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## India resumes e-Visa services for Canadians

India has resumed issuing electronic visas for Canadian nationals after suspending it following a diplomatic row over Ottawa's accusation of possible Indian government involvement in the murder of a Canadian Sikh separatist leader.

The Indian High Commission in Ottawa issued a notice on X, saying Indian eVisa facility has been restored with effect from 22 November 2023, for all eligible Canadian citizens holding Regular/Ordinary Canadian passports.

"Holder of any other category of Canadian passport will need to apply for regular paper visa, in accordance with the existing modalities – details may be found on the respective websites of High Commission of India, Ottawa; Consulate General of India, Toronto and Consulate General of India, Vancouver," it said.



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## 'Madhya Pradesh Tourism benefitted in a big way through Film Tourism Policy'

Madhya Pradesh tourism sector is benefiting in a big way after the state opened its doors for shooting movies through the film tourism policy, a senior official said.



**Sheo Shekhar Shukla**

Sheo Shekhar Shukla, Managing Director of Madhya Pradesh Tourism Board, told PTI that film-makers are increasingly exploring various locations in the central state for shootings after the MP Film Tourism Policy was passed in 2020. "We

are trying to promote shootings of films in Madhya Pradesh. Since the inception of the policy, tourism in the state has gone from place to place," said Shukla, who is attending the International Film Festival of India (IFFI) in Panaji.

## Philadelphia International Airport launches Wingmate Guest Pass

Philadelphia International Airport (PHL) has launched a Wingmate Guest Pass Programme that allows non-ticketed guests to apply for a one-day pass to access PHL's terminals, post-security, from 6 am-10 pm.

"We are pleased to offer this new free amenity for non-ticketed guests," said Megan O'Connell Director of Marketing and Branding, PHL. "We receive many inquiries from friends and family members looking to escort a passenger to or from their gate. The Wingmate Guest Pass will help loved ones spend more time with their family members before take-off or create a memorable arrival experience."



## Meghalaya keen to leverage heritage tourism, open museum: CM

Meghalaya Chief Minister Conrad Sangma stressed on leveraging the tourism potential of heritage sites in Shillong and other parts of the state, and added that there is a plan to open a small museum in a portion of the historic old Assembly building in the capital city.

"I think a generic policy to ensure that these kinds of heritage sites are promoted from a tourist aspect, is definitely part of the overall strategy," he said. "The Legislative Assembly building site (in Shillong)... you are aware that the Assembly (building) got burnt almost about 20 years back. And therefore not much left of it. But we have not touched it, and left it as it is because we had to do some of the assembly work there," he said during a press interaction. "But as soon as we shift to the new assembly site whose construction is going on... By September 2024, we expect to inaugurate it," he said.



## India's domestic air traffic grows 11% in October

Domestic air passenger traffic in the country recorded an annual growth of nearly 11% to 1.26 crore in October, according to official data released on Thursday.

The traffic stood at 1.14 crore passengers in October 2022 and at 1.22 crore passengers in September this year. The data released by Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) showed that IndiGo carried 79.07 lakh passengers, garnering a domestic market share of 62.6% in October. The market share was lower compared to 63.4% registered in September.

## AirAsia to start Thiruvananthapuram-Kuala Lumpur flights from Feb 21, 2024

AirAsia is set to operate new flights from Thiruvananthapuram, or Trivandrum to Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia starting February 21, 2024, making this the airline's second direct route from the state of Kerala. This new flight will operate four times a week. The launch of this new connectivity will mark the airline's



9th route from India to Malaysia. Currently, AirAsia operates 6 direct routes from South Indian cities via AirAsia Malaysia (AK) - Chennai, Tiruchirappalli, Hyderabad, Kochi, Bengaluru and Kolkata as well as 2 direct routes from Northern India - Amritsar and New Delhi via AirAsia X (D7) to Malaysia.