Wednesday, prompting the pilot to report the "emergency" to air traffic control at Srinagar. The aircraft later landed safely here and has been grounded, officials said. *Continued on P4*

## Srinagar

Videos of the moments of turbulence shared on social media showed panic-stricken passengers could be heard making religious supplications as the plane swayed.

Some passengers claimed that the nose of the plane was damaged but there was no official word on it.

"IndiGo flight 6E2142 enroute Delhi to Srinagar experienced bad weather (hail storm), emergency reported by Pilot to ATC SXR (Srinagar)," an official of the Airport Authority of India said here.

He said the flight landed safely at Srinagar at 6:30 pm.

"All aircrew and 227 passengers are safe and the flight is declared AOG by the airline," he said.

"Aircraft on ground" (AOG) refers to a plane that is grounded and unable to fly due to technical issues.

A Trinamool Congress (TMC) delegation, which included Derek O'Brien, Sagarika Ghose, Nadimul Haque, Mamata Thakur and Manas Bhuyan, was on board the plane, Ghose said.

"It was a near-death experience. I thought my life was over. People were screaming, praying and panicking. Hats off to the pilot who brought us through that. When we landed we saw the nose of the plane had blown up," Ghose said.

"I was in the plane and heading back home from Srinagar. It was a near-death experience... the nose of the plane is damaged," Owais Maqbool Hakeem (@owaismaqbool) posted on X.

"The Nose and Right side of the plane was damaged.. And we were not allowed to see much as airforce police was there," Hakeem claimed in another post.

Another passenger said that around 20-30 minutes before landing at Srinagar, there was an announcement to fasten the seat belts as there was turbulence.

"Within two to three minutes of the announcement, there was so

much turbulence that all felt it will be our last flight... I am a frequent flyer but I have never experienced such turbulence. But I am very thankful to the pilot for making a safe landing," the passenger said.

Later, in a statement, IndiGo said its flight from the national capital to Srinagar encountered sudden hailstorm and the plane landed safely at the Srinagar airport.

"IndiGo flight 6E 2142 operating from Delhi to Srinagar encountered sudden hailstorm enroute. The flight and cabin crew followed established protocol and the aircraft landed safely in Srinagar," the airline said.

According to IndiGo, the airport team attended to the customers after arrival of the aircraft, prioritising their wellbeing and comfort.

"The aircraft will be released post necessary inspection and maintenance," it added. **80001**



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## Domestic air passenger traffic grows 8% in Apr

MPOST BUREAU

**NEW DELHI:** Indian airlines flew 143.6 lakh passengers on domestic routes in April, 8.45 per cent more as compared to the year-ago period, amid rising air traffic demand.

In terms of domestic market share, IndiGo topped the list with 64.1 per cent of the pie, followed by Air India Group (27.2 per cent), Akasa Air (5 per cent) and SpiceJet (2.6 per cent), according to the latest data from the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA).

"Passengers carried by domestic airlines during January-April 2025 were 575.13 lakh as against 523.46 lakh during the corresponding period of the previous year thereby registering an annual growth of 9.87 per cent and monthly growth of 8.45 per cent," DGCA said in its monthly report.

Domestic air passenger traffic was at 143.16 lakh in April compared to 132 lakh



in the same period a year ago.

In terms of On Time Performance (OTP) of scheduled domestic airlines -- computed for the four metro airports at Bengaluru, Delhi, Hyderabad, and Mumbai -- IndiGo's OTP stood at 80.8 per cent while that of Akasa Air and Air India Group was 77.5 per cent and 72.4 per cent, respectively.

The OTP of SpiceJet was at the lowest at 60 per cent, as per the data.

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## Hailstorm hits Srinagar-bound flight, craft damaged

S LALITHA @New Delhi

THE 227 passengers on board a Srinagar-bound Indigo flight from Delhi had a harrowing experience as a sudden hailstorm disrupted their journey on Wednesday evening.

The storm triggered panic on board before the aircraft landed at Srinagar with all passengers safe. The nose cone of the aircraft, however, bore the brunt of hailstorm, with a gaping hole torn into it.

Flight 6E 2142 had departed from Terminal 1 of IGI at 5 pm. It landed at Srinagar at 6.45 pm, after a delay of 15 minutes.

