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## **All Nippon Airways to Commence Narita - Chennai Service on 27 October 2019!**

**- Only Direct Flight Service Between Japan and South India!~**

All Nippon Airways (ANA) will commence a new service between Narita and Chennai on 27 October 2019. This will be the only direct flight service between Japan and South India. The new service will greatly improve the convenience for business and leisure travelers between the two countries.

Chennai, one of the four largest cities in India, is the gateway to South India and overlooks to the Bay of Bengal. Once known as Madras, Chennai is packed full of excitements for the traveler with cityscape of historical buildings and a culture that has grown and developed at the crossroads where East meets West.

With a population more than 4.6 million, Chennai also serves as the economic center of South India with diplomatic establishments abroad and corporate branches from all over the world.

Narita Airport remains committed to expanding its network with new destinations so that we can offer a greater convenience for our customers. Take advantage of Narita Airport's extensive network of destinations, now even more with the ANA Chennai service.



Chennai Central railway station



Chennai City center

Photos: Courtesy of ANA

- Launch Date: 27 October 2019
- Route: Narita - Chennai (India)
- Aircraft: B787-8 (Seating capacity: 169 (46 Business class, 21 Premium Economy, 102 Economy class))
- Flight schedule: 3 times a week (Sun, Wed, Fri)

Flight Nos.	Origin	Departure Time	Destination	Arrival Time
NH825	Tokyo/Narita (NRT)	11:10	Chennai (MAA)	17:45
NH826	Chennai (MAA)	20:30	Tokyo/Narita (NRT)	07:25 (+1)

\* Departure and arrival times in Narita will be 30 minutes later between October 27 and November 30, and 10 minutes later between March 1 and 28.

\* All times are local times

\* Conditional upon government approval.

\* Please be aware that schedules, etc. are subject to possible change.



Photo: Courtesy of ANA

## ANA Will Offer Routes from Narita to Chennai



- ANA will begin servicing a new route from Narita to Chennai on October 27, 2019.

**TOKYO, July 18, 2019** - All Nippon Airways (ANA), Japan's largest 5-Star airline for seven consecutive years, will begin serving a route connecting Tokyo Narita International Airport and Chennai International Airport on October 27, 2019 utilizing the Boeing 787-8 aircraft. This expansion will bring ANA's number of total cities serviced to 46. This is the latest in a series of moves that increase the size of ANA's Asia/Oceania network, including the recently announced [route from Narita to Perth](#) that begins service on September 1, 2019.

The new Chennai flight is part of ANA's global strategy which prioritizes world-class international passenger service. When service begins this October, ANA will be the only airline providing direct flights from Japan to South India. This will be ANA's third route offering service to India, along with flights from Narita to Mumbai and Delhi.

Route	Narita = Chennai Starting from October 27, 2019
Schedule (Local Times)	NH 825 Narita 11:10 ⇒ Chennai 17:45 NH 826 Chennai 20:30 ⇒ Narita 7:25 (+1) Wed, Fri, Sun* <sup>1</sup> As for the departure and arrival time in Narita, from October 27 until November 30, it will be delayed 30 minutes, and from March 1 until March 28, it will be delayed 10 minutes
Aircraft	Boeing 787-8 (169 seats : 46 Business Class / 21 Premium Economy / 102 Economy Class)
Reservation and Sales	Starting from July 24, 2019

\*1 The operation dates and aircraft types are subject to government approval and may change without notice.

"It is always exciting to add a new destination, but it is even more significant to be the only carrier offering connecting this growing region with Japan," said Seiichi Takahashi, Senior Vice President of ANA. "International passenger service is the main revenue generator for the ANA Group, and we hope to continue improving our market share in this dynamic sector as outlined in our [Mid-Term Corporate Strategy for FY2018-2022](#). The new Chennai route will bring ANA's world-class quality travel service to a beautiful and under-served region that is home to millions of potential new customers."

With a rich history and distinct cultural identity within India, Chennai is full of celebrated attractions such as grand Hindu temples, breathtaking architecture and ancient ruins that are registered on UNESCO's World Heritage List. Chennai is also home to India's second largest harbor and its manufacturing base has earned it the nickname the "Detroit of India." Chennai's central role in India's automobile industry means that the Narita – Chennai flight can also be used to transport cargo in addition to passengers.

ANA is continually seeking out new ways to better serve customers worldwide. One approach to this goal is by expanding its travel network to reach currently un-served destinations. By providing new routes and enlarging its reach, ANA is working to make travel as safe, pleasant and convenient as possible for as many people as possible.

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#### **About ANA**

Following the "Inspiration of Japan" high quality of service, ANA has been awarded the respected 5-Star rating every year since 2013 from SKYTRAX. ANA is the only Japanese airline to win this prestigious designation seven years in a row. Additionally, ANA has been recognized by *Air Transport World* as "Airline of the Year" three times in the past 10 years - 2007, 2013 and 2018, becoming one of the few airlines winning this prestigious award for multiple times.

ANA was founded in 1952 with two helicopters and has become the largest airline in Japan, as well as one of the most significant airlines in Asia, operating 81 international routes and 119 domestic routes. ANA offers a unique dual hub model which enables passengers to travel to Tokyo and connect through the two airports in the metropolitan Tokyo, NARITA and HANEDA, to various destinations throughout Japan, and also offers same day connections between various North American, Asian and Chinese cities.

ANA has been a member of Star Alliance since 1999 and has joint venture partnerships with United Airlines, Lufthansa German Airlines, Swiss International Airlines and Austrian Airlines.

Besides the full service and award winner carrier ANA, the ANA Group has two LCCs as consolidated subsidiaries, Vanilla Air Inc. and Peach Aviation Limited. The ANA Group carried 53.8 million passengers in FY2017, has approximately 39,000 employees and a fleet of 260 aircraft. ANA is a proud launch customer and the biggest operator of the Boeing 787 Dreamliner.

For more information, please refer to the following link.

<https://www.ana.co.jp/group/en/>