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अगले साल 27 और हवाईअड्डों पर मिलेगी डिजीयात्रा सुविधा

नई दिल्ली। केंद्रीय नागरिक उड्डयन मंत्रालय ने शनिवार को कहा कि डिजीयात्रा सुविधा को अगले साल 27 और हवाईअड्डों तक विस्तारित किया जाएगा। वर्तमान में यह सुविधा देश के 38 हवाईअड्डों पर उपलब्ध है और इससे यात्रियों के प्रवेश में लगने वाला समय काफी कम हुआ है। डिजीयात्रा चेहरा पहचानने की तकनीक (एफआरटी) के जरिये यात्रियों को बिना कागजी जांच के सहज और संपर्क रहित यात्रा की सुविधा प्रदान करती है। मंत्रालय ने बताया कि डिजीयात्रा एप के माध्यम से अब तक 10 करोड़ से अधिक यात्राएं पूरी की जा चुकी हैं, जबकि इसके 2.4 करोड़ से ज्यादा डाउनलोड हो चुके हैं। मैन्युअल दस्तावेज सत्यापन की जगह डिजिटल प्रक्रिया अपनाने से हवाईअड्डों पर प्रवेश का औसत समय प्रति यात्री 15 सेकंड से घटकर सिर्फ 5 सेकंड रह गया है। उड्डयन मंत्री के राममोहन नायडू ने कहा कि हवाईअड्डों पर वार्षिक यात्री संख्या 2030 तक 50 करोड़ और 2040 तक लगभग 100 करोड़ तक पहुंचने का अनुमान है। एजेंसी

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नोएडा एयरपोर्ट में प्रवेश करने से पहले ही यात्रियों को मिलेंगी सारी जानकारीयां

नोएडा। अंतर्राष्ट्रीय हवाई अड्डे से घरेलू उड़ानें जून से शुरू होने जा रही हैं। अगले महीने से शुरू होने जा रही उड़ानों को देखते हुए एयरपोर्ट प्रबंधन परिसर के अंदर अपनी बची हुई सारी तैयारियों को पूरा करने में जुटा हुआ है। एंटी गेट पर ही काउंटर तैयार किए जा रहे हैं, जिससे यात्रियों को मार्गदर्शन और उनकी मदद की जा सके।

इंडिगो की पहली फ्लाइट 15 जून को लखनऊ से उड़ान भरकर नोएडा एयरपोर्ट पहुंचेगी। इसके बाद शाम को यह वापस जाएगी। इसकी सारी टिकटें फुल हो चुकी हैं और वापसी की उड़ान के लिए भी टिकटों लगातार बुक हो रही हैं।

एयरपोर्ट में आने वाले यात्री सिक्क्योरिटी चेकिंग से पहले ही बाहर गेट पर अपनी समस्याओं का निस्तारण कर सकेंगे। सिक्क्योरिटी चेकिंग से पहले ही काउंटर तैयार किए जा रहे हैं, जहां पर एयरपोर्ट के कर्मचारी मौजूद रहेंगे। वह यात्रियों का मार्गदर्शन करेंगे और उनकी समस्याओं को दूर करेंगे। इसके बाद अगर जरूरत हुई तो उन्हें उच्च अधिकारियों के पास भेजा जाएगा।

बाहर ही बनाया जा रहा है मिसिंग काउंटर : एयरपोर्ट में सिक्क्योरिटी चेकिंग से पहले ही बाहर मिसिंग काउंटर बनाया जा रहा है। अगर किसी यात्री का कोई सामान छूट जाता है तो वह एयरपोर्ट में प्रवेश किए बिना ही उसकी जानकारी बाहर काउंटर से ले सकता है। जिसके बाद सारी औपचारिकताएं पूरी होने के बाद संबंधित को उसका सामान वापस कर दिया

छूटा और खोया हुआ सामान, फ्लाइट संबंधी जानकारी के लिए बने मिसिंग डिपार्टमेंट पोर्टर कियोस्क समेत अन्य काउंटर



उड़ानों से पहले शुरू हो जाएंगे सारे काउंटर एयरपोर्ट में आमजनों की सुविधा के लिए तैयार हो रहे सारे काउंटर उड़ान शुरू होने से पहले ही तैयार हो जाएंगे। यहां कर्मचारी तैनात कर दिए जाएंगे और ट्रायल भी पूरा कर दिया जाएगा। जिससे 15 जून को जब पहली बार यात्री इस एयरपोर्ट पर उतरें तो उन्हें किसी तरह की परेशानी न हो। पूरा प्रबंधन जोर शोर से यात्रियों के स्वागत करने की तैयारियों में जुटा हुआ है।

