

# KIAC UPDATE

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## The first plane to land on the second runway



Dedicated facilities for the 2nd Phase Airport Island at Kansai International Airport, to be opened on August 2nd of this year, are now nearly complete, and ground facility testing was conducted by the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport over the four-day period of January 29th through February 1st. The testing was designed to determine whether or not above-ground facilities such as the runway, the taxiway, the aviation lights, etc., meet Aviation Law standards. If no problems are found in the results of the testing, we should receive notice that the facilities have passed the inspection no later than early April.

On the first day of the testing, January 29th, testing was conducted by examination officers from the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport. The 4000-meter length of the second runway, along with its width, inclination, etc., were inspected.

Following the ground inspection, flight testing was conducted starting February 3rd. This phase of the testing involved determining whether or not the designated areas had the appropriate aviation safety facilities including wireless equipment, aviation lights, etc., whether the airplane takeoff/approach mechanism was appropriate, and other safety gauges. Testing utilized a Ministry test plane.

On the first day, February 3rd, testing was conducted with the Ministry's Bombardier Aerospace BD-700 plane with the Minister on board, making the plane the first to land on the second runway. Flowers were presented to the Minister when he stepped off of the test plane. The occasion was celebrated by a number of related parties including Hajime Miyamoto and Atsushi Murayama, Chairman and President of Kansai International Airport Co., Ltd. respectively, Yoshihisa Akiyama, Chairman of the Kansai Economic Federation, and Fusae Ota, Governor of Osaka Prefecture, as well as the press.

Once notification that the facilities have passed is conferred by the Ministry, KIAC will provide notice of the start date for the runway, which will then be noted in the Ministry's Aeronautical Information Publication. After a period of time in which information on the opening is provided globally, the second runway will open on August 2nd.

With the launch of the second runway, Kansai International Airport will not close even for runway maintenance, meaning the facility will be re-made to meet the standard for international airports of 24-hour operations.

### Topics During January to February

(★mark indicates topics with article)

January 20	★ Yokoso Japan Weeks at KIX starts	February 2	★ Miss Guam Tourism makes a courtesy call to KIAC
January 29	★ Ground facility testing starts	February 3	★ Flight testing starts/first plane to land on the second runway
January 31	★ KIX awarded the Ministry Prize for Energy Efficiency	February 28	New convenience stores open at International Cargo Area and Aero Plaza

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# ETC\* service launched for access bridge fare payment



The access bridge links Kansai International Airport with the opposite bank. The ETC system can be utilized to pay the fare as of March 1st, while until now users paid either in cash, credit card, or by coupon. Transit will be rendered far smoother with the use of the ETC.

\*Electronic Toll Collection System

## The Attractive Japanese Souvenir Contest 2007

The Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport holds the Attractive Japanese Souvenir Contest with a view to conveying the appeal of Japan to other countries and promoting tourism to Japan through souvenirs. The contest serves to identify and develop appealing Japanese souvenirs in terms of quality, design, etc. from the perspective of foreigners, through the selection of particularly appealing items. The contest features three divisions: folk art, non-perishable foods, and everyday/practical goods. The items are judged by foreign experts from the important markets of the Visit Japan Campaign (the U.S., Canada, the U.K., Germany, France, Korea, China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Australia, Singapore, and Thailand), along with Japanese experts steeped in the field of tourism.

In support of the contest, Kansai International Airport's "Cosmos" store, a shop specializing in Japanese souvenirs located in the International Transit Area, will carry the contest winners. At present, Cosmos continues to exhibit and sell last year's contest winners.



# Yokoso Japan Week

As part of the Land, Infrastructure and Transport Ministry's Visit Japan Campaign, launched as of 2003 and designed to increase the number of visitors to Japan to 10 million annually by the year 2010, the Yokoso Japan Week campaign, which is staged to correspond with the lunar new year celebrated in China, Korea, etc. (New Year's day this year under the lunar calendar is February 18th, 2007) was held at Kansai International Airport from January 20th-February 28th.

During this time, resident volunteers welcomed foreign visitors together with "kimono queens" at the International Arrivals Lobby on the first floor of the Passenger Terminal Building. The campaign period also featured commemorative photographs, origami crane-making lessons, gifts of towels offered to visitors, etc. Meanwhile, at the tourist information corner, also on the first floor, there were also poster exhibits introducing popular shopping mall tours, a walking tour of Kishiwada Castle, etc., along with posters and pamphlets describing special viewing of temples and shrines limited to the campaign period. The events were designed to make visitors feel very welcome.



