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## Noida airport nears takeoff with CISF taking charge

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Preparations for international flights from Jewar's Noida International Airport have reached an advanced stage.

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With civil and construction work completed, finishing touches are underway, paving the way for the airport to soon become operational. The facility will connect almost every major Indian city along with several international destinations, and is being positioned as one of India's most advanced and fully digital airports.

On the first day of Navratri, Noida International Airport Ltd. (YIAPL) formally handed over security responsibility to the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) during a special induction programme held at the airport. CISF Director General Praveer Ranjan, DIG Vinay Kajla, and several senior officials were present on the occasion. NIAL COO Kiran Jain presented a symbolic key to the CISF chief as part of the ceremony.

A total of 1,047 CISF personnel will be deployed to oversee airport security, supported by 350 surveillance cameras installed across the terminal and wider premises. Artificial intelligence will further enhance security, with



CISF Director General Praveer Ranjan presented a symbolic key to DIG Vinay Kajla, marking the official takeover.



We are committed to ensuring robust and world-class security standards at the new airport.

DIG VINAY KAJLA, WHILE REAFFIRMING CISF'S READINESS

## DIGITAL-FIRST EXPERIENCE

Noida International Airport is designed as a fully digital, paperless facility, powered by Wipro and ICAD Holding Company as system integrators.

Smart features Include:

 Face recognitionbased entry.

Al-enabled high-resolution cameras integrated into the system. In the first phase, 120 CISF personnel have already been stationed. DIG Vinay Kajla emphasized the force's commitment to ensuring robust security at the new airport.

Several international carriers, particularly from West Asia and Southeast Asia, have expressed interest in operating from the airport. Discussions regarding airspace, flight slots, and operational routes are in the final

- Automated baggage drop.
- Real-time data tracking.
- Smart cargo management.
- DigiYatra-enabled seamless movement without boarding passes or ID checks.

stages. More announcements and route planning details are expected as the inauguration date approaches.

Ahead of passenger operations, a cargo hub with a handling capacity of 2.5 lakh metric tonnes is nearing completion. Testing, system integration, and regulatory approvals are currently in progress. Once operational, the cargo facility is expected to position the airport as a major hub not just for passengers but also for trade and logistics.