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CISF formally takes charge of security at Noida Airport

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Noida: The Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) on Monday formally took charge of security at Noida International Airport. Delhi-NCR's second aviation hub is preparing for its Oct 30 launch.

In the first phase, 1,047 CISF personnel will be deployed under a chief aerodrome security officer to ensure layered security at the greenfield airport.

DIG (airport) Vinay Kajla said 120 personnel were inducted on the first day, with numbers set to rise as flight operations and passenger volumes increase. With this induction, Noida airport becomes the 70th civil airport in the country to come under CISF cover.

Kiran Jain, the chief operating officer of the airport, said the CISF takeover was a "key milestone" in operational preparedness. "Security is central to our vision of offering safe, seamless, and world-class passenger experiences," she said.

The Aviation Security Group and Airport Sector of CISF will oversee the airport's comprehensive security apparatus, covering perimeter and access control, baggage and passenger screening, and land-side safety. Quick response teams will be stationed for emergencies, working in close coordination with local police and law enforcement agencies.

"We are committed to working closely with the operator and stakeholders to maintain the highest levels of security," CISF special DG (airport) Pra-veer Ranjan said.

On X, CISF noted that Noida International Airport is India's first net-zero emissions airport and is designed to eventually handle 70 million passengers annually.

The airport recently secured security clearance for its airside infrastructure from the Bureau of Civil Aviation Security on Sept 15. The aerodrome licence from the Directorate General of Civil Aviation, however, is still awaited.

Union Civil Aviation Minister Kinjarapu Rammohan Naidu announced last week that Prime Minister Narendra Modi will inaugurate the project on Oct 30 and commercial operations were expected within 45 days.