जाएगा। इसके अलावा पोर्टर कियोस्क, इन्वॉयसी काउंटर जैसे लगभग 10 काउंटर तैयार हो रहे हैं। जो यात्रियों की सुविधा के लिए रहेंगे।

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Encroachment threat pushes Surat airport towards flood, aviation crisis

FPJ News Service

SURAT

As monsoon clouds gather over South Gujarat, a dangerous mix of unchecked encroachments, illegal shrimp ponds, and riverbed constructions around the city's most critical infrastructure has sparked serious alarm over public safety and environmental stability in Surat. Areas surrounding the Surat International Airport and the fragile ecosystem of the Tapi River are now under scrutiny for what experts describe as a "systemic governance failure" that could have catastrophic consequences.

According to environmental and infrastructure experts, large stretches of coastal and floodplain zones in Bhimpore,



Dumas, Abhawa, Khajod, and Bhatha have been overtaken by illegal shrimp farming units and unauthorised structures, many of which directly violate Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) norms and court directives.

One of the most serious threats emerging from these encroachments is the increasing risk of bird strikes. Shrimp

ponds close to the airport runway have become feeding grounds for migratory and coastal birds, especially during monsoon.

Dr. Pankaj Gandhi, researcher and scientist at Sardar Vallabhbhai National Institute of Technology (SVNIT Surat), warned that the situation is escalating rapidly.

"Artificial water bodies created through illegal shrimp farming are acting as magnets for bird populations. With aircraft movement increasing at Surat Airport, even a single bird strike can become a major safety incident," Dr. Gandhi said.

Experts also point to large-scale obstruction of natural creeks and drainage channels. Earthen bunds constructed for shrimp farming are disrupting the flow of rainwater toward natural outfalls, increasing the risk of flooding in low-lying areas and even airport premises.

Dr. Gandhi added, "Surat's drainage system is extremely sensitive. When natural waterways are blocked, water has no exit path. This leads to sudden urban flooding, especially during intense monsoon spells."



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देश के 27 और हवाई अड्डों पर डिजीयात्रा की सुविधा देने की तैयारी

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यह प्रणाली चेहरे की पहचान करने वाली तकनीक का उपयोग करके हवाई अड्डों पर यात्रियों को बिना किसी दस्तावेज को छुए सुगम आवागमन की सुविधा देती है। वर्तमान में यह सेवा देश के 38 हवाई अड्डों पर उपलब्ध है। मंत्रालय के अनुसार, इस मोबाइल एप्लिकेशन को 2.4 करोड़ से अधिक बार डाउनलोड किया जा चुका है और इसके माध्यम से 10 करोड़ से अधिक यात्राएं पूरी की गई हैं। दस्तावेजों के हाथों से किए जाने वाले सत्यापन की जगह इस तकनीक को अपनाने से हवाई अड्डों में प्रवेश का औसत समय 15 सेकंड से घटकर मात्र 5 सेकंड प्रति यात्री रह गया है। वर्तमान में यह प्रणाली 11 भाषाओं में काम करती है।



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DigiYatra facility to be available at 27 more airports by next year, says govt

NEW DELHI: The Civil Aviation Ministry on Saturday said DigiYatra facility, which has reduced the average airport entry time for passengers, will be available at 27 more airports by next year.

Digi Yatra enables contactless, seamless movement of passengers at airports using Facial Recognition Technology and is now available at 38 airports. In a release, the ministry said the DigiYatra app has enabled over 10 crore seamless journeys with

over 2.4 crore downloads.

"By replacing manual document verification, the platform has reduced average airport entry processing times from 15 seconds down to just 5 seconds per passenger," it added.

According to Civil Aviation Minister K Rammohan Naidu, annual passenger traffic across Indian airports is projected to reach 50 crore by 2030 and double to nearly 100 crore by 2040.

"Right now, DigiYatra is active at 38 airports, and by

next year, 27 more airports will be enabled," he said and added that the app currently supports 11 languages.

By the end of the year, the aim is to provide support for 11 more regional languages through the DigiYatra app. Passenger data shared with DigiYatra remains encrypted & securely stored on the user's own device, shared only for a limited duration with origin airport for immediate verification purposes, the ministry said. PTI

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Cleared for takeoff: India's first SkyCast system debuts at IGI

Can generate advance weather alerts up to three hours ahead

AAISHA SABIR

NEW DELHI: India on Saturday inaugurated its first SkyCast System at Indira Gandhi International Airport, becoming the 19th country in the world to deploy an integrated atmospheric remote sensing system for aviation weather monitoring.

