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AAI on site hunt for Kothagudem

Kothagudem: A six-member Airports Authority of India (AAI) team on Thursday visited several sites to identify the ideal location for the Kothagudem airport.

The team comprising aero planning officer Abdul Aziz, architect Mahoammed Sakil, operations officer Prashtha Gupta, CNS officer R. Dayaker, engineering officer C. Manish and FPD officer Unni Krishnan visited various places at Kothagudem, Gambeerpet, Sijathanagar and Chunchupally.

District collector Jitesh V Patel said that 950 acres of land near Kothagudem was proposed for the airport, adding the district has coal mines and other industries.

Heavy fog disrupts flight operations at Kolkata airport

OUR CORRESPONDENT

KOLKATA: Owing to heavy fog causing low visibility conditions, flight operations were affected at Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose International (NSCBI) airport, Kolkata on Thursday morning leading to diversion of 12 flights and delay in arrivals and departures.

According to data shared by Airports Authority of India (AAI), Eastern Region, a Bangalore to Kolkata flight was diverted to Bhubaneswar at 7:36 am. A Delhi-Kolkata flight was diverted to Ranchi at 7:39 am. An Ahmedabad-Kolkata flight was diverted to Bhubaneswar at 7:40 am. A Mumbai-Kolkata flight was diverted to Bhubaneswar at 7:46 am. A Bangkok-Kolkata flight was diverted to Bhubaneswar at 8:03 am.

In total, among 12 incoming flights, seven were diverted to Bhubaneswar, three to Ranchi, one to Chennai and one to Shamshabad.

The total number of flight delays in arrival is 21 and in departure the figure is 39. Two flights had to return to parking bays from the ramp. No flights were, however, cancelled. It was learnt that flight operations were affected between 5 am and 10 am. Visibility began improving after 9 am and things were



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normal around 10 am. Passengers were inconvenienced due to delay in morning flights and such delays had an apparent cascading effect throughout the day, AAI sources said.

It was learnt that visibility had dropped below 50 metres. The category (CAT) III-B Instrument Landing System (ILS) at the airport helps trained pilots to operate in a visibility range of 175-50 metres but not below 50. This is

below the permissible limit for commercial aircraft operations.

The ILS has an approach lighting system (ALS) that assists the pilot in transitioning from instrument to visual flight and to align the aircraft visually with the runway centreline.

The ALS helps the pilot to continue descending for landing towards the runway even when the runway lights are invisible due to fog or heavy rainfall.



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GUWAHATI

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Fog hampers flight service, road traffic

STAFF REPORTER

GUWAHATI, Jan 23: Dense fog that significantly reduced visibility in areas in and around the city affected flight operations at the Lokpriya Gopinath Bordoloi International Airport here.

Official sources said four outgoing and seven incoming flights have been cancelled due to the unfavourable weather condition. According to Guwahati International Airport Limited (GIAL), 18 flights have been delayed due to reduced visibility, causing hardship to hundreds of passengers.

Airport authorities have taken measures to support affected passengers, including deploying additional personnel to assist travellers and providing extra seating.

Due to adverse weather, night ferry services across the region have been suspended from 5:30 pm onwards, though morning services remained unaffected.

According to an IMD official here, dense fog is likely to continue till tomorrow (Friday), with light rain in isolated places of the State.

Anticipating rise in road mishaps due to foggy weather condition, the Assam Police increased deployment of personnel in various areas, including highways. It has also appealed to the commuters to maintain low speed, especially while driving in the night, and not to drive in a reckless manner.

In Guwahati, too, vehicular traffic movement was largely affected due to poor visibility and in many places, it had also led to traffic snarls. However, no road mishap was reported. "Due to the prevailing weather condition, we have increased our presence on the roads, especially in the GS Road, RG Baruah Road and major intersections to avert any road accident.

नोएडा इंटरनेशनल एयरपोर्ट से जुड़ेगा गंगा एक्सप्रेस वे, आगरा से प्रयागराज तक होगी कनेक्टिविटी

ग्रेटर नोएडा, 24 जनवरी (देशबन्धु)। उत्तर प्रदेश के यमुना एक्सप्रेस वे औद्योगिक विकास प्राधिकरण क्षेत्र के जेवर में बन रहे नोएडा इंटरनेशनल एयरपोर्ट की कनेक्टिविटी को ज्यादा से ज्यादा बढ़ाने का प्रयास लगातार किया जा रहा है। देश का ऐसा पहला एयरपोर्ट होगा जो चालू होने से पहले तीन एक्सप्रेस वे से जुड़ा हुआ है। इस एयरपोर्ट से गंगा और पूर्वांचल एक्सप्रेस वे को जोड़ने की तैयारी भी तेज कर दी गई है, इसे लेकर बनाए जाने वाले लिंक ग्रीन फील्ड एक्सप्रेस वे के साथ औद्योगिक गलियारा भी विकसित किया जाएगा। उत्तर प्रदेश एक्सप्रेस वे औद्योगिक विकास प्राधिकरण की तरफ से प्रस्तावित इस परियोजना को बोर्ड से मंजूरी मिल गई है।

मिलेगी विकास को रफ्तार

इस ग्रीनफील्ड लिंक एक्सप्रेस वे के दोनों तरफ औद्योगिक गलियारा बनाया जाएगा जिससे नई औद्योगिक इकाइयों को जमीन उपलब्ध होगी। जेवर एयरपोर्ट, चोला रेलवे



स्टेशन और गंगा के साथ यमुना एक्सप्रेस वे से नजदीकी के चलते निवेशकों और निर्यातकों को भारी सहूलियत मिलेगी, इससे क्षेत्र में रोजगार के नए अवसर पैदा करने और आर्थिक गतिविधियों में तेजी लाने में मदद मिलेगी।

48 किलोमीटर लंबा होगा एक्सप्रेस वे

पहले इस लिंक एक्सप्रेस वे को यमुना एक्सप्रेस वे के 48 किलोमीटर आगे से शुरू होना था लेकिन

