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The Kanpur Airport, also known as the Chakeri Air Force Station, is an airport that was originally designated for the Indian Air Force. During the seventies the airport became partially public, at which point regular flights to Delhi, Kolkata, Mumbai, Ahmedabad, Chennai, Allahabad, and Pune became operational. However, with the CCS International Amausi Airport offering better connectivity, passengers moved away from Kanpur Airport reducing the frequency of such flights.

Plans are presently underway for airport expansion, which is scheduled to take place in 2 phases. During the first phase, there will be an expansion of the existing terminal for higher passenger handling capabilities, new car parking facilities will be added, and a visitors lounge will be constructed. The second phase includes a proposal for a new civil air terminal on 50 acres of land adjacent to the current airport boundary.

**Flight Information**

Currently, Air India provides flights to Delhi and Kolkata. Flights to other major cities around the country are expected to commence operations in the near future.

**Terminals**

A single domestic terminal with 2 boarding gates is used to operate domestic flights to and from Kanpur. The total capacity of the terminal is 50 each for arrivals as well as departures. Covering an area of 390 square meters, the terminal provides one check-in and one security counter.

**Traveling Around**

Mahanagar Bus Sewa and private operators offer city bus services from the Kanpur Airport. In addition, passengers can avail general taxi and car rental services to reach their desired destinations.

**Services and Facilities**

Two X-ray baggage scanning facilities are available at the airport. In addition, general passenger services like free trolleys, wheelchairs, a lost and found baggage counter, and escort assistance to seniors and the physically-challenged are available. Medical facilities can also be acquired if the need arises.

**Things to Do**

Travelers can keep themselves occupied by relaxing at the snack bar while they grab a bite and wait for their flights. The snack bar is located within the airport premises.

**Hotels**

Affordable but comfortable hotels near the airport include The Orient and Kanishka. Tourists can also opt to stay at accommodations like the Little Chef, Best Western Hotel Bliss, S B Castle, The Landmark Towers, and Mandakini Palace.

**Tips for Fliers**

* City travel can be done at cheaper costs by availing the air-conditioned buses operated by the UPRTC.
* Auto-rickshaws, three-wheel tempos called Vikram, and cycle rickshaws can also be used, but travelers must negotiate and bargain to ensure they are not cheated.

**Nearby Attractions**

The Radha Krishna Temple, Ganga Barrage, Bithoor, J K Masjid, Allen Forest Zoo, Nana Rao Park, Harcot Butler Technological Institute, Massacre Ghat, ISCKON Temple, Kanpur Memorial Church, Vaishno Devi Mandir, Habiba Masjid, Sports Village, Gora Cemetery, and Kanpur Sanghralaya are popular tourist destinations. Tourists looking to engage in some outdoor activities should visit Motijheel, try boating at Mahatma Gandhi Park, and golf at the Golf Club.

Kanpur chaats like aloo tikki, dahai chaat, and pani puri are extremely popular with tourists. When it comes to shopping in Kanpur, the city is popular for leather goods, handicrafts, garments, jewelry, and fashion accessories.