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The Jay Prakash Narayan International Airport is located 5 kilometers southwest of Patna, the capital of Bihar. As per data released by the Airports Authority of India (AAI), it is the 21st busiest airport in the country.

The airport has one runway and operates Domestic flights only. It is located 5 kilometers away from Patna Railway Station. Patna, being located on the south bank of river Ganga, attracts a number of local and international tourists every year. Owing to the rise in international tourists, the AAI now plans to open a new International Airport in Patna.

**Flight Information**

Popular airlines like Air India, GoAir, IndiGo and Jet Airways provide passenger services at Jay Prakash Narayan International Airport with good flight frequency.

The airport has 4 boarding gates and is well connected with major Indian cities like Mumbai, Delhi, Bangalore, Ahmedabad etc.

**Terminals**

The airport has a single terminal and all arrivals and departures of domestic flights are directed towards it. It has a total parking capacity of 300 vehicles.

**Traveling Around**

The airport offers services like pre-paid auto rickshaws and taxis. Car rental services also have been made available for the convenience of passengers.

A unique feature of transport in Patna is its iconic horse-drawn trams, which originated in the city. Patna is well connected with the rest of the country by rail as it is a major junction in the rail network of India. Patna is also well connected by several National Highways.

**Services and Facilities**

JPIN airport offers travelers services like pay phone booths, bank ATMs, snack counters, information kiosks, Forex counters etc. The Departures section has a help desk to provide information to tourists, as well as medical facilities. An Air ticket cum hotel booking kiosk is also operated in the Arrivals counter to assist tourists.

The airport provides passengers with trolleys to move their luggage with ease. Wheelchairs for physically challenged travelers are provided on request. The JPIN airport also has a Child Care room and provides assistance to physically challenged and aged passengers.

**Things to Do**

JPIN offers various avenues for passengers to keep themselves occupied while they await their flights. A book stall is operated in the Departures section and there is also a gift shop for passengers to purchase souvenirs of famous landmarks of Patna. The airport houses a restaurant for passengers to dine in.

**Hotels**

Patna has a number of hotels, offering a wide range of choices to visitors. While there aren’t many luxury hotels in Patna, visitors will easily find budget hotels and guest houses. The Panache Hotel and Hotel Astor are good options for visitors looking for a comfortable accommodation.

**Tips for Fliers**

* Summers in Patna are severe, characterized with harsh ‘Loo' winds. Travelers are advised to protect themselves against these, by keeping themselves hydrated at all times
* Most monuments and tourist attractions are closed to visitors on Mondays; Visitors are thus advised to plan their itineraries accordingly

**Nearby Attractions**

Patna is home to a number of tourist attractions such as Golghar, a granary built in 1786, the Patna museum, Patna Planetarium, Patna Devi Temple, and Takht Sri Hari Temple. Visitors can enjoy local snacks like Litti Chokha, a savory snack that is famous not just in Patna, but across all of Bihar. Patna is famous for sweets like Puri Jalebi, Khaja and snacks like Paneer Samosa and Kachori.