

A-380 may land in Hyderabad

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Oct. 6: The Airbus A-380, the world's largest aircraft, is now likely to land at the old Hyderabad Begumpet airport on October 16, the second day of the India Aviation 2008 air-show and conference at Hyderabad. The airshow will be held from October 15 to 18. Civil aviation ministry joint secretary Arun Mishra said that the giant aircraft would now land on October 16 instead of the inaugural day since the government was keen that spectator interest should be retained on all days of the airshow and not just the first day.

The A-380 aircraft — which will be one of the prime attractions at the India Aviation 2008 — will enthral spectators by performing a low flypast over the Begumpet Hyderabad airport in the same manner as the aircraft had done over New Delhi Indira Gandhi International airport in May last year.

The giant aircraft would be stationed for both "static and flying display".

The government had announced last week that the India Aviation 2008 air-show will be a biennial event on the lines of the Bengaluru air show for defence aircraft.

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