इसे संशोधित कर दिया गया। अब नई योजना के अनुसार इसे यमुना एक्सप्रेस वे के 24.8 किलोमीटर से शुरू किया जाएगा। ये बदलाव ना केवल निर्माण लागत को कम करेगा बल्कि परियोजना को समय पर पूरा करने में भी मददगार होगा।

जेवर एयरपोर्ट से जुड़ेगा गंगा एक्सप्रेस वे

बुलंदशहर से होते हुए यह लिंक रोड एक्सप्रेस वे जेवर एयरपोर्ट को गंगा एक्सप्रेस वे

से जोड़ेगा जिससे नोएडा इंटरनेशनल एयरपोर्ट की कनेक्टिविटी सीधे आगरा और प्रयागराज तक हो जाएगी। इसे 2 साल में पूरा करने का लक्ष्य रखा गया है।

यमुना एक्सप्रेस वे और दिल्ली-मुंबई एक्सप्रेस वे से कनेक्ट हो चुका एयरपोर्ट

नोएडा इंटरनेशनल 165 किमी लंबा यमुना एक्सप्रेस वे के किनारे बनाया जा रहा है। एयरपोर्ट को यमुना एक्सप्रेस वे से जोड़ने से 7.5 किमी लंबा इंटरचेंज का निर्माण का निर्माण कार्य पूरा हो चुका है। दिल्ली-मुंबई ग्रीन फील्ड एक्सप्रेस वे से एयरपोर्ट से जोड़ने का कार्य का अंतिम दौर में चल रहा है। ईस्टन पेरिफेरल एक्सप्रेस वे से जोड़ने के लिए यमुना एक्सप्रेस वे पर जीरो प्वाइंट पर इंटरचेंज का निर्माण का एनएचआई शुरू कर दिया है। 25 किमी लंबा नोएडा-ग्रेटर नोएडा एक्सप्रेस वे से यमुना एक्सप्रेस वे पहले ही जुड़ा है। देश का पहला ऐसा एयरपोर्ट होगा जो छह एक्सप्रेस वे से कनेक्ट हो रहा है।



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नोएडा एयरपोर्ट परिसर में दो थाने बनाए जाएंगे

नोएडा। नोएडा अंतरराष्ट्रीय एयरपोर्ट के परिसर के अंदर दो थाने बनाने का काम साफ हो गया है। इसके लिए एक हजार वर्ग मीटर भूमि चिह्नित कर शासन को प्रस्ताव भेज दिया गया है वहां से मुहर लगते ही काम शुरू हो जाएगा। थाने के लिए भवन नोएडा इंटरनेशनल एयरपोर्ट लिमिटेड ही बनाकर देगा।

पुलिस के अधिकारियों की मानें तो पहले चरण में प्रत्येक थाने में 35-35 पुलिसकर्मियों की तैनाती की जाएगी। इसमें इंसपेक्टर रैंक के भी पुलिसकर्मी शामिल हैं। एक डीसीपी और दो एसीपी भी यहां तैनात होंगे। थानों का नक्शा तैयार कर लिया गया है। जल्द ही इसके लिए पूरा सेटअप तैयार कर लिया जाएगा। दोनों थानों की स्थापना के बाद स्थानीय लोगों को भी राहत मिलेगी।



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Jaipur airport completes 3km parallel taxiway

JAIPUR: The Jaipur airport on Thursday achieved another milestone with the completion and commissioning of a 3,065-metre parallel taxiway. A stretch of 765 metres of the parallel taxiway was inaugurated, having received Regulatory approvals. With the completion of the extension, the 2,300-me-

tre parallel taxiway has achieved its full length of 3,065 metres. The development marks a crucial advancement in the infrastructure at Jaipur International, enabling enhanced operational efficiency and safety, said an official. In phase-I, the 2300-metre parallel taxiway was commissioned in 2023. **HTC**



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Poor visibility leads to flight disruptions

STATESMAN NEWS SERVICE
KOLKATA, 23 JANUARY

Dense fog and poor visibility over Kolkata on Thursday morning caused disruptions in flight operations, forcing multiple flights bound for the city to be diverted to other airports. According to sources, the disruptions began early in the morning as visibility levels fell below operational thresholds, impacting both domestic and international flights. A total of 12 flights were diverted to nearby airports, including Bhubaneswar, Ranchi, Chennai, and Shamshabad.

Flight IGO227 from Bangalore to Kolkata was diverted to Bhubaneswar at 07.36 a.m. Flight IGO504 from Delhi to Kolkata was diverted to Ranchi at 7.39 a.m. IGO1058 from Suvarnabhumi to Kolkata was diverted to Bhubaneswar at 8.03 a.m. AXB2753 from Bangalore to Kolkata was diverted to Bhubaneswar at 8.03 a.m. UAE2V from Dubai to Kolkata was diverted to

Chennai at 8.04 a.m, among others.

Authorities at Kolkata's Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose International Airport implemented additional measures to improve visibility and safety on the runway. However, adverse weather conditions persisted throughout the morning, complicating operations. Airlines have assured passengers that necessary arrangements, including alternate transport options and updated flight schedules, are being made to minimise inconvenience. Travellers scheduled to fly to or from Kolkata today were advised to check their flight status with their respective airlines before heading to the airport. Meteorological forecasts predicted an improvement in visibility later in the day. The disruption highlights the need for enhanced infrastructure and systems to mitigate the impact of adverse weather on air travel, ensuring smoother operations in the future.

Airport chaos worsens as vehicles flout rules

Choked car lanes greet fliers

SANJAY MANDAL

Calcutta: VIP cars in multiple lanes, buses in the middle of car bays and ceaseless honking by vehicles to move on.

The chaos in front of the airport terminal on the arrival level has worsened, especially during the evening rush hours.

A south Calcutta resident who went to receive his son on Monday evening saw the chaos first-hand.

The flight landed around 8.40pm. "My son only had hand luggage and he came out soon. Our car was in the parking lot and it took 40 minutes for the driver to bring it in front of gates 3A and 3B," the man said.

