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The Porbandar Airport is a public airport located about 5 kilometers from the railway station. In addition to public operations, the airport has a military presence with the INAS 343 of the Indian Navy and CGAE Porbandar of the Indian Coast Guard.

The new terminal building was developed at a cost of INR 13.5 crores and covers an area of 4,000 square meters. The upgraded and expanded airport was opened in April 2008.

**Flight Information**

Jet Airways is the only airline that currently services this airport. 14 weekly flights between Porbandar and Mumbai are operated by the airline. Flights are also available to other destinations, such as Udaipur, Bhopal, Rajkot, Chandigarh, Mangalore, Aurangabad, and Jamnagar.

**Terminals**

There is only one terminal at the Porbandar Airport, with one boarding gate. The total capacity of this terminal is 100 each for arrivals and departures. Spread over 4,316 square meters, there are 6 check-ins and one security counter at the terminal.

**Traveling Around**

General taxi services are easily available from the airport to get to other destinations in the city. In addition, travelers can also choose general auto services that are available just outside the airport.

**Services and Facilities**

There are 2 X-ray baggage screening facilities at this airport. In addition, passenger services like free trolleys, a telephone security hold area, lost and found baggage counter, mobile charging facilities, and drinking water are available.

Wheelchairs, assistance to the physically challenged and senior passengers, a childcare room, and medical facilities for travelers are also available within the terminal building.

**Things to Do**

While awaiting their flights, passengers can enjoy delicious snacks and fast food at the snack bar located at the departure lounge. Vending machines also provide travelers with hot and cold beverage options.

**Hotels**

Affordable stay options in close proximity to the Porbandar Airport include Hotel Sheetal, Hotel Kuber, and Moon Palace. Travelers can also opt for luxury hotels such as Hotel Harmony, Lords Eco Inn, Natraj Hotel, and Hotel Lila’s. Bed & breakfast stay options include Hotel Azura, New Oceanic Hotel, and Hotel Atithi.

**Tips for Fliers**

* Located on the West Coast of India, Porbandar enjoys moderate weather throughout the year, but the best time to visit is between the months of October and March.

**Nearby Attractions**

There are plenty of tourist attractions worth visiting in the area, with one of the most popular being Kirti Mandir, which is near Gandhi’s birthplace. It has now been converted to a museum with his memorabilia, books, spinning hall, and a meditation hall. The Tara Mandir is a planetarium in the city and is popular for its regular shows that showcase the magnificence of the solar system. Bharat Mandir, which is a dedication to the country, has several sculptures, pictures, exhibits, and symbols. Darbargadh Fort is a fortified palace constructed in the Rajput style by Rana Sartanji and lies in the midst of a garden representing different seasons.

If you plan to shop for local handicrafts and textiles visit the shops on M G Road. When shopping for textiles and garments don’t forget the local “Bandhani”, which is a special type of sari. Traditional designs in laharia and chunari prints are also popular in Porbandar. Travelers can also shop for handicrafts made from brass, clay, and iron, silver jewelry, and handmade carpets in the local markets.