

## Media Release

### All new Security Hold area in the domestic terminal operationalized with double the capacity.

#### Summary

- New Security area has close to double the size of 1400 SQM existing area.
- 50% larger queuing area
- Sitting capacity increased from 160 to 648.
- SVPI airport touched all-time high of 37793 passengers on 19 February 2023

**Ahmedabad, 23 February 2023:** Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel International airport continues to offer better infrastructure and surprise passengers by addition to existing infrastructure in the fastest possible time. While passenger traffic is increasing rapidly, to ensure a better passenger experience, several infrastructure developments are kept open for passengers, and many are still going on. SVPI airport opened a new Security Hold Area (SHA) for the domestic terminal with more than double the existing space capacity on Thursday.

Recently, SVPI airport touched an all-time high of over 37793 passengers traveling on 19 February 2023. Post covid, the numbers are continuously going up. Several services and new infrastructure to enhance capacity have been introduced over last two years at SVPI airport. All new SHA in the domestic terminal ground floor offers double the space compared to the earlier SHA area. Two new bus boarding gates were recently operationalized and attached to the new SHA. In addition, close to 1400 SQM security hold area has four e-gates for faster passenger verification, a larger area for security checks with additional X-ray machines, and metal detector doors.

The queuing area will be increased by close to 50% for smoother passenger movement. In addition, the seating capacity increased fourfold after the security check, from 160 to 648. The enhanced infrastructure and larger space will help boost efficiency and accommodate multiple departures from the domestic terminal.

Recently, SVPI airport operationalized a new arrival pick-up area with six lanes with a canopy. In addition, the departure drop-off area is now connected with a new walkway to the terminal. Similar developments are implemented outside the international terminal as well. Additionally, several new passenger areas are opening at both terminals, along with the expansion of new retail space in the domestic terminal soon.

Gujarat, recognized as a leading industrialized state, has been poised in the national growth narrative. Ahmedabad has taken center stage with its indomitable spirit of enterprise by being strategically located and is the pride of rapid and inclusive development in the last two decades. All dedicated to enabling a new aspiration for the people of India, born out of this development. Our endeavor for the proposed infrastructural development at Ahmedabad International Airport is to establish a viable and sustainable business ecosystem, enhancing the airport's catchment area, creation of airport infrastructure in accordance with projected traffic, ensuring safe & efficient airport operations along with a brand promise of being a pleasant experience for our passengers at Ahmedabad International Airport.

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