"Earlier, beacon-fitted cars and those with stickers of various government departments used to remain parked at the kerbside in violation of rules. This time I saw such vehicles parked in two lanes. The violation has only increased," he said.

"I even saw a bus entering the bay and stopping in front of gates 3A and 3B and the conductor urging passengers to get on it, as they do elsewhere in the city."

Cars with commercial licence plates entered lanes meant for private vehicles and picked up passengers despite having bays earmarked for them.

"As the cars stood in the middle of the lanes and passengers were forced to board the vehicles there, the cars behind them were getting stranded. The drivers were honking impatiently," said the south Calcutta resident.

"There were no police personnel or airport employees to manage the chaos."

Another Calcuttan, an executive with a private healthcare chain, had arrived from Jaipur one evening last week.

"My flight landed at 8.30pm. Since I did not have checked-in luggage, it took me less than 15 minutes after getting off the aircraft to leave the terminal. Once outside, I was greeted with chaos as all the lanes were choked. I called my driver and it took more than 30 minutes for the car to arrive in front of the terminal from the parking lot," he said.

The healthcare executive, who frequently visits Bengaluru,



Lanes of parked VIP cars in front of the airport terminal on the arrival level on Wednesday night. Pictures by Pradip Samal



Passengers forced to board vehicles in the middle of the road in front of the airport terminal on the arrival level because of cars parked at the kerbside on Wednesday night



A bus in a lane meant for private cars in front of the airport terminal on the arrival level on Wednesday night

ru, said that earlier it took no more than 10 minutes for the car to arrive in the designated lane in front of the terminal from the parking lot.

Metro visited the airport on Wednesday evening and found the lanes congested. Beacon-fitted cars were parked for long while buses and commercial vehicles freely entered the lanes designated for private cars.

An airport official said they had raised the issue with the Bidhannagar Police Commissionerate at a meeting a

couple of days back.

"We have flagged the problem once again. We will again write to the police about the problem. It is the responsibility of the police to maintain traffic in front of the terminal building," said the airport official.

Vehicles are allowed seven minutes of free parking in front of the terminal. An airport official said a vehicle can be fined ₹500 if it stays in front of the terminal for more than that.

However, VIP cars remain parked for much more than the stipulated time and no ac-

tion is taken against them.

This newspaper has reported several times on the chaos in front of the terminal building and rampant violation of rules by VIP cars.

A few months back, the police had launched a drive making vehicle movement at the airport smoother. The situation, however, has worsened, said passengers arriving in the city.

"We will look into the problem," said an officer of the Bidhannagar commissionerate.



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THE TIMES OF INDIA

MUMBAI

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Delhi-bound flyers stuck at Pune airport for 12 hrs

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Pune: Over 100 people travelling to Delhi from Pune on Wednesday expected a smooth journey but were in for a world of trouble instead. SpiceJet flight was set to take off at 3.20pm and arrive in Delhi at 5.25pm. But it took off nearly 12 hours later, after being rescheduled multiple times.

G Prasanna, who was travelling alone on the flight, said he reached the airport by 2pm. "A little before boarding, the airline said the flight was delayed and would take off at 4.30pm. Then the airline announced it was further delayed and would take off at 5pm," he told TOI. "It didn't stop at that, and messages about the delay kept coming...", Prasanna added.

Amid this rescheduling, passengers were told at 6.40pm that the flight was cancelled due to operational reasons. "Passengers lost their cool. Angry flyers had no clue what was happening and arguments started. Many flyers, who had to go to Delhi urgently, began looking for other flights," Prasanna said.

But an hour later, the airline sent another message, this time informing passengers that the flight had been reinstated and would take off at 1.30am. "By then, many had booked other tickets. Three passengers booked an IndiGo flight from Pune to Jaipur via Delhi, with each ticket costing them a little over Rs 10,000. When SpiceJet reinstated its flight, they had to cancel the other ticket, at a huge monetary loss," he added.

The flight finally took off for Delhi at 2am on Thursday after flyers went through fresh check-in and security checks, and landed in Delhi at 4.20am.

SpiceJet said the flight was cancelled due to operational reasons. "All affected passengers were accommodated on a subsequent flight the same evening or offered a full refund. We deeply regret the inconvenience caused," a spokesperson said.

Another flyer said the airline provided dinner around 9.40pm. "We spend a lot of money on airfares. They treat us badly, don't provide proper information, and just give us financial loss and mental stress," the flyer said.





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AI to resume Tel Aviv-Delhi flights from March 2

JERUSALEM, Jan 23: With ceasefire holding up in the north and south of Israel, several major international airlines, including Air India, have announced plans to resume flights to Israel expanding connectivity to the war-torn region.

"It's official now. We are resuming flights from March 2, 2025," a representative for Air India in Israel told PTI.

Several Indians staying in Israel felt a sigh of relief as the Indian carrier's website opened bookings on the said route.

Travelling to Israel had become challenging with most of the major international airlines cancelling their operations to the Jewish state in view of the war in the north against Hezbollah and in the south against

Hamas in Gaza, since October 23, 2023 when the Palestinian Islamic group carried out a brutal attack on the Jewish state. Air France announced that it will resume daily flights on the Paris-Tel Aviv route starting on Saturday this week.

The carrier also plans to increase its daily flight frequency in the coming months.

Transavia France, a low-cost subsidiary of the Air France-KLM Group, will also return on the Israel route on January 28.

Lufthansa Group of airlines – including Lufthansa, Swiss, Austrian Airlines, Brussels Airlines, and Eurowings – collectively announced on Thursday that they will gradually resume flights to and from Tel Aviv beginning February 1.

British Airways will also return to Israel, resuming flights between Tel Aviv and London on April 5 with one daily flight initially.

Irish low-cost giant Ryanair has announced plans to operate a full summer schedule for Israel after suspending flights to Ben Gurion Airport since February 2024.

