

70% land acquired for first phase of Jewar airport

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Greater Noida: Almost 70 % of the total land needed for the first phase of the proposed airport at Jewar has been acquired, with Gautam Budh Nagar district administration handing over 39 hectares to the Yamuna Expressway Industrial Development Authority (YEIDA) on Tuesday.

So far, 784 hectares have been acquired from six villages and almost 75% of the total compensation amount has been distributed towards resettlement and rehabilitation (R&R) packages among 7,690 families. In all, 8,000 families are to be displaced.

“We have acquired 31.28 hectares from Kishorepur village and 7.72 hectares from Ranhera village for the Noida International Greenfield Airport at Jewar. Physical possession of 39 hectares was handed over to YEIDA officials on Tuesday,” said Abhay Kumar Singh, deputy collector, Jewar.

‘First runway will be ready by 2023’

Lucknow: The first runway at the upcoming Jewar airport will be ready by 2023, Uttar Pradesh energy minister Shrikant Sharma said on Tuesday. “The first runway in Jewar airport at Noida will be ready by 2023. A total of 19 bidders had shown interest in the project,” he told reporters after a meeting of the state cabinet. ANI

According to him, so far, physical possession of 784 hectares has been provided to YEIDA, which amounts to 64 % of the total land that has to be handed over to the authority. This week, around 60 hectares more is likely to be handed over. “A total of 1,239 hectares is required for the first phase of the project. Of this, 80% land (992 hectares) has to be handed over to YEIDA to start work,” said Singh.

“Around 8,000 families are to be displaced from Dayanapur, Ranhera, Kishorepur, Rohi, Banwariwas and Parohi villages. We have distributed Rs 2,305 crore among 7,690 families, clearing nearly 75% of the designated amount,” he said.