

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO : 499
(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 12th December 2022)

UDAN SCHEME IN THE STATE OF KARNATAKA

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

- (a) the details of the airports selected/proposed under UDAN scheme for domestic travel in Karnataka;
- (b) the airports which are ready and to be developed for the UDAN scheme in Karnataka;
- (c) whether there has been demands for connecting more airports from Karnataka, if so, the details thereof including destinations already connected and those which are in the pipeline; and
- (d) whether any Survey was conducted with regard to the airstrips under UDAN scheme in Karnataka?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

(GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD))

(a) to (d): Bidar, Mysore, Vidyanagar, Hubli, Kalaburgi, Belgavi, Shivamogga and Vijayapura, have been identified in the State of Karnataka for the operation of UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik) flights.

Bidar, Mysore, Vidyanagar, Hubli, Kalaburgi and Belgavi, Airports have already been operationalised under UDAN. Shivamogga & Vijayapura Airports belong to the State Government of Karnataka.

The Selected Airline Operators have operationalised UDAN flights from the airports in Karnataka connecting various cities namely Chennai, Hyderabad, Goa, Kolhapur, Kannur, Tirupati, Hindon, Darbhanga, Ahmedabad, Chennai, Cochin, Prayagraj, Pune, Gwalior, Mumbai, Indore, Kadappa, Surat, Nashik, Jodhpur, Agra, Jamnagar, Karnool and Nagpur.

Bellary, Karwar, Kolar and Kushalnagara appear in the list of unserved airports under the UDAN Scheme document, for the State of Karnataka. UDAN is a

demand-driven scheme. Selection of airlines is done through a transparent e-bidding process under UDAN. Interested airlines undertake due diligence of particular route and based on their assessment of demand/airstrips on particular routes before submitting their proposals at the time of bidding under UDAN. In future rounds of bidding, if any airline bids for connecting these airports in Karnataka to other domestic destinations in the country, the same shall be considered for the award as per the provisions of UDAN scheme document.