Israel and Hezbollah agreed to a ceasefire on November 27 which has so far been holding up despite a few hiccups on the way.

Ceasefire in Gaza between Hamas and Israel went into effect on Sunday leading to the exchange of Israeli hostages with Palestinian prisoners, bringing some calm to over fifteen months of fighting in the region. – PTI



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BUSINESS LINE

DELHI

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IndiGo profit slips 18% to ₹2,448 cr on forex loss

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InterGlobe Aviation, which operates IndiGo, saw an 18.3 per cent decline in net profit in the third quarter FY25 to ₹2,448 crore on a year-on-year (y-o-y) basis as rupee depreciation offset the gains of strong passenger demand and revenue growth.

While revenue from operations grew 13.7 per cent to ₹22,110 crore, weakening of the rupee resulted in a mark to market loss of ₹1,400 crore. Excluding foreign exchange loss the net profit grew 26.1 per cent to ₹3,846 crore.

Grounded profits

	Q3FY24	Q3FY25
Revenue from operations (in ₹ crore)	19,452	22,110
Net profit (in ₹ crore)	2,998	2,448
Load factor (in %)	85.8	86.9
Passengers (million)	27.5	31.1

Source: investor presentation

IndiGo has begun currency hedging for its dollar spend in view of the volatility in rupee. Expansion in the international network will also act as a natural hedge against currency fluctuation.

INCREASE CAPACITY

The airline will increase capacity by 20 per cent y-o-y and plans to add two interna-

tional destinations by March-end, taking total such destinations to 40. IndiGo's chief executive Pieter Elbers said the airline is also exploring route and network opportunities as it looks for an early induction of long range aircraft.

The airline benefitted from a rebound in demand after sluggish first half of

CY24 resulting in over 12 per cent increase in passengers in third quarter FY25 y-o-y. It also reported a load factor of over 90 per cent in November and December. IndiGo made a net addition of 27 aircraft in the third quarter taking its total fleet (including leased planes) count to 437. The airline added 50 new routes in the third quarter, Elbers said.

The airline's chief financial officer Gaurav Negi said aircraft groundings have passed their peak.

While currently around 60 aircraft of IndiGo are on ground, the figure would reduce will be in 40s by the start of next financial year.

Q3 RESULTS ROUNDUP

₹ decline weighs on IndiGo earnings

Grounded planes another reason for net falling over 18%

DEEPAK PATEL
New Delhi, 24 January

IndiGo's consolidated net profit fell 18.3 per cent to ₹2,448 crore in the third quarter of 2024-25, impacted by rupee depreciation and a high number of grounded planes, despite strong demand.

During a conference call with analysts, Chief Financial Officer Gaurav Negi said: "While our top line performance exceeded our expectations, profitability was adversely impacted due to rupee depreciation during the quarter. The third quarter saw continued weakness in the rupee, primarily due to the strengthening of the US (United States) economy, and at the end of the quarter it depreciated around 2 per cent as compared to the end of the September quarter, resulting in a mark-to-market foreign exchange loss of around ₹1,400 crore.

"Our exposure to foreign-



FLYING LOW

Key financials of IndiGo (in ₹ cr)

	Q3FY25	Q-o-Q	Y-o-Y
Total income	22,992.8	29.5	14.6
Total expenses	20,465.7	9.6	19.9
Profit/loss	2,448.8	NA*	-18.3

*Can't be calculated Source: Company

exchange risk is largely due to a significant portion of our lease liability and maintenance obligations, which are denominated in dollars. According to accounting norms, we accrue the currency impact at the quarter end," he added.

While the currency remains volatile and further depreciated in January, the airline has been taking steps to reduce the impact of this churn by hedging part of the foreign-currency outflow.

"This quarter we have recorded a gain of ₹59.1 crore

on our hedging contracts. We will enhance our hedging positions as we add more international capacity. We expect the natural hedges to also improve," Negi noted.

Negi said the airline showed an increase in profit if the impact of foreign-exchange depreciation was excluded.

"Excluding the impact of the foreign-exchange movement, we reported a profit of around ₹3,850 crore with a margin of 17.4 per cent, compared to ₹3,050 crore with a margin of 15.7 per cent in the

corresponding period last year. This reflects a growth rate of around 26 per cent on a year-on-year basis. Our strong financial performance was primarily driven by strong demand in the domestic market, continued investment in capacity to cater to this demand, and benign fuel prices. In terms of revenue performance, we have done better than our guidance as the demand came in stronger than anticipated in November and December," he stated.

The number of grounded planes, according to Negi, in the airline's fleet is somewhere "in the 60s" now. The airline's fleet comprises 437 planes. These planes are grounded due to issues with Pratt and Whitney engines.

"While sequentially the CASK (cost per available seat km) ex-fuel ex-forex remained stable at 2.9 on a year-on-year basis, it has increased by around 10 per cent over the same period last year, primarily due to grounding-related costs and contractual escalations across line items (costs specified in contracts with vendors or service providers) and annual increments (of employees)," Negi noted.

CASK measures an airline's operating cost to fly one seat for 1 km, reflecting overall efficiency.

The airline, according to the CFO, is now past the "peak" of groundings and they are going down.

"Currently, based on the latest guidance from the OEM (Pratt and Whitney), we will begin the next financial year with groundings in the range of 40 and expect the number to further go down as the year progresses," he stated.

IndiGo Chief Executive Officer Pieter Elbers, during the conference call, said the airline planned to expand its recently-launched business class services on major routes.

"We launched IndiGo's business class called 'IndiGo Stretch' on the Delhi-Mumbai route in November, and to build on that momentum, we have launched the business class on the second route Delhi-Bengaluru more recently. We are gearing up to launch the business class on Delhi-Chennai very soon. This year we will launch business class on 10 more metro-to-metro routes across the country, with some 45 aircraft," he stated.

