

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
Rajya Sabha
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 1298
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 14th March 2022

DEVELOPMENT OF AIRPORTS AT REWA AND SHAHDOL

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

- (a) whether Government has any plans to establish a Domestic Airport with regular flights to and from Rewa, which is the former capital city of Vindhya Pradesh, if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether Government has plans to start new intra-State and inter-State flights to and from Rewa, if so, the details thereof; and**
- (c) whether the city of Shahdol is part of the UDAN scheme, if so, by when the construction of Shahdol Airport will commence?**

ANSWER

**Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION
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(a) & (b): Ministry of Civil Aviation has launched Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS) - UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik) on 21-10-2016 to stimulate regional air connectivity and making air travel affordable to the masses. UDAN is a market driven scheme. Interested airlines based on their assessment of demand on particular routes submit their proposals at the time of bidding under UDAN. Airports Authority of India(AAI), the Implementing Agency, awarded Rewa-Bhopal-Rewa to the Selected Airline Operator. In the Special round of bidding under 4.1, Rewa airstrip owned by the State Government of Madhya Pradesh has been identified for development and for operation of RCS flights on the route Rewa - Bhopal - Rewa with 9-seater type of aircraft. The said route was terminated since the Selected Airline Operator declined to operate the route.

(c): Shahdol figures in the tentative list of unserved airports/airstrips in the UDAN Scheme Document. None of the airline bidders have submitted the proposal to operate RCS flight from Shahdol airstrip till completion of four rounds of bidding under UDAN.
