Uttar Pradesh government kicks off social impact assessment for third phase of expansion for Noida airport

The Noida International Airport, being developed in four phases and scheduled for completion by 2024, is to be spread across 5,000 hectares

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The Uttar Pradesh Government has issued a notification to carry out a ‘social impact assessment’ (SIA) for the acquisition of another 2,053 hectares of land for the third-phase of expansion for the upcoming Noida International Airport (NIA) in Jewar, according to officials.

A total of 1,888 hectares of land from 14 villages in Gautam Buddh Nagar’s Jewar tehsil is to be acquired, and the SIA is scheduled to be carried out by Gautam Buddh University and completed by this August 30, according to Mr. Arun Vir Singh, the CEO of Noida International Airport Limited (NIAL).

“The notification for acquisition of 2,053 hectares of land for the third-phase of expansion of the airport was issued last week. Land for the first phase [1,365 ha.] and second phase [1,334 ha.] has already been acquired,” said Mr. Singh, who is also the CEO of the Yamuna Expressway Industrial Development Authority (YEIDA).
Currently, the first-phase construction work for the airport is underway and is scheduled to be completed and ready for commercial operations by September 2024.

Yamuna International Airport Private limited (YIAPAL), a fully-owned subsidiary of Swiss firm Zurich Airport International AG, is developing the public-private Greenfield airport, some 75 km off Delhi.

The land for the third phase will be acquired after consent from the land owners under provisions of the Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement (Uttar Pradesh) Rules, 2016, according to the notification.

The villages which will be impacted: Shahjahanpur, Khwajapur, Ramner, I Shiwara, Jewar Bangar, Sabauta Mus; Bankapur, and Rohi, totalling 1,888.90 ha.

“There will be structural development of the industrial infrastructure, employment opportunities will increase and manufacturing and exports will be encouraged.”
The Noida International Airport (NIA) is being developed in four phases and is billed to be the largest in India upon completion.

Scheduled for completion in the mid-2040s, the airport will be spread over an area of around 5,000 ha., with multiple runways along with two terminal buildings and an annual passenger capacity of 1.2 crore.

The airport will also have facilities for cargo and MRO (maintenance, repair and overhaul) services, according to officials.

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