A video released by a passenger showed flashes of lightning outside, with screams of passengers, particularly children, audible in the background.

A passenger Jeetendra Rana posted thus: The sky wreaked havoc on Indigo flight – the

Flight 6E 2142 operating from Delhi to Srinagar encountered sudden hailstorm enroute. The flight and crew followed established protocol and the aircraft landed safely in Srinagar –Indigo statement

nose cone of the plane was shattered by the hail. But the pilot overcame fear, defeated death, and landed the flight safely on the ground. It was a flight of courage – the storm was defeated, we won.”

In a statement, IndiGo said, “Flight 6E 2142 operating from Delhi to Srinagar encountered sudden hailstorm enroute. The flight and crew followed established protocol and the aircraft landed safely in Srinagar.” The aircraft will be released post necessary inspection and maintenance, the airline added.

Meanwhile, ten incoming flights to Delhi airport were diverted due to heavy rains and thunderstorms, a Delhi airport spokesperson said. “Nine of



People were crying openly... It was such a traumatic experience. I really thought this would be the last flight of my life. It was like we were all sitting and waiting for the inevitable –Sheikh Samiullah, Passenger



Srinagar-bound Indigo flight with its nose cone damaged | EXPRESS

them have been diverted to Jaipur and one to Mumbai. There was no impact on outgoing flights,” he said.

### All Gods invoked

Recalling the torment as the hailstorm raged outside cabin windows, 33-year-old Sheikh Samiullah, who was seated on 16B, said, “As we were crossing Pathankot (Punjab) by 5.40 pm, the pilot asked everyone to tighten their seat belts and asked the crew to remain seated as they were crossing a path of turbulence.”

Samiullah described that the flight shook violently going up and down continuously for about five minutes, what seemed like hours. “Everyone

was frightened and in complete panic. A kid was vomiting,” he said, reliving the anxiety.

There were loud chants of names of Gods of all religions, the witness recalled. “People were crying openly; my friend and I, too, had tears streaming down our face. It was such a traumatic experience. I really thought this would be the last flight of my life. It was almost like we were all sitting and waiting for the inevitable.”

After some time, the Captain asked the crew to prepare for the landing: “We knew then that we were safe. As we were coming out of the flight, I spoke to many just out of relief that we made it alive,” he shared, adding, as the flight landed at Srinagar, ambulance, CISF airport staff and police rushed in. “It was then I saw the broken nose of the craft and realised the impact of the hailstorm.”



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## IndiGo expands ops in Europe; launches direct flight to Manchester, Amsterdam

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

STARTING July 1, 2025, IndiGo will become the only airline to offer non-stop service between Mumbai and Manchester (UK). The following day, July 2, 2025, the carrier will expand further into Europe with its inaugural nonstop Mumbai-Amsterdam flight. Both routes will operate three times weekly on IndiGo's Boeing 787-9 Dreamliner aircraft. In a first for the airline, passengers on these flights will enjoy complimentary hot meals and beverages.

Meanwhile, Interglobe Aviation Ltd, the parent company of IndiGo, also reported a profit of ₹3,067.5 crore for the quarter ended March on the back of strong domestic travel demand. The company had posted a net profit of ₹1,894.8 crore in the year-ago period.

Pieter Elbers, CEO of IndiGo said their long-haul foray marks a pivotal moment in In-

### IndiGo profit highest-ever at ₹3,068 crore in Q4

terGlobe Aviation, the parent of the country's largest airline IndiGo, on Wednesday posted its highest-ever fourth quarter profit after tax of 13,067.5 crore, mainly helped by strong air travel demand. Profit after tax in Q4FY25 rose 62% from ₹1,894.8 crore in the year-ago period. Its board has recommended ₹10 dividend per equity share.



diGo's global expansion journey. "We look forward to a strong and synergistic partnership with Manchester airport, to be able to serve our customers well. This significant step underscores our commitment to becoming an airline of truly global scale and stature and contributing towards transforming India into a global aviation hub," added Elbers.

