

Singapore's Changi Airport commencing Terminal 5 construction in early 2025

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Singapore : Construction of a new mega-terminal at Singapore's Changi airport will commence in the first half of 2025. The move follows the hub's efforts to grow the number of city links over the next 10 years. According to Singapore's Prime Minister Lawrence Wong, Changi's Terminal 5 will be able to handle up to 50 million passengers annually when operational in the mid-2030s, while the airport's current capacity is 90 million.

Speaking at the 40th anniversary dinner of the Civil Aviation Administration of Singapore on September 6, Wong said his government is also looking to "further liberalise" air services agreements with the addition of Changi's fifth terminal.

While Singapore is already connected to almost 150 cities, it is looking to expand the number of links to 200 by the mid-2030s.

"This will bring more passengers to Changi and Singapore, and create demand for the services of our broader aviation ecosystem," Wong added.

The prime minister also warned against "resting on our laurels", adding that countries in the region "are narrowing the gap with Singapore".

"Countries in our region and beyond are making significant investments to expand and improve their airport infrastructure, to capture more of this traffic," said Wong, who also flagged challenges to Singapore's status as an air hub in the region.

He added, "We must continue to sharpen our competitive edge and develop new advantages to set us apart."