

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION**

Rajya Sabha

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 1938
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 21st March 2022**

STATUS OF CIVIL AVIATION PENDING PROJECTS IN ODISHA

1938. DR. SASMIT PATRA

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

- (a) the details of status of Civil Aviation pending projects in Odisha; and**
- (b) by when would these projects be completed?**

ANSWER

**Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION (GEN. (DR)
V. K. SINGH (RETD))**

(a) & (b): Ministry of Civil Aviation launched Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS) - UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik) on 21-10-2016 to stimulate regional air connectivity and make air travel affordable for 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.

Jharsuguda, Rourkela, Utkela, Jeypore and Rangeilunda are the airports in Odisha that have been identified/awarded under UDAN. A total of 60 routes have been awarded under UDAN for the State of Odisha, out of which 18 routes have been operationalized, as on 16.03.2022. The SAOs under UDAN are obligated to commence RCS flight operations on a RCS route within a period of six months from the issuance of Letter of Award or within two months from the readiness of airport, whichever is later, unless any extension is granted by the Implementing Agency.

An amount of Rs. 255.71 crore has been incurred for the revival/development of the RCS airports in the state of Odisha, till December 2021, under "Revival/upgradation of airports/heliports/water aerodromes" scheme.

Amarda Road, Angul, Barbil, Birasal, Gudari, Hirakund, Jayakpur, Lanjigarh, Nawapara, Padampur, Rairangpur, Raisuan, Sukinda , Theruboli, Tushra and Utkela are the unserved Airports available in the UDAN Scheme document for the State of Odisha. No valid bid has been received for operations of UDAN flights from these airports, till completion of the 4.1 round of bidding under the scheme.
