

Qatar Airways to scrap first class from next-gen long haul aircraft

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Doha : Qatar Airways will not have first-class berths on its next-generation long-haul aircraft, said the airline's Chief Executive Officer Akbar Al Baker.

The airline boss mentioned that the investment in the most luxurious seats does not justify the returns, given that Qatar's business-class offering provides much of the same perks.

"Why should you invest in a subclass of an aeroplane that already gives you all the amenities that first class gives you," said Al Baker to a media in Istanbul on June 3, adding, "I don't see the necessity."

Al Baker says the future lies in business class, which Qatar has branded its "Q-suite" product. That is why, there will be no first class on its future next-generation Boeing Co 777X aircraft.

The Boeing Co 777X jets will become the biggest that the airline operates once it eventually retires all 10 of its Airbus SE A380s.