कॉर्पोरेट रिजल्ट • सबसे बड़ी एयरलाइन को अक्टूबर-दिसंबर में 2,449 करोड़ मुनाफा इंडिगो की आय 14% बढ़ी, पर रुपया कमजोर होने से मुनाफा 18% घट गया

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देश की सबसे बड़ी एयरलाइन इंडिगो की ऑपरेटर इंटरग्लोब एविएशन को रूप में कमजोरी का खामियाजा उठाना पड़ा। अक्टूबर-दिसंबर में कंपनी की आय 14% बढ़ने के बावजूद मुनाफा 18% घट गया। एयरपोर्ट शुल्क, विमान किराया, रिपेयर-मेंटेनेंस जैसे खर्च डॉलर में करने के लिए ज्यादा रूप खर्च करने पड़े।

शुक्रवार को जारी नतीजों के मुताबिक, अक्टूबर-दिसंबर में इंडिगो का 2,449 करोड़ रूप का मुनाफा हुआ। यह 2023 की समान तिमाही में 2,998 करोड़ के मुनाफे से 18.3% कम है। बीती तिमाही कंपनी की आय 13.7% बढ़कर 22,111 करोड़ रूप हो गई। एक साल पहले यह 19,452 करोड़ रूप थी। इस बीच इंडिगो को 1,456.4 करोड़ रूप का फरिन करेंसी घाटा हुआ।

बीएसई पर शुक्रवार को इंटरग्लोब एविएशन के शेयर 0.60% तेजी के साथ 4,163 रूप पर बंद हुए। बीते एक साल में इस शेयर की वैल्यू 43% बढ़ चुकी है। 23 जनवरी 2024 को इंडिगो का शेयर 2,912 रूप के स्तर पर था।

विमान, इंजन रेंट 154% बढ़ा, ईंधन खर्च 6% घटा

कैटेगरी	अक्टू-दिस-23	अक्टू-दिस-24	घटा/बढ़ा
आय	19,452	22,111	▲ 13.7%
प्रॉफिट	2,998	2,449	▼ 18.3%
खर्च	17,064	20,466	▲ 19.9%
एम्प्लॉयी खर्च	1,692	1,919	▲ 13.4%
ईंधन खर्च	6,841	6,423	▼ 6.1%
विमान, इंजन रेंट	299	759	▲ 153.6%
रिपेयर मेंटेनेंस	2,631	2,858	▲ 8.6%
नेट मार्जिन	14.94%	10.65%	▼ 4.29
टैक्स	4	783	▲ 195 गुना

(आंकड़े करोड़ रूप में, स्रोत: कंपनी फाइलिंग)

मार्केट कैप



इंटरग्लोब एविएशन का मार्केट कैप 1.61 लाख करोड़ रूप है। देश की 51वीं मूल्यवान कंपनी।

अक्टूबर-दिसंबर में 2.73 करोड़ यात्रियों को सर्विस दी

- इंडिगो की फ्लाइट्स से अक्टूबर-दिसंबर में 2.73 करोड़ लोगों ने यात्रा की। एक साल में 12.4% बढ़े।
- घरेलू रूट्स पर इंडिगो की बाजार हिस्सेदारी 63.8% हो गई। 1 साल पहले मार्केट शेयर 62.1% था।
- एयरलाइन के बेड़े में 437 विमान हैं। तीन माह यानी पहले जुलाई-सितंबर 2024 के 410 विमान थे।

इंडिगो के मुनाफे में कमी मुख्य रूप से उसके खर्च में बढ़ती वजह से है। रुप के अवमूल्यन और ईंधन की लागत बढ़ने के चलते कंपनी के खर्च बढ़े हैं। अन्यथा इसका परफॉर्मेंस अच्छा है। मौजूदा माहौल में इसे अच्छा रिजल्ट कहा जा सकता है। -हर्ष वर्धन, एविएशन एक्सपर्ट

अन्य तिमाही नतीजे

डीएलएफ का मुनाफा 61% बढ़कर 1,059 करोड़

देश की सबसे बड़ी रियल एस्टेट कंपनी डीएलएफ का अक्टूबर-दिसंबर 2024 में मुनाफा 61% बढ़कर 1,059 करोड़ रूप हो गया। यह 2023 की समान तिमाही में 656 करोड़ रूप था।

बीओआई का प्रॉफिट 35% बढ़कर 2,517 करोड़

बैंक ऑफ इंडिया (बीओआई) का अक्टूबर-दिसंबर में मुनाफा 35% बढ़कर 2,517 करोड़ हो गया। यह 2023 की समान तिमाही में 1,870 करोड़ था। कुल आय 6.59% बढ़कर 19,957 करोड़ रूप हो गई।

जेएसडब्ल्यू स्टील का लाभ 70% घटकर 719 करोड़

जेएसडब्ल्यू स्टील का दिसंबर की तिमाही में लाभ 70% घटकर 719 करोड़ रह गया। यह एक साल पहले 2,450 करोड़ था। स्टील की कम कीमतों व 103 करोड़ रु. के एकबारगी नुकसान से मुनाफा प्रभावित हुआ।



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Air India to resume Tel Aviv flight

► With ceasefire holding up in the north and south of Israel, several major international airlines, including Air India, have announced plans to resume flights to Israel expanding connectivity to the war-torn region, PTI reports from Jerusalem.

“It’s official now. We are resuming flights from March 2, 2025,” a representative for Air India in

Israel told PTI. Several Indians staying in Israel felt a sigh of relief as the Indian carrier’s website opened bookings on the said route. Travelling to Israel had become challenging with most of the major airlines cancelling their operations to the Jewish state in view of the war with Hezbollah and Hamas in Gaza, since October 23, 2023.



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इंडिगो के शुद्ध लाभ में 18 प्रतिशत की कमी

नई दिल्ली: देश की सबसे बड़ी विमानन कंपनी इंडिगो ने शुक्रवार को बताया कि अक्टूबर-दिसंबर 2024 तिमाही के दौरान उसका शुद्ध लाभ 18 प्रतिशत घटकर 2,450.1 करोड़ रुपये रहा है। अक्टूबर-दिसंबर 2023 के दौरान कंपनी को 2,986.3 करोड़ रुपये का लाभ हुआ था। (एएन)

E-air Taxi Co Archer says India One of Most Attractive Markets

Vinod Mahanta

Davos: Electric air taxi maker Archer Aviation plans to launch operations in India through a joint venture as early as next year once it completes the US Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) certification process, a top official said.

