

## AIR INDIA TO OPERATE NON-STOP FLIGHTS BETWEEN DELHI AND MANILA FROM 01 OCTOBER

- Air India to be the only operator between India and the Philippines
- 5x weekly Delhi-Manila flights on Air India's A321neo

**GURUGRAM, 04 June 2025:** Air India, India's leading global airline, today announced the launch of non-stop flights between Delhi and Manila, the capital city of the Philippines, starting 01 October 2025. With the launch of this new route, Air India becomes the only carrier to operate non-stop flights between India and the Philippines, offering seamless connectivity through its Delhi hub and boosting tourism, trade, and cultural exchanges between the two countries.

Air India's service to Manila will operate five days a week – on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, and Sundays – using the airline's Airbus A321neo aircraft, featuring a three-class cabin configuration that offers the choice of Business Class, Premium Economy Class, and Economy Class to travellers.

The Philippines recently introduced visa-free entry for Indian tourists for up to 14 days, significantly enhancing accessibility for Indians eager to visit the white-sand beaches of Boracay, the stunning landscapes of Palawan, the historical landmarks in Cebu, and more.

**Campbell Wilson, Chief Executive Officer & Managing Director, Air India,** said, *"The introduction of our Delhi-Manila route is a yet another step in our mission to connect India with more of the world, non-stop. As outbound travel from India grows at an unprecedented pace, with Indian tourists ranking among the highest spenders globally, the new entry rules for Indian tourists are a shot in the arm to boost tourism to the Philippines. We are happy to facilitate new opportunities for cultural exchange and economic collaboration between the two nations, while bringing the new Air India to more travellers around the world."*

With its 7,000+ islands and a dynamic blend of cultural and modern attractions, the Philippines holds great tourism potential for Indian travellers. Air India's new route also supports the growing bilateral trade between India and the Philippines, which reached USD 3.53 billion in 2023-24, nearly doubling from USD 1.89 billion in 2015-16, according to the [Embassy of India in Manila](#).

Air India's flight schedule to Manila ensures not only non-stop connectivity from India, but also seamless, one-stop connectivity from Europe via Delhi.

SCHEDULE OF FLIGHTS BETWEEN DELHI AND MANILA (Effective 01 October 2025)				
Flight #	Sector	Departure	Arrival	Days of Operations
AI2362	Delhi-Manila	1320 Hrs	2240 Hrs	Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday
AI2361	Manila-Delhi	2340 Hrs	0350 Hrs <sup>+1</sup>	Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday

All times are indicated in local time zones. <sup>+1</sup> indicates next day arrival.

Bookings for Air India's flights between Delhi and Manila are now open on all channels, including Air India's website, mobile app, airport ticketing offices, contact centres, and through all travel agents.

### About Air India group

The Air India group – comprising of full-service global airline Air India and low-cost regional carrier Air India Express – is spearheading a new era of Indian aviation. The Air India story began in 1932 when JRD Tata piloted the airline's inaugural flight and opened the skies for aviation in India. Today, Air India group employs more than 30,000 people, operates over 300 aircraft and carries customers to 55 domestic and 48 international destinations across five continents.

Returning to the Tata Sons in 2022 following 70 years under Government ownership, Air India group is in the midst of a five-year transformation program, Vihaan.AI. As part of the transformation, Air India has placed an order for 570 new aircraft. In 2024, sister airlines Air Asia India and Vistara were successfully merged into Air India Express and Air India, respectively, and the Airline opened South Asia's largest aviation training academy. A new flying school is scheduled to open in 2025, and construction of a greenfield maintenance base, to be operational in 2026,

is underway. In addition to receiving new aircraft, all existing aircraft are progressively undergoing a full interior refit.

With transformation underway across all facets of the business and India's rich legacy of hospitality, Air India is committed to being a world class global airline with an Indian heart.

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