Union Minister Jitendra Singh, who inaugurated the facility at Glide Path 10 of the airport, described it as the beginning of a new era in Indian aviation. The event was attended by Earth Sciences Secretary M. Ravichandran, senior officials of the India Meteorological Department (IMD), the Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM), GMR and representatives from the aviation sector.

The SkyCast facility combines multiple atmospheric observation technologies, including a Radar Wind Profiler, SODAR, Microwave Radiometer, Ground-based Fog Aerosol Spectrometer (GFAS)



In Short

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and CL61 lidar-based ceilometer. Together, these systems provide real-time atmospheric intelligence to pilots, airlines and air traffic management agencies.

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ate advance weather alerts up to three hours ahead, helping flight crews determine the safest landing windows and reducing diversions, delays and cancellations.

Highlighting its signif-

icance for the national capital, Singh said the technology would be particularly useful in Delhi, where pollution particles interact with fog and sharply reduce visibility during winter. "India is moving towards an era of fog-free flights through scientific innovation," he said.

The scientific foundation for SkyCast was laid through the Winter Fog Experiment (WiFEX), a joint initiative of IITM and IMD launched at IGI Airport in 2015. The programme generated crucial data on fog formation, aerosol-cloud interactions and visibility reduction in urban environments.

Ravichandran said the vertical atmospheric profiles generated by SkyCast would strengthen weather forecasting capabilities beyond aviation and could benefit several sectors. He added that similar systems would be installed at airports across the country, with the next facility planned at Jewar Airport.

REVAMP KEEPS VEHICLES WITHIN THE FREE EXIT WINDOW AT AHMEDABAD AIRPORT

T2 entry, exit capacity increased to ease rush

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Ahmedabad: After months of complaints over long vehicle queues and chaotic traffic movement outside Terminal 2, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel International Airport has overhauled its entry and exit system to ease congestion during peak hours.

Airport authorities have expanded the number of exit gates at T2 from four to 10, including a dedicated VIP exit, while entry gates have increased from three to eight.

Officials said the upgraded system has been operational for nearly a month and is already reducing bottlenecks outside the terminal.

The move comes as passenger traffic and vehicle movement at the airport continue to rise, especially during morning departure hours and late-night international arrivals. Airport officials estimate that around 5,000 to 5,500 vehicles—including private cars, taxis and app-based cabs—now move through T2 every day.

Traffic pressure increased further after Air India shifted all its domestic and international operations to Terminal 2.

Congestion outside the terminal became a major concern last year, with flyers frequently complaining about vehicles getting stuck near toll booths and exit lanes for long periods.

Under the airport's parking policy, vehicles exiting the terminal within eight minutes of entry are not charged any fee for passenger pickup or drop-off. However, motorists earlier often exceeded the free-exit limit because of slow-moving traffic and limited exit points, forcing many to pay parking charges despite short visits.

Passengers also raised concerns over inadequate lane segregation, mixed movement of taxis and private vehicles, and limited operational toll booths.

Airport officials said the expanded gate system has substantially improved turnaround time. According to an internal assessment, vehicles

UPGRADED FACILITIES

- Exit gates at T2 increased from four to 10
- Entry gates expanded from three to eight
- Around 5,000 to 5,500 vehicles move through T2 every day
- Vehicles exiting within eight minutes are not charged parking fees
- Average exit time now reduced to around five minutes, even during peak hours

“There was massive congestion outside the terminal at the city airport when I returned from Delhi last month. It took me a long time to find a cab through an app, and when a driver finally accepted the request, he demanded an extra Rs 160 as parking charge. When I refused, he told me to cancel the booking. The fares on another ride-hailing app initially seemed higher, but once these hidden charges were added, both platforms cost the same

Virendra Shah | TRAVEL INDUSTRY PLAYER

“When I travelled to Delhi through the international terminal three weeks ago, traffic near the Ahmedabad airport flowed smoothly thanks to multiple entry and exit points. However, the airport operator needs to address the additional fees for parking levied by cab operators

Sushant Chawla | PROFESSIONAL



cles now take around five minutes on average to exit the terminal, even during rush hours, helping most drivers stay within the free-exit win-

dow. Officials added that the redesign is also expected to improve movement of commercial transport operators and reduce traffic spillover

during high-density flight schedules.