Manchester Airport Manag-

ing Director Chris Woodroffe said that this route (Mumbai-Manchester) makes them the only Northern airport with a direct connection to India and cements their position as one of Europe's best-connected airports. Gurugram-based IndiGo's European flights from Mumbai come as Pakistan's airspace closure forces Indian airlines to take longer routes from Delhi, increasing operational costs. Operating from Mumbai is likely to save IndiGo time and fuel. IndiGo said this is the start of an exciting new chapter in their growth journey with Amsterdam and Manchester being the initial long-haul destinations.

## गुरुग्राम में 30 एकड़ में बनेगा हेलीपोर्ट

परियोजना के लिए हरियाणा एयर पोर्ट्स डेवलपमेंट कॉर्पोरेशन के नाम जमीन होगी हस्तांतरित

● हेलिकॉप्टर टैक्सी सेवा के लिए युद्ध स्तर पर हो रहा है काम

संजय कुमार मेहरा। गुरुग्राम

मिलेनियम सिटी गुरुग्राम से हेलिकॉप्टर टैक्सी सेवा शुरू करने को लेकर युद्ध स्तर पर काम शुरू हो गया है। यहां सेक्टर-36 स्थित एवीएल सोसायटी के ठीक सामने द्वारका एक्सप्रेस-वे के पार जमीन चिन्हित कर ली गई है। सेक्टर-36 में 30 एकड़ जमीन को चिन्हित किया गया है, जल्द ही यह जमीन हरियाणा राज्य औद्योगिक एवं अवसंरचना विकास निगम (एचएसआईआईडीसी) से हरियाणा एयर पोर्ट्स डेवलपमेंट कॉर्पोरेशन के नाम हस्तांतरित कर दी जाएगी। हेलिकॉप्टर टैक्सी सेवा शुरू होने के बाद गुरुग्राम हवाई परिवहन



प्रतीकात्मक फोटो।

की दिशा में और आगे बढ़ जाएगा। गुरुग्राम से हेलिकॉप्टर टैक्सी सेवा शुरू करने को लेकर लंबे समय से काम चल रहा था। बीते दो महीने में इस प्रोजेक्ट पर काम तेजी से आगे बढ़ा है। अधिकारिक रूप से यहां काफी डेवलपमेंट हुई है। इस डेवलपमेंट को देखकर लगता है कि द्वारका एक्सप्रेस-वे किनारे सेक्टर-36 में प्रस्तावित हेलीपोर्ट का निर्माण निकट भविष्य में जल्द ही शुरू हो

जाएगा। अधिकारिक सूत्रों के अनुसार हेलीपोर्ट में 300 मीटर का रनवे होगा। साथ ही हेलिकॉप्टर लैंडिंग के लिए छह स्थान बनाए जाएंगे। इसके अलावा हेलिकॉप्टर खड़े करने के लिए हैंगर, करीब 100 यात्रियों की क्षमता वाला टर्मिनल भी यहां बनाया जाएगा। दिन-रात यहां पर हेलिकॉप्टर्स की लैंडिंग कराई जा सकेगी। हेलीपोर्ट की प्रस्तावित जमीन द्वारका एक्सप्रेस-वे और

इन रूटों पर मिलेगा हेलिकॉप्टर टैक्सी सेवा का लाभ

हेलीपोर्ट बनने के बाद गुरुग्राम से सालासर धाम, खाटू श्याम जी, पितांबर माता जी, गुरुग्राम से चंडीगढ़, गुरुग्राम से हिसार रूटों पर सेवा शुरू होगी। इससे कई घंटों में तय होने वाला सफर मिनटों या फिर एक-डेढ़ घंटे में ही पूरा हो सकेगा। गुरुग्राम में हेलीपोर्ट बनने के बाद हेलिकॉप्टर टैक्सी सेवा को लोग नियमित तौर पर अपनाएंगे ऐसी उम्मीद है। हरियाणा की राजधानी चंडीगढ़ जाने वाले लोग उसी दिन ही काम निपटाकर वापस आ सकेंगे। बता दें कि हरियाणा के नागरिक उड्डयन मंत्री विपुल गोयल ने इस प्रोजेक्ट पर काफी अधिक रुचि दिखाई है। उन्होंने रजास्थान सरकार में मंत्री गौतम कुमार के साथ बैठक करके गुरुग्राम से सालासर व खाटू श्याम जी के लिए हेलिकॉप्टर टैक्सी सेवा पर विस्तार से चर्चा की थी। दोनों राज्यों में इस पर सहमति बनी और अब इस पर काम आगे बढ़ाया जा रहा है।

