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Noida airport's terminal building and runway construction to begin in Aug

2 Years To Finish As October 2024 Deadline Set

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Noida: The Noida International Airport (NIA) is poised to enter the construction stage next month for its main terminal building and runway, which have to be completed within the next 25 months, with an October 2024 commissioning deadline set for the project. The building and the runway will be built by Tata Project Limited (TPL), which has been awarded the engineering, procurement and construction (EPC) contract for NIA.

A spokesperson for Yamuna International Airport Private Limited (YIAPL), the special purpose vehicle of NIA concessionaire Zurich AG, told TOI on Tuesday the terminal building and runway will be ready by the last quarter of 2024, in time for the scheduled operation of commercial flights.

The precise deadline, according to the agreement signed by the state government and Zurich AG, is September 29, 2024. The agreement has a stiff penalty clause of Rs 10 lakh per day if the deadline is missed.

AIRPORT TO HAVE 2 TERMINALS EVENTUALLY

FEATURES	PHASE 1	PHASE 4
Passenger capacity (in million/year)	12	70
Air traffic movement (per year)	96,400	4,89,700
Cargo carrying capacity (in tonne)	2,49,600	11,29,400
Area for cargo & logistics (in sqm)	79,700	4,07,000
Area for general aviation (in sqm)	1,00,400	1,80,700
Terminal building	T1	T1 & T2
Total terminal area (in sqm)	1,01,590	4,88,000
Runways	North (3,900m)	North (3,900m) & South (4,150m)
Aircraft stands	28	186
Completion year	2024	2061

Area for maintenance, repair and overhaul:

40 acres

Area allocated for real estate development around airport:

167 acres



NIA, which will become the second international airport in NCR—giving the Delhi region that unique distinction—is meant to handle 12 million passengers annually. Besides the terminal building and the 3,900-metre-long runway, Tata Projects will also construct airside infrastructure, roads, utilities, landside facilities and

other ancillary buildings. The official added that by the end of the 40-year concession period of Zurich AG, there would be two terminal buildings and an equal number of runways. "The airport master plan is prepared to accommodate the demand throughout the 40-year concession period with two runways. The airport will

open with a single runway and a terminal capacity to handle 12 million passengers per year. Up to the end of the concession in 2061, Noida International airport will be developed with two parallel runways and additional terminal capacity to serve 70 million passengers," said the official.

The initial terminal building

will cover an area of 1.02 lakh square metres. The second is envisaged to be much bigger, about three times in size. The plan for the second runway accommodates a bigger strip of 4,150 metres.

"We also plan to develop a ground transportation centre that will feature a multimodal transit hub, housing metro and high-speed rail stations, taxi, bus services and private parking," the YIAPL official added. The UP government is still exploring options to connect the airport, which is in Jewar off the Yamuna Expressway, to Noida and Delhi. Metro is one of the options being explored.

In its first monthly report to NIAL, the state government's special purpose vehicle to oversee and coordinate on the airport project, Engineers India Limited (EIL) has informed that construction of a support building has started at the airport site. Besides that, an 11kV capacity substation has also been set up at the site to meet the initial power requirement of the airport, officials said. EIL has been appointed to oversee construction work of the airport. NIAL CEO Arun Vir Singh said, "The boundary wall work of the airport is almost complete. The airport is also expected to get an explosive licence by next month as fuel will be stored at the site."