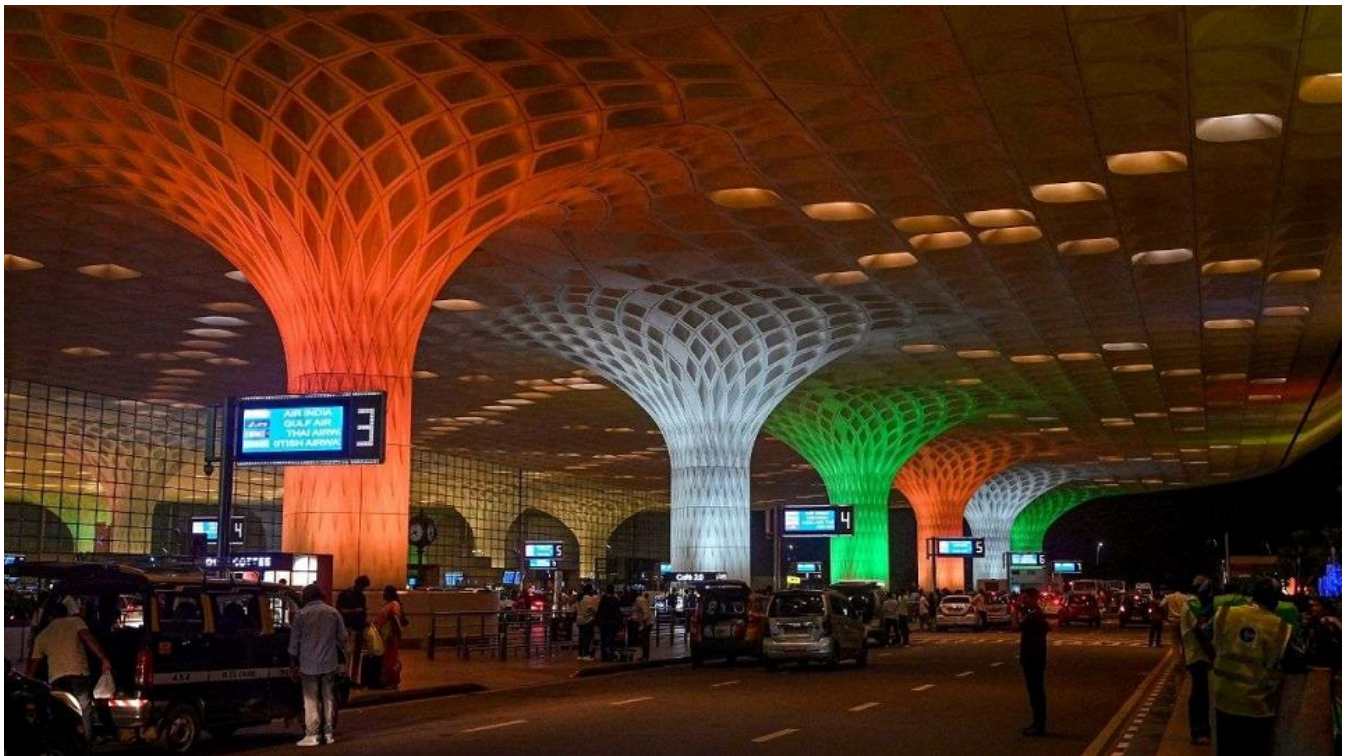


Mumbai airport to close for 6 hours on May 8

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Dhaka: Flight operations at Mumbai's Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj International Airport (CSMIA) will be suspended for six hours on May 8 due to scheduled runway maintenance ahead of the monsoon season, the airport operator MIAL announced on Saturday (April 19).

The Mumbai International Airport Ltd (MIAL) also said that the mandatory NOTAM (Notice to Airmen) was issued six months in advance to notify all stakeholders, enabling airlines to adjust their flight schedules well ahead of time and plan accordingly.

The scheduled pre-monsoon maintenance work on both the runways- 09/27 and 14/32-- will be undertaken between 11 am-17 pm, MIAL said.

During this period both the primary runway (09/27) and secondary runway (14/32) will be temporarily non-operational, it said.

This annual pre-monsoon maintenance is crucial for preserving the

health and longevity of the airport airside infrastructure, it added.

Specialists will inspect runway surfaces for wear and tear, addressing preventive measures for waterlogging to ensure safe landing and take-offs during the monsoon season, MIAL said.

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