## OPERATIONAL DATA OF KANSAI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (Average/Day)

As of Feb. 21, 2007

	"Average in Dec. '05 (Dec.1-31)"	**Average in Nov. '06 (Nov.1-30)"	**Average in Dec. '06 (Dec.1-31)"	"Change vs Dec. '05 %"	**Average in Jan. '07 (Jan.1-)"
<b>Aircraft movements</b>	<b>303.4</b>	<b>320.9</b>	<b>318.7</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>319.1 (~Jan. 31)</b>
International	<b>194.9</b>	<b>207.0</b>	<b>205.8</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>200.6 (~Jan. 31)</b>
Passenger	155.6	159.1	161.7	104	162.0 (~Jan. 31)
Freighter	35.4	43.3	41.0	116	35.9 (~Jan. 31)
Others	4.0	4.6	3.1	78	2.7 (~Jan. 31)
Domestic	<b>108.5</b>	<b>113.9</b>	<b>112.9</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>118.5 (~Jan. 31)</b>
Passenger	104.1	108.6	107.9	104	108.9 (~Jan. 31)
Freighter	(-)	2.5	2.1	(-)	2.2 (~Jan. 31)
Others	4.4	2.8	2.9	67	7.5 (~Jan. 31)
<b>Passengers (thousand)</b>	<b>42.3</b>	<b>45.7</b>	<b>41.5</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>41.0 (~Jan. 31)</b>
International	29.0	30.5	28.4	98	28.4 (~Jan. 31)
Domestic	13.3	15.2	13.1	98	12.6 (~Jan. 31)
<b>Freight (tons)</b>	<b>2,422</b>	<b>2,539</b>	<b>2,342</b>	<b>97</b>	
International	<b>2,279</b>	<b>2,421</b>	<b>2,201</b>	<b>97</b>	
Loading	1,132	1,134	1,105	98	
Unloading	1,147	1,287	1,096	96	
Domestic	<b>143</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>99</b>	
Loading	86	67	80	92	
Unloading	57	50	62	108	
Fuel supplied to aircraft (kiloliter)	4,635	4,450	4,439	96	4,304 (~Jan. 31)
<b>Means of Access</b>					
Motorvehicle** (thousand units)	20.5	19.8	19.5	95	18.8 (~Jan. 31)
Railway (thousand persons)	34.7	36.8	35.7	103	33.2 (~Jan. 20)
Limousine bus (thousand persons)	12.5	13.3	12.3	99	12.3 (~Jan. 15)
Ferry boat (thousand persons)	0.1	0.8	0.7	495	0.6 (~Jan. 22)
Cars using the parking / time lease (thousand)	1.7	1.7	1.8	103	1.8 (~Jan. 31)

(Note) 1. \* These data are provisional or estimate.

2. \*\*Using the Access Bridge (round trip)

3. "Others" includes ferry flights, technical landing flights, private flights, special flights, etc.

4. The Number of international passengers is calculated using figures reported by the KIX District Immigration Office of the Osaka Immigration Bureau.

5. The volume of international freight refers to air cargo loaded/unloaded at KIX as reported by Osaka Customs.

6. The number of passengers using the railway, limousine and ferry boat in Dec. '05, Nov. '06 and Dec. '06 is reported by the Kinki District Transport Bureau.

# Kansai International Airport awarded the Ministry Prize for Energy Efficiency



We at Kansai International Airport are constantly focusing our attention on the earth's environment and implementing various strategies accordingly. In particular, we have been working on energy efficiency ever since the airport opened, carrying out a variety of improvements to reduce the amount of energy used on aspects such as operations and functions.

Recently, our energy-efficient Passenger Terminal Building heating/air conditioning systems incorporating information processing, implemented as part of such energy-saving initiatives, won the Minister Prize of

Economic, Trade and Industry after being recognized as a Successful Case of Energy Conservation in Factory and Building in FY2006\*.

These measures attempt to improve efficiency of operations by linking heating/air conditioning operating schedules at the gate area lounges inside the Passenger Terminal Buildings with flight schedules instead of, as was previously the case, operating the systems for the entire time spanning the first to last flights. This system lowers the amount of energy used by the heating/air conditioning systems for the area, and is expected to lower costs by approximately 35% annually, amounting to 4% of the total amount of energy used for the Passenger Terminal Building. The system received the prize in light of its significant energy-saving effects.

\* Sponsored by the Energy Conservation Center, Japan. Selections are made from amongst 131 examples of specific, highly efficient energy improvements made to plants or places of business from around the country.

## Miss Guam Tourism makes a courtesy call to KIAC

On February 2nd, in commemoration of the 40th anniversary of Japanese visits to Guam and the 35th anniversary of JAL's Osaka-Guam route, the Japanese representative of the Guam Visitors Bureau and the FY2006 Miss Guam Tourism paid a courtesy call to KIAC for the purpose of promoting in the Kansai region.

In addition to exchange of information between our company president and vice president and the visitors on increasing demand for tourism to Guam, Miss Guam also conducted public relations with the media.



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