

Addendum to Order No. 07/2026-27

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Date of issue: 8th September, 2026

Airport Operator : Navi Mumbai International Airport Limited
Airport : Navi Mumbai International Airport, Navi Mumbai (NMI)

In the matter of determination of aeronautical tariff for Navi Mumbai International Airport, Navi Mumbai (NMI) for the First Control Period (01.04.2025 to 31.03.2030)

1. Airports Economic Regulatory Authority of India ("AERA" or "Authority") vide Order No. 07/2026-27 dated 20th May 2026 had determined the aeronautical tariff for Navi Mumbai International Airport, Navi Mumbai for the First Control Period (01.04.2025 to 31.03.2030).
2. In Annexure-I B, the Authority had approved a Variable Tariff Plan (VTP) for International Flights, effective from June 1, 2026 to March 31, 2030, wherein the concessional landing charges, inter-alia, are made available in respect of a "New Route in MMR Region", MMR being the Mumbai Metropolitan Region.
3. Subsequent to the issue of Order, NMIAL, vide its letter dated 04th August 2026, has informed that despite the commissioning of the full assets of international airside and terminal infrastructure at NMI, airlines have been unwilling to commence international operations from NMI, resulting in underutilisation of the said infrastructure. The airlines have attributed this reluctance to the quantum of Aeronautical Tariffs notwithstanding the concession granted by the approved VTP. Further, NMIAL has highlighted the impact of the prolonged geo political conflicts resulting in higher fuel prices, airspace closure, insurance surcharges and depressed demand due to which carriers are more risk averse to committing international capacity at new airports.
4. In the light of above, NMIAL has requested the Authority to consider a modification in the Variable Tariff Plan (VTP) approved in the 1st Control Period Tariff Order of NMIAL dated 20th May 2026, wherein the applicability of the VTP was provided to "New Route in MMR Region" with MMR representing Mumbai Metropolitan Region.

NMIAL has submitted for a modification in the approved VTP as stated below:

"...we request the Authority to consider a modification in the approved VTP, wherein the concessional tariffs apply to a "New Route in MMR" — i.e., a route qualifies as



“new” only if it is not already operated from anywhere within the Mumbai Metropolitan Region (MMR). We request that this eligibility criterion be modified from “New Route in MMR” to “New Route from NMI””

5. The Authority has noted the submission made by NMIAL and observes that the Variable Tariff Plan (VTP) was provided to a new greenfield airport like NMIAL with the objective of incentivising airlines to commence/start their operations from this new airport, so as to facilitate the ramping up of the air traffic movement (ATM) and thereby passenger traffic, so as to enable optimum utilization of the newly created terminal capacity and airside infrastructure that has been developed by infusing large capital expenditure. In fact, VTP is one of the method for enabling newly constructed greenfield airport to achieve their projected traffic volume for making the operation of the new airport economically viable. However, the Authority has noted that the existing VTP instead of applying to a new route from NMIAL, has allowed the applicability to new route from MMR and hence does not align with the stated objective of enabling ramp up of traffic/ATM at a new greenfield airport i.e. NMIAL. Consequently, the present structure of the VTP may not provide a sufficiently targeted incentive for airlines to utilise the airport infrastructure created for the purpose at NMIAL and, therefore, may not fully achieve the intended objective of promoting air traffic and efficient capacity utilisation at the greenfield airport.
6. Based on the foregoing, examination, the Authority is of the view that the proposed modification to the Variable Tariff Plan (VTP) is required so as to align with the underlying objective of the VTP, i.e., to incentivise airlines to introduce and sustain international air connectivity from Navi Mumbai International Airport (NMI) and, at the same time, facilitate optimum utilisation of the integrated terminal capacity, airside and other associated infrastructure already commissioned at the Airport. The Authority considers that a tariff structure which provides an appropriate incentive for the commencement of international operations, particularly during the initial phase of traffic development, would support the progressive ramp-up of international passenger and aircraft movements at NMI and contribute to more efficient utilisation of the available aeronautical capacity.
7. The Authority further observes that the proposed modification is intended to strengthen the effectiveness of the existing VTP without altering its fundamental regulatory objective or framework. In the considered view of the Authority, such modification would provide greater opportunities to the Airport Operator in facilitating the development of international connectivity while ensuring that the benefit of the incentive is linked to the achievement of the intended traffic and utilisation outcomes.

Accordingly, the Authority decides to allow the following modification to the table under Annexure 1B (VTP for Landing Charges) of Order No. 07/2026-27 for the 1st Control Period, as set out below while keeping other terms and conditions of the VTP unchanged:-

“The column heading “New Route in MMR Region” in the table under Annexure 1B – Variable Tariff Plan shall be read as “New Route from NMI”, and the footnote “*MMR – Mumbai Metropolitan Region” appearing below the said table shall stand deleted.”*

ORDER

8. The Authority, in exercise of powers conferred by Section 13(1)(a) of the Airports Economic Regulatory Authority of India Act, 2008, and the facts and submissions placed on record before the Authority, decides and orders the following modification in the table under Annexure 1B – Variable Tariff Plan (VTP for Landing Charges) in Order No. 07/2026-27:

The column heading “New Route in MMR* Region” in the table under Annexure 1B – Variable Tariff Plan shall be read as “New Route from NMI”, and the footnote “*MMR – Mumbai Metropolitan Region” appearing below the said table shall stand deleted.

9. The other terms and conditions applicable for Variable Tariff Plan (VTP) as mentioned at Annexure 1B of the Order No. 07/2026-27 dated 20th May 2026 shall remain unchanged.

**By the Order of and in the
Name of the Authority**

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