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## Navi Mum airport set to open on May 15

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**MUMBAI:** The Navi Mumbai International Airport (NMIA) may be inaugurated on May 15, officials familiar with the development confirmed on Tuesday.

Aviation regulator, Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA), conducted an assessment of the airport on Tuesday. The on-ground assessment team included Vipin Kumar, Chairman of the Airports Authority of India (AAI), Prakash Nikam, Regional Director of the Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS), officials from Adani Airport Holdings (AAHL) and City and Industrial Development Corporation of Maharashtra (CIDCO). The NMIA is managed by NMIAL, a joint venture between AAHL and CIDCO.

A DGCA official said, "We



**Aviation regulator, DGCA, conducted an assessment of the airport on Tuesday.**

observed the preparedness of NMIA. We have been informed that they will apply for all permits by March 5, and we will process them."

In December, the regulator had observed some issues in the preparedness of the airport management. The queries arose after the airport conducted its commercial flight validation test

on December 29, with an IndiGo A320 aircraft that touched down on runway 08/26.

However, the official said the assessment on Tuesday revealed that 90% of the approach issues had been addressed and resolved by the airport operator. As per regulations, the airport operator will now apply for the aerodrome license.

The second official mentioned above said, "The airport operator will apply for the aerodrome license on February 28, after which the AIP (Aeronautical Information Publication) will be approved by the DGCA by March 5 or 7, and it will be published before April 30."

The third official close to the development said NMIA will apply for the aerodrome license to begin operations from May 15.

*With Inputs from Yogesh Naik*



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## एयरपोर्ट अथॉरिटी में नॉन-एग्जीक्यूटिव के पदों पर भर्ती

भारतीय विमानपत्तन प्राधिकरण ने पश्चिमी क्षेत्र के अंतर्गत 206 नॉन-एग्जीक्यूटिव (वरिष्ठ सहायक और कनिष्ठ सहायक) पदों पर भर्ती के लिए आधिकारिक अधिसूचना जारी की है।

इच्छुक और योग्य अभ्यर्थी आवेदन पोर्टल खुलने के बाद आधिकारिक वेबसाइट [aai.aero/en/careers/recruitment](http://aai.aero/en/careers/recruitment) पर जाकर आवेदन कर सकते हैं।



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# Runway upgradation also to be taken up IGI's T2 to be shut 4-5 months starting April

VINEETA PANDEY  
NEW DELHI, FEB. 26

The Terminal 2 of the Delhi airport will be shut for about six months beginning in April for refurbishment and upgradation. However, to prevent any inconvenience to the passengers, the T2 shut down will take place only after T1 is made operational in April.

The Indra Gandhi International Airport (IGIA) in the national capital has three terminals — T1, T2, and T3 — and the total annual passenger handling capacity is around 109 million. With increasing traffic, GMR Airports Limited-led Delhi International Airport Limited (DIAL) will convert a T3 section for international flights. Currently, this section is also used for domestic operations. The Delhi airport has four runways.

Sources said T2 now needs modern technological upgradation, and capac-

ity enhancement to improve passenger experience which cannot be done when the terminal is operational. One of the runways too will be partially closed to equip it with an instrument landing system before the winter sets in. However, sources said this will not impact flight movement as the other three runways will be fully functional and one part of the fourth one too will be in operation.

“The refurbishment will modernise key areas of the terminal and surrounding infrastructure, ensuring that T2 remains a top-tier facility in the global aviation landscape,

capable of accommodating the evolving needs of passengers and supporting the airport's continued growth. The enhancements will help accommodate the anticipated surge in domestic passenger numbers, with DIAL projecting that it will reach its maximum passenger capacity by FY 2025-26,” DIAL said in a statement.

The refurbished T2 will have new passenger boarding bridges (PBBs), and aerobridges will have autonomous docking technology which will be the first-of-its-kind in India. Besides, it will have modern ceilings and skylight designs for a more appealing environment along with advanced flooring, and better road connectivity for passengers' convenience, DIAL said.

“The refurbishment of the four-decade-old Terminal 2 is the need of the hour,” said the CEO of DIAL, Mr Videh Kumar Jaipuria.



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## Delhi IGI's T2 to be closed 4-5 months starting April

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The Terminal 2 of the Indira Gandhi International Airport will be shut for six months from April for refurbishment.

The closure will begin after Terminal 1 is made operational to avoid passenger inconvenience.

The IGI has three terminals — T1, T2, and T3 — and an annual passenger capacity of around 109 million. With increasing traffic, DIAL will convert a section of T3 for international flights.

Terminal 1, previously operating at 17 million capacity, will now handle 40 million. T2, the oldest terminal built 40 years ago, requires technological upgrades and capacity expansion to improve passenger experience.

One runway will be partially closed for the installation of an Instrument Landing System (ILS), but operations will not be impacted.

## आईजीआई एयरपोर्ट से उड़ान भरना होगा महंगा

डायल की टैरिफ चार्ज लेने की योजना, भीड़भाड़ वाले व आम समय में इकोनॉमी और बिजनेस क्लास में सफर करने वालों से अलग-अलग लिया जाएगा चार्ज

अमर उजाला ब्यूरो

नई दिल्ली। दिल्ली एयरपोर्ट से उड़ान भरना महंगा होने जा रहा है। हवाई सफर करने वालों को अब एयरपोर्ट शुल्क ज्यादा चुकाना होगा। इस वृद्धि से घरेलू उड़ानों का किराया भी बढ़ जाएगा।

इंदिरा गांधी अंतरराष्ट्रीय हवाई अड्डे को चलाने वाली कंपनी डायल ने यात्रियों से टैरिफ चार्ज लेने की योजना तैयार की है। इकोनॉमी क्लास और बिजनेस क्लास में सफर करने वालों से अलग-अलग चार्ज लिया जाएगा। साथ ही भीड़-भाड़ वाले समय और बाकी समय में भी अलग-अलग चार्ज लग सकता है। एयरपोर्ट पर हर साल लगभग 10.9



करोड़ यात्री आते-जाते हैं। प्रस्तावित टैरिफ संशोधन पर दिल्ली इंटरनेशनल एयरपोर्ट लिमिटेड के सीईओ विदेह कुमार जयपुरियार कहा है कि वर्तमान में प्रति यात्री टैरिफ 145 रुपये है।

अब इसे 370 रुपये करने का प्रस्ताव रखा गया है। एयरपोर्ट पर लगने वाले चार्ज प्रति यात्री 225 रुपये के करीब बढ़ेगा। 2006 में भी 145 रुपये यात्री टैरिफ था। वर्तमान समय में यह एक उचित वृद्धि है और

इसे सभी विभिन्न एजेंसियों द्वारा मान्य किया गया है। 2006 के मुकाबले यह बढ़ोत्तरी लगभग 140 फीसदी है। 370 रुपये में से करीब 30 प्रतिशत एयरलाइन शुल्क और 70 प्रतिशत यात्री शुल्क के लिए होना चाहिए।

अभी यह 68 प्रतिशत एयरलाइन शुल्क है और 32 प्रतिशत यात्री शुल्क है। उच्च शुल्क के साथ घरेलू किरायों पर औसतन अधिकतम वृद्धि 1.5 से दो फीसदी होगी।

### यात्रियों को नहीं होगी असुविधा

डायल के सीईओ विदेह कुमार जयपुरियार ने बताया कि यात्रियों को कोई असुविधा नहीं होगी क्योंकि टर्मिनल-1 और टर्मिनल-3 यात्री भार को साझा कर लेगा। जिस अर्द्ध के दौरान टर्मिनल-2 का नवनीकरण किया जाएगा, उस दौरान इंस्ट्रुमेंट लैंडिंग सिस्टम अपग्रेड करने के लिए एक रनवे को बंद रखा जाएगा। सदी का मौसम आने के पहले यह काम पूरा करना होगा। एयरपोर्ट का टर्मिनल नंबर-1 मंजूरी के बाद अप्रैल से यात्रियों के लिए शुरू किया जाएगा। इसके बाद ही टर्मिनल-2 का नवनीकरण कार्य शुरू किया जाएगा। यह टर्मिनल काफी पुराना है लिहाजा इसे विश्वस्तरीय बनाने में चार से पांच महीने का वक़्त लग सकता है।

### 1 प्रतिशत से कम रहेगी वृद्धि

अंतरराष्ट्रीय किरायों में यह वृद्धि एक प्रतिशत से कम रहेगी। हवाई अड्डा आर्थिक नियामक प्राधिकरण (एईआरए) को सौंपे गए शुल्क प्रस्ताव के संबंध में परामर्श जारी है। यह प्रस्ताव एक अप्रैल 2024 से 31 मार्च 2029 तक को अर्द्ध के लिए है।

### टर्मिनल-2 पर लगा होगा एरोब्रिज

नवनीकरण वाले टर्मिनल-2 में एरोब्रिज लगा होगा। इसमें डॉकिंग तकनीक पर आधारित होगा, जो भारत में अपनी तरह की पहली तकनीक होगी। छत और रोशनदान डिजाइन किया गया है ताकि बिजली की बचत हो सके। बेहतर सड़क संपर्क बनाया जाएगा। इन सुधारों से घरेलू यात्रियों की संख्या में वृद्धि होगी। वित्त वर्ष 2025-26 तक अपनी अधिकतम यात्री क्षमता तक दिल्ली एयरपोर्ट पहुंच जाएगा।

### जल्द तैयार होगा टर्मिनल नंबर-1

एयरपोर्ट का टर्मिनल नंबर-1 मंजूरी के बाद अप्रैल से यात्रियों के लिए शुरू किया जाएगा। इसके बाद टर्मिनल-2 का नवनीकरण कार्य शुरू किया जाएगा। यह टर्मिनल काफी पुराना है लिहाजा इसे विश्वस्तरीय बनाने में चार से पांच महीने का वक़्त लग सकता है। यानी नवंबर-दिसंबर तक एयरपोर्ट का तीनों टर्मिनल यात्रियों के लिए खुल जाएगा। निर्माणकार्य के दौरान टर्मिनल-1 पर टर्मिनल-3 पर टर्मिनल-2 के यात्रियों को शिफ्ट किया जाएगा।

## IGIA's proposed tariff hike to minimally impact airfares: DIAL CEO

**Rohit Vaid**  
New Delhi

The new tariff plan at the Indira Gandhi International Airport, New Delhi, will have minimal impact on airfares while enabling infrastructure addition to support international traffic growth, a senior airport official said on Wednesday.

Chief Executive Officer of Delhi International Airport Ltd (DIAL) Videh Kumar Jaipurkar said the proposed tariff charges will barely impact economy class domestic airfares.

Currently, the Airports Economic Regulatory Authority of India (AERA) is considering the proposal meant for the fourth control period. The tariff cycle is five years, starting from April 1, 2024, to March 31, 2029.

As per the proposal, the average aeronautical charges, along with the user development fee (UDF) per domestic economy class passenger, at the airport will rise

to ₹370 from the current landing, parking, and UDF charges of about ₹145.

### CLASS COMPARISON

"We expect the new tariff card to have a 1 to 1.5 per cent impact on domestic economy class airfares. The economy class international airfares will be impacted even less, by 0.5 per cent," he said. "The proposed tariff card based on a variable tariff structure is in line with international practices," he said.

For domestic flights, different rates will apply depending on whether passengers travel during peak hours (5 am to 8.55 am) or non-peak hours (5 pm - 8.55 pm).

The proposed UDF rates for domestic passengers during peak hours will range from ₹315 to ₹610 for embarking passengers and ₹115 to ₹210 for disembarking passengers.

