



Flight of development: Zoom Air connects Durgapur with Delhi



Sujalaam Skycity reaches for the skies and the future looks brighter than ever. Kazi Nazrul Islam (KNI) Airport has sprung back into action.

However, what makes it even more special is the fact that its reboot has coincided with the launch of the Nation's 10th full-service scheduled airline Zoom Air — an event that is sure to be registered as a bright chapter in India's aviation history.

On February 12, 2017, Zoom Air, which is based out of Gurgaon and promoted by Zexus Air Services, launched its inaugural flight from Delhi. Its Bombardier CRJ-200LR series twin-engine jet aircraft, which was flagged off by Union Civil Aviation Minister Ashok Gajapathi Raju, flew out of the National Capital and landed at KNI Airport, an occasion that was cheered by everyone present at the venue as the aircraft taxied in through the traditional water-cannon salute.

Three days after this event, on February 15, the airline officially launched its regular services to and from the airport, connecting a trio of cities — Delhi-Kolkata-Durgapur.

Zoom Air is the most affordable premium full-service airline in the Nation at the moment.

While it offers a 2x2 seating arrangement that offers considerably more legroom than most cramped layouts presented by the usual Boeings — and complimentary delicatessen meals to go with it — it does so at fares comparable with trains'.

This latest development is consonant with objectives set for the aviation industry in the recent Regional Connectivity Scheme published by the Ministry of Civil Aviation, Government of India. Aligning itself to the objectives, Zoom Air has planned to connect underserved and unserved airports, catering to tier II and III cities that most other airlines do not attend.

The airline is planning to ramp up its operations further from April this year, with more frequent flights and more destinations connecting Kolkata and Durgapur.

With the KNI Airport now back in action, the people of the Asansol-Durgapur region have a faster, easier and entirely affordable premium service to rely on to reach the national capital in less than two hours. This is a development that clearly marks the beginning of a pioneering phase of development in Bengal.

Views from the Top

Greetings from BAPL!

The Skycity has once again reached for the skies with India's 10th full-service airline, Zoom Air, choosing to operate out of its integrated KNI Airport.



We stand validated by the airline's consideration to select Durgapur as its regional hub and it speaks volumes for the unparalleled infrastructure and superior planning that have gone into Sujalaam Skycity and its superlative airport.

As we have repeatedly mentioned before, it is our sole mission to take Bengal to a brighter and more developed future. Quite naturally, such a great task can only be fulfilled by taking one step at a time.

We are assiduously progressing by adhering to our duties and are building what we had promised brick-by-brick. The recent development is only one of the many that had preceded it and those that will follow.

We thank you all for keeping your faith in us through times both difficult and joyous and helping us achieve each milestone along our journey.

The sky is indeed the limit for us. And we shan't stop flying.

Mr. Partha Ghosh

*Vice-Chairman & Managing Director,
Bengal Aerotropolis Projects Ltd.*



More on offer: Zoom Air to spread its wings further



While in the preliminary phase Zoom Air will connect the triangle of Delhi, Kolkata and Durgapur, the airline plans to boost its operations considerably in the coming months.

The latest full-service commuter airline plans to connect Durgapur to Delhi in the East, Mumbai in the West and Hyderabad in the South, while keeping in mind convenient schedules for passengers availing themselves of its services from tier II and III cities.

This airline operates Bombardier 50-seater jet aircraft that are tailor-made to chart regional routes from the premier metropolises of India. According to Koustav Dhar, CEO and Director of Zoom Air, most airlines focus on schedules convenient for metro-dwellers who would like to travel to a tier II or III cities. Zoom Air has the opposite perspective, corresponding to objectives set by the recent Regional Connectivity Scheme of the Civil Aviation Ministry, which stressed on the importance of connecting underserved and unserved airports.

In its first phase of expansion, Zoom Air will connect to Aizawl, Aurangabad, Chandigarh, Dharamshala, Dimapur, Durgapur, Hyderabad, Kullu, Jorhat, Kolkata,

Lucknow, Ranchi, Mumbai, Srinagar and Shillong from New Delhi.

Zoom Air is seriously considering KNI Airport as its regional hub in Eastern India. Among the many reasons for its doing so — barring the obvious benefits of superior infrastructure and planning — the airline cites advantages on landing and parking charges and zero tax on aviation fuel as some of the key benefits they have received at Sujalaam Skycity.

The airport famously levies no tax on aviation turbine fuel (ATF) for airplanes refuelling there.

The airline will, in alignment with the Government of India's stated purpose, connect major metros with various regional destinations hitherto unattended by other service providers, significantly reinforcing air connectivity in the Nation and helping general commuters.

By introducing 50-seater Bombardiers, Zoom Air will also ensure better percentage occupancy to and from its regional destinations. However, the jet planes will be as swift as a Boeing Aircraft, therefore reducing travel time between destinations.



Zoom Air Moments





It's time to fly: Zoom Air schedules and fare structure

Zoom Air, in spite of being a premium full-service airline, has a fare structure that rivals that of the railways'. Its timings also perfectly suit the needs of commuters flying to and out of Durgapur. Have a look at the charts below to know more:

Airfare Comparison Chart



Rail Fare (in Rs)
Kolkata to Durgapur
(Shatabdi Express, Executive Chair Car):
Rs.1025

Durgapur to Delhi
(Rajdhani Express, AC 2-tier):
Rs.2675



Zoom Air Fare (in Rs)
Kolkata to Durgapur:
Starting from
Rs.850

Durgapur to Delhi:
Starting from
Rs.2850

Flight Schedule

Delhi to Durgapur:

Flight	Departure	Arrival
Z0101	Delhi – 07:35	Kolkata – 09:35
Z0301	Kolkata – 10:05	Durgapur – 10:40

Durgapur to Delhi:

Flight	Departure	Arrival
Z0301	Durgapur – 11:10	Delhi – 13:10

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