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BUSINESS LINE

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Eateries, theatres, airlines pad up for IPL final

Restaurants, multiplexes have special deals to capitalise on cricket's biggest night

Meenakshi Verma Ambwani
New Delhi

Restaurants and multiplexes are trying to lure cricket buffs from their sofas and couches on Super Sunday going all out to organise screening parties for the Royal Challengers versus Gujarat Titans IPL 2026 final clash.

PVR INOX is screening the IPL final at over 100 screens across the country. The chain said that audiences will be able to watch the match in high-definition on giant cinema screens with advanced surround sound and specially designed snack combos and cricket-viewing favourites for an enhanced match-day experience.

Interest is high, says Gautam Dutta, CEO – Revenue & Operations, PVR INOX Ltd. “We have seen very strong advance book-



SUPER SUNDAY. Artists and citizens paint a community wall mural for RCB ahead of the IPL 2026 final cricket match, in Bengaluru #11

ing trends for the final match. We anticipate occupancies to be over 80 per cent with many screens expected to be sold out.”

SIXES AND SNACKS

Restaurants, pubs, food delivery and quick commerce platforms are all in on the cricket party doling out special offers. Restaurateurs said they anticipate higher footfalls on May 31 compared to average Sunday de-

mand trends.

Divya Aggarwal, Chief Growth Officer at Impresario Entertainment & Hospitality Pvt Ltd, behind brands such as SOCIAL and Smoke House Delhi, said curated ordering options will be available.

“We are expecting a 5-10 per cent increase in footfalls on Sunday. Cricket is a shared emotion. Fans not only look for a place to watch the game, they also

seek the energy of being surrounded by other fans to feel they are part of something larger,” she added.

A senior restaurant executive said that over the years, the T20 league has emerged as a key consumption occasion for food aggregator platforms led by QSR brands that see higher number of delivery orders.

FANS AND FLIGHTS

Meanwhile, Akasa Air said it has ramped up connectivity to Ahmedabad with special flights from Bengaluru and Navi Mumbai on May 31 and June 1, in addition to its scheduled direct services from nine domestic and international destinations. Also, the Western Railway has introduced two special-fare trains between Mumbai and Ahmedabad in response to higher demand from passengers ahead of the finals.

IndiGo reports Rs 2,537 cr loss in fourth quarter

NEW DELHI, PTI

Flying into the red, IndiGo on Friday reported a loss of Rs 2,536.9 crore in the March quarter due to multiple headwinds, including challenging operating conditions and rupee depreciation.

India's largest airline had a profit of Rs 3,067.5 crore in the year-ago period.

For the 2025-26 fiscal, the carrier posted a net loss of Rs 2,393.6 crore, but excluding the impact of foreign exchange and exceptional items, it would have been a profit of Rs 7,502.5 crore, it said in a release.

Total income in the fourth quarter of the 2025-26 fiscal rose over 3% to Rs 23,830.7 crore from Rs 23,097.5 crore in the same period a year ago, according to the release.

"For the quarter ended March 2026, IndiGo reported a net loss of Rs 25,369 million. Excluding the impact of foreign exchange and exceptional items, the company reported a net profit of Rs 19,206 million," the release added.

Despite continuing external disruptions in 2025-26, IndiGo said its capacity rose 9.5% on an annual basis, and the total income grew 6.4 per cent to Rs 89,513.4 crore.

"Exceptionally sharp rupee depreciation, changes in labour laws and a challenging operating environment offset the operational profit and the company reported a net loss of Rs 23,936 million," the airline said.

In 2025-26, the foreign exchange loss was around Rs 8,100 crore, and the im-

pact of the December flight disruptions stood at Rs 580 crore. Besides, the expenses related to the implementation of the new labour laws were at Rs 1,200 crore, as per the airline's financial statements.

IndiGo MD Rahul Bhatia said FY26 was marked by an exceptionally challenging operating environment, which materially impacted its profitability.

"During the year, our capacity grew by 9.5%, and total income increased by over 6%. Excluding the impact of foreign exchange and exceptional items, IndiGo delivered a profit of Rs 75 billion," he said.

In the June quarter, capacity in terms of ASKs (Available Seat Kilometres) is expected to grow around 3-4% as compared to the first quarter of fiscal year 2026.

The airline witnessed multiple challenges in the last financial year, including the massive operational disruptions, especially between December 3 and 5 last year — a period during which 2,507 flights were cancelled, and 1,852 flights were delayed, impacting over 3 lakh passengers at airports across the country.