International economy class travellers will be charged between ₹430 and ₹810, while business class passengers will face fees ranging from ₹860 to ₹1,620.



Videh Kumar Jaipurkar, CEO, Delhi International Airport Ltd

Besides, the disembarking international passengers will be charged a UDF of ₹280 (economy) and ₹570 (business class).

"We have been charging the same UDF since 2006. The proposed rise is still among the lowest in India and internationally in terms of UDF charges," Jaipurkar said.

At present, industry estimates show that the Mumbai airport charges ₹375 per passenger and the Bengaluru airport ₹478 while Chennai charges ₹535 and Kolkata ₹637.

Under the proposed tariff plan, the airport operator plans to front-load funds for

infrastructure development by charging higher UDF rates during 2025-26 and 2026-27, followed by lower rates in the subsequent years. In addition to the UDF changes, the airport operator has also proposed increases to landing and parking charges for aircraft.

The operator has also highlighted its financial struggles. Estimated losses for the current financial year are expected to exceed ₹1,500 crore. The company has invested heavily in the

phase 3A expansion project, with capital expenditure totalling over ₹12,500 crore, largely financed through borrowings.

As of December 2024, DIAL's outstanding debt stands at over ₹15,000 crore, with a significant bond repayment of \$522 million due in October 2026. The domestic industry has opposed the proposed tariff hike, citing the move as a "demand depressor". AERA's final order for tariff determination is expected in March 2025.

## T2 to shut temporarily from April

**Press Trust of India**  
New Delhi

Delhi airport operator DIAL on Wednesday said Terminal 2 (T2) is expected to be shut down for four to five months starting from April and one of the runways will also be closed for upgradation during this period.

The Indira Gandhi International Airport (IGIA) in the national capital has three terminals — T1, T2 and T3 — and

the total annual passenger handling capacity is around 109 million.

DIAL CEO Videh Kumar Jaipurkar said the works at T1 are expected to be completed by March 15 and it will be opened for flights after getting the requisite approvals.

T2 is expected to be shut down temporarily in April for four to five months, he said, and added that the capacity of around 15 million at T2 will be moved to T1.

## टैरिफ प्रस्ताव स्वीकृत होने पर डायल की आशंका

# 1.5 प्रतिशत बढ़ेगा हवाई भाड़ा!

दीपक पटेल

नई दिल्ली, 26 फरवरी

**दि**ल्ली इंटरनैशनल एयरपोर्ट लिमिटेड (डायल) के मुख्य कार्य अधिकारी विवेक कुमार जयपुरिया ने आज कहा है कि अगर एयरपोर्ट इकनॉमिक रेगुलेटरी अथॉरिटी (ईआरए) डायल के टैरिफ प्रस्तावों को मान लेता है तब दिल्ली से कहीं आने-जाने वाले यात्रियों के किराये में अधिकतम 1.5 फीसदी का इजाफा हो सकता है।

देश के सबसे बड़े हवाई अड्डे का परिचालन और प्रबंधन करने वाली जीएमआर समूह की सहायक कंपनी डायल ने हाल ही में एयरपोर्ट इकनॉमिक रेगुलेटरी अथॉरिटी से अगले चार वर्षों में इकनॉमी और प्रीमियम इकनॉमी श्रेणी के यात्रियों के मुकाबले इंटरनैशनल बिजनेस और फर्स्ट क्लास (प्रथम श्रेणी) के यात्रियों के यूजर डेवलपमेंट फी (यूडीएफ) को दोगुना करने का अनुरोध किया है। साथ ही इसने सुबह 5 बजे से 8.55 बजे तक और शाम 5 बजे से 8.55 बजे तक पीक आवर्स के दौरान यात्रा करने वाले घरेलू यात्रियों की यूडीएफ भी बढ़ाने की मांग की है।

संवाददाता सम्मेलन में जयपुरिया ने कहा, 'हमने हमारे हवाई अड्डे से यात्रा करने वाले यात्रियों की प्रोफाइल का विश्लेषण किया है। करीब 60 से 65 फीसदी लोग अपने दोस्तों, रिश्तेदारों से मिलने अथवा छुट्टियां बिताने के लिए जाते हैं। उन्हें दफ्तर जाने के लिए सुबह 8 बजे की उड़ान नहीं लेनी पड़ती है। आमतौर पर दफ्तर जाने वाले अथवा कॉर्पोरेट यात्रियों को ही पीक आवर्स के दौरान यात्रा करनी पड़ती है। उनका किराया उनकी कंपनी देती है। इसलिए हमने पीक आवर्स के आधार पर टैरिफ तय किया है।' उन्होंने कहा कि पीक आवर्स में यात्रा करने वाले लोगों को अधिक यूडीएफ चुकाना होगा, जिससे सुबह 9 से शाम 5 बजे के बीच

यात्रा करने वाले लोगों को सब्सिडी दी जाएगी।

यह पूछे जाने पर कि इकनॉमी श्रेणी के यात्रियों के मुकाबले बिजनेस क्लास के यात्रियों को अधिक यूडीएफ देने पर क्या अतिरिक्त सुविधाएं दी जाएंगी, तो जयपुरिया ने कहा, 'उन्हें पहले से ही अलग चेक इन सुविधा, अलग सुरक्षा घेरा और बोर्डिंग घेरा जैसी अतिरिक्त सुविधाएं दी जा रही हैं। ये वैसी सुविधाएं हैं, जो हवाई अड्डा मुहैया कराता है।'

मुख्य कार्य अधिकारी ने कहा कि फिलहाल औसत घरेलू टिकट की कीमत का करीब 1.5 फीसदी यूडीएफ होता है और अगर हमारी प्रस्तावित बढ़ोतरी को एयरपोर्ट इकनॉमिक रेगुलेटरी अथॉरिटी से मंजूरी मिल जाती है तो यह बढ़कर तीन फीसदी हो जाएगी। उन्होंने समझाया, 'कुल मिलाकर घरेलू टिकट की कीमतों में औसतन 1.5 से 2 फीसदी से ज्यादा की बढ़ोतरी नहीं होगी और अंतरराष्ट्रीय उड़ानों का किराया भी 0.5 से 1 फीसदी ही बढ़ेगा।' उल्लेखनीय है कि वेरिबल टैरिफ दुनिया भर में चल रहा है। लंदन के हीथ्रो, पेरिस के चार्ल्स डी गॉल, सिंगापुर एयरपोर्ट और म्यूनिख एयरपोर्ट जैसे हवाई अड्डों पर यह लागू है। जयपुरिया ने कहा कि ऐसे टैरिफ के मानदंड अलग-अलग होते हैं, जिसमें यात्रा का समय, भीड़भाड़ शुल्क और घरेलू या अंतरराष्ट्रीय उड़ानों के आधार पर यह तय किया जाता है।

अब तक, भारत के सबसे बड़े हवाई अड्डे से उड़ाने भरने वाले सभी अंतरराष्ट्रीय यात्रियों को उनके मूल टिकट मूल्य 129 रुपये के यूडीएफ का भुगतान करना पड़ता है। एयरपोर्ट इकनॉमिक रेगुलेटरी अथॉरिटी को दिए गए अपने प्रस्ताव में डायल ने कहा है कि ऐसे बिजनेस और फर्स्ट क्लास के यात्रियों को 2025-26 और 2026-27 में यूडीएफ के तौर पर 1,620 रुपये और 2027-28 और 2028-29 में 860 रुपये का भुगतान करना चाहिए।



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# अप्रैल में होगा नवी मुंबई हवाई अड्डे का उद्घाटन!

अजिंक्य कावले  
मुंबई, 26 फरवरी

नवी मुंबई इंटरनैशनल एयरपोर्ट (एन-मायल) का उद्घाटन अप्रैल के दूसरे हफ्ते में होने की उम्मीद है और उसके बाद घरेलू वाणिज्यिक विमानों का परिचालन मई से संभव हो सकता है। निर्माणाधीन हवाई अड्डे पर हुए वाणिज्यिक उड़ान के परीक्षण के दो महीने बाद यह जानकारी मिली है।

अदाणी समूह की प्रमुख कंपनी अदाणी एंटरप्राइजेज की सहायक कंपनी अदाणी एयरपोर्ट होल्डिंग्स लिमिटेड (एएचएल) के मुख्य कार्य अधिकारी अरुण बंसल ने पिछले साल दिसंबर में कहा था कि

## घरेलू वाणिज्यिक विमानों का परिचालन मई से शुरू होने की उम्मीद

हवाई अड्डे से अगले साल जुलाई से अंतरराष्ट्रीय उड़ानें शुरू होने की उम्मीद है।

नागर विमानन महानिदेशालय (डीजीसीए) ने एरोड्रम लाइसेंस देने से पहले तैयारियों का जायजा लेने के लिए एन-मायल के हितधारकों से मुलाकात की है। दिसंबर में परीक्षण विमान यहां उतरकर हवाई अड्डे पर स्थापित नए उपकरणों का मूल्यांकन किया था। ऐसा हवाई अड्डा प्रमाणन प्रक्रिया के

तौर पर परिचालन सुरक्षा की पुष्टि करने के लिए किया जाता है।

परिचालन के पहले चरण में हवाई अड्डे की सालाना 2 करोड़ यात्रियों को संभालने की क्षमता होगी। उद्घाटन होने के शुरुआती छह महीनों के भीतर घरेलू परिचालन के लिए करीब 80 लाख से 1 करोड़ यात्रियों को संभालने का अनुमान है। एन-मायल मुंबई महानगर क्षेत्र का दूसरा हवाई अड्डा होगा। फिलहाल मुंबई क्षेत्र में छत्रपति शिवाजी महाराज अंतरराष्ट्रीय हवाई अड्डे ही एकमात्र परिचालन में हवाई अड्डा है। छत्रपति शिवाजी महाराज अंतरराष्ट्रीय हवाई अड्डे सालाना 5 करोड़ से अधिक यात्रियों को संभालता है।

# Airfares to rise up to 1.5% if tariff proposal accepted: DIAL CEO

DEEPAK PATEL

New Delhi, 26 February

Ticket prices of passengers travelling to and from Delhi airport will rise by no more than 1.5 per cent if the Airports Economic Regulatory Authority (AERA) approves the tariff proposal submitted by Delhi International Airport Limited (DIAL), the latter's chief executive officer (CEO) Vihed Kumar Jaipuria said on Wednesday.

GMR Group-led DIAL, which manages and operates India's largest airport, recently requested the AERA to double the user development fee (UDF) for international business and first-class travellers compared to economy and premium economy over the next four years.

It has also sought higher UDF for all domestic passengers flying during peak hours — 5 am-8:55 am and 5 pm-8:55 pm.

At a press conference, Jaipuria said: "We have analysed the profile of passengers that travel via our airport. About 60-65 per cent of people are either visiting friends or relatives or going for holidays. They don't have to take an early morning flight at 8 am to reach the office. It is generally office goers or corporate travellers who need to travel during peak hours. Their fares are paid by their respective companies. This is why we have kept a variable tariff based on peak hours." "Peak hour travellers would

pay higher UDF, subsidising the travel of people who travel between 9 am and 5 pm," he added.

When asked what additional services will business class passengers get for paying higher UDF than economy class passengers, he said: "They are already getting additional services by having a separate check in facility, and a separate security line and a separate boarding line. These are the services that the airport provides." He said that the UDF currently accounts for about 1.5 per cent

of the average domestic ticket price, which will rise to three per cent if the proposed hike is approved by AERA.

