

Noida airport to be inaugurated Oct 30: Minister

Noida: Noida International Airport (NIA) will be inaugurated on Oct 30, Union civil aviation minister Kinnarapu Rammohan Naidu announced on Wednesday. Passenger operations are expected to begin within 45 days of the launch, **reports Aditya Dev.**

In its first phase, the airport will connect around 10 cities, largely metros. International operations will start later. "Major cities like Mumbai, Hyderabad, Bengaluru and Kolkata will be among the first to be linked. Apart from passenger operations, there is also significant potential for cargo flights," Naidu said during an event at Hindon civil terminal in Ghaziabad. So far, the airport concessionaire Yamuna International Airport Private Limited has signed agreements with IndiGo and Akasa Air.

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