

China's Keeta Drone obtains commercial license from Dubai Civil Aviation Authority

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Keeta Drone, a subsidiary of China's tech and retail giant Meituan, has become the first company in the UAE to secure a commercial license for Beyond Visual Line of Sight (BVLOS) drone deliveries. Granted by the Dubai Civil Aviation Authority (DCAA), this milestone establishes Keeta Drone as the first Chinese drone logistics operator to obtain an overseas license,

marking a pivotal step in its global expansion efforts.

Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Crown Prince of Dubai, Deputy Prime Minister, UAE Minister of Defence, and Chairman of the Dubai Future Foundation (DFF), inaugurated the region's first drone delivery service by Keeta Drone at Dubai Silicon Oasis (DSO). This service is the first of its kind in the Middle East.

Keeta Drone introduced four operational delivery routes within DSO, catering to key locations like the Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT-Dubai) and Dubai Digital Park. These routes enable fast and efficient delivery of food, medicine, and other essential goods, showcasing the company's innovative use of autonomous drones for logistics solutions on a global stage.

During the launch, the Crown Prince placed the first order through the Keeta Drone platform, originating from RIT-Dubai, a designated drone delivery landing point. The order was successfully transported from a take-off site within the DSO community, demonstrating the system's efficiency and reliability.