"Overall, the average domestic ticket price will increase by no more than 1.5-2 per cent, while international fares will rise by 0.5-1 per cent," the CEO added. Variable tariffs are a common international

practice, with airports like Heathrow in London, Charles de Gaulle in Paris, Singapore Airport, and Munich Airport implementing them. The criteria for such tariffs vary, including factors like time of travel, congestion fees, and whether the flight is domestic or international, he stated.

The new Goa airport offers discounted tariffs to airlines operating a certain number of flights. The goal of this concept is to benefit the common traveller, he said, while admitting this is the first time an airport operator has asked for variable tariffs based on class and time.

**The Delhi International Airport has sought higher user development fee for domestic passengers flying during peak hours**



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# Navi Mumbai airport may open in April; domestic flights from May

The Navi Mumbai International Airport (NMIA) is expected to be inaugurated in the second week of April, with domestic commercial operations set to begin in May. This comes nearly two months after a commercial validation test was conducted at the under-construction airport. International operations are anticipated to commence by July next

year, according to Arun Bansal, CEO of Adani Airport Holdings Limited.

DGCA reportedly met with NMIA stakeholders to review the preparedness for securing an aerodrome license. A validation landing assessed the new flight instruments installed at the airport, ensuring safety as part of the aerodrome certification process. **BS REPORTER**



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## टी-1 पर कार्य 15 मार्च तक पूरा होने की उम्मीद दिल्ली एयरपोर्ट का टर्मिनल 2 अप्रैल से 5 महीने बंद रहेगा

एजेंसी | नई दिल्ली

दिल्ली एयरपोर्ट के ऑपरेटर डायल ने बुधवार को कहा कि टर्मिनल 2 (टी2) के अप्रैल से 4-5 महीने के लिए बंद रहने की संभावना है। इस अवधि के दौरान अपग्रेडेशन के लिए एक रनवे भी बंद रहेगा। राष्ट्रीय राजधानी स्थित आईजीआई एयरपोर्ट में 3 टर्मिनल टी1, टी2 और टी3 हैं। दिल्ली इंटरनेशनल एयरपोर्ट लिमिटेड (डायल) के सीईओ विदेह कुमार जयपुरियार ने बुधवार को कहा कि टी-1 पर कार्य 15 मार्च तक पूरा होने की उम्मीद है और अपेक्षित मंजूरी मिलने के बाद इसे उड़ानों के लिए खोल दिया जाएगा। उन्होंने कहा कि टी-2 को अप्रैल में 4 से 5 महीने के लिए अस्थायी रूप से बंद कर दिया

### आईएलएस अपग्रेड का चल रहा है काम

सीईओ जयपुरियार ने कहा, टी-2 को 4 से 5 महीने के लिए बंद रखा जाएगा। इस दौरान एक रनवे भी बंद रहेगा, क्योंकि आईएलएस (इंस्ट्रूमेंट लैंडिंग सिस्टम) अपग्रेड का काम जारी है। इस काम के पूरा होने के बाद उड़ानें कम दृश्यता की स्थिति में संचालित हो पाएंगी।

जाएगा। टी-2 के करीब 1.5 करोड़ यात्रियों को टी-1 पर स्थानांतरित कर दिया जाएगा। यात्रियों की बढ़ती संख्या के कारण एयरपोर्ट ऑपरेटर टी-3 के उस हिस्से को अंतरराष्ट्रीय उड़ानों के लिए खोलेंगे, जहां से वर्तमान में घरेलू उड़ानों का परिचालन होता है।



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## हिमाचल में 3 हेलीपोर्ट के निर्माण का रास्ता साफ, केंद्र सरकार से मिली फॉरेस्ट क्लियरेंस चंबा जिले के होली, पांगी और मनाली में ग्रीन टैक्स बैरियर के पास बनेंगे हेलीपोर्ट

शिमला | प्रदेश में तीन हेलीपोर्ट के निर्माण का रास्ता साफ हो गया है। पर्यटन विभाग को केंद्र सरकार से फॉरेस्ट क्लियरेंस मिल गई है। इसमें चंबा जिले के होली, पांगी और कुल्लू जिले के मनाली में ग्रीन टैक्स बैरियर के पास एक हेलीपोर्ट के निर्माण के लिए फॉरेस्ट क्लियरेंस मिली है। फॉरेस्ट क्लियरेंस मिलने के साथ



ही मुख्यमंत्री सुखविंदर सिंह सुक्खू ने संबंधित अधिकारियों को यह सुनिश्चित करने के निर्देश दिए हैं कि निर्माण कार्य में कोई देरी न हो और सभी आवश्यक औपचारिकताएं जल्द पूरी की जाएं।

**स्थानीय लोगों को मिलेंगे स्वरोजगार के अवसर:** मुख्यमंत्री ने कहा राज्य में आने वाले पर्यटकों की सुविधा के उद्देश्य से हवाई संपर्क बढ़ाने के लिए हेलीपोर्ट के विकास को विशेष प्राथमिकता दी जा रही है। बेहतर पर्यटन बुनियादी ढांचे से स्थानीय लोगों के लिए

रोजगार और स्वरोजगार के अवसर पैदा होंगे। सरकार पर्यटन को बढ़ावा देने और दूरदराज के क्षेत्रों में कनेक्टिविटी के लिए हेलीपोर्ट परियोजनाओं को प्राथमिकता दे रही है। इस पहल से न केवल परिवहन सुविधाओं का विकास होगा बल्कि पर्यटन क्षेत्र और स्थानीय अर्थव्यवस्था भी सुदृढ़ होगी। जिला मुख्यालयों और जनजातीय क्षेत्रों में 16 हेलीपोर्ट बनाकर हवाई संपर्क को मजबूत करने के लिए गंभीर प्रयास किए जा रहे हैं।



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### टर्मिनल दो और एक रनवे अप्रैल से पांच माह के लिए होंगे बंद



#### कोहरे के लिए तैयार होगा रनवे

डायल के मुताबिक जिस रनवे को बंद किया जाएगा, उस पर कोहरे के दौरान मिलने वाली जस्सी सुविधा इंस्ट्रूमेंट लैंडिंग सिस्टम को अपग्रेड किया जाएगा।

जागरण संवाददाता, नई दिल्ली: सुविधाओं को मजबूती और विस्तार देने के लिए आइजीआइ एयरपोर्ट का टर्मिनल दो व एक रनवे करीब पांच महीने के लिए बंद किया जाएगा। एयरपोर्ट संचालन से जुड़ी एजेंसी डायल के अनुसार, दोनों को अप्रैल से बंद किया जाएगा। साथ ही एयरपोर्ट के टर्मिनल तीन के विस्तार की भी योजना तैयार की जा रही है।

डायल का कहना है कि टर्मिनल दो का ढांचा काफी पुराना है और इसे मजबूत किए जाने के साथ ही यहां के पूरे सिस्टम को अपग्रेड किए जाने की जरूरत है। इस पूरे कार्य में करीब पांच महीने का समय लगेगा। इसकी क्षमता करीब 15 मिलियन यात्रियों की है। जब यह बंद रहेगा, इस अवधि में यहां से संचालित होने वाली सभी उड़ानें टर्मिनल एक पर

स्थानांतरित की जाएंगी।

टर्मिनल तीन पर अभी क्षमता से अधिक यात्रियों का दबाव है। इसकी कुल यात्री क्षमता करीब 34 मिलियन यात्रियों की है, जबकि करीब 45 मिलियन यात्रियों को यहां संभाला जा रहा है। इस दबाव को कम करने के लिए टर्मिनल तीन का विस्तार (खासकर अंतरराष्ट्रीय यात्रियों के लिए) करने की योजना पर विचार चल रहा है। अभी टर्मिनल तीन पर सलाना 20 मिलियन अंतरराष्ट्रीय यात्रियों की क्षमता है, जबकि यहां अंतरराष्ट्रीय यात्रियों का फुटफाल करीब 24 मिलियन के आसपास रहता है। यानि क्षमता से करीब 20 प्रतिशत यात्रियों की आवाजाही हो रही है। इसलिए टर्मिनल तीन के विस्तार की योजना पर कार्य हो रहा है।



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# Flying from Delhi to Get Tad Expensive if Airport's Tariff Hike Plan Lands: CEO

Our Bureau

**New Delhi:** Passengers taking domestic flights from Delhi may have to shell out around 2% more for airfares after the airport implements the proposed charges.

Videh Kumar Jaipurkar, CEO of Delhi International Airport Limited (DIAL), the company that operates the airport, said the tariff hike became necessary to recover the investment it has done to upgrade infrastructure at the airport.

DIAL has invested around ₹12,900 crore to expand Terminal 1, building a new runway, a 2.4 km elevated taxiway, besides upgrading road infrastructure and transfer facilities.

The airport's yield per passenger, which is the average revenue it earns per passenger, will increase from ₹120 to ₹340 if the regulator Airport Economic Regulatory Authority allows the proposed hike.

Jaipurkar said that despite the increase, the yield per passenger of the airport will

be lower than Indian airports like Bengaluru, Chennai, Kolkata and major global airports like London Heathrow, Changi (Singapore) and Charles De Gaulle (Paris).

"We have not shied away from investments and in improving passenger experience," Jaipurkar said. "Since taking over

the airport in 2006, DIAL has invested ₹30,000 crore, and ₹25,000 crore has been given as part of revenue sharing to the Airports Authority of India. A dividend of ₹192 crore has been given in this period."

The airport has proposed to charge passengers based on class and time of travel.

## SpiceJet Back in the Black in Q3



**NEW DELHI** Low-cost carrier SpiceJet earned a profit of ₹25 crore for the December quarter of the current fiscal (Q3FY25). The aviation player had clocked a loss of ₹301.5 crore in the corresponding quarter of the previous financial year. For the September quarter (Q2FY25), the company reported a loss of ₹441.7 crore. "This quarter's performance is a testament to SpiceJet's resilience and our relentless focus on financial and operational recovery. **For the first time in a decade, the company has turned net worth positive**—an important milestone that underscores the success of our turnaround strategy," said Ajay Singh, CMD, SpiceJet. —OUR BUREAU

## Domestic airfares at Delhi airport to rise by up to 2%

RAGHAV AGGARWAL  
New Delhi, February 26

**THE PROPOSED INCREASE** in user development fees (UDF) at Indira Gandhi International Airport (IGIA) is set to drive up domestic airfares by 1.5-2%, according to Delhi International Airport (DIAL) CEO Videh Kumar Jaipuria. The impact on international ticket prices, however, is expected to be relatively lower as a percentage of total fare.

DIAL has submitted a proposal for a revised UDF structure for IGIA's fourth control period, spanning April 1 to March 31, 2029. The revised charges differentiate between economy and business class passengers as well as peak and non-peak hours. Under the proposal, ticket prices for international business class travelers could rise by as much as ₹1,500, while domestic passengers may see an increase of around ₹500 during peak hours.

Currently, passengers pay an average UDF of ₹52 per flight. The revised structure suggests that domestic embarking passengers pay ₹405 during non-peak hours and ₹610 during peak hours for the first two years. Peak hours are defined as 5:00 am — 8:55 am and 5:00 pm — 8:55 pm, when the price hike may exceed 2%. In 2027-28 and 2028-29, these charges would decrease to ₹210 and ₹315, respectively.

For disembarking domestic passengers, UDF is proposed at ₹140 during non-peak hours and ₹210 during peak hours initially, before reducing to ₹80 and ₹115 in later years. These rates are lower than those for embarking passengers since they utilise fewer airport facilities.

