

Steps underway to decongest Delhi, Mumbai airports

Aiming to decongest the Delhi and [Mumbai](#) airports during the summer season, the civil aviation ministry has put in place a number of measures to help travellers.

'Hourly movements at the Delhi airport have been frozen at 35 (flights) during simultaneous use of runway and 30 during single runway operation. Hourly movements at the Mumbai airport have been frozen at 30,' the ministry said in a statement Friday.

Delhi International Airport Limited (DIAL) and Mumbai International Airport Limited (MIAL) are being told to expedite commissioning of more rapid exit taxiways at the two metros.

The clearance delivery system has been introduced for departing aircraft to complete pre-flight checks before entering the runway and standby for immediate take-off when cleared, it said.

The dual runway operation period at Delhi has been extended from nine hours to 10 hours - from 8 a.m. to 12 noon and 4 p.m. to 10 p.m.

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