

NIE is located in Ayappakkam that is in the interiors of Ambattur, a suburb of Chennai (earlier name Madras). NIE is locally known as "**ICMR Hospital**" at **Ayappakkam Housing Board**. Major landmarks on the Madras (Chennai) Thiruvallur High (MTH or CTH) Road near NIE are the **Dunlop Tyre Factory** and **Ambattur Municipality** from where NIE is about 3 kilometers inside. The nearest landmark is **Ayappakkam Telephone Exchange**, which is at a distance of 50 meters from NIE.

## 1. From Chennai Airport

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NIE is around 20 km from the airport. Taxi or autorickshaw should take approximately 90 minutes to reach NIE via the Anna Salai, Kathipara junction, Inner Ring Road, Vadapalani, Koyambedu, Thirumangalam, Anna Nagar (West), Padi, Ambattur Industrial Estate, Dunlop, Ambedkar Statue and Ayappakkam Housing Board. Alternatively, the taxis could take the following route: Anna Salai, Kathipara junction, Porur, Maduravoyal Bye-Pass road, Ambattur Telephone Exchange / Industrial Estate, Athipet, Ayappakkam road, Ayappakkam Housing Board. This may take maximum of 60 minutes subject to traffic in two major junctions.

**Pre-paid taxis:** Available round-the-clock at the airport. The booking counters are inside the arrival terminal near the exit gate and few of them are outside the arrival area. The cost for the trip to NIE will be Rs. 600-700.

**Metro buses:** Ply from the bus stop on the main road outside the airport. Take Route Nos. **70L, L70, X70A, 70NS, LA70, 70CUNS** and get down at Ambattur Industrial Estate Bus Terminus. From there, changeover to Route No.147C, 73C, 77A, 63A to reach NIE (ICMR Stop). The bus tickets will cost you approximately Rs.30 and the journey time will be around 120 minutes.

**Sub-urban trains:** Board from Thirusulam station opposite the airport and purchase a ticket for Ambattur Station via Central Station. You should get down at Park Station, cross the road to the Moore Market Sub-urban Railway Terminal (multi-storey building adjacent to red building of Central Railway Station) to take the suburban line to reach Ambattur railway station. (At the Moore Market terminal take the train that goes to Ambattur and not the one going to Ennore). This will cost you around Rs.12 and the journey time will be around 90 minutes. From Ambattur Railway Station, hire an autorickshaw to NIE that will cost you approximately Rs.70-100.

## 2. From Chennai Central Railway Station

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NIE is approximately 30 km from the Chennai Central Railway Station. Taxi or autorickshaw should take approximately 90 minutes to reach NIE via the Poonamallee High Road, Kilpauk, Anna Nagar (East & West), Padi, Ambattur Industrial Estate, Dunlop, Ambedkar Statue and Ayappakkam Housing Board.

**Authorickshaws:** There is a pre-paid service outside the station. Please check the current rate at the counter.

**Call taxis:** These are run by private operators, which can be called over phone (Fast Track Phone No.044-24732020 / Friends Track Phone No.044-26256565 /26252525). Please mention your destination as near Ambattur. The trip will cost you around Rs.500-600.

**Sub-urban trains:** From the Chennai Central station, go to the Moore Market Suburban Terminal (multi-storey building adjacent to red building of Central Railway Station) and purchase a ticket for Ambattur Railway Station. (At the Moore Market Terminal take the train that goes to Ambattur and not the one going to Ennore).

From Ambattur Railway Station, hire an autorickshaw to NIE (Via Ambedkar Statue and Ayappakkam Housing Board) that will cost you approximately Rs.70-100.

**Metro Buses:** Come outside the station and cross the road (via subway) towards the bus stop in front of Government General Hospital. Take Bus Route Nos. **7H EXT, L7E, L15L, 20C FS, 20B, 20A, 61E, 61D EX, 61B, 61D, 71F, L71H, L71E, L120C, 120NS, L120, X120**. Ask for a ticket to Ambattur Industrial Estate (AIE) Terminus. On reaching the AIE Terminus, take bus Route No. 147C, 73C, 77A, 63A and get down in front of the Institute (ICMR Stop). The total cost of the journey for both buses will be approximately Rs.30 and the journey time will be one Hour.