In March, Pieter Elbers quit as CEO, and later that month, the airline announced the appointment of William Walsh, a pilot and current chief of the global airlines' grouping IATA, as its next CEO.

The airline's domestic market share stood at 63.3% in March.

Shares of IndiGo fell 3.27% to close at Rs 4,418.40 apiece on the BSE.

EARNINGS HIGHLIGHTS

IndiGo swings to
Rs 2,537 cr
Q4 loss from
year-ago profit

• Forex hit dents FY26 earnings by about
Rs 8,100 cr

• FY26 total income rises
6.4% to **Rs 89,513 cr**

• Capacity expands 9.5% amid
operational disruptions

IndiGo holds
63.3%
domestic
market share





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IPL 2026 final: Akasa Air adds special flights to Ahmedabad

ANKIT PATTNAIK
New Delhi, May 30

AKASA AIR ON Saturday announced special flights to Ahmedabad from Bengaluru and Navi Mumbai ahead of the Indian Premier League (IPL) final that is to be played in the city on May 31. This value addition provides cricket fans with convenient flight options to and from Ahmedabad on the match day and June 1.

The special flight arrangements allow passengers make it to the Narendra Modi Stadium (NMS) well before the match begins and return soon

after the match ends.

The carrier is operating four special direct flights to and from Ahmedabad to handle the massive rush of cricket fans to the city. The schedule features two inbound flights on match day so that fans can arrive well before the toss, and two outbound flights in the early hours of the following morning so they can return without needing an overnight hotel stay.

Meanwhile, passengers can also stay updated with the latest updates from IPL through SkyScore – Akasa's in-flight service innovation.

Ahmedabad will be hosting

its fourth IPL final in five years. The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) shifted this edition's final from Bengaluru to Ahmedabad due to operational conflicts and ticket allocation disputes.

The Royal Challengers Bengaluru (RCB) and home-franchise Gujarat Titans (GT) will square-off at the iconic NMS (with a seating capacity of 132,000) for the summit clash at 7:30 pm on May 31. This is RCB's second consecutive final. The Rajat Patidar-led side will be defending their title against Subhman Gill-led GT, who will be playing their third final.

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IndiGo posts ₹2,537 cr loss in March quarter

PTI

NEW DELHI

Flying into the red, IndiGo on Friday reported a loss of ₹2,536.90 crore in the March quarter due to multiple headwinds, including challenging operating conditions and rupee depreciation. The country's largest airline had a profit of ₹3,067.50 crore in the year-ago period.

For the 2025-26 fiscal, the carrier posted a net loss of ₹2,393.60 crore. Excluding the impact of foreign exchange and exceptional items, it would have been a profit of ₹7,502.50 crore, the airline said in a release. Total income in the fourth quarter of the fiscal rose over 3% to ₹23,830.70 crore from ₹23,097.50 crore in the same period a year ago.

Despite continuing external disruptions in the 2025-26 fiscal, IndiGo said its capacity rose 9.5% on an annual basis, and total income grew 6.4% to ₹89,513.40 crore. Exceptionally sharp rupee depreciation,



changes in labour laws, and a challenging operating environment offset the operational profit. In the 2025-26 fiscal, the foreign exchange loss was around ₹8,100 crore, and the impact of the December flight disruptions stood at ₹580 crore. Besides, expenses related to the implementation of the new labour laws were at ₹1,200 crore, according to the airline's financial statements.

IndiGo MD Rahul Bhatia said FY26 was marked by an exceptionally challenging operating environment, which materially impacted profitability. In the June quarter, capacity in terms of Available Seat Kilometres is expected to grow around 3% to 4% as compared to the first quarter of fiscal year

2026. During an analyst call, Bhatia referred to the December flight disruptions and said, "our customers deserve better."

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IndiGo sees its first annual loss in 3 yrs

IndiGo attributed the losses to the 11% depreciation of the rupee against dollar

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NEW DELHI/MUMBAI: A sharp fall in the rupee against the dollar, along with weak demand, hurt IndiGo's financial performance as the country's largest airline swung to losses, a first after it reported a loss in fiscal year 2023 (FY23). On Friday, Inter-Globe Enterprises Ltd, which runs IndiGo, reported a ₹2,393.6 crore loss in the year ended March, compared with a ₹7,258 crore profit in the previous year.

IndiGo attributed the losses to the 11% depreciation of the rupee against the dollar. As IndiGo's leased liabilities are dollar-denominated, a falling rupee hurts the airline's profitability.

