

Media Release

Better late than never - Singaporean picked as last finalist for ‘Be a Changi Millionaire’

The stage is set for the Millionaire Grand Draw showdown come January 2014!

SINGAPORE, 17 December 2013 – The sixth and final lucky shopper at Changi Airport to qualify as a grand draw finalist for the ‘Be a Changi Millionaire’ 2013 is a 34-year-old relationship manager from Singapore. Ms Thum Pei Xing joins five other finalists to be in the running for the windfall of S\$1 million in cash – the life-changing grand prize that one lucky winner will walk away with, at the dramatic finale come January 2014.

In October, Ms Thum was travelling with a close friend on a much anticipated getaway to Spain when she shopped at Changi Airport before her flight. Her purchase of two bottles of shampoo from Kiehl’s at the Terminal 2 Departure Transit Mall gave her a double stroke of luck. “Every time I travel, I will buy for my dad his favourite Kiehl’s shampoo, as the price at Changi is significantly lower than that at the downtown outlets,” said Ms Thum.

As a result of this purchase, she won an adorable ‘Good Luck’ Care Bear plush toy at the ‘Be a Changi Millionaire’ instant game stand, as well as a one-in-six chance to become an instant millionaire.

Ms Thum revealed that she had the habit of checking-in at least two hours before her flight, for her to have sufficient time to enjoy a meal and do some shopping before boarding.

“Changi Airport is very clean and has a relaxing ambience. I really love shopping here especially at the Perfumes & Cosmetics stores because the prices are very competitive, and I know I can get a lot of savings,” Ms Thum said.

“As we live very near the airport, my family and I like to dine here on weekends and special occasions even when we are not travelling. Our favourite restaurant is Crystal Jade at Terminal 2’s public area as my parents love Cantonese cuisine.”



Ms Thum is the second Singaporean finalist for the 'Be a Changi Millionaire' 2013 grand draw. Among the six finalists, two are from Singapore, two from China, one each from Russia and Indonesia. With all the finalists determined, the stage is now set for an exciting grand finale in January 2014, where one of them will walk away S\$1 million richer.

The ecstatic finalist, who had already opened a bottle of wine to celebrate her glorious luck with her friends, had also sketched out her plans if she did win.

"I will donate part of my winnings to charity, make a down payment for my dream home and make plans to travel around the world, starting with Greece," Ms Thum quipped.

In addition to rallying her family and friends for support, Ms Thum intends to bring her 'Good Luck' Care Bear along to the grand draw, for an additional dose of good fortune. "When I won the instant game, I chose the bear with a four-leaf clover on its belly for good luck, and I will definitely bring it with me as my lucky charm at the grand draw!"

Organised by Changi Airport Group, 'Be a Changi Millionaire' 2013 is the fourth run of the airport's anchor promotion – Singapore's largest retail promotion in terms of prize-money. Since its launch in 2010, three shoppers have been made overnight millionaires at Changi Airport. Past winners include two Singaporeans and an Australian.

During the six-month 'Be a Changi Millionaire' promotion which ran from 1 May to 31 October 2013, one finalist was drawn each month for participation in the Grand Draw. Each finalist wins a cash prize of S\$5,000 each¹ and a three-night stay in Singapore. For more details of 'Be a Changi Millionaire', please visit www.changiairport.com/millionaire.

¹ Five finalists will get S\$5,000 while one wins the grand prize of S\$1 million

About Changi Airport Group

Changi Airport Group (Singapore) Pte Ltd (CAG) (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 (www.changiairport.com) is the world's most awarded airport with more than 450 accolades received since it opened in 1981. To serve passengers and visitors from the world over, there are about 350 retail stores and 120 F&B outlets across the airport's three terminals. Changi handled more than 51 million passenger movements in 2012, an annual record. Today, it serves more than 100 airlines flying to some 280 cities in about 60 countries and territories worldwide. A flight takes off or lands at Changi roughly once every 90 seconds.