

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
RAJYA SABHA
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(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 4th March 2020)

UDAN SCHEME IN BIHAR

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

- a) The cities of Bihar from where it is planned to make the facility of air travel available under UDAN (Ude Desh Ka Aam Naagrik) scheme;
- b) The state of construction of basic infrastructure for enabling air travel in selected cities under this scheme; and
- c) The details of the plan of expansion and development of Patna airport?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

(Shri Hardeep Singh Puri)

(a) to (b): Airports Authority of India (AAI), the Implementing Agency for Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS) - UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik) has awarded the following routes/networks to Selected Airline Operator (SAO) for starting air services from Darbhanga in Bihar:

1. Mumbai - Darbhanga - Mumbai
2. Delhi - Darbhanga - Delhi
3. Bengaluru - Darbhanga - Bengaluru

The RCS operations from Darbhanga can be commenced once the runway is strengthened to required capacity for operations of aircraft (B-737) as submitted in the bid by the SAO. AAI has taken up the works for strengthening of the runway and construction of terminal building.

(c): Expansion & Development of Patna Airport is being carried out by AAI at a cost of Rs. 1216.90 Crore which includes:

- (i) Construction of New Terminal Building.
- (ii) Multilevel Car Park.
- (iii) Elevated Road Way

- (iv) New Air Traffic Control Tower and Technical Block.
- (v) Fire Station.
- (vi) Cargo Building.
- (vii) Residential Quarters and other allied structures.
- (viii) Construction of isolation Bay, for which 12 acres of land has been requested from the State Government.
- (ix) Construction of Parallel Taxi Track (PTT) to enhance the Runway capacity by acquiring 25 acres of land which include 19 acres of ICAR land and 6 acres of State Government land.