International travellers will see an even sharper increase. Economy class passengers departing IGIA will be charged ₹810 for UDF, while business class passengers will pay ₹1,620

### TAKING OFF



■ Currently, passengers pay an average UDF of ₹52 per flight

■ Economy departures to pay ₹810 as UDF, while business fliers will pay ₹1,620 during the first two years

■ Disembarking domestic fliers may pay ₹140 during non-peak hours and ₹210 during peak hours initially; and ₹80 and ₹115 in later years

■ The user development fee rates are lower than those for embarking passengers since they utilise fewer facilities

during the first two years. These fees would later drop to ₹430 and ₹860, respectively. Similarly, disembarking international passengers could pay ₹280 (economy) and ₹570 (business) per person in 2025-26 and 2026-27, decreasing to ₹150 and ₹300 in the following years.

The proposal, currently under review by the Airport Economic Regulatory Authority (AERA), is expected to boost the airport's yield per passenger from ₹145 to ₹370. AERA has invited stakeholders to submit written feedback by March 3 before determining a five-year revenue target for IGIA.





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## Terminal 2 likely to be shut for five months from April

**DELHI AIRPORT OPERATOR** (DIAL) said Terminal 2 (T2) is expected to be shutdown for four to five months starting from April and one of the runways will also be closed for upgradation during this period. The IGIA has three terminals and the total annual passenger handling capacity is around 109 million. DIAL CEO Vidh Kumar Jaipuria said the works at T1 is expected to be completed by March 15 and will be open for

flights after getting requisite approvals. T2 is expected to be shut down temporarily in April for four to five months, he said. The capacity of T2 will be moved to T1. "Average international load is around 67,000 to 68,000 per day... If you multiply that with 365, it comes to close to 24 million. The rated capacity for the international terminal T3 is 20 million. In fact, we are sweating the asset to the tune of 20%," he said.



## OPERATOR LIKELY TO FILE FOR PERMITS IN MARCH

# Navi Mumbai airport ops may start in May

SWARAJ BAGGONKAR  
Mumbai, February 26

**THE NAVI MUMBAI** International Airport (NMIA) is expected to start operations in May, as its operator Adani Airport Holdings prepares to file for necessary permits with the aviation regulator next month.

On Tuesday, officials of the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) held a stakeholders' meet with officials of the Airports Authority of India (AAI) and the Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS) as well as executives of Adani Airport Holdings (AAHL) and City Industrial Development Corporation of Maharashtra (Cidco). This was the second meeting of the DGCA and the stakeholders for the permits. The Navi Mumbai airport is being built by a joint venture between AAHL and Cidco.

The greenfield airport, which will be later designed to have a capacity of 90 million passengers a year — making it the second-largest in the country — was originally expected to start operations in December 2024. "The likely date that the airport will be opened is May 15. In the first week of March, on 5th or 6th, the aerodrome licence application will be placed by AAHL before us for approval," a DGCA official told *FE*.

An aerodrome licence is an official certification confirming that an airport meets the

### ON THE RUNWAY

■ The airport is expected to handle **90 million passengers and 2.6 million tonne cargo** per annum by 2031-32

■ First phase to see initial capacity set at **20 million passengers**

■ Airport being built by a joint venture between Adani Airport Holdings & Cidco

■ At full capacity, the airport will have **4 passenger terminals and 2 parallel runways**



necessary safety, operational and infrastructural requirements for operations.

Two emails sent to AAHL seeking comments remained unanswered till the time of going to the press.

"We are satisfied with what was presented before us. But BCAS raised some issues concerning security. The airport operator said it will get back with a proper plan," the official said.

The inauguration date of the Navi Mumbai airport has already been pushed back thrice. After missing the December deadline, senior executives of

Adani Group deferred it to March and then to April.

It is important to streamline operations at NMIA since it has to bear the passenger load of T1 Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj International Airport (CSMIA) in Mumbai, which is slated to be dismantled and undergo a 3-4 year redevelopment phase. CSMIA is also run by Adani Group.

NMIA saw flight validation tests involving technical assessments, landings and takeoffs, testing of air traffic control systems and handling procedures of small and large aircraft.





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{ **RUNWAY UPGRADE ON CARDS** } T2 WILL REMAIN SHUT FOR 4-5 MONTHS

## *T2 to be shut for renovations once T1 opens fully in March*

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**NEW DELHI:** The Delhi airport's Terminal 2 (T2) will be shut for four to five months starting April for refurbishment works, after Terminal 1 (T1) is made fully operational by mid-March. A technological upgrade of a runway to facilitate landings during fog will be undertaken simultaneously, officials of the airport operator, Delhi International Airport Limited (DIAL), said on Wednesday.

Runway 10, the Dwarka-end of runway 10/28 will be non-operational during this period to facilitate upgrade to CAT IIIB standards, which will allow flights to operate in low visibility conditions, caused by winter fog.

"T2 will shut for four or five months starting April. We have planned the shutting of T2 and the upgrade of ILS to CAT IIIB simultaneously and it is expected that both these works will be completed by August," Vidh Kumar Jaipurkar, chief executive officer of DIAL, said.

"The upgrade is planned to further improve flight operations at Delhi in the next fog season," the CEO said.



**IGI airport's Terminal 2 (above) will be shut for four or five months starting April, said airport operator DIAL.**

HT ARCHIVE

Delhi's Indira Gandhi International Airport (IGIA) is the only one in the country with four runways: namely 11R/29L, 11L/29R, 10/28, and 09/27. The 09/27 runway, which is the oldest of the four, cannot be upgraded to CAT IIIB due to its smaller size, officials said.

"T1 is awaiting final approvals from the Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS) which is expected soon. It will be fully operational once these approvals come," Jaipurkar said.

IGI Airport comprises three terminals in all and has an annual passenger handling capacity of around 109 million.

T1 has a capacity of 40 million and T2 has a capacity of 15 million passengers per annum. To be sure, the passenger handling capacity of the terminal will remain the same, as the refurbishment of T2 will include changes to flooring, aerobridges, and washrooms, besides some structural repairs.

The airport operator also plans to convert Pier C—a section of T3—which is currently used for domestic flights, into an international terminal. This expansion aims to accommodate the growing demand, and will take T3's international capacity to 32 million.



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## NM AIRPORT TO BE INAUGURATED ON MAY 15: OFFICIALS



**DGCA conducted assessment  
of NMIA on Tuesday**

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**MUMBAI:** The Navi Mumbai International Airport (NMIA) may be inaugurated on May 15, officials familiar with the development confirmed on Tuesday.

Aviation regulator, Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA), conducted an assessment of the airport on Tuesday. A DGCA official said, "We observed the preparedness of NMIA. We have been informed that they will apply for all permits by March 5, and we will process them."

Navi Mumbai airport is expected to handle 10-12 million passengers per annum (ppa), with around 9 million domestic and 3 million international passengers.

## RUNWAY UPGRADE WILL ENABLE FLIGHT OPS IN LOW VISIBILITY CONDITIONS

# IGIA's Terminal 2 to be closed temporarily from April; runway upgrade also planned

### OUR CORRESPONDENT

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With increasing traffic, the airport operator will also be converting a T3 section for international flights. Currently, this section is used for domestic operations.

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load is around 67,000 to 68,000 per day.... If you multiply that with 365, it comes to close to 24 million. The rated capacity for the international terminal T3 is 20 million. In fact, we are sweating the asset to the tune of 20 per cent.

### Takeaways

- » T2 is expected to be shut down temporarily for four to five months, DIAL CEO said and added that the capacity of around 15 million at T2 will be moved to T1
- » With increasing traffic, the airport operator will also be converting a T3 section for international flights

"So, we have come out with the proposal to convert Pier C (section of the airport), which is currently domestic, into international at T3. The international capacity will become 32 million. This will take care (of the capacity) for the next four

to five years as per the airlines' projections," he said.

At present, T1 has an annual passengers capacity of 40 million, T2 has 15 million and the remaining is at T3.

Jaipuria said T3 has been designed for international capacity of 34 million and now 45 million passengers are handled there.

"T2 to be shut for four to five months. During this period, one of our runways is going to be non-operational because ILS (Instrument Landing System) upgrade will be happening. We want to do it before the winter season," he said.

With the upgrade, the runway will be CAT III B compliant, which means flights can operate at low visibility conditions. During the winter season, the airport generally experiences visibility issues due to fog.

## शुल्क बढ़ने से दिल्ली हवाई अड्डे पर घरेलू हवाई किराए में 1.5-2 प्रतिशत की वृद्धि होगी: डायल

नई दिल्ली, 26 फरवरी (एजेंसी): दिल्ली हवाई अड्डे पर प्रस्तावित शुल्क वृद्धि से यात्रियों के लिए घरेलू हवाई किराए में 1.5 से 2 प्रतिशत की वृद्धि होगी। एक शीर्ष अधिकारी ने यह जानकारी दी।

राष्ट्रीय राजधानी में इंदिरा गांधी अंतर्राष्ट्रीय हवाई अड्डे (आई.जी.आई.ए.) का संचालन करने वाली दिल्ली अंतर्राष्ट्रीय हवाई अड्डा लिमिटेड (डायल) ने इकोनॉमी तथा बिजनेस श्रेणी के यात्रियों के लिए तथा व्यस्त व अन्य घंटों के लिए अलग-अलग उपयोगकर्ता शुल्क का प्रस्ताव दिया है। इस हवाई अड्डे पर सालाना करीब 10.9 करोड़ यात्रियों की आवाजाही होती है।

डायल के मुख्य कार्यपालक अधिकारी (सी.ई.ओ.) विदेह कुमार जयपुरियार ने कहा कि उच्च शुल्क को स्वीकृति मिलने के बाद प्रति यात्री प्राप्ति (वाई.पी.पी.) वर्तमान के 145 से बढ़कर 370 रुपए हो जाएगी। वाई.पी.पी. में विमानन कंपनी और यात्री शुल्क शामिल हैं। प्रस्तावित वृद्धि



2006 के स्तर की तुलना में करीब 140 प्रतिशत है, जब जी.एम.आर. समूह के नेतृत्व वाले संघ डायल ने हवाई अड्डे का अधिग्रहण किया था।

जयपुरियार ने संवाददाता सम्मेलन में कहा, "जैसा कि ए.ई.आर.ए. ने सुझाव दिया है, 370 रुपए में से करीब 30 प्रतिशत एयरलाइन शुल्क और 70 प्रतिशत यात्री शुल्क के लिए होना चाहिए। अभी यह 68 प्रतिशत एयरलाइन शुल्क और 32 प्रतिशत यात्री शुल्क है।"

### टर्मिनल-2 अप्रैल से अस्थायी रूप से रहेगा बंद

डायल ने कहा कि टर्मिनल 2 (टी2) के अप्रैल

से 4 से 5 महीने के लिए बंद रहने की संभावना है। इस अवधि के दौरान 'अपग्रेडेशन' के लिए एक रनवे भी बंद रहेगा। राष्ट्रीय राजधानी स्थित इंदिरा गांधी अंतर्राष्ट्रीय हवाई अड्डे (आई.जी.आई.ए.) में तीन टर्मिनल टी1, टी2 और टी3 हैं। दिल्ली अंतर्राष्ट्रीय हवाई अड्डा लिमिटेड (डायल) के मुख्य कार्यपालक अधिकारी (सी.ई.ओ.) विदेह कुमार जयपुरियार ने कहा कि टी-1 पर कार्य 15 मार्च तक पूरा होने की उम्मीद है और अपेक्षित मंजूरी मिलने के बाद इसे उड़ानों के लिए खोल दिया जाएगा।

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## Delhi airport's T2 to close for four-five months

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Delhi International Airport Limited (DIAL), which runs the Indira Gandhi International Airport, announced on Wednesday that Terminal 2 (T2) would be shut down for four to five months starting from April, and one of the runways will also be closed for up gradation during this period.

