AIRPORT EXIT

Blaise Diagne International Airport (DSS)

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THE ANSWER

Since 28 September 2026 the TER train has a station inside the terminal: 4,000 FCFA second class to Gare de Dakar in ~55 minutes, roughly every 24 minutes - until trains stop at 22:00.

For the airport's first nine years, everything was road over the toll motorway; the rail extension (Diamniadio->AIBD, 19 km) finally puts a fixed, traffic-free fare on the board.

Late landing (after 22:00)? The Dem Dikk express bus runs 24/7 for 6,000 FCFA - it leaves the airport one hour after your flight lands. Hotel across town? The train ends at Gare de Dakar (Plateau); door-to-door is a taxi or transfer.

EVERY WAY OUT — REAL PRICES

TER train to Gare de Dakar *BEST FOR MOST* **4,000 FCFA (2nd class)**

Phase 2 of the TER reached the aerogare on 28 Sep 2026 - follow signs to the footbridge station inside the terminal. ~55 min, every ~24 min on the airport leg; service ends around 22:00. First class published at 7,500-10,000 FCFA depending on source - check the counter. Cash tickets at the station.

Dakar Dem Dikk Express AIBD bus **6,000 FCFA fixed**

The airport authority's own page: 24/7 over the toll autoroute; from AIBD the bus departs one hour after your flight lands, and Dakar-side it leaves the HLM Grand-Yoff terminus opposite the Stade Leopold Sedar Senghor. A DiamniadioAIBD shuttle runs at 3,000 FCFA. Book via the Dem Dikk app or +221 78 184 58 23.

Yango / Heetch ride apps **15,000-25,000 FCFA (flagged range)**

App fares to Dakar show below taxi quotes, but few drivers position at DSS - 20-40 min waits are common and surge tops 30,000 FCFA at busy arrivals. Have data before you request.

Negotiated taxi from the rank **20,000-40,000 FCFA day; 35,000-50,000 night (flagged range)**

Semi-organised counter near the exit, but no meters anywhere - the fare is what you agree, and night arrivals have the fewest cars and the highest prices. Clarify whether the ~2,600 FCFA motorway toll is inside the agreed number.

Pre-booked private transfer **30,000-50,000 FCFA fixed (flagged range)**

Name board at arrivals, flight tracked, toll and parking included; Senegalese VTC operators publish ~30,000 FCFA all-taxes sedan rates to Dakar. Worth it after a long night flight.

THE TRAPS — WALK PAST THESE

The train stops at 22:00 - your flight may not

Watchgroups flag that a big share of long-haul arrivals land 22:00-03:00, when the TER simply isn't running; the shiny new rail link is a daytime tool only. **Do this:** night arrivals: take the 24/7 Dem Dikk bus (one hour after landing) or a booked transfer - not a hope of a train

Gare de Dakar is not your hotel

The TER lands you at the Plateau station with your bags, ~55 min out of the terminal - Almadies, Ngor or Ouakam add another taxi leg that can cost more than the train itself. **Do this:** price 4,000 FCFA + city taxi against a 30,000 FCFA door-to-door before choosing

Prices from the old DKR airport

The Yoff city airport (code DKR) closed in December 2017; recycled 'Dakar airport transfer' figures online predate Blaise Diagne's 45 km distance. Even the free-ride promo is dead: the new rail section was only free until 11 Oct 2026. **Do this:** anchor on today's published floor: 4,000 FCFA train, 6,000 bus, 20,000+ taxi

The toll arriving separately at the destination

Taxis quote a negotiated fare and then add the motorway toll (~2,600 FCFA) on top - a surprise at the gate after a 45-90 minute drive. **Do this:** ask 'peage compris?' before you load bags, and put the answer in the agreed price

KNOW BEFORE YOU WALK

- AIBD is now the line's 14th station - follow the 'Train' signs and the footbridge; buy at the station counter with FCFA cash.
- Keep your TER ticket until you exit the arrival station.
- Going to Saly, Somone or Mbour on the Petite Cote? You're 30-40 min from DSS - closer than Dakar; taxis negotiate 15,000-25,000 FCFA there.
- Dakar traffic swings the road time from 45 min to 90 min; the train's ~55 min is the only fixed number.
- If you'll cross town at rush hour, aim for a morning train: DakarDiamniadio runs every ~8 min, the airport leg every ~24.

TER opening (28 Sep 2026), 55 km line, frequencies and the 4,000 FCFA second-class fare read from SENTER/SETER's published grid as reported by Seneweb/Ndarinfo (first class listed at 7,500 on opening day and 10,000 in the paid grid - confirm at the counter). Bus 6,000/3,000 FCFA, timings and pick-up points read on the airport authority's own FAQ (aibd.sn). Taxi, app and transfer figures are flagged 2026 ranges (airporttransferportal, dakar-vtc.com).

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