

## Qatar Airways, China Southern ink deal for codeshare partnership

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Dhaka: Qatar Airways and China Southern Airlines announced inking a codeshare agreement to enhance travel options as well as convenience for passengers. The move follows China Southern Airlines launch of a new Guangzhou-Doha route in April, 2024 with a Boeing 787-9 Dreamliner.

The Memorandum of Understanding outlines a framework for them to boost their market presence and collaboration in the areas of cargo and frequent flyer programmes.

Speaking on the occasion, Badr Mohammed Al-Meer, Group Chief Executive Officer, Qatar Airways, said, "As part of our robust partnership with China Southern Airlines, Qatar Airways is building on the success of the new route from Doha to Guangzhou, which was launched in April this year, to offer more choice to both airline

passengers.”

As part of the MoU, Qatar Airways and China Southern will provide their Privilege Club and Sky Pearl Club members with frequent flyer benefits. These include collecting and spending Avios/Miles on both Qatar Airways and China Southern flights, as well as tier benefits in the form of lounge access and other airport offerings.

Han Wensheng, President and Chief Executive, China Southern, said, “China Southern Airlines launched a direct route from Guangzhou to Doha in April, which has strongly promoted the connectivity between China and countries and regions along the ‘Belt and Road Initiative’. In the future, China Southern Airlines will deepen cooperation with Qatar Airways, strengthen complementary advantages, and work together to bring more comfortable and convenient travel experiences to our passengers.”

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