The Indira Gandhi International Airport (IGIA) in the national capital has three terminals -T1, T2 and T3 - and the total annual passenger handling capacity is around 109 Million.

DIAL CEO Videh Kumar Jaipuria said the works at T1 is expected to be completed by March 15 and will be open for flights after getting requisite approvals.

T2 is expected to be shut down temporarily in April for four to five months, he said and added that the capacity of around 15 million at T2 will be moved to T1. T2 also has a capacity of around 15 million which will be moved to T1 while it is temporarily shut down. T1 has an



Delhi Airport

Pioneer Photo

annual passengers capacity of 40 Million.

With increasing traffic, the airport operator will also be converting a T3 section for international flights. Currently, this section is used for domestic operations.

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around 67,000 to 68,000 per day. If you multiply that with 365, it comes to close to 24 Million. The rated capacity for the international terminal T3 is 20 Million. In fact, we are sweating the asset to the tune of 20 per cent. "So, we have come out with the proposal to convert Pier C (sec-

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To address this, a proposal has been made to convert Pier C, currently used for domestic flights, into an international section at T3. This expansion will increase the terminal's international handling capacity to 32 Million passengers, which is expected to meet demand for the next four to five years.

With the upgrade, the runway will be CAT III B compliant, which means flights can operate at low visibility conditions. During the winter season, the airport generally experiences visibility issues due to fog.



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## हवाई अड्डा टर्मिनल टी-2 चार से पांच महीने के लिए रहेगा बंद

नई दिल्ली (एसएनबी)। दिल्ली हवाई अड्डा परिचालक डायल ने बुधवार को कहा कि टर्मिनल-2 (टी 2) के अप्रैल से चार से पांच महीने के लिए बंद रहने की संभावना है। इस अवधि के दौरान 'अपग्रेडेशन' के लिए एक रनवे भी बंद रहेगा। राष्ट्रीय राजधानी स्थित इंदिरा गांधी अंतरराष्ट्रीय हवाई अड्डा (आईजीआईए) में तीन टर्मिनल टी1, टी2 व टी3 हैं। दिल्ली अंतरराष्ट्रीय हवाई अड्डा लिमिटेड (डायल) के मुख्य कार्यपालक अधिकारी (सीईओ) विदेह कुमार जयपुरियार ने बुधवार को कहा कि टी-1 पर कार्य 15 मार्च तक पूरा होने की उम्मीद है और अपेक्षित मंजूरी मिलने के बाद इसे उड़ानों के लिए खोल दिया जाएगा।

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■ इस अवधि में होगा 'अपग्रेडेशन'

जाएगा। यात्रियों की बढ़ती संख्या के कारण हवाई अड्डा संचालक टी-3 के उस हिस्से को अंतरराष्ट्रीय उड़ानों के लिए खोलेंगे जहाँ से वर्तमान में घरेलू उड़ानों का परिचालन होता है। इस हवाई अड्डे पर सालाना करीब 10.9 करोड़ यात्रियों की आवाजाही होती है।

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# Why IGI wants to charge peak-hour and business class passengers more

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**New Delhi:** Delhi International Airport Ltd, the operators of Indira Gandhi International Airport, became the first Indian airport on Wednesday to propose a higher user development fee (UDF) for domestic passengers flying in and out at peak hours. DIAL has also proposed a higher UDF for international passengers flying business and first class, apart from levying this fee, though a smaller amount, on all arrivals.

DIAL said it had found that most domestic passengers taking flights in the peak hours—5 to 8.55 in the morning and evening— to and from Delhi were travelling for work and on office expense. Around 65% of domestic flyers travel on visits to friends and relatives or on holidays and don't necessarily need to take peak-hour flights.

The company CEO, Videh Kumar Jaipuria, said the proposed 140% hike over the 2006 base tariff when IGI was taken over under public-private partnership—both UDF paid directly by flyers and aeronautical charges (like landing and parking fees levied on airlines)—will affect domestic ticket prices by "1.5-2%" and international by "0.5-1%". DIAL has proposed an in-



TRAVEL TO COST MORE

crease in the UDF of Rs 52 currently levied on departing passengers to Rs 610 and Rs 1,620, respectively for domestic and international travellers, depending on flight time and class of travel.

"Passengers on flights with scheduled departure/arrival time between 5am/pm and 8.55am/pm are mostly business travellers. The proposed higher UDF for domestic peak hour flights won't affect the vast majority of flyers, who are non-business travellers," said Jaipuria. "DIAL recently invested Rs 12,500 crore on the expanded T1, fourth runway and elevated taxiway. We requested an ad hoc tariff hike from Oct 1, 2024, to recover this huge capital expenditure. But the Airports Economic Regulatory Authority didn't permit it."

To avoid a big hike on UDF cur-

rently levied on departing flyers only, Jaipuria said DIAL proposed the same levy on arrivals too. "Arriving passengers also use airport facilities, but to a lesser extent. That's why we proposed half the UDF for them," he said. As for higher UDF for international travellers in business and first class, he argued, "They get facilities such as dedicated counters at security and immigration. They get priority boarding. These innovations keep the burden on the common flyer to the bare minimum."

The DIAL CEO added, "When we took over management of IGI in 2006, the airport's capacity was 12 crore passengers annually (CPA). It is now almost 11CPA. We have invested Rs 30,000 crore so far since 2006 apart from sharing Rs 25,000 crore revenue with the Airports Authority of India as part of the public-private partnership agreement. AAI has benefited to the tune of Rs 55,000 crore in all, which enabled development of other airports. But DIAL itself is incurring losses with our accumulated losses from 2006 to Dec 31, 2024, being Rs 2,900 crore. Our equity of Rs 2,500 crore may get eroded by the end of this fiscal. Unless the tariff is hiked, our ratings may take a hit and push up the cost of borrowings for us."



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## DIAL to incentivise quicker turnaround time for flights with lower parking rates

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**New Delhi:** In a bid to promote faster turnaround times from when an aircraft arrives to when it departs and thus free up aircraft parking stands, Delhi International Airport Ltd proposes to levy no charges for planes that park for up to two and half hours. Aircraft parked for over 6.5 hours, meanwhile, may attract higher charges, DIAL CEO Videh Kumar Jaipuria said on Wednesday.

The proposed higher charges for planes parked for a long time comes from the recent experience after a large number of planes — those of now-defunct Jet Airways and GoAir as well as the Airbus A320s of IndiGo grounded after problems with the Pratt & Whitney engines — have occupied parking space at Indian airports for years. “When the G20 Summit was held in Delhi in Sept 2023, 65 parking stands were occupied by long-parked planes. Now this number is down to 43-44 as erstwhile GoAir planes are being repossessed by lessors. We want to disincentivise this sort of long-term parking,” said Jaipuria.

The CEO also said, “We have proposed lower aero charges for new routes that are over 5,000km away. This is to promote more direct connectivity to and from Delhi by carriers like Air

India, IndiGo and others. Just 11%-12% of people travelling to North America go on direct flights. The remaining go one-stop via hubs in the Middle East, Southeast Asia or Europe. Govt is working to make IGIA the first true international hub.”

The airport is witnessing a sharp rise in domestic-to-internal transfers and an increase in international-to-international transfers. “I-to-I used to be just 1% of total transfer traffic but now constitutes 3%, with flows coming in from southeast Asia and Europe,” said Jaipuria. “We see I-to-I going up to 10% in 5-7 years given the expansion plans and aircraft orders of Air India and IndiGo, with Delhi being the hub for both. The economic benefit of Delhi becoming a true international hub in the next five years is expected to be upwards of \$8 billion.”

IGIA is connected to 81 domestic and 69 international destinations. “Singapore’s Changi has 200 weekly flights to Europe, we have 204. It has 60 weekly flights to the US, we have 75,” said Jaipuria. “We are on the right track and expect big growth from D-to-I transfers. We are increasing the number of transfer windows in which big airlines like AI and IndiGo see their passengers alighting from one plane and boarding another.”

# Terminal Changes At IGI With Four Projects Set To Take Off At One Go

**EXPANSION TAKES WINGS:** Main Runway To Shut For Upgrade Of International Landing System

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New Delhi: Indra Gandhi International Airport will witness a flurry of activity over the next few months with four major projects being launched simultaneously. First, the ongoing restoration work at Terminal 1 will be completed by March 15 and, after getting security clearances, the expanded terminal with a capacity to handle four crore passengers annually will fully open by April. Terminal 2 will then close for repairs. Delhi International Airport Ltd (DIAL) will begin work on converting a domestic pier at T3 for international flights. And then the main runway, 28/10, will be shut at the Dwarka end for upgrading to CAT IIIB, which will enable planes to land even in dense fog from that side too. The latter three projects are expected to take up to five months and be completed before winter.

## T1 reopening and T3 pier conversion

"We are seeing almost 67,000 international travellers daily at T3, the international terminal. This translates to about 2.4 crore passengers annually (CPA). T3's international capacity is 2CPA but it currently handles 20% more than that," said DIAL CEO Videh Kumar Jaipuria on Wednesday. "That's why one domestic pier at T3 is being converted for international use. This will take 4-5 months and raise

### ACTION HOTS UP AT DELHI AIRPORT

**1** Ongoing restoration work at T1 to be completed by March 15; after security clearance, the expanded terminal with a capacity of **handling 4 crore passengers annually (CPA)** to finally fully open by April

**2** Once that happens, T2 to close for repairs

**3** DIAL to begin work on converting a domestic pier at T3 to international

**4** The main runway, 28/10, to be shut for **upgrading the instrument landing system** on the Dwarka end of the airstrip to CAT IIIB. This will enable planes to land on IGI's main warhorse runway in dense fog from that side too

Except T1 reopening, the three other projects are expected to take up to five months

**Expect a hike in domestic ticket prices by 1.5% to 2% and international by 0.5% to 1%**

- IGI is the first Indian airport to propose a higher user development fee for domestic passengers flying in and out on peak hour flights
- DIAL has also proposed a higher UDF for international passengers flying business and first class, apart from levying this fee, albeit a lower one, on all arrivals too
- It has proposed to raise the UDF of ₹52 (currently levied on departing passengers only) to up to ₹610 and ₹1,620 for domestic and international travellers, respectively, depending on the time of flight and class of travel

**T2 may be closed for repair once T1 ready around April**

**One Domestic Pier At T3 To Handle International Flights**

**DIAL also proposes to levy zero parking charge for planes that remain parked for up to 2.5 hours**

Aircraft remaining parked for over 6.5 hours are proposed to be charged much more

## With the proposed air train still four years away, DIAL will increase the number of buses plying between the two terminals – T1 and T3

T3's international capacity to about 3.2CPA. The pier being converted will continue handling domestic flights during this period except the last month before conversion to allow on site work."

The number of immigration counters will be increased to handle the additional travellers. A portion of the domestic security check setup will be used for Pier C international passengers.

A part of T1 hasn't been used after a pier collapsed last summer, killing a person. The restoration and strengthening are under way. Once T1 starts functioning at its expanded domestic capacity of 4CPA by April-May, the 1.5CPA traffic currently passing through T2 will be directed there. A couple of months later, T1 will also get the 1CPA domestic traffic diverted from T3's converted Pier C.

The number of transfer passengers between domestic and international flights handled by T1 and T3, 7km apart, will increase significantly. With the proposed air train still four years away, DIAL will increase the number of buses plying between the two terminals. "Apart from DTC, there will be other concessionaires operating bu-

ses. Passengers taking a connecting flight on the same airline or group will have their check-in bags transferred airside and won't need to take them on the bus. There will be bus-waiting lounges at both the terminals where they can get the coupon to board the transfer bus," explained Jaipuria.

