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UP to start acquiring Jewar land for airport

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Noida: The UP government on Tuesday issued a notification for the acquisition of 1,239 hectares of land for the Jewar international airport project.

This means the process of land acquisition can now formally begin. The quantum of land notified by the government is only for the first phase of the airport. The rest will be acquired later.

Surya Pal Gangwar, special secretary in the civil aviation department, said the notification would be published in the official gazette, two daily newspapers and in panchayat buildings so that it can have a wider reach. Land owners will be given two months to give feedback and suggestions, if any. During this period, no farmer can sell or buy landearmarked in the notification. The notification followed the consent of 70% of land owners and its approval in a social impact assessment (SIA) report.

Officials said the notification that would be shared with the villagers will have detailed information on the nature of the project, reasons necessitating the displacement of the affected persons, and a summary of the SIA report.

Jewar SDM Prasun Dwivedi said, "We have been continuously working for this project. With this notification, our responsibilities have increased. We will organise camps and receive farm owners' feedback and objections and resolve them one by one."

The administration will now start work on how to rehabilitate the villagers whose land has been notified. It will conduct a survey of the affected families, movable and immovable properties of the families, and livelihood they stand to lose. The administration will also prepare a list of public utilities and government buildings that would be affected or likely to be affected by the project.