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Mangaluru International Airport gets dedicated Police Outpost

Editor's Synopsis

- Karnataka Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara inaugurates new police outpost.
- The two-floor facility includes holding cell, workstations and landside control room.
- The new police outpost will strengthen rapid response and inter-agency coordination at the airport.

Mangaluru, Karnataka | 18 February 2026: Dr G Parameshwara, Hon'ble Home Minister of Karnataka, today inaugurated a dedicated Police Outpost at Mangaluru International Airport, reinforcing landside security and operational coordination at the coastal gateway.

Strategically located adjacent to the airport's exit toll gate, the facility is designed to ensure a continuous police presence at a critical access point, enabling swift action in the event of any security or law-and-order situation.

Spread across 1,650 square feet, the two-floor outpost has been purpose-built to support real-time response and coordination. The ground floor houses a holding cell, two workstation rooms and an office, providing on-site capability for enquiry handling, documentation and immediate intervention. The first floor comprises a lounge and a dedicated landside control room to strengthen monitoring of vehicular movement and public areas outside the terminal building.

With passenger traffic steadily rising and airport operations becoming increasingly complex, strengthening landside vigilance has become increasingly important. The new outpost complements the existing police check post near the entry toll gate, creating integrated coverage of both entry and exit points and enhancing deterrence against unlawful activities.

The presence of an on-site holding facility and operational workstations reduces reliance on off-airport infrastructure, enabling faster decision-making and improving response times during emergencies. The landside control room supports closer surveillance and seamless information sharing among agencies.

The initiative is expected to deepen coordination between various authorities, including airport management, the Airport Security Group unit of the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) and the Mangaluru City Police, fostering joint preparedness and streamlined response protocols.

The inauguration underscores the commitment of the Government of Karnataka, law enforcement authorities and airport stakeholders to continuously upgrade security infrastructure in line with evolving operational requirements, ensuring a safe, secure and resilient environment for passengers, visitors and the wider community.

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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, having managed 2.32 million passengers in FY 2024–25. The airport, which is the first in Karnataka to have two runways, including one made of rigid pavement and overlaid with asphalt, currently caters to over 50 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, Airports Council International (ACI) awarded IXE 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.