

# BANGKOK AIRWAYS BEGINS NEW DOMESTIC SERVICE

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**Bangkok Airways** on 11 October began daily flights on the 264-kilometre route between **Phuket** (HKT) and **Hat Yai**(HDY). The airline will use its 70-seat ATR 72-500s and -600s on the route, which is not served by any other carrier.

This becomes the airline's fifth route from Phuket and first to Hay Yai. Mr. Puttipong Prasarttong-Osoth, President of Bangkok Airways said, "Bangkok Airways foresees the potential of Phuket and Hat Yai as prominent destinations of leisure and business. Phuket is recognized as one of the world's most famous tourist attractions where millions of travellers from all over the world have visited.

Hat Yai is a major commercial city of Southern Thailand and a gateway to Malaysia and Singapore. This new service between Phuket and Hat Yai will certainly enhance the growth of tourism and economy due to the convenience and ease of travel."

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