## T2 closure

DIAL is closing the 1986-era T2 for repairs. "We will be strengthening the apron, laying new flooring, giving the terminal new washrooms and boarding bridges. This will cost around Rs 80 crore," the CEO said. DIAL's original plan was to demolish T2 to make way for a bigger T4. But that plan was deferred since Jewar airport will open this summer and will affect the IGIA footfall. The airport operator decided, therefore, to keep using T2 after extending the life of IGIA's oldest — and arguably its strongest — terminal. Jewar's impact on IGIA will decide when T2 will be demolished to erect T4.

## Runway 28 closure

The main warhorse runway at IGIA is a blessing for flyers during the foggy winters. The two runways (29L & 29R) on the Shivji statue side witness more fog than those towards Dwarka (28 and 27). "The Dwarka end of runway 28 isn't CAT IIIB. The instrument landing system there is being upgraded, after which both ends of the runway will allow landings in low visibility," said Jaipuria.



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Records highest ever international passengers

## Trichy airport back to pre-Covid glory

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**T**richy international airport has hit a new high. In Jan 2025, the airport achieved its highest ever international traffic — 1.3 lakh passengers. The traffic recorded last month made Trichy airport surpass even the highest pre-Covid-19 international traffic in Jan 2018, indicating that the non-metro airport has overcome the challenges and impacts caused by the pandemic in the aviation sector.

International traffic at the airport has registered a 12% surge. While Dec, Jan and May are peak months for international travel, Jan stands out as the busiest, driven by the Tamil diaspora returning home for temple festivals and Pongal celebrations. There was a decline in international travellers after Covid-19.

Though international flight services resumed in March 2022, for a long time Trichy airport did not recover from reduced airline operations and changing travel patterns. The airport saw a rebound in Jan 2023 and Jan 2024 saw a rebound with 1,14,196 and 1,22,706 passengers, but Jan 2025 finally surpassed pre-Covid levels.

The high occupancy rate on Singapore-bound flights, new services to Dammam, Saudi Arabia, and increased services to Bangkok and Muscat contributed to the rise in international passenger traffic. "Singapore-Trichy flights saw up to 95% occupancy last month," says aviation analyst H Ubaidullah. In Jan 2018, Trichy had 102 international services, compared to 163 this Jan. Despite only one extra service, the boost in traffic was due to high occupancy and new destinations.

Domestic traffic at Trichy airport went down by 7% between Jan 2024 and Jan 2025, due to reduced services to Bengaluru and Mumbai. Weekly domestic services dropped from 84 to 77. "Air India Express has confirmed new services between Chennai and Trichy. Domestic traffic will also improve in the coming months because of the summer vacation," says S Ganeswara Rao, director, Trichy airport.



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### Higher tariffs to hike domestic airfares at Delhi airport: DIAL

The proposed tariff hike at the Delhi airport will result in a 1.5 to 2 per cent increase in domestic airfares for passengers, according to a top official. The Delhi International Airport Ltd (DIAL), which is operating the Indra Gandhi International Airport (IGIA) in the national capital, has proposed different user fees for economy and business class passengers as well as for peak and off-peak hours. ¶¶

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## Kumbh gives wings to rentals, flight fares

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Mahakumbh, which saw crores of pilgrims thronging in, witnessed air fares and hotel tariffs shooting up multi-fold. For the upcoming summer travel season, the travel sector is seeing an increase in enquiries, but the geopolitical tensions and uncertainties are working against bookings.

Airfares from different cities in the country to Varanasi, Lucknow, Kanpur, Allahabad Jabalpur airports, which are closer to Prayagraj were up more than 30 per cent during the Mahakumbh days. The hotel rates went up over 10-fold in many cases.

"All the flights were operating in full occupancies and the rates were at least 30 per cent more. The hotel rates had skyrocketed. We have seen three-star hotels charging ₹35,000 and ₹38,000 per night against ₹3,000 and ₹4,000 charged in regular times," said Iqbal Mulla, president, Global Tourism Council.

SOTC Travel saw search volumes surging by over 31 times against that in same period of 2019 and 171 times against 2024.

"The demand for



Mahakumbh has been exceptionally high and this includes both our metro and regional source markets," said SD Nandakumar, president and country head - Holidays and Corporate Tours, SOTC Travel.

"Despite our advance planning and bulk-purchased inventory, we were encouraged with an almost sold-out position far earlier than anticipated. We quickly pivoted to contract significant additional volumes - and this was across air, tent accommodation and on-ground transportation," said Rajeev Kale, president and country head, MICE, Visa - Thomas Cook.

Meanwhile, travel operators are seeing around 20 per cent increase in enquiries for summer travel. "Higher disposable income due to higher rate of tax exemptions is supporting the travel industry. Enquiries are higher for international destinations," said Mulla.



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# SpiceJet's net worth turns positive

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SpiceJet Airline reported improved financial performance during the third quarter and said its net worth turned positive for the first time in a decade.

The airline reported profit after tax of ₹26 crore and revenue of ₹1,651 crore driven by strong passenger demand, improved yields, and

enhanced operational efficiency. Passenger load factor (PLF) stood at an impressive 87 per cent.

"The airline's successful ₹3,000 crore qualified institutional placement (QIP) has significantly strengthened its financial position. This has enabled the resolution of major legacy liabilities, fleet expansion, and accelerated operational growth," SpiceJet said.

Company achieved a positive net worth of ₹70 crore. "We have significantly strengthened our balance sheet, resolved key disputes, and are continuously expanding our fleet. We are in discussions with original equipment manufacturers for advanced deliveries of aircraft and are actively exploring both organic and inorganic growth opportunities," said Ajay

Singh, chairman and managing director, SpiceJet.

The company has successfully settled multiple outstanding disputes with aircraft and engine lessors, amounting to ₹1,700 crore at ₹1,233 crore, resulting in a financial benefit of ₹467 crore, SpiceJet said.

During the quarter SpiceJet inducted 10 aircrafts in its fleet, includ-

ing 3 previously grounded aircraft and is working to unground 17 more aircrafts including seven Boeing 737 Max, 4 737 NG and 6 Q400 aircrafts.

Under regional connectivity the airline has started flights from Shivamogga in Karnataka with Chennai and Hyderabad under UDAN; resumed operations to previously served destinations like Gorakhpur.



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## घाटे से उबरी स्पाइसजेट 26 करोड़ रुपये का लाभ

नई दिल्ली। विमानन कंपनी स्पाइसजेट को चालू वित्त वर्ष की तीसरी तिमाही में कर भुगतान के बाद 26 करोड़ का मुनाफा हुआ है। 2024-25 की समान अवधि में कंपनी को 300 करोड़ का घाटा हुआ था। तीसरी तिमाही में कुल राजस्व 35% बढ़कर 1,651 करोड़ पहुंच गया। एजेंसी

# स्पाइसजेट को तीसरी तिमाही में हुआ मुनाफा

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नई दिल्ली, 26 फरवरी

**वि**मानन कंपनी स्पाइसजेट ने वित्त वर्ष 25 की तीसरी तिमाही में सालाना आधार पर 20.2 करोड़ रुपये का समेकित शुद्ध लाभ और दूसरी तिमाही के वित्तीय परिणामों में 458.2 करोड़ का शुद्ध घाटा दर्ज किया है। दूसरी तिमाही के परिणामों की घोषणा देरी से की गई है।

सेबी के नियमों के तहत सूचीबद्ध कंपनियों को तिमाही पूरी होने के बाद से 45 दिनों के भीतर शेयर बाजार को तिमाही परिणाम पेश करने होते हैं। कंपनियां वित्तीय परिणाम बताने में विलंब कर सकती हैं, लेकिन इसके लिए उन्हें कारण बताना होता है।

विमानन कंपनी का समेकित शुद्ध लाभ वित्त वर्ष 25 की तीसरी तिमाही में 20.2 करोड़ रुपये रहा जबकि एक साल पहले इसी अवधि में 299 करोड़ रुपये का शुद्ध घाटा हुआ था। किफायती विमानन कंपनी ने दावा किया है कि उसने भुगतान विवादों का हल कर लिया है और उसे ईंधन व्यय में कमी से फायदा मिला है।

अलबत्ता दूसरी तिमाही में देरी से जारी किए गए वित्तीय परिणामों में कंपनी को अपने समेकित शुद्ध घाटे में सालाना



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आधार पर दो प्रतिशत तक की वृद्धि दिखाई है और यह बढ़कर 458.2 करोड़ रुपये हो गया था।

विमानन कंपनी ने बुधवार को कहा कि उसने इस वित्त वर्ष के दौरान विमान किराये पर देने वाली आठ कंपनियों और इंजन किराये पर देने वाली चार कंपनियों के साथ लंबित बकायों के संबंध में कई विवादों को सफलतापूर्वक सुलझा लिया

है, जिससे बकाया दावे 1,700 करोड़ रुपये से घटकर 1,233 करोड़ रुपये रह गए। परिणाम स्वरूप उसे 467 करोड़ रुपये का वित्तीय लाभ हुआ।

इसके अलावा चालू वित्त वर्ष की तीसरी तिमाही के दौरान विमानन कंपनी का ईंधन खर्च पिछले साल की तुलना में 46.9 प्रतिशत तक घटकर 415.2 करोड़ रुपये रह गया।

## इंडिगो 3 बोइंग 787 विमान पट्टे पर लेगी

यूरोप के लिए उड़ानें शुरू करने की तैयारियों में जुटी घरेलू एयरलाइन इंडिगो ने बुधवार को कहा कि वह नॉर्स अटलांटिक एयरवेज के साथ समझौते के तहत अपने बेड़े में तीन अन्य बोइंग 787-9 विमान शामिल करेगी। फिलहाल गुरुग्राम मुख्यालय वाली एयरलाइन दिल्ली और मुंबई से इस्तांबुल के लिए तुर्की एयरलाइंस से पट्टे पर लिए गए चौड़े आकार वाले दो बोइंग 777 विमानों का संचालन करती है।

इंडिगो ने फरवरी की शुरुआत में नॉर्स अटलांटिक एयरवेज के साथ एक बोइंग 787 विमान को पट्टे पर लेने के लिए एक सौदे की घोषणा की थी। इंडिगो ने बयान में कहा कि इस सौदे में शामिल बोइंग 787 विमान की आपूर्ति प्रक्रिया पटरी पर है। कंपनी ने कहा कि वह 1 मार्च, 2025 से दिल्ली-बैंगलूर मार्ग पर परिचालन शुरू करने वाली है। इसके साथ ही एयरलाइन ने तीन बोइंग 787-9 विमानों को पट्टे पर लेने के लिए नॉर्स अटलांटिक एयरवेज के साथ एक डैम्प लीज समझौता किए जाने की भी जानकारी दी। ये विमान वर्ष 2025 की दूसरी छमाही



में भारत पहुंचेंगे और भारत से बाहर लंबी दूरी के मार्गों पर सेवाएं देंगे।

डैम्प लीज समझौते में पट्टेदार विमान देने के साथ उसका रखरखाव भी करता है जबकि चालक दल एवं बीमा का इंतजाम पट्टा लेने वाली एयरलाइन को करना होता है। एयरलाइन

ने कहा कि इन तीन विमानों का डैम्प लीज समझौता छह महीने के लिए हुआ है लेकिन नियामकीय अनुमोदन के अधीन इसे 18 महीने तक बढ़ाया जा सकता है। इंडिगो के मुख्य कार्यपालक अधिकारी पीटर एल्बर्स ने कहा कि यह महत्वपूर्ण उपलब्धि इंडिगो की अपनी वैश्विक उपस्थिति को व्यापक बनाने और अपने ग्राहकों को यात्रा के अधिक अवसर प्रदान करने की रणनीतिक प्रतिबद्धता की पुष्टि करती है। इंडिगो ने कहा कि चौड़े आकार वाले इन विमानों के उसके बेड़े में शामिल होने के बाद उसके पास चौड़े आकार वाले विमानों की संख्या बढ़कर छह हो जाएगी। इंडिगो ने 30 एयरबस 350-900 विमानों का एक ऑर्डर भी दिया है, जिसमें अतिरिक्त 70 विमानों का विकल्प भी है, जिनकी आपूर्ति 2027 से शुरू होने की उम्मीद है। भाषा

# SpiceJet comes out of the red in Dec quarter

In talks with OEMs for quicker deliveries of aircraft: CMD Ajay Singh

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New Delhi, 26 February

SpiceJet on Wednesday reported a consolidated net profit of ₹20.2 crore for the third quarter of this financial year (Q3FY25), compared to a net loss of ₹458.2 crore in the second quarter, whose results were announced with a delay.

