

# Media Release



## Operating Indicators for January 2018

**SINGAPORE, 26 February 2018** – Singapore Changi Airport registered 5.30 million passenger movements in January, a 0.9% year-on-year increase. Aircraft movements were 2.8% higher with 32,490 landings and takeoffs, while airfreight throughput rose 10.7% to reach 175,590 tonnes, compared to the same period last year.

Passenger traffic for the month remained stable compared to a year ago, which saw travel boosted by the Lunar New Year holidays<sup>1</sup> in January 2017. Among Changi's top 10 country markets, Japan (+11%), India (+9%) and Thailand (+9%) led the gainers. Major city routes that recorded strong traffic growth of at least 8% included Bangkok, Chennai and London.

As at 1 February 2018, more than 100 airlines operate at Changi Airport, connecting Singapore to some 400 cities in about 100 countries and territories worldwide. With more than 7,200 weekly scheduled flights, an aircraft takes off or lands at Changi roughly once every 80 seconds.

Changi Airport's traffic statistics are available at

<http://www.changiairport.com/corporate/about-us/traffic-statistics.html>.

### **Other highlights at Changi<sup>2</sup>**

**New Services** – Indonesia AirAsia started daily services to Padang – the first new city link for Changi Airport this year, as well as daily services connecting Singapore and Medan. JC (Cambodia) International Airlines has also joined Changi's family of airlines, operating daily services between Singapore and Phnom Penh. Scoot also commenced thrice weekly services to Kuantan.

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<sup>1</sup> The Lunar New Year public holidays fell on 28 January and 29 January in 2017

<sup>2</sup> For the period 1 January to 15 February 2018

**New Restaurants & Stores** – In the public areas, the popular *Hokkaido Baked Cheese Tart* has opened its first Changi Airport store in Terminal 3's (T3) Basement 2, offering baked tarts with a blend of high quality specialty cheeses. *F.EAST, Flavours of the East* has also opened in T3 (Level 3), offering potato chips created with unique flavours – such as *laksa* (a spicy noodle soup).

In the transit areas, Italian footwear brand *Superga* has opened its first store in Changi at Terminal 1. *Encik Tan*, serving popular Singaporean food, and *Heavenly Wang*, serving local favourites such as the traditional *kaya* (pandan-flavoured coconut jam) toast, have also opened outlets in T3. Following its first outlet in Terminal 4, WH Smith has progressively opened four other outlets in Terminals 1 and 2, providing journey essentials for all passengers.

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### ***About Changi Airport Group***

Changi Airport Group (Singapore) Pte Ltd (CAG) ([www.changiairportgroup.com](http://www.changiairportgroup.com)) was formed on 16 June 2009 and the corporatisation of Singapore Changi Airport (IATA: SIN, ICAO: WSSS) followed on 1 July 2009. As the company managing Changi Airport, CAG undertakes key functions focusing on airport operations and management, air hub development, commercial activities and airport emergency services. CAG also manages Seletar Airport (IATA: XSP, ICAO: WSSL) and through its subsidiary Changi Airports International, invests in and manages foreign airports.

Changi Airport is the world's sixth busiest airport for international traffic. It served a record 62.2 million passengers from around the globe in 2017. Changi Airport has 400 retail and service stores, as well as 140 F&B outlets. With over 100 airlines providing connectivity to 400 cities worldwide, Changi Airport handles about 7,200 flights every week, or about one every 80 seconds.