The financial pain extended beyond forex with IndiGo's capacity expanding 9.5% even as passenger traffic grew just 7.5%, pushing load factors down to 84.4% from 86% a year earlier.

Revenue per available seat kilometre—vital for understanding pricing power—fell 3% to ₹4.99, indicating that the airline was flying more seats at lower fares into less demand.

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ating environment, which materially impacted our profitability," said Rahul Bhatia, founder and managing director, IndiGo.

Bhatia took over as the carrier's chief executive after Pieter Elbers' abrupt departure in March. Former British Airways chief executive officer (CEO) Willie Walsh joins the carrier from 3 August.

IndiGo's peers are facing similar problems.

Air India is expected to post a nearly \$3 billion loss for the same period, as the sector grapples with the West Asia war's impact on fuel prices, Pakistani airspace closures, and India's weakest passenger growth since the covid pandemic.

IndiGo's revenue from operations improved 5% to ₹84,962 crore for 2026. During the January-March period, revenue improved 1.3% to ₹22,438.4 crore while the airline reported a loss

of ₹2,536.9 crore.

"Despite these conditions, the underlying performance of the business remained resilient. Excluding the impact of foreign exchange and exceptional items, IndiGo delivered a profit of ₹7,500 crore." Bhatia's upbeat commentary on the performance could not mask the operational weaknesses that were still evident in the financials.

For now, IndiGo has not provided full-year guidance on capacity or passenger growth, as it has in the past.

"We will give full-year available seat per kilometre guidance later this year," Gaurav Negi, chief financial officer, said during the post results investor call.

IndiGo said it would undertake a 'selective recalibration' of domestic routes in the seasonally weaker July-September quarter, deploying fewer aircraft.

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स्पाइसजेट पर 124 करोड़ का जीएसटी बकाया, रद्द हो सकता है रजिस्ट्रेशन

नई दिल्ली, लोकसत्य। विमानन कंपनी स्पाइसजेट एक बार फिर गहरे वित्तीय संकट में घिरती नजर आ रही है। कंपनी पर जीएसटी रिटर्न दाखिल न करने के चलते 124 करोड़ रुपये से ज्यादा की टैक्स देनदारी का पहाड़ टूट पड़ा है। हालात इतने गंभीर हैं कि विभाग ने कंपनी का जीएसटी रजिस्ट्रेशन रद्द करने तक की चेतावनी दे दी है। इस झटके का सीधा असर सोमवार को शेयर बाजार खुलने पर स्पाइसजेट के निवेशकों पर दिख सकता है, जहां इसके शेयरों में भारी गिरावट की आशंका जताई जा रही है।

एक न्यूज एजेंसी की रिपोर्ट के मुताबिक, जीएसटी विभाग ने कंपनी से 124.65 करोड़ रुपये का टैक्स मांगा है। दरअसल, एयरलाइन ने पिछले कई महीनों से अपना जीएसटी रिटर्न ही दाखिल नहीं किया है। इस बड़ी लापरवाही को देखते हुए विभाग ने सख्त रुख अपना लिया है। समय पर रिटर्न न भरने के कारण कंपनी को एक कारण बताओ नोटिस थमा दिया गया है। 25 मई 2026 को जारी इस नोटिस में स्पष्ट पूछा गया है कि क्यों न स्पाइसजेट का जीएसटी रजिस्ट्रेशन ही रद्द कर दिया जाए।

जीएसटी अधिकारियों के



मुताबिक, स्पाइसजेट लंबे समय से रिटर्न जमा करने में अनियमितता बरत रही है। इसी के चलते सीजीएसटी और एसजीएसटी अधिनियम, 2017 की धारा 62 के तहत एक प्रोविजनल असेसमेंट किया गया। टैक्स डिमांड के आंकड़ों पर नजर डालें तो पता चलता है कि यह बोझ लगातार बढ़ता गया। अकेले नवंबर 2025 में कंपनी पर 44.44 करोड़ रुपये का टैक्स बकाया था। इसके बाद दिसंबर 2025 में यह आंकड़ा 43.79 करोड़ रुपये रहा। जनवरी 2026 में 12.19 करोड़, फरवरी में 12.10 करोड़ और मार्च 2026 के लिए 12.12 करोड़ रुपये की टैक्स डिमांड तय की गई है। नोटिस मिलने के बाद भी एयरलाइन ने पेंडिंग रिटर्न फाइल नहीं किए हैं।