### 3. From Egmore Railway Station

NIE is around 30 km from the Chennai Egmore Railway Station. Taxi or autorickshaw should take approximately 90 minutes to reach NIE via the Poonamallee High Road, Kilpauk, Anna Nagar (East & West), Padi, Ambattur Industrial Estate, Dunlop, Ambedkar Statue and Ayappakkam Housing Board.

**Autorickshaws:** There is no pre-paid service. The trip should cost you around Rs.400.

**Call taxis:** These are run by private operators, which can be called over phone (Fast Track Phone No.044-24732020 / Friends Track Phone No.044-26256565 /26252525). Please mention your destination as near Ambattur. The trip will cost you around Rs.300.

**Sub-urban trains:** From Egmore Station, purchase a ticket for Ambattur Railway station. Board the train on platform no. 9 and alight on Park Station (Next Station). Cross the road to the Moore Market Suburban Terminal (multi-storey building adjacent to red building of Central Railway Station) to take the suburban line to Ambattur railway station. (At the Moore Market terminal take the train that goes to Ambattur and not the one going to Ennore).

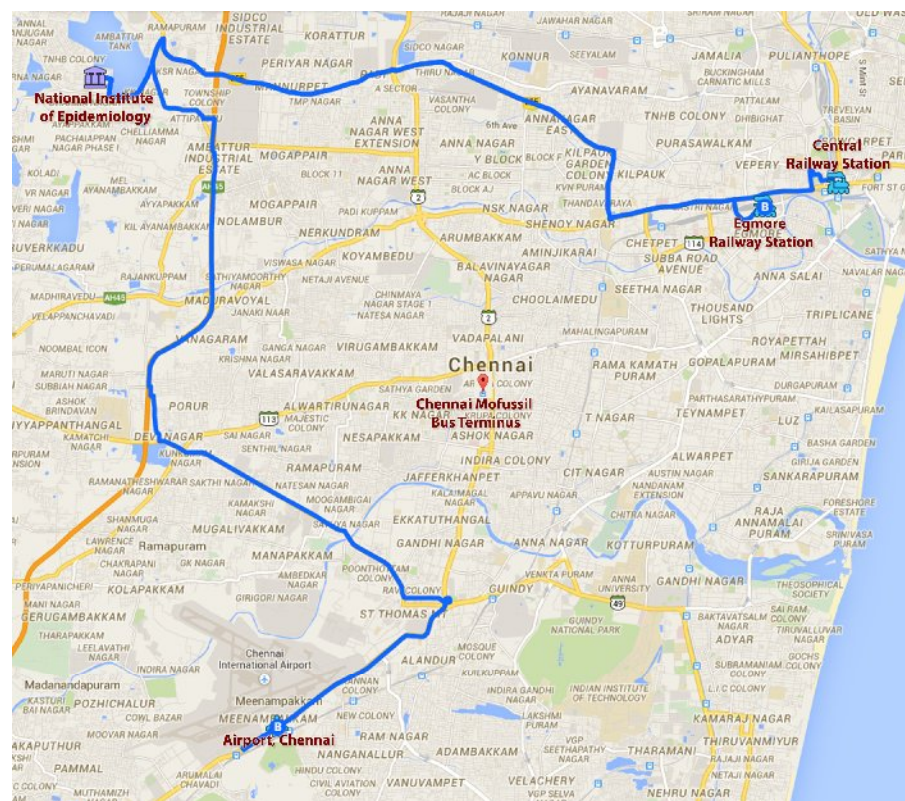
From Ambattur Railway Station, hire an autorickshaw to NIE (via Ambedkar Statue and Ayappakkam Housing Board) that will cost you approximately Rs. 70-100.

**Metro Buses:** Come outside, cross the road and board Route Nos. **20H, L22C, L22A, L40AC, 40EXT, L40A, 40** to Ambattur Industrial Estate (AIE) Terminus. On reaching the AIE Terminus, take bus Route No. 147C, 73C, 77A, 63A and get down in front of the Institute (ICMR Stop).

(Remember, while in Chennai bargain when you hire the auto rickshaws. Board the auto rickshaw only after mutual agreement for the fare).

### 4. Location map

Location of NIE / Ambattur in relation to important landmarks



(Link: [https://www.google.com/maps/d/edit?mid=zKSCFq\\_Rr7gl.kXn9fwHvBTsQ](https://www.google.com/maps/d/edit?mid=zKSCFq_Rr7gl.kXn9fwHvBTsQ))