“We’ve been working with regulators in the US for a long time, and they have set up the framework for certifying the aircraft, as well as certifying the operations... Once we complete the certification process in a US, we’ll have the ability to expand globally, and we believe India will be one of the most attractive markets for Archer to be in,” Adam Goldstein, founder and chief executive of Archer Aviation, told ET.

Speaking on the sidelines of the WEF here, Goldstein said the core technology for electric vertical take-off and landing (eVTOL) aircraft has matured significantly, supported by testing data to prove that this is a safe platform. “Many global regulators are looking to the FAA for guidance on this category. They’ve spent a lot of time on it... So, I think you’ll see regulators in India closely follow the rules set up by the FAA,” he said.

Archer Aviation has partnered with Inter-Globe Aviation to launch its operations in In-



dia. Its aircraft has not yet been tested in India as it will first be launched in the US, Goldstein noted. He said the new government under President Donald Trump is supportive of the EV aviation business.

On the aircraft’s safety, Goldstein said that with electric power systems, redundancy can be built into the vehicle, which was not possible before.

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Falling Rupee Dents IndiGo as Net Profit Declines 18%

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New Delhi: India's largest airline IndiGo reported a profit of ₹2,499 crore in the three months to December, with a depreciating rupee toward the tail-end of 2024 causing an 18% bottom-line shrinkage with the year-ago period.

Excluding the impact of currency fluctuation the company reported a profit of ₹3,850 crore, 26% higher than the ₹2,998 crore during the corresponding period last year.

The October-December period is usually the best for Indian airlines as the festive followed by the wedding season and year-end travels drive up demand for air transport.

"We have delivered exceptional third quarter results and there were several driving forces that have led to this- a substantial growth in demand for air travel, continuation of strategic expansion across markets and an enhanced operational performance fueled by the festive period," IndiGo CEO Pieter Elbers said.

Elbers said that he expects the demand to continue despite a slowdown in other consumer sectors. The airline will increase



its capacity by 20% in the ongoing quarter.

The airline, he said, had 90% seats full for the last two months and carried a record 10 million customers in November.

"We serve first time flyers, quite a lot of them, but we also serve the corporate markets. So in all these segments actually we see a very healthy demand," he said.

IndiGo's revenue in the quarter grew 13.7% to ₹22,110.70 crore as compared to last year. Yields, a metric for profitability, fell 1% year-over-year to ₹5.43 rupees per kilometre as unit cost increased by 10% as the airline has been facing expense on grounded planes due to faulty Pratt & Whitney engines which till last quarter had led to over 70 planes being

parked.

IndiGo also had to compensate for the fall in capacity with short term leasing of planes which are costlier. To soften the impact of currency fluctuation, the airline has decided to hedge its foreign currency outflow, Chief Financial Officer Gaurav Negi said, adding that more expansion on international routes also acts as a natural hedge against such fluctuation. "We expect the natural hedges to also improve on the cost side, as the global fuel prices went down by more than 20% on a year over year basis and fuel costs also reduced by 16%," Negi said. He also said that the airline has successfully tackled the grounding situations which will reduce to around 40 by April.

IndiGo misses estimates, net profit down 18% to ₹2,449 cr

NITIN KUMAR
New Delhi, January 24

INTERGLOBE AVIATION, WHICH runs low-cost airline IndiGo, on Friday reported an 18% year-on-year decline in its net profit at ₹2,449 crore during the October-December quarter. This was below the Bloomberg consensus estimate of ₹2,640 crore. The decline in profit was largely due to a 20% jump in the airline's expenses, which stood at ₹20,466 crore.

Revenue from operations during the period exceeded estimates, rising 14% year-on-year to ₹22,111 crore. Ebitda at ₹5,179 crore was marginally up by 0.6%, and below estimates of ₹5,989 crore. The margin was down to 23.4% compared to 26.5% in the same quarter last year.

Revenue passenger kilometers (RPK), which measures the number of passengers carried by airlines, stood at 35.5 billion, up 13.5% YoY. Available seat kilometers (ASK), which measures an airline's capacity to carry passengers, stood at 40.8 billion, up 12% YoY. Passenger load factor increased by 120 basis points to 86.9% versus 85.8% in the same period last year.

"These results were driven by robust demand in the market and our ability to cater to that demand supported by lower fuel prices," the company's chief executive officer Pieter Elbers said.

The airline, which has a share of 62% in the domestic market, saw a 12.7% rise in the number of passengers carried during the quarter, to 31.1 million.

"We touched new milestones as

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PIETER ELBERS, CEO, INDIGO

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we operated a peak of 2,200 daily flights and served a record 31.1 million passengers during the quarter. We will continue the growth path to offer our customers with options to conveniently fly to the destination of their choice," Elbers said.

At the end of the December quarter, the company's fleet had grown to 437, reflecting a 7% increase from the end of the September quarter and a 22% rise compared to December 2023.

IndiGo will have 40 planes with

business class seats by the end of 2025, Elbers said. In November, the airline introduced its business class seats on select key routes in India, marking a step toward transitioning from a low-cost carrier to a full-service airline. The premium offering is expected to boost its revenue, as business class seats generate higher yields compared to economy seats.

IndiGo had a total cash balance of ₹43,780.8 crore comprising ₹28,903.5 crore of free cash and ₹14,877 crore of restricted cash.





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Falling rupee hits IndiGo's Q3 profit despite peak demand

The falling rupee led to an 18.6% decline in IndiGo's Q3 consolidated net profit, despite strong demand for travel during the festival and year-end holiday season, according to the airline. IndiGo recorded a profit after tax of ₹2,448.8 crore as against ₹2,998.1 crore in the year-ago period. The airline's passengers surged 12.7% to 31.1 million and revenue from operations increased 13.7% compared with Q3 of FY24.