इस पूरी खींचतान का सबसे बड़ा नुकसान कंपनी के आम निवेशकों

● कई महीनों से दाखिल नहीं किया है जीएसटी रिटर्न

को उठाना पड़ सकता है। जानकारों का मानना है कि सोमवार, 1 जून को जब बाजार खुलेगा, तो इस खबर के दबाव में स्पाइसजेट के शेयरों में बड़ी गिरावट आ सकती है।

शुक्रवार, 29 मई को बीएसई पर कंपनी का शेयर महज 12.75 रुपये पर बंद हुआ था। निवेशकों के लिए यह साल एक बुरे सपने जैसा रहा है। साल 2026 की शुरुआत से अब तक शेयर करीब 60 प्रतिशत टूट चुका है, जबकि पिछले एक साल में इसमें 70 प्रतिशत से ज्यादा की गिरावट आई है। बीते 3 महीनों में ही शेयर 20 प्रतिशत कमजोर हुआ है। अपने 52 हफ्ते के उच्चतम स्तर से यह शेयर लगभग 73 प्रतिशत नीचे कारोबार कर रहा है।



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स्पाइसजेट पर करोड़ों GST बाकी

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वस्तु एवं सेवा कर (GST)

विभाग ने विमानन कंपनी

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की है। साथ ही एयरलाइन का
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ने स्पाइसजेट को कारण बताओ
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स्पाइसजेट की दरभंगा जाने वाली फ्लाइट कैंसिल, यात्रियों का हंगामा

नई दिल्ली, 30 मई (नवोदय टाइम्स): दिल्ली से दरभंगा जाने वाले विमान यात्रियों ने फ्लाइट कैंसिल हो जाने पर शनिवार को एयरपोर्ट पर जोरदार हंगामा किया। स्पाइसजेट की फ्लाइट संख्या एसजी 495 को अचानक कैंसिल करने से यात्रियों को मुसीबतों का सामना करना पड़ा। इससे यात्रियों में नाराजगी फैल गई। यात्रियों की एयरलाइन कर्मचारियों के साथ तीखी बहस भी हुई। एयरलाइन की तरफ से यात्रियों को फ्लाइट रद्द होने का कारण तकनीकी खराबी बताया गया है।

जानकारी के अनुसार स्पाइसजेट की फ्लाइट को शनिवार दोपहर 1.25 बजे दिल्ली से दरभंगा के लिए उड़ान भरनी

थी। यात्री समय पर एयरपोर्ट पहुंच गए थे। सभी बोर्डिंग शुरू होने का इंतजार कर रहे थे। मगर, तय समय गुजरने के बाद भी फ्लाइट रवाना नहीं हुई।

एयरलाइन ने यात्रियों को फ्लाइट रद्द होने का कारण तकनीकी खराबी बताया



शुरुआत में यात्रियों को देरी की कोई स्पष्ट वजह नहीं बताई गई, जिससे उनकी चिंता और नाराजगी बढ़ती गई। काफी देर तक इंतजार करवाने के बाद एयरलाइन की तरफ से फ्लाइट रद्द किए जाने की

सूचना दी गई। इससे यात्रियों का गुस्सा फूट पड़ा और उन्होंने विरोध शुरू कर दिया। यात्रियों का आरोप था कि

एयरलाइन की तरफ से उन्हें समय रहते सही जानकारी नहीं दी गई। बार बार पूछने के बावजूद कर्मचारियों ने कोई भी संतोषजनक जवाब नहीं दिया। हालांकि बाद में एयरलाइन कर्मचारियों ने फ्लाइट रद्द होने की वजह तकनीकी खराबी बताई है। यात्रियों का कहना है कि उन्हें यह नहीं बताया गया कि समस्या क्या थी और आगे उनकी यात्रा की क्या व्यवस्था की जाएगी।

जम्मू के लिए उड़ी इंडिगो फ्लाइट वापस लौटी

शनिवार सुबह इंडिगो की उड़ान संख्या 6 ई 6474 अपने निर्धारित समय 7.30 बजे जम्मू के लिए रवाना हुई मगर खराब मौसम के चलते वापस लौट आई। शेड्यूल के मुताबिक फ्लाइट को सुबह 8.30 बजे जम्मू में लैंड करना था। लेकिन जम्मू पहुंचने से कुछ समय पहले ही पायलट को वहां के खराब मौसम की जानकारी मिली। खराब दृश्यता के कारण जम्मू में सुरक्षित लैंडिंग संभव नहीं थी। इसलिए यात्रियों की सुरक्षा को देखते हुए पायलट ने विमान को तुरंत दिल्ली डाइवर्ट करने का फैसला किया, जहां विमान की सुरक्षित लैंडिंग कराई गई। इसके बाद दोपहर 12.28 पर विमान जम्मू के लिए रवाना हो सका।



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IndiGo MD **Rahul Bhatia**



IndiGo says fuel price hikes to be passed on

MD: FY26 Marked By Challenging Environment

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: The hike in jet fuel prices will be passed on to both domestic and international consumers as increased airfares, IndiGo said Friday after flying into the red with a loss of Rs 2,537 crore in the fourth quarter of the 2026 fiscal, compared to a profit of Rs 3,067 crore in the same period last year.

