



BBN AIRLINES THAILAND SECURES VIETJET THAILAND AS FIRST ACMI PARTNER

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BBN Airlines Thailand names Vietjet Thailand as its first partner airline. BBN Airlines Thailand is supporting Vietjet Thailand through an ACMI partnership that begins on 1 December 2025, supplying one Airbus A320 for domestic services between Bangkok (Suvarnabhumi) and Chiang Mai and Phuket. BBN Airlines Thailand received its AOC in October, becoming Thailand's first dedicated ACMI carrier. The airline had operated under the name Thai SmartLynx during its development phase before commencing full services as BBN Airlines Thailand.

The ACMI arrangement includes aircraft provision in a 180-seat economy configuration, experienced flight and cabin crew, maintenance, and insurance coverage, allowing Vietjet Thailand focus on network management and customer experience, while leveraging BBN Airlines Thailand's operational flexibility and reliability.

Martynas Grigas, Chairman, BBN Airlines Thailand commented: "This partnership represents a key milestone for BBN Airlines Thailand as we roll out flexible capacity solutions to Thailand and the region. We are delighted to welcome Vietjet Thailand as our first ACMI partner and confident our support will align with their operational needs, especially as we enter the busy holiday season."



To ensure seamless passenger experience, onboard services on these wet-leased flights will be managed jointly; a Vietjet Thailand cabin representative will be on board each flight to ensure services meet Vietjet Thailand standards while coordinating with BBN Airlines Thailand's crew and staff.

The timing of this partnership coincides with robust recovery across Thailand's aviation and tourism sectors. Recent data from Airports of Thailand Public Company Limited show that in the first half of fiscal 2025, over 68 million passengers passed through its six main airports, a rise of 12% year on year, with domestic traffic accounting for more than [26 million](#) passengers.

Meanwhile, international tourism is surging with the Tourism Authority of Thailand (TAT) recording over [16.7 million](#) arrivals between January and June 2025, supported by a 7% year-on-year increase in inbound seat capacity, marking Thai tourism's return to pre-pandemic strength.

With rising travel demand, domestic mobility, and regional tourism opportunities, this ACMI partnership provides a timely, efficient solution to satisfy surging capacity needs without requiring airlines to commit long-term or heavy capital investment. BBN Airlines Thailand and Vietjet Thailand believes this partnership will help deliver reliable, flexible service to domestic travellers and support Thailand's continuing rise as a major aviation and tourism hub.

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