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INDIGO SEES RECORD REVENUE, BUT RUPEE SLIDE DENTS PROFIT

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NEW DELHI: A record number of passengers flying in the October-December period helped InterGlobe Aviation, the parent of IndiGo, report better-than-expected revenues, but a sharp fall in the rupee against the dollar hurt the profitability of the country's largest airline. As IndiGo's lease liabilities are dollar-denominated, a 2% depreciation of the rupee against the dollar in the latest quarter led to a foreign exchange loss of ₹1,456.4 crore in the October-December period, compared to a forex loss of ₹50.9 crore in the year-ago period.

InterGlobe Aviation, which runs IndiGo, reported a 13.7% increase from the year-ago period in revenue to ₹22,992.8 crore in the three months ended December. However, expenses jumped 20% from the year-ago period to ₹20,465.7 crore in the December quarter. In addition to the forex loss, costs of leasing aircraft for short-term use, also called wet leases in airline parlance, accounted for about 14% of total expenses, and which increased 14% to ₹2,858 crore.

For investors, fuel costs, which account for a third of total expenses, dropped 6.1% to ₹6,422.6 crore. As expenses rose faster than revenue growth, profit after tax fell 14.3% to ₹2,449 crore. Analysts at JM Financial, a brokerage, expected IndiGo to report a net profit of ₹2,555.9 crore. "We delivered a strong third quarter of financial year 2025, both operationally and financially," said IndiGo CEO Pieter Elbers. A record number of 4.28 crore domestic passengers, the highest ever were carried by Indian airlines in Q3, according to DGCA data. Since IndiGo is the largest carrier, it benefitted the most.

"Forex currency is something which is beyond us...But if you look at running the business side, a 26% jump in profit to ₹38,461 million shows our strategy is playing out," CEO Elbers said in a post-earnings interaction with analysts.

IndiGo sees record revenue, but rupee slide dents profit

Forex losses and significant increase in its operational expenses also weigh on performance

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A tenth of IndiGo's revenue comes from outside India. The management

"Barring for FX related reductions the result of IndiGo was very much in line with expectations. Strong growth both in terms of revenue and Ebitda."

Indigo, founded in 2006, went public in 2015. It has built an unassailable lead with a 61.9% market share by passenger numbers, triple that of Air India at 16.4%, India's second-largest carrier. To retain its lead, the airline placed a record order of planes from Boeing and Airbus. The management expects to get, on average, one plane every week over the coming decade. Its earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization, and restructuring, or rent costs, or Ebitda, improved 10.7% to ₹6,039 crore. Ebitda is an important operational metric for airlines. "We added 50 new routes in the third quarter. As India's economy maintains its position and Indian businesses expand internationally, air travel demand is poised to grow," said Elbers.

IndiGo, with a fleet of 437 aircraft, is plagued by issues around engines supplied by Pratt and Whitney. It did not quantify the number of grounded planes in the quarter, but said it was in the '60s'. "The AOG situation is crossed its peak, as the grounding of aircraft is in the '60s," chief financial officer Gaurav Negi told analysts after the earnings.

"We will begin the new fiscal year with AOG in the 40s. In the last quarter, our capacity grew by 12%, and we are expecting to add capacity by 20% in Q4," he said.

IndiGo's shares ended 0.6% higher at ₹4,162.80 a share on Friday, while Sensex ended 0.4% lower at 76,190.4 points. The earnings were announced after the end of trading.

COST CROSSWINDS

A 2% depreciation of the rupee resulted in Q3 forex losses to rise from ₹51 cr last year to ₹1,456 cr

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WET lease costs rose 14% to ₹2,858 crore, accounting for 14% of IndiGo's total expenses in Q3

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said rising share of the airline's international business could play a "natural hedge" against rupee depreciation.

Vinit Bolinjkar, the head of equity research, Ventura Securities, told Mint,



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TOTAL INCOME ROSE 14.6% TO ₹22,992.8 CR

IndiGo Q3 profit falls 18% to ₹2,448.8 cr

NEW DELHI: The country's largest airline IndiGo on Friday saw its profit after tax slide 18.3 per cent to Rs 2,448.8 crore in the three months ended December 2024, as currency volatility took a toll on the bottom line.

With the increase in the number of capacity and passengers, the carrier's total

income jumped 14.6 per cent to Rs 22,992.8 crore in the third quarter of the current financial year, according to a release. In the year-ago period, the same stood at Rs 20,062.3 crore.

In Q3 2023, the carrier had a profit after tax of Rs 2,998.1 crore.

"Driven by strong demand for air travel, continued growth,

and lower fuel cost, for the quarter ended December 2024, IndiGo reported a solid profit of Rs 38.5 billion, excluding the impact of currency movement against a profit of 30.5 billion during the same period last year. "Including the impact of forex, the net profit for the quarter aggregated to Rs 24.5 billion," the release said. P11



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IndiGo Q3 profit falls 18% to ₹2,449 crore on forex loss

NEW DELHI: The country's largest airline IndiGo's profit after tax fell 18.3% to ₹2,448.8 crore in third quarter of current financial year due to foreign exchange loss even as revenue grew on higher capacity and passenger traffic.

The carrier, which had a fleet of 437 planes at the end of December, is planning to induct wet leased planes for long range flights and expects the number of grounded aircraft to come down to 40s by the start of next financial year from the current level of 60s. With increase in the number of capacity as well as passengers, the carrier's total income jumped 14.6% to ₹22,992.8 crore in the third quarter of the current financial year. In the year-ago period, the same stood at ₹20,062.3 crore.

