

**Consulate General of India
Manchester**

Press Release

First direct flight between India and Manchester lands at Manchester Airport

IndiGo flight from Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj International Airport, Mumbai landed at Manchester Airport on 1st July 2025, making it the first flight of this newly launched air route. A Boeing 787-9 Dreamliner aircraft will be operating thrice weekly (Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday). It is also the sole airline service offering a non-stop route between India and Northern England.

The Consul General of India Mrs. Vishakha Yaduvanshi, along with the MD of the Manchester Airport welcomed the aircraft and its passengers to Manchester. IndiGo CEO Pieter Elbers, along with the crew, and India-based media travelled aboard the flight from Mumbai to Manchester. The commencement of this direct service was celebrated with great fervour in the presence of prominent authorities from Greater Manchester and the government of UK.

On this occasion, CG highlighted that IndiGo's direct flight between Manchester and Mumbai is a major step forward in enhancing connectivity between India and the North of England. CG further highlighted that this opportunity offers a faster, more convenient travel option for business travellers, tourists, and the vibrant Indian diaspora in the region. By cutting travel times and eliminating the need for connecting flights, it opens the door to stronger economic partnerships, deeper educational ties, and richer cultural exchanges. CG also thanked the Manchester Airport authorities, IndiGo & UK authorities for their support and efforts.

This is much-awaited development will strengthen the existing partnership between India and Manchester, and by extension – India and the UK.

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