



Asia (ex-China) Retail & E-commerce

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the latest in Asia

Japan

[Duty-free shops: Japan's duty-free store operator Laox to expand in China](#)

Japan's duty-free store operator Laox plans to raise US\$94 million to expand its duty-free business in China and boost its local e-commerce presence

Singapore

[E-commerce: Singapore's Razer pairs up with Visa for digital payments](#)

Singapore-based gaming hardware company Razer has partnered with Visa to develop a prepaid card which enables up to 60 million Razer users to conduct online payments worldwide easily

Thailand

[Supermarkets: Tesco to add 750 new stores in Thailand](#)

Tesco plans to add 750 new stores in Thailand in the short-to-medium term, taking its local store count to over 2,000, up from the current 1,583 Tesco stores in the country

[Convenience store: Lawson Thailand plans new stores in transport facilities](#)

Lawson Thailand plans to open 30 stores in local transport facilities, including subway stations and airports, by late February 2021

[E-commerce: Reebonz offers buy-back guarantee service in Thailand](#)

Singapore-based online luxury marketplace Reebonz has launched a guaranteed buy-back service in Thailand; the new service gives customers a guaranteed price that the company will pay to buy back products initially sold on its platform

Malaysia

[Shopping malls: Aeon to invest US\\$119 million in the Malaysia market](#)

Aeon will earmark around US\$119 million this fiscal year on mall renovations and new openings in Malaysia; the retailer currently operates 28 Aeon malls and 34 outlets in the country

India

[Shopping malls: Singapore's GIC to build largest shopping mall in India](#)

Singapore's sovereign wealth fund GIC has teamed up with Indian property developer DLF to construct India's largest shopping mall, which will be a mixed-use development covering over 2.5 million sqft

[E-commerce: Flipkart plans U.S. listing by 2022](#)

Flipkart has laid out a roadmap to tap the U.S. equity market by 2022; the group's CEO has formally informed the top management about the IPO timeline

[E-commerce: Amazon to invest in fresh produce sector](#)

Amazon has been in talks with Bengaluru-based B2B fresh produce supply chain company NinjaCart for a potential investment, looking to get a foothold in the fresh produce sector

[Apparel and footwear: Zara's Indian partner Tata Group to launch fast-fashion chain](#)

Zara's Indian partner Tata Group is set to launch its own fast-fashion retail chain in India, with prices well below Zara levels

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