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Tenders in 10 days to select airport developer

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GREATERNOIDA: The Noida International Airport Limited (NIAL) on Monday said it is likely to issue tenders for selecting a concessionaire, which will develop Noida international greenfield airport in Jewar, along 165km Yamuna Expressway, by the end of December. On Monday, it sent the bid document and concessionaire agreement to the ministry of civil aviation for final approval.

"Once we will get the necessary approval from the ministry of civil aviation, we will float the tender to select a concessionaire, which will develop the airport. We hope that the bid document and concessionaire agreement are approved in next eight or 10 days. We will issue a global tender once the approvals are in place," Arun Vir Singh, chief

executive officer, NIAL, said.

"We will call a meeting of NIAL and issue tenders on all platforms, including the NIAL website and other government websites," Singh said.

On November 22, the NIAL had submitted the final bid document and the concessionaire agreement to the Uttar Pradesh government and the government had approved the same. Later, the project monitoring and implementing committee (PMIC), that has expert members from the state and the central government, also gave its approval for the bid document and concessionaire agreement, which lists the terms and conditions under which the developer will function while developing the airport.

The bid document consists of guidelines under which a developer will be selected for the development of the airport. The concessionaire agreement has regu-

lations and terms to be followed by the developer. It will define the mandate of the developer, its role and how it will function during the development of the project.

It will contain all financial details which will be applicable to the developer with regard to the project. The estimated budget for the Jewar airport is ₹15,000 - ₹20,000 crore. The airport is expected to be operational by 2022-23, as per the deadline. On the whole, it also requires 5,000 hectares of land.

The ministry of civil aviation had on June 24, 2017, given its approval to start work on the techno-economic feasibility report for the international airport in Jewar.

In first and second phase, the UP government needs to acquire 1,334 hectares from the villages of Dayanatpur, Ranhera, Banwaribans, Kishorpur, Rohi, Parohi and Kureb.



■ A government notification ahead of the land acquisition for the proposed international airport, in Jewar.