



Master Plan for Gadeokdo New Airport

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Making confirmation and announcement of the master plan at the end of this year while pursuing the establishment of a dedicated organization for timely airport opening

The Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport (MOLIT, Minister WON Hee-ryong) announced that it plans to confirm and announce the master plan of the Gadeokdo New Airport construction project, which has been being promoted as one of a major government projects by the Yoon Suk Yeol government.

This master plan was prepared through the basic plan design (Aug. 2022) in accordance with the roadmap for the opening of the airport in December 2029, announced by the MOLIT back in March, and the consultation on the assessment of strategic environmental impact is underway.

As Gadeokdo New Airport would be an international airport that can be operated 24 hours a day with the aim of opening in Dec. 2029, there will be also created a site for future use for runways, passenger and cargo terminals, airport access roads, railroad construction, as well as logistics and commercial facilities, etc.



In addition, as a result of research on an organization dedicated to airport construction for the timely opening of Gadeokdo New Airport, the establishment of the ‘Gadeokdo New Airport Construction Corporation’ was suggested to be the best alternative and it will be pursued through consultations with related ministries.

Deputy Minister of the Aviation Policy Office of MOLIT JEONG Yong-sik expressed, "We plan to push ahead with the project in earnest, including the announcement of the master plan at the end of this year and placement of a turnkey order for the site development early next year while rapidly pursuing administrative procedures in close cooperation with related institutes".

Moreover, "We will do our best to build a new airport with safety and quality in a timely manner as it is expected to greatly contribute to enhancing the economic vitality of Busan, Ulsan, and Gyeongnam regions through the linkage effect between the international aviation networks of Gadeokdo New Airport and global marine networks of Busan Newport.", he added.