InterGlobe Aviation is the parent of IndiGo, which flew 31.1 million passengers in the latest December quarter. In the 2023 December quarter, the carrier had a profit after tax of ₹2,998.1 crore. By the end of this fiscal, it expects to fly to 40 overseas destinations. Currently it operates to 38 overseas cities. IndiGo CFO Gaurav Negi said profitability was impacted by rupee depreciation in the Q3. *ENS*

Fog reduces visibility, flights disrupted

SANJAY MANDAL AND DEBRAJ MITRA

Calcutta: Flight services were disrupted at the Calcutta airport on Thursday morning because of fog.

More than 60 flights were delayed, several cancelled and a dozen diverted as operations were suspended from 5am till 9.30am, when the visibility dropped below 50m, officials said.

"A fog is categorised as dense if the visibility drops below 200m. When the visibility is below 50m, it is called very dense fog," said a Met official.

Dense fog is expected on Friday morning, too, the Met office said.

As many as 41 incoming and 21 outbound flights were delayed on Thursday morning.

Twelve flights were diverted. IndiGo's flights from Bangalore and Delhi were diverted to Bhubaneswar and Ranchi, respectively. The airline's flight from Bangkok was diverted to Bhubaneswar and an Emirates flight from Dubai was sent to Chennai.

Not just in Calcutta, fog disrupted flights in Bagdogra, too. "Ten flights were cancelled and five were diverted," said an official at the Bagdogra airport.

A combination of moisture, clouds and light wind contributed to the formation of the dense fog, said a Met official.

The moisture is being provided by the anticyclonic flow of winds from the Bay of Bengal, the official said. Moisture-laden winds are dominating the lower level of the atmosphere, he said.

The Calcutta airport has the Category IIIB instrument landing system that allows aircraft to operate even when the visibility is as low as 50m. However, from 5am till 9.30am, the visibility had dropped below 50m, leading to the closure of airport operations, an airport official said.

Many passengers were stranded at the airport.

Kasba resident Sripom Sinha was to fly to Delhi and from there to Amsterdam. The Air India flight to Delhi was to leave at 7.20am and the airline's connecting flight to Amsterdam at 2pm.

"We boarded the flight at 6.40am. Around 7.25am, the pilot announced that there would be a delay because

Time	Airline	Flight No.	Destination	Status
12:00	AI	6E 5263	GAYA	Delayed
12:14	AI	6E 6153	RAJCH	Delayed
12:25	AI	6E 7224	DARBHANGA	Cancelled
11:30	AI	6E 6184	HUBANESWAR	On Time
12:00	AI	6E 6241	HUBANESWAR	Delayed
12:00	AI	6E 0135	PUNE	Delayed
12:45	AI	6E 0715	JAIPUR	On Time

A display board outside the airport terminal shows delayed and cancelled flights around 10am on Thursday



A queue to enter the airport terminal around 9.30am on Thursday. Pictures by Bidwarup Dutta

of fog," said Sinha, an IT professional who stays in Amsterdam.

Around 8am, the passengers were asked to get off the aircraft.

"I would have missed the connecting flight from Delhi. So I decided to cancel the tickets," Sinha said.

He had to wait till 12.30pm before he got back his luggage.

"I had booked the tickets for ₹42,000. Now I have booked tickets on another airline for ₹51,000," he said.

A woman from north Calcutta, who had booked an IndiGo ticket to Ahmedabad for the Coldplay concert on January 25, faced harassment.

Though the flight was in the afternoon, she received a message from the airline that it had been cancelled because of fog.

"... due to consequential effect of bad weather at Kolkata Airport, your flight 6E 798 from CCU to AMD on 23 January 2025 is cancelled. We understand that this might impact your travel plans and apologize for the inconvenience that this may have caused," the message

from IndiGo said.

"Our son and daughter were booked on an evening flight to Ahmedabad. That left at the scheduled time. We asked a friend in Ahmedabad to pick them up," said the woman's husband.

She had booked her ticket for around ₹7,500. On Thursday, she had to rebook on a Friday flight for around ₹16,000, the husband said.

Trains impacted

Poor visibility affected trains, too. Trains in Eastern and South Eastern Railway moved at a much slower pace than usual in the morning because of reduced visibility.

"Digha, Panskura, Shalimar and many other sections reported long delays in the arrival and departure of local trains. Several long-distance trains were also delayed. The Howrah-bound Rajdhani and Durgam were among them," said a railway official.

"The visibility had dropped so much that loco pilots were not able to see beyond a few hundred metres. That is why the speed had to be controlled," the official said.



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IndiGo Q3 net falls 18% on weak rupee

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: The weaker rupee has led to IndiGo reporting 18% decline in its Q3 profit to Rs 2,449 crore from Rs 2,998 crore in Oct-Dec 2023. This is despite a 14.6% increase in total income from Rs 20,062 crore in Q3 FY24 to Rs 22,993 crore in the same period this fiscal and benign fuel prices.

A majority of airline costs are dollar-denominated like lease rentals. The airline's scrip closed 0.6% up on Friday when the broader market was down 0.4%. The airline is all set to introduce long-haul flights this summer by wet-leasing wide body aircraft as the twin-aisle Airbus A350s it has ordered will start coming from 2027. IndiGo is likely to wet lease six Boeing 787s and deploy them on routes like London, Paris and Amsterdam.



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RUSH OF COLDPLAY FANS, TIGHTER R-DAY CHECKS COULD TAKE UP TIME

Report early for Sunday flights: SVPI

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Ahmedabad: Whether you are flying out after the Coldplay concert or for business or pleasure on Sunday, you might want to reach the airport earlier than usual. The Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel International (SVPI) airport has issued an advisory urging passengers to report early for their flights.

"Due to enhanced security measures and mandatory checks for Republic Day, passengers are advised to arrive early and plan their journey accordingly," the advisory states. On Jan 25-26, passenger footfall at the airport is expected to increase significantly on account of the Coldplay concerts in the city. At least half the tickets were purchased by people outside of Gujarat, and therefore, the passenger rush is expected to be high on these two days.

Top sources confirmed that the lead singer of the band, Chris Martin, will arrive in a chartered aircraft in Ahmedabad on Friday evening, whereas the remaining members will arrive on Saturday.