

Media Note

Mangaluru Airport Aims for Better Connectivity In Winter Schedule 2025

- Air India Express to launch second daily flight to Delhi, three weekly to Thiruvananthapuram, from 27 Oct
- More weekly connections to Dammam, Doha, Kuwait, Jeddah and Bahrain.

Mangaluru, Karnataka, 25 October 2025 – Mangaluru International Airport (IXE), operated by Mangaluru International Airport Ltd, is gearing up for the Winter Schedule 2025, commencing on 26 October 2025. Air India Express and IndiGo operating from IXE have firmed up their operation plans for the schedule that will continue until 28 March 2026.

Air India Express, will introduce a second daily flight to and from New Delhi (IX 1781/ IX 1782) from 27 October 2025 to supplement IX 1275/ IX 1276, which the airline currently operates to New Delhi. It will continue with two daily flights Bengaluru and one daily flight to Mumbai.

Airline	Departure	Arrival	Schedule
IXE-DEL (IX 1781)	12:30	15:25	Daily
DEL-IXE (IX 1782)	16:15	19:10	Daily

The airline, in a first, has also announced three weekly direct flights from Mangaluru to Thiruvananthapuram, starting from 27 October 2025. While flight IX 5531 will operate on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, flight IX 5532 will operate from Thiruvananthapuram to Mangaluru on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

Airline	Departure	Arrival	Schedule
IXE-TRV (IX 5531)	09:15	10:35	Mon Wed Fri
TRV-IXE (IX 5532)	04:25	05:45	Tue Thu Sat

On the international front, Air India Express will operate two daily flights to Dubai – six days a week, and one flight every Tuesday; one daily flight to Abu Dhabi; five per week to Dammam; and three per week to Bahrain, Doha, Jeddah and Kuwait respectively. The airline has increased its weekly frequency to Dammam and Doha by one flight each from the current four and two respectively, and added two more weekly flights to Bahrain, Kuwait and Jeddah from the current one weekly it operates. The airline will use the Boeing 737-8 and 737-800NG aircraft for operations.

Domestic/ International Frequency from Mangaluru in Winter Schedule 2025

Domestic	Bengaluru	Chennai	Delhi	Hyderabad	Mumbai	Thiruvananthapuram	-
IndiGo	6 daily	1 daily	1 daily	1 daily	3 daily	-	
Air India Express	2 daily	-	2 daily	-	1 daily	3/Week	
International	Abu Dhabi	Bahrain	Dammam	Dubai	Doha	Jeddah	Kuwait
IndiGo	1 daily	-	-	4/ week	-	-	-
Air India Express	1 daily	3/ week	5/ week	13/ week	3/ week	3/ week	3/ week

Domestically, IndiGo will operate six daily flights to Bengaluru, three to Mumbai, two to Hyderabad, and one each to Delhi and Chennai. The airline will deploy 72-seater ATR aircraft to Hyderabad and Chennai, and narrow-bodied Airbus A-320/321 aircraft to the other three domestic destinations. Internationally, IndiGo will operate one daily flight to Abu Dhabi and four weekly flights

to Dubai with its Airbus fleet.

This augmentation during the Winter Schedule '25 is expected to enhance regional connectivity, support tourism, and cater to the growing demand for air travel during the winter season.

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About Mangaluru International Airport Limited (MgIAL)

Mangaluru International Airport Limited (MgIAL) is a subsidiary of Adani Enterprises Limited (AEL), the flagship of the globally diversified Adani Group, and the largest private operator of seven functional airports in India through Adani Airport Holdings Limited (AAHL). AAHL holds a 49 per cent stake, while AEL, the parent company, holds the majority 51 per cent stake in MgIAL. MgIAL operates and is modernising Mangaluru International Airport (IXE), a major aviation hub in Mangaluru, Dakshina Kannada district of Karnataka.

Mangaluru International Airport, Mangaluru (IATA: IXE ICAO: VOML)

Mangaluru International Airport, with a rich history of over 70 years, is spread over 583.77 acres and holds the distinction of being Karnataka's second busiest airport in terms of passenger traffic and managed 2.32 million passengers in FY 2024-25. The airport, which is first in Karnataka to have two runways, including one made of rigid pavement and overlaid with asphalt, currently caters to over 55 Air Traffic Movements (ATMs) every day. With a digital-first approach, the airport delivers a smooth experience for passengers through advanced technology and efficient operations. As an emerging cargo hub, IXE manages air cargo of over 5,600 metric tonnes per annum.

In July 2025, the Airports Council International (ACI) awarded IXE with Level 4 accreditation for customer experience. The accreditation recognises the airport's advanced practices in service design and innovation, governance, and customer understanding. Mangaluru International Airport was the first Indian airport in the 5 million passenger category to achieve the Level 3 milestone.

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