

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION  
RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO : 1941  
(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 11<sup>th</sup> March 2020)

**UPGRADATION AT PATAHI AIRPORT, MUZAFFARPUR**

1941. SHRI AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH

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

(a) whether it is a fact that even after many assurances operation of passenger flights from Patahi airport, Muzaffarpur is still a far cry, if so, the reasons therefor; and

(b) whether any infrastructure upgradation at Patahi airport, Muzaffarpur is currently at work, if so, the details thereof and by what time flight operation is expected to start from Patahi?

**ANSWER**

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

(Shri Hardeep Singh Puri)

(a) & (b): Muzaffarpur airport is non-operational airport of Airports Authority of India (AAI). This airport figures in the tentative list of unserved airports in Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS) document. RCS-UDAN is a market driven mechanism. Development of regional air connectivity routes is left to market forces. The interested airlines based on their assessment of demand on particular routes submit proposals at the time of bidding under RCS - UDAN from time to time.

AAI, the Implementing Agency for RCS-UDAN has completed three rounds of bidding under RCS- UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik) but no valid bid has been received for RCS operations from Muzaffarpur.

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