Under the Sebi rules, listed firms have to submit the quarterly results to stock exchanges within 45 days from the end of the quarter. They have the leeway to delay the financial results, but are required to give the reasons for it.

The airline's consolidated net profit came in at ₹20.2 crore for Q3FY25 against a net loss of ₹299 crore in the same period a year ago as the low cost carrier claimed to have maneuvered a bunch of payment disputes and got a leg up from lower fuel expenses.

While in its delayed second quarter results, the firm had seen its consolidated net loss widen by 2 per cent year-on-year (Y-o-Y) to ₹458.2 crore.

The airline on Wednesday said it had successfully settled multiple disputes with eight aircraft lessors and four engine lessors over pending dues during this financial year, reducing outstanding claims from ₹1,700 crore to ₹1,233 crore, resulting in a financial benefit of ₹467 crore. Moreover, the airline's fuel expenses in the third quarter of the current financial year decreased by 46.9 per cent Y-o-Y to ₹415.2 crore.

As a result, its consolidated net loss for the first nine months of FY25 came in at ₹279.8 crore, an improvement from the ₹550.5 crore loss in the same period last year.

SpiceJet has been posting losses for the last six financial years. The budget airline was last in the green in 2017-18, when it had posted a consolidated net profit of ₹557.4 crore.

Ajay Singh, Chairman and



Managing Director, SpiceJet, said, "We have significantly strengthened our balance sheet, resolved key disputes, and are continuously expanding our fleet. We are in discussions with OEMs (original equipment manufacturers) for advanced deliveries of aircraft and are actively exploring both organic and inorganic growth opportunities."

However, the airline stated that due to its financial and operational challenges, it has been unable to operate its full aircraft fleet, with a significant number of aircraft grounded due to lack of maintenance. This underutilisation has impacted overall profitability during FY25.

According to the DGCA data, SpiceJet carried 5.5 per cent of domestic passengers in India in 2023. However, this share dropped to just 3.7 per cent in 2024.

In the current financial year, the airline continued to defer payments to aircraft lessors, engine lessors, vendors, and statutory authorities, while facing litigations regarding these issues. As on December 31, its

retained earnings remained negative at ₹8,170 crore, with a negative net worth of ₹2,575 crore, SpiceJet said.

Additionally, its current liabilities exceed current assets by ₹3,925 crore.

During FY25, the company successfully raised ₹3,000 crore through a Qualified Institutional Placement (QIP), a process where shares are issued to institutional investors. On September 20, its Fund Raising Committee approved the allotment of shares at ₹61.6 per share, with a face value of ₹10 and a premium of ₹51.6 per share. As a result, the company's total paid-up equity capital increased from ₹794.6 crore to ₹1,281.6 crore.

From the funds raised, ₹2,381 crore has been used for various expenses, including statutory dues, creditor settlements, aircraft maintenance and reactivation, new fleet additions, employee payments, airport dues, and general corporate purposes, the airline stated. The remaining amount has been temporarily invested until further use as of December 31.



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# IndiGo to lease three more Boeing 787s for Europe route

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## टर्न अराउंड • एक दशक में पहली बार नेटवर्थ पॉजिटिव हुई स्पाइसजेट 3 महीने पहले 442 करोड़ घाटे में थी, अब 25 करोड़ रु. मुनाफे में

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बजट एयरलाइन स्पाइसजेट मुनाफे में आ गई है। कारोबारी दक्षता के कारण इसे अक्टूबर-दिसंबर 2024 में 25 करोड़ रुपए का नेट प्रॉफिट हुआ है। 2023 की समान तिमाही में एयरलाइन को 301 करोड़ रुपए का घाटा हुआ था, जबकि जुलाई-सितंबर 2024 में यह घाटा बढ़कर 442 करोड़ हो गया था। स्पाइसजेट ने बीती तिमाही 12.67 लाख यात्रियों को सेवाएं दीं।

नकदी संकट से जूझ रही स्पाइसजेट एयरलाइन ने अपनी फाइलिंग में बताया कि जुलाई-सितंबर और अक्टूबर-दिसंबर तिमाही के नतीजे एक साथ जारी किए। हालांकि बीती तिमाही में कंपनी की आय सालाना आधार पर 35% घटकर 1,141 करोड़ रुपए रही। यह दिसंबर 2023 की तिमाही में 1,757 करोड़ रुपए थी। जुलाई-सितंबर 2024 की तिमाही में कंपनी की आय 817 करोड़ रुपए थी। एक तरफ, जहां देश में घरेलू हवाई यात्रा की मांग बीती आठ तिमाहियों से बढ़ रही है। वहीं, स्पाइसजेट की आय में पिछली दो तिमाहियों में घटने का रुझान देखने को मिला है।

दिसंबर तिमाही में मार्केट शेयर बढ़कर 3% हुआ



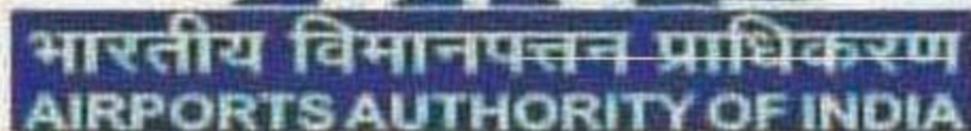
### 3 हजार करोड़ रु. जुटाकर लेनदारियों को कम किया

- स्पाइसजेट ने क्यूआईपी के जरिये 3 हजार करोड़ रुपए जुटाए। जीएसटी, टीडीएस, ईपीएफ बकाया के 601 करोड़ रुपए चुकाए।
- तमाम कंपनियों के साथ विवाद को सौहार्दपूर्ण तरीके से सुलझाया।
- दिसंबर तिमाही में एयरलाइन का पैसेंजर लोड फैक्टर 88% तक इस्तेमाल किया। बेड़े में 10 विमान जोड़े। इनमें से 3 पहले ग्राउंडेड थे।
- विंटर शेड्यूल के लिए 32 नई उड़ानें शुरू कीं। देश के विभिन्न शहरों से प्रयागराज के लिए स्पेशल उड़ानें लॉन्च कीं।

### ये बड़ी उपलब्धि, अब हमारे पास देनदारी से ज्यादा एसेट

एसेट्स बीते 10 साल में पहली बार उसकी देनदारी से ज्यादा हुई है। एक दशक में पहली बार कंपनी की नेटवर्थ पॉजिटिव होकर 70 करोड़ हुई है। यह एक बड़ी उपलब्धि है जो हमारी टर्न अराउंड स्ट्रेटजी की सफलता को दिखाती है। अब हम स्पाइसजेट के लिए एक मजबूत, अधिक लचीले भविष्य बनाने पर ध्यान केंद्रित कर रहे हैं।'  
-अजय सिंह, सीएचडी, स्पाइसजेट





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## IndiGo to damp lease 3 more Boeing 787-9 for global expansion



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lease arrangement with Norse Atlantic Airways, as it prepares to launch flights to Europe from mid-summer this year.



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## ◆ SPICEJET ₹26-CR PROFIT IN Q3

Ajay Singh, chairman and MD, SpiceJet

For the first time in a decade, SpiceJet turned net worth positive, underscoring the success of our turnaround strategy. The past is behind us and we are now firmly focused on building a stronger, more resilient future for the airline

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## इंडिगो तीन बोइंग 787 विमानों को पट्टे पर लेगी



मुंबई। यूरोप के लिए उड़ानें शुरू करने की तैयारियों में जुटी घरेलू एयरलाइन इंडिगो ने बुधवार को कहा कि वह नॉर्स अटलांटिक एयरवेज के साथ समझौते के तहत अपने बेड़े में तीन अन्य बोइंग 787-9 विमान शामिल करेगी।

फिलहाल गुरुग्राम मुख्यालय वाली एयरलाइन दिल्ली और मुंबई से इस्तांबुल के लिए तुर्की एयरलाइंस से पट्टे पर लिए गए चौड़े आकार वाले दो बोइंग 777 विमानों का संचालन करती है। इंडिगो ने फरवरी की शुरुआत में नॉर्स अटलांटिक एयरवेज के साथ एक बोइंग 787 विमान को पट्टे पर लेने के लिए एक सौदे की घोषणा की थी।



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## हवाई सफर दो फीसदी तक महंगा होगा

नई दिल्ली, एजेंसी। दिल्ली हवाई अड्डे पर प्रस्तावित शुल्क वृद्धि से यात्रियों के लिए घरेलू हवाई किराये में 1.5 से दो प्रतिशत की वृद्धि होगी।

इंदिरा गांधी अंतरराष्ट्रीय हवाई अड्डे का संचालन करने वाली डायल ने इकनॉमी तथा बिजनेस श्रेणी के यात्रियों के लिए व्यस्त और अन्य घंटों के लिए अलग-अलग उपयोगकर्ता शुल्क का प्रस्ताव दिया है। डायल के सीईओ विदेह कुमार जयपुरियार ने बताया कि उच्च शुल्क को स्वीकृति मिलने के बाद प्रति यात्री प्राप्ति (वाईपीपी) 145 से

### दिल्ली हवाई अड्डे का टर्मिनल-2 अप्रैल से बंद रहेगा

दिल्ली हवाई अड्डे पर टर्मिनल-2 के अप्रैल से चार से पांच महीने के लिए बंद रहने की संभावना है। इस अवधि में अपग्रेडेशन के लिए एक रनवे भी बंद रहेगा। दिल्ली अंतरराष्ट्रीय हवाई अड्डा लिमिटेड (डायल) के सीईओ विदेह कुमार जयपुरियार ने बुधवार को कहा कि टी-1 पर कार्य 15 मार्च तक पूरा होने की उम्मीद है और अपेक्षित मंजूरी मिलने के बाद इसे उड़ानों के लिए खोल दिया जाएगा। टी-2 को अप्रैल में चार से पांच महीने के लिए अस्थायी रूप से बंद कर दिया जाएगा।

बढ़कर 370 रुपये हो जाएगी।

वाईपीपी में विमानन कंपनी और यात्री शुल्क शामिल हैं। प्रस्तावित वृद्धि 2006 के स्तर की तुलना में करीब 140 प्रतिशत है, जब जीएमआर समूह

के नेतृत्व वाले संघ डायल ने हवाई अड्डे का अधिग्रहण किया था। इस हवाई अड्डे से साल भर में करीब 10.9 करोड़ यात्रियों की आवाजाही होती है।



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### FLYING OUT OF DELHI SET TO GET MORE EXPENSIVE FROM MARCH-END

**Neha LM Tripathi**

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**NEW DELHI:** Domestic passengers flying to and from Delhi will have to shell out 1.5-2% more for their fare from the end of March, officials said on Wednesday, adding that the hike in ticket price will be for aeronautical charges at Indira Gandhi International (IGI) airport. These fares may rise by 0.5% for international passengers.

