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Airbus A320 makes emergency landing in Saint Petersburg

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Dhaka: An Airbus A320 made an emergency landing at Pulkovo Airport in Saint Petersburg early Monday(Oct 20) after a landing gear malfunction caused it to skid off the runway, Russian state media reported.

All 162 passengers and crew aboard the Baku-bound flight escaped unharmed. Airport operations were briefly suspended but resumed later in the morning.

Authorities have not yet identified the airline involved. The A320, which recently surpassed Boeing's 737 as the world's best-selling passenger jet, is widely used in Russia and has a strong safety record.

In recent years, Russia has been replacing aging Soviet-era aircraft with modern Airbus and Boeing models to enhance flight safety.