While jet fuel prices for international flights have more than doubled since pre-war days, for domestic flights, the price hike has so far remained capped. If the cap is lifted even marginally next week, domestic flights — with their schedule truncated — will cost more.

After being in the black for two years, India's largest airline reported a loss of Rs 2,394 crore in FY 26, compared to a profit of Rs 7,258 crore in the previous fiscal, due to "exceptionally sharp rupee depreciation, changes in labour laws and a chal-



lenging operating environment" referring to airspace closures and jet fuel prices, among other things.

The airline's scrip closed 3.5% lower at Rs 4,405.95 on BSE Friday, when the broader market had tanked 1.4%. IndiGo is now studying whether fuel hedging can be an option in current volatility.

IndiGo MD Rahul Bhatia said: "FY26 was marked by an exceptionally challenging operating environment, which materially impacted our profitability. Despite these conditions, the underlying performance of the business remained resilient. During the year, our ca-

capacity grew by 9.5% and total income increased by over 6%. Excluding the impact of foreign exchange and exceptional items, IndiGo delivered a profit of Rs 7,500 crore."

In FY 26, the airline suffered a hit of Rs 8,100 crore due to the rupee crashing, of which Rs 4,200 crore impact was in Q4 alone. Last Dec flight disruption cost the airline another Rs 580 crore and the changed labour law's impact was Rs 1,200 crore.

"We continue to maintain a strong balance sheet with substantial liquidity, demonstrating resilience through prolonged periods of volatility... While the near term remains volatile, we remain firmly focused on disciplined execution, cost efficiency, and long-term value creation," Bhatia added.

The airline had a total cash balance of Rs 51,650.6 crore as on March 31, 2026. And on that date, its total debt was Rs 77,749.2 crore.

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IndiGo may increase fares further to offset rising costs

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INTERGLOBE Aviation Ltd, which operates India's largest airline, IndiGo, may increase airfares further to offset rising costs, Chief Executive Officer Rahul Bhatia said, as a sharp surge in aviation turbine fuel (ATF) prices continues to weigh on airline operations globally. Bhatia said the airline has so far found that passengers continue to book tickets despite higher fares.

"For us, it is very clear that we need to take fares up to protect ourselves against some of these additional costs that are showing up. For the moment, what we are discovering is that the fares are sticking. The demand is there," he said during IndiGo's Q4FY26 earnings call with analysts on Friday.

He added: "You obviously have to take pricing up to the point where you start to see elasticity come in. For the moment, what we are seeing is that as we take fares up, the market remains inelastic to these fare hikes. We deal with this on a daily basis and see



where we go."

Global energy prices, including jet fuel prices, have risen sharply since tensions escalated in West Asia on February 28. The global average jet fuel price last week declined 1.7% from the previous week to \$159.85 per barrel. Prior to the conflict, prices had remained below \$100 per barrel.

Bhatia said the escalation of geopolitical tensions in West Asia since March had led to route disruptions and a sharp increase in jet fuel prices. In response, airlines around the world, including IndiGo, had been compelled to take short-term measures to safeguard

operational viability, he added. Hit by the depreciation of the rupee amid a challenging external environment, Inter-Globe Aviation reported a net loss of ₹2,536 crore in Q4 FY26, compared with a net profit of ₹3,067 crore in the corresponding quarter of the previous year.

Industry experts expect the aviation sector to continue facing headwinds. To cut costs and protect margins, airlines have been reducing flights on less profitable routes and frequently revising fares.

According to ICRA, domestic air passenger traffic in April 2026 was estimated at 14 million, down 1.6% from 14.31 million in April 2025 and 2% lower than 14.37 million in March 2026.

ICRA noted that domestic ATF prices announced on May 1, 2026, remained unchanged sequentially but were 23.5% higher year-on-year. This followed a 9.2% sequential increase and an 18.2% year-on-year rise in April 2026, driven by the escalating conflict in West Asia.