



How to reach Tawang?

Tawang unfortunately does not have a railway station or an airport, so you have to travel by a mixed option of air & road or rail & road. Tawang does have a helipad and direct helicopter flights to Tawang can be availed from Lokpriya Gopinath Bordoloi Airport, Guwahati. All the important contact number/ web links are mentioned at the end of this document.

1. By Air & Road

a) Tezpur, Sonibari Airport

If you are planning to fly to Tawang, the nearest airport, Sonibari Airport, is located in Tezpur. Direct flights to Tezpur airport are limited and can only be availed from Kolkata at the moment. From there, the road distance between Tezpur and Tawang is 330 km, so the journey takes 10 to 12 hours. You can get a cab from Tezpur which leaves every morning or by bus which leaves in the evening arriving early morning next day.

b) Guwahati, Lokpriya Gopinath Bordoloi Airport.

Lokpriya Gopinath Bordoloi Airport in Guwahati, is a better option as it is well connected with major cities of India. From there, the road distance between Guwahati & Tawang is approx. 450 kms and takes minimum 12 hours by road. Cabs are available from ASTC (Assam State Transport Corporation), Paltan Bazaar, Guwahati every morning. Buses are also available from the same location although it leaves at around 11:00 AM and reaches early morning next day. Please be advised that the bookings for all of the above should be done in advance as only limited number of seats are available at a time.

c) Helicopter service, Lokpriya Gopinath Bordoloi Airport, Guwahati

Operates on all days of the week except Sunday. With a limited seating capacity of 10 to 12 passengers on average, it is highly advisable to pre-book tickets for the Guwahati to Tawang helicopter service. Ticket reservations can be made by contacting the **counter at Guwahati Airport** or the **Aviation officer at Tawang**. Currently, online booking options are not available through the State Government.

The flight duration is approximately 55 minutes. However, it's crucial to note that the service is subject to various conditions, including VIP movement, adverse weather, patient evacuation, technical issues, passenger availability, and emergencies. The authorities responsible for the service will provide updates on the operational status two hours before departure. The average cost for a one-way helicopter ride from Guwahati to Tawang is approximately ₹4000 per person.

Local Transport and Arrangements in Tawang

Tawang Helipad is located 5 kms from the town and upon reaching the helipad, cabs are not available at the ready and prior arrangements of cabs will be required to get to your designated accommodation. You can contact our travel manager for arrangements.

2. By Rail & Road

The nearest railway station is located in Guwahati. From there, you have to travel by road or by helicopter as stated above.



Entry formalities/ What you need?

1. Inner Line Permit (ILP)

All non-residents of Arunachal Pradesh are required to carry an Inner ILP without which your stay is considered illegal and can be deported from the state. Verification of ILP is carried out at all entry corridors of the state. You can apply for a ILP online or offline. It is advised to apply for the ILP in advance of your travel dates to ensure smooth journey.

Online: <https://www.eilp.arunachal.gov.in/preTuristEilpKYC>

Offline: Contact travel manager.

2. Protected Area Permit (PAP) for foreign nationals only

All foreign nationals must compulsorily carry a PAP before entering the state. Foreign nationals can obtain PAP online by visiting <https://indianfro.gov.in/eservices/home.jsp> for a period of 30 days . It can also be availed physically from:

a. **Govt. of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi**

b. **The Resident Commissioner**

Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, Kautilya Marg,

Chanakyapuri, New Delhi.

Phone: 011-230113915/23013956/26880901

c. **The Secretary (Tourism)**

Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh

Itanagar-791111

Phone:0360-2212457

d. **The Commissioner (Home)**

Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh

Itangar-791111

Phone: 0360-2212632

Foreign tourists visiting Arunachal Pradesh shall have to pay USD 50 per head as Royalty to the Govt of Arunachal Pradesh and applications for PAP are to be applied through approved local tour operator only (details given below).



Sl. No.	Details/ Particulars	Contact Person/ Mode	Contact Number/ Web Link
1.	Monduro Travel Manager	Mr. Thinley Tsering	9077790104/ 9599567227
2.	<u>For helicopter booking</u>		
	a) Guwahati Counter	Offline	9085738939
	b) Tawang Counter	Civil Aviation Officer	9402221775
3.	<u>Inner Line Permit</u>		
	a) Online	Online	https://www.eilp.arunachal.gov.in/preTuristEllpKYC
	b) Offline	Mr. Thinley Tsering	9077790104/ 9599567227
4.	<u>Protected Area Permit for foreign nationals</u>		
	a) Web Application	Online	https://indianfro.gov.in/eservices/home.jsp
	b) Local Tour Operator	Mr. Menbi Riddi	Golden Mahseer Tours & Expeditions goldenmahseer169@gmail.com 7085649477/ 9863385933