

Geography (Specification B)

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Unit 1

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Dubai – the world’s largest coastal development

The largest coastal development project in the world is taking place on the coast of Dubai, in the United Arab Emirates. The 700km of coastline and hot, sunny climate have made this area an ideal location for the development of tourism. Nearly 300 hotels have been built in the last thirty years. A new international airport is being built. When the airport is finished there will be twice as many direct flights from Western Europe and South East Asia as there are now.



| Year | Number of visitors (millions) |
|------|-------------------------------|
| 1990 | 0.9 |
| 1995 | 2.2 |
| 2000 | 3.9 |
| 2005 | 6.2 |
| 2010 | 8.4 (estimated) |

Recent Developments

- ‘Dubailand’ – 24 theme parks and shopping malls
- Indoor ski-dome
- International business/financial centre
- International cruise terminal
- High-Tech industrial centre

£3 BILLION WILL BRING NEW LIFE TO OLD TOWN



A redevelopment project is taking place in Canning Town, one of the poorest parts of East London. Canning Town has high levels of unemployment and a lot of poor quality housing.

New jobs and improved residential areas are to be created. The redevelopment is costing £3 billion.

Work has already begun to demolish tower blocks and the first signs of change can be seen as shiny new structures, such as the community centre, have been built. Speaking at the opening of the centre, Parmjit Dhanda said, "Local people want to see real change in this part of East London and want to see millions of pounds of government investment."

The project aims to build 10 000 new homes and create 3500 jobs in the area by 2016.

The town centre shopping area will also see big changes when 55 000sqm will be provided for commercial land use and public space. This will include a pedestrianised town centre.

Canning Town has a lot of potential – there are many young people and the area has good transport links to Central London.