

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION  
RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO : 3534  
(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 27<sup>th</sup> March 2018)

**Initiatives taken by Maharashtra under RCS scheme**

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:-

- (a) the details of progress made in improving air connectivity for small towns under the Centre's Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS);
- (b) the initiatives taken by the Government of Maharashtra under the above scheme; and
- (c) the details of Memorandum of Understanding (MoUs) signed by the Government of Maharashtra with AAI to develop airports in the State especially Amravati, Nanded, Solapur and Sindhudurg?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

(Shri Jayant Sinha)

- (a): Ministry of Civil Aviation has launched Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS) - UDAN on 21st October, 2016 to facilitate / stimulate regional air connectivity by making it affordable. The details of the routes / network commenced by the Selected Airline Operators of Round 1 and 2 under RCS-UDAN are attached as Annexure-1.
- (b) & (c): Ministry of Civil Aviation, State Government of Maharashtra and Airports Authority of India have signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on RCS-UDAN. As per the provisions of the Scheme, concessions / support offered by Government of Maharashtra are as under:
- i) Reduction of VAT to 1% or less on ATF at RCS Airports located within the State for a period of ten (10) years from the date of notification of this Scheme. Upon transition to GST, rates will be applicable as determined under GST and exemptions/ concessions shall be given as permissible so that such a reduced level of taxation could ideally be continued.
  - ii) Coordinating with oil marketing companies for provision of fueling infrastructure on best effort basis.
  - iii) Provision of minimum land, if required, free of cost and free from all encumbrances for development of RCS Airports and also provide multi-modal hinterland connectivity (road, rail, metro, waterways, etc.) as required

- iv) Provision of security and fire services free of cost at RCS Airports through appropriately trained personnel and appropriate equipment as per applicable standards and guidelines by relevant agencies
- v) Provision of directly or through appropriate means, electricity, water and other utility services at substantially concessional rates at RCS Airports and
- vi) Provision of a 20% share towards VGF for respective RCS Routes pertaining to the State.

The status of the airports namely Amravati, Nanded, Solapur and Sindhudurg are as under:

Amravati - State Government airport included in the tentative list of RCS airports available for bidding under RCS-UDAN by the airline operators.

Nanded - State Government airport under concession with M/s Reliance is already operational under RCS.

Solapur - Airports Authority of India (AAI) airport applied to DGCA for licence for operations.

Sindhudurg - New Greenfield airport developed by the Government of Maharashtra with M/s IRB Sindhudurg Airport Private Limited as developer under PPP mode i.e. Design, Build, Finance and Operate.

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**Annexure-1**

**RCS Routes Operational under 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Round of bidding; as on 26<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

S.No.	Departure Airport	Arrival Airport	Operator	Date
1.	Bhatinda (Punjab)	Delhi	Alliance Air	27-04-2017
2.	Kadapa (A.P)	Hyderabad(Telangana)	Trujet	27-04-2017
3.	Hyderabad (Telangana)	Kadapa(Telangana)	Trujet	27-04-2017
4.	Hyderabad (Telangana)	Nanded(Maharastra)	Trujet	27-04-2017
5.	Nanded (Maharashtra)	Hyderabad(Telangana)	Trujet	27-04-2017
6.	Delhi	Bhatinda(Punjab)	Alliance Air	27-04-2017
7.	Shimla (HP)	Delhi	Alliance Air	27-04-2017
8.	Delhi	Shimla (HP)	Alliance Air	27-04-2017
9.	Gwalior (MP)	Delhi	Alliance Air	31-05-2017
10.	Indore (MP)	Gwalior (MP)	Alliance Air	31-05-2017
11.	Gwalior (MP)	Indore (MP)	Alliance Air	31-05-2017
12.	Kandla (Gujarat)	Mumbai(Maharastra)	Spice Jet	10-07-2017
13.	Mumbai (Maharashtra)	Kandla (Gujarat)	Spice Jet	10-07-2017
14.	Porbandar (Gujarat)	Mumbai(Maharastra)	Spice Jet	10-07-2017
15.	Pondicherry (UT)	Hyderabad(Telangana)	Spice Jet	16-08-2017
16.	Hyderabad (AP)	Pondicherry (UT)	Spice Jet	16-08-2017
17.	Ludhiana (Punjab)	Delhi	Alliance Air	02-09-2017
18.	Delhi	Ludhiana(Punjab)	Alliance Air	02-09-2017
19.	Chennai (Tamil Nadu)	Mysore (Karnataka)	Trujet	20-09-2017
20.	Mysore(Karnataka)	Chennai (Tamil Nadu)	Trujet	20-09-2017
21.	Vidyanagar (Karnataka)	Hyderabad(Telangana)	Trujet	21-09-2017
22.	Hyderabad(AP)	Vidyanagar	Trujet	21-09-2017
23.	Delhi	Bikaner (Rajasthan)	Alliance Air	26-09-2017
24.	Bikaner (Rajasthan)	Delhi	Alliance Air	26-09-2017
25.	Jaipur (Rajasthan)	Jaisalmer(Rajasthan)	Spice Jet	29-10-2017
26.	Jaisalmer (Rajasthan)	Jaipur (Rajasthan)	Spice Jet	29-10-2017
27.	Nanded (Maharashtra)	Mumbai(Maharastra)	Trujet	16-11-2017
28.	Mumbai (Maharashtra)	Nanded(Maharastra)	Trujet	16-11-2017
29.	Chennai (Tamil Nadu)	Kadapa (A.P)	Trujet	16-11-2017
30.	Kadapa (A.P)	Chennai (Tamil Nadu)	Trujet	16-11-2017
31.	Agra(UP)	Jaipur (Rajasthan)	Alliance Air	08-12-2017
32.	Jaipur(Rajasthan)	Agra (U.P)	Alliance Air	08-12-2017
33.	Nasik (Maharashtra)	Pune(Maharastra)	Deccan Air	23-12-2017
34.	Jalgaon (Maharastra)	Mumbai(Maharastra)	Deccan Air	23-12-2017
35.	Mumbai(Maharastra)	Jalgaon(Maharastra)	Deccan Air	23-12-2017
36.	Pune(Maharastra)	Nasik(Maharastra)	Deccan Air	23-12-2017
37.	Jamnagar (Gujarat)	Ahmedabad (Gujarat)	Air Odisha	17-02-2018
38.	Ahmedabad (Gujarat)	Mundra (Gujarat)	Air Odisha	17-02-2018
39.	Mundra (Gujarat)	Ahmedabad (Gujarat)	Air Odisha	17-02-2018
40.	Ahmedabad (Gujarat)	Jamnagar(Gujarat)	Air Odisha	17-02-2018
41.	Ahmedabad (Gujarat)	Diu (UT)	Air Odisha	24-02-2018
42.	Diu (UT)	Ahmedabad (Gujarat)	Air Odisha	24-02-2018
43.	Bangalore(Karnataka)	Vidyanagar (Karnataka)	Trujet	01-03-2018
44.	Kadapa (AP)	Vijayawada (AP)	Trujet	01-03-2018
45.	Vijayawada(AP)	Kadapa(AP)	Trujet	01-03-2018
46.	Vidyanagar(Karnataka)	Bangalore(Karnataka)	Trujet	01-03-2018
47.	Chennai(Tamil Nadu)	Salem (Tamil Nadu)	Trujet	25-03-2018
48.	Salem (Tamil Nadu)	Chennai (Tamil Nadu)	Trujet	25-03-2018
49.	Bhatinda (Punjab)	Jammu	Alliance Air	27-02-2018
50.	Jammu	Bhatinda	Alliance Air	27-02-2018

