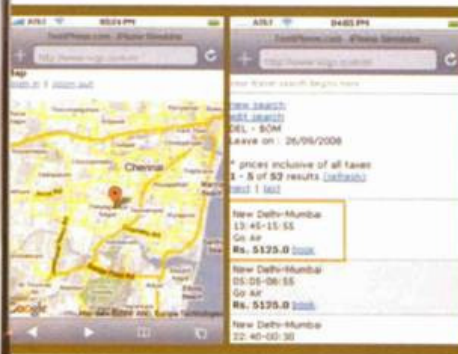


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With the holiday season round the corner, here's a convenient way to plan your trip

With growing awareness about the Internet, planning a holiday has become an easy task for all of us. Still it does require sitting in front of the computer and searching confusing travel sites for the best and cheapest options. Ok, you can do it on the laptop too but imagine trying to connect to the Internet through the data card and balancing the laptop on the city's bumpy roads. Believe us unless you have a million dollar car, you will feel the bumps. So for those who like things quick, easy and simple here is a great option.

All one needs to do is go to

<http://m.ixigo.com> on the phone's browser and select the flight search or hotel search option. Flight search lets you choose options from one way or round trips, destinations around the country, and date of departure and arrival. The search engine completes the search within 10 seconds and the results are shown in ascending order of the cost of the ticket. For booking the ticket one needs to choose the book option. Phone numbers of airlines are also provided.

For hotel bookings users can choose the destination, number of nights and rooms. Once the search is completed, the hotels are displayed in ascending order of cost but can be filtered on the basis of names and stars. One can also directly search through the names of hotels. There is also an option of viewing the details of hotels. This includes a

short write-up about the property, some photos and its position on Google Maps.

For booking rooms users can get the contact details of the booking agency and there is an option of automatic calling within five seconds. The good part is that one doesn't have to carry out a money transaction through GPRS as the connection may break anytime leading to possible loss of money. On the downside, since this facility requires an Internet connection, it is limited to only GPRS-enabled phones. Most importantly, this website is of great use if you wish to plan a quick trip and don't want to waste time on the PC or with travel agents. Moreover, it also lets you check whether the rates that you are getting are correct or not.

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