

Shipping from China to Noida

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China → Noida · via DEL air / Mundra sea · clearance by Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC)



Cargo handling on the China–Noida lane.

Noida is electronics assembly and export zone, and it is served through DEL air / Mundra sea. That combination is what actually sets your delivery date on this lane — allow +2 days for the inland leg on top of clearance.

On the destination side, Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) handles clearance; budget 3–8 days of dwell before the cargo is released.

Import duty and tax position for Noida

Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) assesses duty and tax on cargo arriving for Noida consignees. Current regime: Basic customs duty 0–20% plus IGST 5–28% plus a social welfare surcharge of 10% of the duty, with a de-minimis position of No commercial de-minimis; gift relief up to INR 5,000 only.

Conformity is the part most first-time importers underestimate: BIS registration under the Compulsory Registration Scheme for electronics; WPC/ETA approval for wireless devices; the consignee must hold a valid Importer-Exporter Code (IEC). Getting this wrong is expensive because it usually cannot be fixed after the cargo has landed.

Restrictions and known friction points for India: BIS registration for electronics is enforced strictly and cannot be fixed after arrival. Toys, steel and several electronics categories need quality-control-order compliance. Confirm the consignee's IEC and GSTIN before the goods leave China.

How this lane actually runs

India is the largest South Asian lane but the least DDP-friendly. Duty and IGST must be paid against the consignee's own IEC and GSTIN, so a true door-to-door DDP where the forwarder acts as importer is rarely possible — in practice the structure is DAP with duty prepaid on the buyer's behalf. Clarify this before quoting, because it changes who can recover the IGST input credit.

Air gateways used	DEL (Delhi), BOM (Mumbai), MAA (Chennai)
Air transit, China to gateway	2-5 business days
Sea gateways used	Nhava Sheva (JNPA, Mumbai), Mundra, Chennai
Sea transit, China to gateway	7-14 calendar days
Gateway serving Noida	DEL air / Mundra sea
Inland leg to Noida	+2 days from the gateway
Typical clearance / dwell	3-8 days
Peak season to plan around	Aug-Nov



Handling on the DEL air / Mundra sea routing serving Noida.

Before you book: Noida checklist

- Confirm the consignee in Noida can act as importer of record — Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) will not release cargo to an unregistered party.
- Put the Noida delivery address, contact name and phone number on the invoice, not just the packing list.
- Get the conformity paperwork moving early: BIS registration under the Compulsory Registration Scheme for electronics; WPC/ETA approval for wireless devices; the consignee must hold a valid Importer-Exporter Code (IEC).
- Budget for the inland leg: +2 days beyond gateway clearance to reach Noida.
- Ask for the HS code in writing from your supplier and verify the India duty rate against it yourself.
- Use ISPM-15 treated pallets. Untreated wood is the most common reason otherwise-clean cargo gets held.

Air, sea or overland into Noida?

Mode	Transit to gateway	Best suited to
→ Air Freight	2-5 business days	time-critical, high-value and low-volume cargo
☐ Sea Freight	7-14 calendar days	volume cargo where cost per kilo matters more than speed

Transit shown is China departure to the India gateway and excludes the +2 days inland leg to Noida and 3-8 days of clearance.

Mode guides for Noida

- [➔ Air Freight to Noida](#)
- [🚢 Sea Freight to Noida](#)

Frequently asked questions

How long does shipping from China to Noida take?

China to the India gateway is 2–5 business days by air, 7–14 calendar days by sea. On top of that, allow 3–8 days of clearance with Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) and a +2 days inland leg to Noida.

What duty and tax will I pay importing into Noida?

Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) applies: Basic customs duty 0–20% plus IGST 5–28% plus a social welfare surcharge of 10% of the duty. The de-minimis position is No commercial de-minimis; gift relief up to INR 5,000 only. Under a DDP arrangement these are pre-paid, so nothing is collected on arrival in Noida.

Which port or airport does cargo for Noida clear through?

Cargo for Noida is routed via DEL air / Mundra sea. Sea gateways for India are Nhava Sheva (JNPA, Mumbai), Mundra, Chennai; air gateways are DEL (Delhi), BOM (Mumbai), MAA (Chennai). We pick whichever gives the shortest total door time for your address.

What certification do I need for India?

For regulated goods, plan for: BIS registration under the Compulsory Registration Scheme for electronics; WPC/ETA approval for wireless devices; the consignee must hold a valid Importer-Exporter Code (IEC). Missing conformity paperwork is the single most common cause of a hold, and in most cases it cannot be remedied once the cargo has arrived.

