Tata co to build cargo hub at Noida airport

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Noida: The Tata group, which is building the terminal building, runway and air traffic control of the Noida International Airport, will also develop a multi-modal cargo hub there.

Tata Sons chairman N Chandrasekaran announced during the inaugural ceremony of the Global Investors Summit (GIS) in Lucknow on Friday that Air India SATS will build the cargo hub.

"Air India has a detailed plan to connect every part of UP to the rest of India and potentially to important destinations of the world. We already have huge investments in Noida, both from TCS and the Noida International Airport point of view. I am happy to say that we are going to build an integrated multi-modal air

TO BE DEVELOPED IN FOUR PHASES

The multi-modal cargo hub at the Noida International Airport will have a cargo terminal, and warehousing & logistics zone . It will:

Cater to planned industrial clusters in NCR and west UP



> Act as a trans-shipment

> Provide transportation facilities to support road-to-road, roadto-air and air-toroad movement

80 acres
of land earmarked for hub
tonnage
Capacity per year
in first phase...

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Lit will go
up to
11.3 lakh
tonnage
by fourth
phase

cargo hub through AISATS with our partner Zurich AG," said Chandrasekaran.

AISATS, a joint venture between Air India Limited and Singapore Airport Terminal Services, has a presence at five airports in India. It was incorporated to carry out ground handling services at Bengaluru and Hyderabad airports and eventually ground handling services, cargo handling and other airportrelated activities at other airports. Tata Projects Ltd has bagged the engineering contract for the main airport from concessionaire Zurich AG.

The MMCH, which has been planned on 80 acres, will comprise an integrated cargo terminal and a warehousing and logistics zone with a transshipment centre as well as a warehouse zone for freight forwarders and integrators.

Sanjay Gupta, CEO of AI-SATS, said, "We are aiming to develop world-class infrastructure to deliver a seamless, best-in-class cargo experience for all stakeholders. Catering to a large catchment area with a huge growth potential owing to multimodal connectivity, we are certain this multi-modal cargo hub will truly become the gateway to North India."

Christoph Schnellmann,

CEO of Yamuna International Airport Private Limited (YIAPL), the special purpose vehicle of concessionaire Zurich AG, said, "The Noida International Airport cargo hub will help western Uttar Pradesh and the NCR fully develop its cargo and logistics potential. The multi-modal cargo hub will bring predictability in operations and address existing logistics bottlenecks through digitisation and enabling seamless and fast processes."

Schnellmann reiterated that work on the first phase of the airport is on track for a 2024 launch.

Though the commissioning date for the airport is October 2024, chief minister Yogi Adityanath told **TOI** in a recent interview he wants the airport to be completed by early 2024.