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Current Situation:

- The Seoul Metropolitan Government announced a comprehensive traffic plan for the 2026 College Scholastic Ability Test (CSAT) to be held at 228 test centers across Seoul on November 13.
- According to the transportation ministry, all aircraft takeoffs and landings nationwide will be temporarily suspended to minimize noise during the CSAT.
- Flight operations will be restricted for 35 minutes between 13:05-13:40 (local time) during the English listening segment of the exam across South Korea on the day.
- Separately, to facilitate smooth transport for the 114,158 students expected to sit in the CSAT, the authorities have deployed a total of 646 standby vehicles operating between subway stations, bus stops, and test centers to assist students.
- Subway services will operate 29 additional trips between 06:00-10:00 on the day.
- The authorities have also announced enhanced accessibility measures, including a 'priority dispatch service' for students with severe mobility impairments.
- Construction near test sites will be temporarily halted to reduce noise, while illegal parking and vehicle entry within 200 meters of test centers will be strictly prohibited on the day.

Source: Chosun, Koreatimes

Recommendations:

Those operating or residing in South Korea, including Seoul, on November 13 are advised to allot for disruptions in the vicinity of the test centers and at all airports due to the slated CSAT test and associated measures and restrictions.