

# THE WEEKLY WATCH

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# Saudi Arabia to issue visas to **FIFA World Cup ticket holders**



The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia will grant visas to those holding tickets to the FIFA World Cup in neighbouring Qatar. The Saudi Foreign Ministry said in a statement said that those registered for Qatar's Hayya fan card will be able to apply for multiple-entry visas 10 days before the tournament

starts. Those granted visas will be able to stay for up to 60 days in Saudi Arabia.

The Hayya card is mandatory for ticket holders going to the World Cup in November and December. The Ministry added that pre-entry to Qatar was not required, though those coming will have to have medical insurance coverage.

### **Punjab in talks with airlines for** direct flights to US, UK & Canada

Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann has said that they are in talks with major airline companies, for them to start direct international flights connecting Amritsar Mohali major



destinations like Vancouver. 'We are in talks with Tatas (Air India), Vistara, British Airways and Air Canada that we need direct flights from Amritsar and Mohali to London, Vancouver, Toronto, Silicon Valley, Chicago . We have an upgraded immigration and customs system. We would have three terminals (going up from one at present)," Mann said.

# AirAsia India starts daily direct flights from **Lucknow to Mumbai & Kolkata**

AirAsia India has commenced daily direct flights from Lucknow to Mumbai and Kolkata. The flights also connect Lucknow through convenient one-stop itineraries to other airports on its network, such as Bhubaneswar, Pune and Guwahati.





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### **DreamSetGo appoints Sourav Ganguly** as its first brand ambassador



☐ DreamSetGo. sports experiences and travel platform, has appointed former Indian cricketer Sourav Ganguly as its first brand ambassador. Ganguly will play a key role in promoting DSG's curated experiences offered through its key partnerships

with Manchester City, Chelsea FC, ICC Travel and Tours, AO Travel, F1 Experiences, etc. Commenting on this association, Ganguly said, "DreamSetGo has been instrumental in revolutionising engagement, curating personalised experiences and memories for a lifetime for sports fans. I look forward to supporting DreamSetGo's vision of creating accessibility for the biggest sporting events across the globe."

## **Chalo DMC forays into Kazakhstan**

After launching its verticals in domestic tourism and South Africa Chalo DMC has now expanded its reach in Kazakhstan. Siddharth Jain - Founder & Director Chalo DMC, is excited to re-launch his alliance with the

destination, and they intend capitalise on the strong and growing trave1 opportunity the region



offers for travel from India. The company's current focus in market is to cater to the specifics of Luxury Travel, Corporate, MICE, Honeymoon & couples as well as niche such as Golf Tours amongst the various other traveller segments.

#### Cathay Pacific to operate two weekly flights from Bengaluru starting Oct 11

Starting October 2022, Cathay Pacific will operate two non-stop weekly flights from Bengaluru. The introduction of Cathay Pacific in the city will enhance India's direct connectivity with Hong Kong and connect customers to destinations such as the USA, Australia, Japan, the Philippines and more. Rakesh Raicar, Regional General Manager, South Asia, Middle East and Africa, said, "We are delighted to once again serve the residents of Bengaluru. As a group, we have had a long-standing history with the city and now we will



be taking to the skies from the third-largest airport in India – Kempegowda International Airport on 11 October with Cathay Pacific."