When is the busiest time on the China–India lane?

Space and rates tighten around Aug–Nov, plus the China-side windows of Chinese New Year in January or February and Golden Week in early October. Book one to two weeks earlier in those periods.

Is sea freight cheaper than air freight into Noida?

Per kilo, yes — usually by a wide margin. The trade-off is time: 7–14 calendar days by sea versus 2–5 business days by air to the India gateway, before clearance and the +2 days inland leg. The crossover point is normally somewhere between 100 and 300 kg depending on the density of your cargo.

Other delivery cities in India

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References & official sources

Duty rates, thresholds and conformity requirements for India change by ministerial decision, sometimes mid-year. The figures on this page are buyer-planning references, not a customs ruling — confirm the current position for your own HS code with Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) or your broker before you ship.

- [Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs \(CBIC\)](#)
- [Indian Customs tariff and ICEGATE](#)
- [Bureau of Indian Standards \(BIS\)](#)
- [WTO — Tariff Profiles \(applied MFN duty by country\)](#)
- [WCO — Harmonized System nomenclature](#)
- [IMO — IMDG Code for dangerous goods by sea](#)
- [IATA — Lithium battery shipping guidance \(PI 965–970\)](#)

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Shipping by industry

This page covers the route and clearance picture for the destination. Packing, classification and the compliance step that actually holds a shipment depend on what you are sending — these guides cover that by commodity.

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Checking the India duty position yourself

Every duty and tax figure quoted on this page is our working estimate for planning, not a ruling. The binding rate for your consignment is whatever [Indian Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs](#) applies against your declared HS code on the day of entry, and their published guidance is the source to check before you commit stock.

Most landed-cost surprises trace back to classification rather than freight. [the WCO Harmonized System](#) defines the heading structure every customs administration builds on, and [ITC Market Access Map](#) will show you the duty a given heading attracts in this destination.

For ocean cargo, restricted commodities move under [the IMO's IMDG Code](#), and the container has to be declared and stowed accordingly. Batteries, flammables and corrosives all have a compliant ocean path; what causes rolled bookings is finding out about them after the container is packed.

For a wider view of how importing into India actually works — documentation norms, inspection behavior, the paperwork that tends to hold shipments — the [U.S. ITA guide to India customs regulations](#) is a useful independent read alongside our own lane notes.

Watch: the process behind this route

This guide covers routing and clearance for Noida. The video below covers the wider shipping process that sits around it.

Sea Freight from China: How to import from China to your country via Ocean Shipping — SINO Shipping. Published on YouTube by a third party; we link it because it explains the process well, not because we produced it or endorse the provider.

Get a rate for Noida

This lane is quoted per shipment rather than from a published rate card, because the landed cost depends on the commodity, its density, the conformity requirements above and the delivery point. Send the cargo details and we will come back with a full DDP figure.

[Request a quote →](#) [See the India route page →](#)

Freight Rates to India

✚ Cargo Weight (KG)

☐ Enter the actual gross weight of your shipment in kilograms. If you're unsure, fill in the volume fields below and we'll calculate it for you.

☐ Or enter volume (cm) — volumetric weight ÷6000

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Non-integers rounded up. Larger of actual vs volumetric is used.

☐ Number of Boxes

Total chargeable weight = weight per box × number of boxes.

⚠ When you have not filled in the volume information, our prices may be inaccurate.

Shipping from China to Noida, India: Cost & Transit

Shipping to Noida: gateway DEL air / Mundra sea, +2 days inland after release, duty assessed by Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC). Transit, documents and restrictions.

Get a Quote

Send the cargo details and we respond within one business day with a full DDP figure for Noida.

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Customs clearance in India

Duty and tax position, certification, typical port dwell and what actually holds shipments at this border — plus who files the entry.

[India clearance requirements →](#)

Priced routes to India

- [Shanghai to Chennai Container Shipping — 20GP Rates](#)
- [Shanghai to Mundra FCL Ocean Freight Rates | 20GP & 40HQ](#)
- [Shanghai to Nhava Sheva FCL Ocean Freight Rates | 20GP & 40HQ](#)
- [Shekou to Kolkata FCL Ocean Freight Rates | 20GP & 40HQ](#)
- [Shekou to Mundra Container Shipping — 20GP Rates](#)
- [Shekou-Nhava Sheva Sea Freight: Container Rates and Schedule](#)