**Tiruchirapalli**

**Tiruchirapalli International Airport (TRZ)**

Located on National Highway 210 connecting the city of Tiruchirapalli (better known as Trichy) with Rameswaram is the Tiruchirapalli International Airport, also referred to as Trichy International Airport. The airport is the third-largest in the state of Tamil Nadu in terms of cargo and passenger movements, ranking just after the airports at Chennai and Coimbatore respectively. Trichy airport received international status in the year 2012 although it was established during World War II by the British. During the war, the airport was used for landing damaged aircrafts by the British Air Force and civilian services commenced in the airport only after the war.

**Flight Information**

Trichy is connected to Chennai in Tamil Nadu with frequent flight services. Air India Express, Jet Airways and JetKonnect connect Trichy to Chennai. Trichy is also connected to many international cities such as Kuala Lumpur, Dubai, Singapore and Colombo. International flight operations at the airport are handled by Air Asia, Air India Express, Malindo Air, SriLankan Airlines and Tigerair.

**Terminals**

The new integrated terminal at Trichy airport was inaugurated in 2009 and is equipped to handle over 470 passengers during peak hours. The old terminal that was originally used for domestic flight services has been converted to an international cargo complex.

**Traveling in and around**

Trichy railway station is located at a distance of around 7 km from the airport and takes about 15 minutes to reach by road. Frequent buses and private taxis ply between the two. The National Highway bus station is just 100 m away from the terminal. Buses connect the airport to all major parts of the city and its neighboring towns.

**Services and Facilities**

The new integrated terminal at the airport has 20 check-in and 16 immigration counters for the convenience of passengers. Travel lounges such as the VIP lounge and CIP lounge are available at the airport. The terminal also has basic and essential facilities such as medical aids, baggage services, wheel chairs, ATMs, health office counter, e-tourist visa facility and state-of-the-art security systems.

**Things to Do**

Passengers waiting to board flights can make use of the tourist information center and communication platforms as well as sample fare from a wide range of restaurants and snack bars that offer lip smacking South Indian food. Duty-free stores are available at the airport for making last minute purchases.

**Hotels**

Trichy has many accommodation options in the vicinity of the airport. Hotels in the city are reasonably priced and most are comfortable and safe. Maya Residency is a business class hotel highly recommended by tourists who have visited the city. Breeze Residency, Ramyas Hotel, Hotel High Point and Hotel Royal Sathyam are some of the options in the affordably priced accommodation category.

**Helpful Tips**

Trichy has a number of flights arriving and departing to and from South East Asia, Middle East and Sri Lanka. A tourist information center is available at the terminal for the convenience of the passengers who visit Trichy and other cities in Tamil Nadu.

**Nearby Attractions**

Trichy is more popularly called the temple city because of the number of temples here. The Jambukeswarar Temple is a large temple of Lord Shiva and is one of the most visited in South India. The Rock Fort Temple built atop a huge rock is home to Lord Shiva and Lord Ganesha. Sri Ranganathaswamy Temple, Sri Ayyappan Temple, Brahmapureeswarar Temple and Srirangam Melur Ayyanar Temple are some of the popular places of worship that are prime tourist attractions in Trichy.