

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO : 326
(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 24th July 2023)

NEW AIRPORTS SINCE 2014

326. SHRI KUMAR KETKAR

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

- (a) the number of new airports built and functioned from May 2014 till today; and
(b) the details of the name of airport, city and date of commencement?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

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

(a) & (b): In 2014, there were 74 operational airports in the country which have now increased to 148 airports which includes new Greenfield Airports and airports/water aerodromes/heliports operationalised/revived under Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS)-UDAN(Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik). Under the Greenfield Airports Policy, 2008 of Government of India (GoI), 'In-Principle' approval for setting up of 21 new Greenfield Airports across the country has been granted by GoI. Out of these, 11 new airports namely, Manohar International Airport, Mopa (5th January, 2023) in Goa, Shirdi International airport, Shirdi (1st October, 2017) and Sindhudurg airport (9th October, 2021) in Maharashtra, Kalaburagi airport, (22nd November, 2019) and Shivamogga airport (27th February, 2023) in Karnataka, Kushinagar airport (20th October, 2021) in Uttar Pradesh, Orvakal (Kurnool) Airport (28th March, 2021) in Andhra Pradesh, Kazi Nazrul Islam Airport, Durgapur (18th May, 2015) in West Bengal, Pakyong airport, Gangtok (4th October, 2018) in Sikkim, Kannur International airport, Kannur (9th December, 2018) in Kerala and Donyi Polo airport, Itanagar (28th November, 2022) in Arunachal Pradesh have been operationalised since May 2014.
