



SOLAR-RUN COCHIN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT TO DOUBLE ITS POWER CAPACITY

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The Cochin International Airport, the first airport in the world to operate completely on solar power, will double its capacity from present 13.1 MW.

A decision in this regard was taken at director board meeting of the CIAL chaired by Chief Minister Oommen Chandy here today.

Foreseeing that the power usage in the airport will be doubled with the completion of the new international terminal, the board decided to increase the solar electricity generation capacity.

A CIAL release said it would help the airport retain its tag as the fully solar-powered airport in the world.

Scripting a new chapter, the CIAL in August this year became the first airport in the world to operate completely on solar power.

Chandy had inaugurated the 12 MWp solar power plant, comprising 46,150 solar panels laid across 45 acres near the cargo complex. It added to the 1.1 MW power already being generated.

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