

Dubai airport still remains world's busiest airport

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Dhaka: Dubai International Airport (DXB) again became the world's busiest in December, 2021, with over one million more seats than the second busiest which it topped - London Heathrow.

According to aviation consultancy OAG, fewer European airports made it to its top 10 for December, down to six from eight in November, but the rankings remain relatively unchanged - with the exception of Frankfurt, which dropped from 5th to 6th busiest. Dublin dropped out of the list after being replaced by Miami in the 10th place.

Dubai's passenger capacity rose 15 per cent month-over-month to roughly 3.5 million seats in December as UAE welcomed thousands of visitors during its peak tourist season.

Dubai International's Terminal 3 served over 1.6 million passengers in the second-half of December during the month's peak seasonal period.

Following the opening of the final phase of Concourse A at Dubai International's (DXB) Terminal 3, the world's busiest international airport is now 100 per cent operational.

Visitors to Dubai exceeded 1 million during October, and DXB reached the important milestone of 1 million passengers per week in November, with origin-destination

passengers reaching 94 per cent of pre-pandemic levels.

Dubai International has hit the 99 per cent mark. The target has been reached on its inter-connection network, with 198 destinations now covered through 89 national and international carriers operating their flights to over 90 countries.

The milestone was achieved despite the latest 'Omicron' threat, which has prompted several countries, including UAE, to suspend flights from affected markets.