The development comes after Delhi International Airport Ltd (DIAL), which manages IGI, had on May 29, 2024 requested a price hike from the Airports Economic Regulatory Authority (AERA) — the statutory body that regulates tariffs and charges for aeronautical services at airports.

Aeronautical charges include landing and parking fees paid by airlines, as well as the user development fee (UDF) paid directly by passengers.

DIAL CEO Videh Kumar Jai-puriar said currently, the yield per passenger (YPP, which includes airline charges and passenger charges) is ₹145. "This will rise to around ₹370 once the higher tariffs are approved," he said. "The increase on air tickets will be 1.5 to 2% for domestic passengers and maximum 0.5% for international passengers."



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## SpiceJet reports ₹26 cr. Q3 net profit

**The Hindu Bureau**  
NEW DELHI

SpiceJet reported net profit of ₹26 crore in the quarter ended December 2024 against a loss of ₹300 crore in the year-ago period.

The airline said it settled multiple outstanding disputes with aircraft and en-

gine lessors, amounting to ₹1,700 crore after paying ₹1,233 crore.

The company's independent auditors noted that the airline's accumulated losses amounted to ₹8,109 crore and the current liabilities exceeded the current assets by ₹3,871 crore.



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## दिल्ली हवाई अड्डे पर शुल्क वृद्धि से...

### घरेलू हवाई किराए में 1.5-2 प्रतिशत का इजाफा होगा: डायल

नई दिल्ली, लोकसत्य

दिल्ली हवाई अड्डे पर प्रस्तावित शुल्क वृद्धि से यात्रियों के लिए घरेलू हवाई किराये में 1.5 से दो प्रतिशत की वृद्धि होगी। एक शीर्ष अधिकारी ने यह जानकारी दी।

दिल्ली हवाई अड्डे पर प्रस्तावित शुल्क वृद्धि के कारण यात्रियों को घरेलू हवाई किराए में 1.5 से 2 प्रतिशत तक का इजाफा हो सकता है। एक वरिष्ठ अधिकारी ने यह जानकारी दी।

राष्ट्रीय राजधानी में इंदिरा गांधी अंतरराष्ट्रीय हवाई अड्डे (आईजीआईए) का संचालन करने वाली दिल्ली अंतरराष्ट्रीय हवाई अड्डा लिमिटेड ( डायल) ने इकनॉमी तथा बिजनेस श्रेणी के

यात्रियों के लिए तथा व्यस्त तथा अन्य घंटों के लिए अलग-अलग उपयोगकर्ता शुल्क का प्रस्ताव दिया है। इस हवाई अड्डे पर सालाना करीब 10.9 करोड़ यात्रियों की आवाजाही होती है। डायल के मुख्य कार्यपालक अधिकारी (सीईओ) विदेह कुमार जयपुरियार ने बुधवार को कहा कि उच्च शुल्क को स्वीकृति मिलने के बाद प्रति यात्री प्राप्त (वाईपीपी) वर्तमान के 145 रुपये से बढ़कर 370 रुपये हो जाएगी। वाईपीपी में विमानन कंपनी और यात्री शुल्क शामिल हैं। प्रस्तावित वृद्धि 2006 के स्तर की तुलना में करीब 140 प्रतिशत है, जब जीएमआर समूह के नेतृत्व वाले संघ डायल ने हवाई अड्डे का अधिग्रहण किया था।



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IndiGo will induct three more Boeing 787-9 planes under a damp lease with Norse Atlantic Airways.

## IndiGo to induct 3 more Boeing 787-9

IndiGo on Wednesday said it will induct three more Boeing 787-9 planes in its fleet under a damp lease arrangement with Norse Atlantic Airways, as it prepares to launch flights to Europe from mid-summer this year.

Currently, the airline operates two widebody Boeing 777 planes, wet leased from Turkish Airlines, to Istanbul from Delhi and Mumbai.

Earlier this month, IndiGo had announced signing a deal for one Boeing 787 with Norse Atlantic Airways. The delivery of this first widebody B787 is on-track, and it is scheduled to start operations on the Delhi-Bangkok route from 1 March 2025, IndiGo said in a statement.

IndiGo has signed "another firm agreement with Norse Atlantic Airways for damp lease of three Boeing 787-9 aircraft. These aircraft will be arriving in India in the second half of 2025 and will be serving long-haul routes out of India," it said.

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## **SPICEJET POSTS RS 26 CRORE PROFIT IN DECEMBER QUARTER**

**NEW DELHI:** Budget airline SpiceJet on Wednesday reported a profit after tax of Rs 26 crore for the three months ended December 2024, helped by overall improved performance. The carrier had posted a loss of Rs 300 crore in the year-ago period. "Total revenue surged by 35 per cent to Rs 1,651 crore, driven by strong passenger demand, improved yields and enhanced operational efficiency. Passenger Load Factor (PLF) stood at an impressive 87 per cent," the airline said in a release. Its total revenue stood at Rs 1,077 crore in the 2024 September quarter. However, compared to Rs 2,149 crore reported for the three months ended December 2023, the total revenue is lower in the latest December quarter.



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## IndiGo faces fine related to input tax credit; evaluates legal recourse

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**NEW DELHI:** IndiGo on Wednesday said it is facing a fine of nearly Rs 14 lakh in relation to input tax credit and is evaluating necessary legal recourse. The fine of Rs 13,91,818 has been imposed by the Joint Commissioner, Corporate Circle, Lucknow Division, Uttar Pradesh, according to a regulatory filing. The airline said the tax officer has denied input tax credit availed for FY 2020-21 and raised the demand.

"The company believes that it has accurately availed input tax credit and has merits in its case. Accordingly, the company is evaluating necessary legal recourse under the applicable law, including filing of appeal before the appropriate appellate authority," it said. Further, the carrier said there is no significant impact on its financials, operations or other activities.

AGENCIES

## IndiGo to lease wide-body Boeing 787-9 planes from Norse Atlantic

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

IN its effort to broaden global presence, country's largest carrier IndiGo has signed another firm agreement with Norway's Norse Atlantic Airways for the damp lease of three wide-body Boeing 787-9 aircraft. These aircraft will be arriving in India in second half of 2025 to serve long-haul routes out of India, mainly in the European market.

On February 6, 2025, IndiGo had signed a damp lease agreement with Norse Atlantic for one Boeing 787-9, the delivery of which is on track, and it is scheduled to start operations on airline's Delhi-Bangkok route from March 1, 2025. These additional three damp-leases will bring total to four (4) and IndiGo and Norse continue to explore opportunities to broaden the cooperation and possibility for contracting more aircraft.

"We are delighted to confirm extension of our partnership with Norse Atlantic Airways for damp lease of additional three Boeing 787-9 aircraft. This will help us make strategic inroads and establish the brand in the European market," said



Pieter Elbers, CEO, IndiGo. Elbers said on Monday that IndiGo intend to shift to Europe from mid-summer. He added, "As we execute broader strategy to strengthen and extend our international network, we are advancing towards our vision of becoming a global player by 2030, firmly rooted in India and driven by continuous expansion."

To support long-haul expansion IndiGo has already placed a firm order for 30 Airbus 350-900 wide body aircraft with an option for additional 70 aircraft, with deliveries expected to commence from 2027. Besides IndiGo, Tata Group run Air India is also accelerating its global expansion plans as home-grown airlines looks to grab market share from foreign airlines in the lucrative long haul routes.

### SpiceJet reports Q3 PAT at '26 cr

New Delhi: SpiceJet reported a net loss of ₹441.7 crore for July-September quarter but bounced back to profit in Q3FY25. The airline posted a net profit of ₹26 crore in Q3FY25 on revenue of ₹1,651 crore. Ajay Singh, Chairman and MD of SpiceJet, said for the first time in a decade, the company has turned net worth positive – an important milestone that underscores the success of its turnaround strategy. "The past is behind us, and we are firmly focused on building a stronger, more resilient future for SpiceJet," Singh said. Singh said they have strengthened their balance sheet, resolved key disputes, and are continuously expanding our fleet. *ENS*





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## 10 वर्षों में पहली बार मुनाफे में SpiceJet

■ **NBT रिपोर्ट** : SpiceJet दिसंबर 2024 में खत्म हुए तीसरे तिमाही में मुनाफे में आ गई है। कंपनी ने बताया है कि पैसेजरो की अच्छी डिमांड और बेहतर काम करने के तरीके की वजह से इस तिमाही में कंपनी को 26 करोड़ रुपये का मुनाफा हुआ।

कंपनी का कुल रेवेन्यू भी 35% बढ़कर 1,651 करोड़ रुपये हो गया। इकोनॉमिक टाइम्स के मुताबिक, पिछले साल इसी तिमाही में कंपनी को 300 करोड़ रुपये का घाटा हुआ था। स्पाइसजेट के चेयरमैन और MD अजय सिंह ने कहा दस सालों में पहली बार कंपनी की नेटवर्थ पॉजिटिव हुई है। ये एक बहुत बड़ी उपलब्धि है।



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### IndiGo leases three Boeing 787-9s

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Domestic carrier IndiGo on Wednesday said it will induct three more Boeing 787-9 planes in its fleet under a damp lease arrangement with Norse Atlantic Airways, as it prepares to launch flights to Europe from mid-summer this year.

Currently, the Gurugram-headquartered airline operates two widebody Boeing 777 planes, wet leased from Turkish Airlines, to Istanbul from Delhi and Mumbai.

Earlier this month, IndiGo had announced signing a deal for one Boeing 787 with Norse Atlantic Airways.

The delivery of this first widebody B787 is on-track, and it is scheduled to start operations on the Delhi-Bangkok route from March 1, 2025, IndiGo said in the statement.

IndiGo has signed "another firm agreement with Norse Atlantic Airways for damp lease of three Boeing 787-9 aircraft. These aircraft will be arriving in India in the second half of 2025 and will be serving

long-haul routes out of India," it said.

In a damp lease, the lessor provides the maintenance along with the aircraft but not the crew and insurance.

The damp lease of these three planes is initially for six month as per the pact but can be extended up to 18 months, subject to regulatory approvals, the airline said, adding that both parties remain committed to explore opportunities for further extension, subject to regulatory approvals.

IndiGo and Norse will continue exploring opportunities to contract additional aircraft and increase their collaboration further. This significant milestone affirms IndiGo's strategic commitment to broadening its global presence and offering its customers a wider range of travel opportunities, the airline said.

IndiGo is extending its partnership with Norse Atlantic Airways for damp lease of additional three Boeing 787-9 aircraft, which will make strategic inroads and

establish the brand in the European market, said Pieter Elbers, Chief Executive Officer at IndiGo.

"As we execute our broader strategy to strengthen and extend our international network, we are steadily advancing towards our vision of becoming a global player by 2030, firmly rooted in India and driven by continuous expansion," Elbers added.

IndiGo also said it is consistently expanding its global footprint with an aim to cater to the growing demand for international travel to and from India.

Once all these four B787 are delivered to the airline, IndiGo will have a total of six widebody planes, comprising four B787s and two B777s in its fleet. Its current operation fleet stands at 355.

Besides wet and damp lease of widebody aircraft to spread its wings in the international market, IndiGo has also placed a firm order for 30 Airbus 350-900 aircraft with an option for additional 70 aircraft, with deliveries expected to commence from 2027.



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