

# Wings India 2026: A preview



*The Boeing 777X at Wings India 2024. Vayu's Rishav Gupta and Durgesh Singh will be present at Wings India 2026 to cover the event just like they did for the previous edition of the show. Full report in our next edition of the magazine.*

**W**ings India 2026 is Asia's largest civil aviation organised by the Ministry of Civil Aviation in collaboration with the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI). The event will take place 28–31 January 2026 at Hyderabad, India.

Wings India 2026 will be the most comprehensive event on the Civil Aviation Industry calendar that includes the Inaugural Ceremony, Global Ministerial Conference, Global CEOs' Forum, B2B/B2G meetings, awards ceremony, cultural evening and business networking dinner. Also, the event will include exhibitions, chalets, demonstration flights, static displays, media conferences, one-to-one business meetings and many more.

India is one of the fastest growing aviation markets and currently the third largest civil aviation market in the world. 1748 foreign airlines flights and 1440 domestic airlines flights are connecting India globally and 1000 new

aircraft have been estimated to be added to the Indian civil aviation sector. International tourist arrivals are expected to reach 30.5 million by 2028 and freight traffic at Indian airports is expected to cross 11.4 MT by 2032. By 2026, Government of India aims to operationalise more than 220 airports from the current 184 airports (including operational and non-operational). 29 States are covered under the Krishi Udan 2.0 Scheme and the medical tourism sector is predicted to increase at a CAGR of 21.1% from 2020–27. Fifty airports under a low cost model are to be developed all over the country, including under PPP and the Travel and Tourism market is forecasted to grow 7.9% to USD 270.5 billion in 2023 from USD 119.4 billion in 2012. For last mile connectivity, under UDAN 4.2, 184 routes have been awarded: 16 for helicopters, 50 for seaplanes and 118 routes for small aircraft.