

International tourists with e-visa can enter India from Goa's Mopa Airport

An official statement has confirmed that the Manohar International Airport (MIA) has been designated as an immigration check post (ICP) for individuals holding e-visas. International flights began operating at the Manohar International Airport in Mopa on July 21, with the arrival of a flight from London-Gatwick airport. This airport, located in North Goa, is developed and managed by GMR Goa International Airport Ltd (GGIAL), a subsidiary of GMR Airports Infrastructure Ltd.

The move to establish the MIA as an authorized ICP for e-visa holders aims to ensure a smooth and hassle-free experience for international travelers. E-visas are typically issued to foreign nationals for purposes such as leisure, visiting friends or relatives, medical treatment, and business activities. E-visa holders are allowed entry into India exclusively through designated international airports and seaports, as stated by a spokesperson. With the introduction of e-visa services at MIA, international travelers can now anticipate a streamlined entry process. The official also noted that more international carriers are expected to initiate operations to and from MIA.

The commencement of domestic operations at the Manohar International Airport took place on January 5, 2023. Mr. RV Sheshan, CEO of GGIAL, commented, "The introduction of the e-visa facility represents another significant milestone for MIA. Our airport is now equipped with world-class infrastructure, including essential e-visa, immigration, and customs services, to facilitate international travel."