

# Noida Airport adding bays even before operation starts

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**Jewar (Greater Noida):** The upcoming Noida International Airport (NIA) is seeing such a demand for slots from airlines that it has decided to increase the number of aircraft parking bays it will have when commercial operations start next April. The airport expects to see about 50 lakh passengers in its first year itself, a "very significant landmark for any big greenfield project to achieve nearly half of its capacity in such a timeframe," NIA CEO Christoph Schnellmann told TOI Saturday.

"Even before the airport gets operational, we have already started to expand apron



**TAKING SHAPE:** Commercial operations will start next April

position beyond what was originally anticipated. There is lot of interest among airlines we have signed up with to base aircraft here at night," Schnellmann said.

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