

Afcom Partners with AISATS to Strengthen Air Cargo Connectivity at Noida International Airport

National, 14th May 2026 –Afcom Holdings Limited, Air India SATS Airport Services Pvt Ltd (AISATS) and Noida International Airport have entered into a tripartite partnership to collaboratively develop and expand air cargo operations from Noida International Airport (NIA).

The partnership will support Afcom in basing its aircraft at NIA and operating freighter services, further strengthening the airport's position as a key logistics and cargo hub in North India.

Under the scope of the agreement, the parties will work closely to identify viable international markets and design a robust network plan based on cargo demand and flow. The collaboration will also ensure alignment of operational and infrastructure requirements, alongside developing a joint marketing strategy to support long-term sustainability and growth of Afcom's cargo operations from NIA.

Afcom, a Chennai-based international cargo airline, operates a fleet of three Boeing 737-800 freighters and serves key destinations including Bangkok, Yangon, Hanoi, Colombo, Malé, and Dubai. The airline is an integrated air cargo solutions provider, offering services across general cargo, project cargo, and high-value shipments such as perishables, electronics, and dangerous goods.

Commenting on the partnership, **Ms. Kiran Jain, Chief Operating Officer, Noida International Airport**, said: *"This partnership with Afcom and AISATS marks an important step in building a robust air cargo ecosystem at Noida International Airport. By enabling dedicated freighter operations and aligning closely with industry partners, we aim to unlock the significant cargo potential of the region and enhance global connectivity for North India."*

Mr. Ramanathan Rajamani, CEO, AISATS added, *"AISATS is delighted to partner with NIA and Afcom Holdings Limited in this important initiative to shape the future of air cargo at Noida International Airport. As India's trade and logistics requirements continue to evolve, the need for efficient, future-ready cargo infrastructure and reliable operating partnerships has never been greater. Through this agreement, we look forward to bringing our deep expertise in cargo handling, operational excellence, and customer-centric service delivery to support the development of a seamless, scalable and globally competitive cargo ecosystem at DXN. This collaboration is an important step in unlocking new trade flows, strengthening regional supply chains, and contributing to India's emergence as a major global logistics hub."*

Speaking on the collaboration **Capt Deepak Parasuraman, Chairman of Afcom Holdings Ltd** said, *"This partnership is one of the unique propositions to our customers for bringing in world-class air cargo services and jointly building a robust air cargo system at Noida International Airport. This partnership will open new trade lanes, shortening the supply chain for industries in this part of the world and positioning Noida International Airport as a key logistics hub."*

The agreement reflects a shared vision to unlock emerging cargo opportunities Western Uttar Pradesh and the National Capital Region. With increasing demand for efficient logistics and global trade connectivity, the collaboration is expected to contribute significantly to enhancing cargo throughput and enabling seamless international freight movement from Noida.

This partnership marks another step in Noida International Airport's commitment to developing a world-class cargo ecosystem and supporting India's growing role in global trade.

About Noida International Airport

Noida International Airport (IATA code - DXN) connects the greater Delhi area and Western Uttar Pradesh with other cities in India and the world. This world-class airport combines Swiss efficiency and Indian hospitality to offer rich experiences and comprehensive commercial attractions and services to its passengers. NIA is committed to an ambitious net zero emissions goal supported by sustainable design and operations principles.

Yamuna International Airport Private Limited (YIAPL) was established for the development, construction and operation of the greenfield project - the Noida International Airport. The company, a 100% subsidiary of Zurich Airport International AG, is responsible for the implementation of the public-private partnership project in close partnership with the Government of Uttar Pradesh and the Government of India. The concession period for Noida International Airport commenced on October 01, 2021, and will run for 40 years. The airport features one runway and one passenger terminal with a capacity to serve 12 million passengers annually. The airport masterplan provides for further development over the duration of the concession to serve over 70 million passengers annually.

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About Afcom Holdings Limited

Afcom Holdings Limited is a Chennai-based international cargo airline and integrated air cargo solutions provider. Incorporated in 2013, the company operates freighter services across key international routes using its fleet of Boeing 737-800BCF aircraft. Afcom provides reliable and efficient cargo solutions across general, project, and high-value shipments, and continues to expand its network across ASEAN, the Middle East, and global freight hubs through strategic partnerships.

About Air India SATS Airport Services Pvt. Ltd (AISATS)

AISATS is a 50:50 joint venture between Air India Limited (TATA Group entity), and SATS Limited, one of the world's largest providers of air cargo handling services and Asia's leading airline caterer in Asia. As part of the Indian Government's initiative to upgrade its airports to world-class facilities and attract more airlines to fly into India, AISATS was formed with the vision to provide world-class airport services in ground and cargo handling that exceed customers' expectations.

Since the start of its operations in 2008, AISATS has provided hassle-free and comprehensive solutions to its customer airlines in airports at Bengaluru, Delhi, Hyderabad, Mangalore, Ranchi, Raipur, Cochin, Noida and Trivandrum. Currently employing approx. 16,000+ staff, AISATS offers end-to-end ground handling services such as passenger and baggage handling, ramp handling, aircraft interior cleaning, load control and flight operations, and cargo handling services for general, perishable, transshipment, express courier and special cargo.