**Vadodara**

**Civil Airport Harni (BDQ)**

Located in the suburb of Harni, about 7 km from the city center in the state of Gujarat is the Vadodara Airport also referred to as Civil Airport Harni. The airport at Vadodara is currently a domestic airport slated to commence international flight services by the end of March 2016. A new terminal with state-of-the-art amenities is under construction with more than 50 percent work completed. The new terminal is expected to complete its construction activities by the end of 2015 and introduce passenger-friendly facilities before March 2016. Located at Vadodara, one of the most popular tourist destinations in Gujarat; the introduction of international flight operations is expected to create maximum positive influence on the economy of the city and the state.

**Flight Information**

Vadodara is connected to India's metropolitan cities such as Delhi, Mumbai, Bangalore, Hyderabad and Chennai. Air India, IndiGo and Jet Airways connect the city to the metros with regular flight services. The new integrated terminal is slated to witness an increased number of airline operations and maximized number of destinations both within the country and overseas.

**Terminals**

Vadodara airport has a domestic terminal. The existing terminal is small with limited facilities and hence is not equipped to handle large numbers of passengers. However, construction of the new integrated terminal is underway by a US-based architectural firm. The terminal is expected to combine the most advanced infrastructure with world-class passenger-friendly amenities.

**Traveling in and around**

The railway station at Vadodara is located around 5 km from the airport and the two are well-connected by road. Frequent buses are available from the airport to different parts of the city and neighboring towns. The domestic terminal has car rentals and pre-paid taxi counters to help tourists commute to their destination easily and conveniently.

**Services and Facilities**

The domestic terminal at Vadodara airport has limited but adequate facilities available for passengers such as trolleys, wheel chairs, medical rooms, child care rooms and lost and found baggage counter. The airport has a car rental counter and hotel reservations desk that help passengers arriving at the airport make the best of their stay at Vadodara.

**Things to Do**

While the new terminal is a much-awaited project that promises plenty of facilities and opportunities for passengers and travelers at Vadodara airport; the existing domestic terminal has few restaurants and snack bars, a book stall, garment shops and bakeries. The dome of the domestic terminal has an imposing dome decorated with cultural influences from beautiful Gujarati traditions.

**Hotels**

Travelers who seek luxury accommodation at Vadodara have a number of options to choose from that include The Gateway Hotel and The Oasis Hotel. Hotel Harmony, Kalyan Hotel and Hotel Ambassador offer budget-friendly accommodation in the city.

**Helpful Tips**

Vadodara is a year-round flying destination and hence does not pose any climatic troubles with regards to flying. The terminal has an information desk that helps foreign tourists explore the city and neighboring towns better.

**Nearby Attractions**

Vadodara is a popular tourist destination in the state of Gujarat primarily because it has a varied range of attractions. The city is home to palaces, temples, museums, lakes, forts and monuments as well as good number of shopping destinations that sell traditional handicrafts and textiles. Laxmi Vilas Palace, EME Temple, Sayaji Baug, ISKCON, Maharaja Fatesingh Museum, Tapovan Temple and Sursagar Lake are some of the many places of interest in the city.