नेशनल हाइवे-48 के निकट होने के चलते लोगों को काफी सुविधा होगी। नेशनल हाइवे-48 द्वारका एक्सप्रेस-वे से जुड़ा है और द्वारका एक्सप्रेस-वे हेलीपोर्ट से जुड़ जाएगा। हेलीपोर्ट के निर्माण को लेकर हेलिकॉप्टर सेवा कंपनी पवन हंस द्वारा इसकी डीपीआर तैयार की जा चुकी है। एचएसआईआईडीसी के पास

सेक्टर-36 में 144 एकड़ जमीन है। इस जमीन में से ही 30 एकड़ जमीन हेलीपोर्ट के लिए दी जाएगी। एचएडीसी सचिव एवं आयुक्त अमनीत पी. कुमार ने सेक्टर-36 का दौरा करके अधिकारिक रूप से पूरे प्रोजेक्ट की जानकारी ली। जमीन देखी और अधिकारियों से इस पर चर्चा की है।



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## घरेलू हवाई यात्रियों की संख्या में आठ फीसद का इजाफा

नई दिल्ली (भाषा)।

भारतीय एयरलाइन कंपनियों ने अप्रैल में घरेलू मार्गों पर सालाना आधार पर 8.45 प्रतिशत अधिक 143.6 लाख यात्रियों को सेवाएं प्रदान कीं। यह हवाई यातायात की बढ़ती मांग को दर्शाता है।

नागर विमानन महानिदेशालय (डीजीसीए) के ताजा आंकड़ों के अनुसार, घरेलू हवाई यातायात में इंडिगो की हिस्सेदारी सबसे अधिक 64.1 प्रतिशत रही। इसके बाद



एयर इंडिया समूह (27.2 प्रतिशत), अकासा एयर (पांच

प्रतिशत) और स्पाइसजेट (2.6 प्रतिशत) का स्थान रहा।

डीजीसीए ने अपनी मासिक रिपोर्ट में कहा,

‘जनवरी-अप्रैल, 2025 के दौरान घरेलू एयरलाइन कंपनियों ने 575.13 लाख यात्रियों की आवाजाही सुनिश्चित की। पिछले वर्ष की इसी अवधि में यह आंकड़ा 523.46 लाख था। इसमें वार्षिक आधार पर 9.87 प्रतिशत और मासिक आधार पर 8.45 प्रतिशत की वृद्धि दर्ज की गई।’

घरेलू हवाई यात्रियों की संख्या अप्रैल में 143.16 लाख रही जबकि एक साल पहले इसी अवधि में यह 132

लाख थी।

घरेलू एयरलाइन कंपनियों के ‘ऑन टाइम परफॉर्मेंस’ (ओटीपी) के संदर्भ में बेंगलुरु, दिल्ली, हैदराबाद और मुंबई के चार महानगर हवाई अड्डों की गणना की गई। इंडिगो का ओटीपी क्रमशः 80.8 प्रतिशत, जबकि अकासा एयर तथा एयर इंडिया समूह का ओटीपी क्रमशः 77.5 प्रतिशत और 72.4 प्रतिशत रहा।

आंकड़ों के अनुसार, स्पाइसजेट का ओटीपी सबसे कम 60 प्रतिशत रहा।



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## IndiGo reports 2nd highest quarterly profit at ₹3,068cr

**New Delhi:** Thanks to Kumbh's push to air traffic and benign oil prices, IndiGo on Wednesday reported a 62% increase in profit to Rs 3,068 crore in Jan-March 2025, against profit of Rs 1,895 crore in same quarter last fiscal. This is the second highest quarterly profit for the airline, a shade less than Rs 3,089 crore reported in April-June 2023. IndiGo saw a revenue of Rs 84,098.2 crore in FY25, 18% more than Rs 71,231 crore in FY24. Its profit in FY25 was Rs 7,258 crore, 11% less than Rs 8,173 crore in FY24. The airline's stock closed 0.4% up at Rs 5,466 on BSE Monday. TNN