GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

Rajya Sabha

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.: 337 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 24th July 2023

ENHANCING AIR CONNECTIVITY

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

- (a) whether there are any ongoing and upcoming project aimed at expanding airport infrastructure and enhancing air connectivity across different regions;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the measures taken by Government to enhance air connectivity to underserved and remote areas, particularly in tier 2 and tier 3 cities;
- (d) whether there are any plans to establish new greenfield airports or upgrade existing airstrips into full-fledged airports in remote and underserved areas; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (e) :The list of Greenfield Airports being constructed is at Annexure-I and the Airports/Heliports/Water Aerodromes to be revived/upgraded under Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS) - UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik) is at Annexure-II.

RCS- UDAN Scheme, launched on 21-10-2016, seeks to stimulate regional air connectivity and make air travel affordable for the common man. Under the Scheme, selected underserved and unserved airports/airstrips are developed/upgraded for connecting

them with RCS routes awarded through bidding process. As on 30.06.2023, the Selected Airline Operators (SAOs) have operationalized 479 routes connecting 74 (unserved/underserved) airports including 9 Heliports & 2 Water Aerodromes.

Annexure-I

List of Greenfield Airports (Work in Progress)

S No.	State	Airport	
1.	Maharashtra	Navi Mumbai International Airport	
2.	Karnataka	Vijayapura Airport	
3.		Hassan Airport	
4.	Uttar Pradesh	Noida International Airport (Jewar)	
5.	Gujarat	Dholera	
6.		Hirasar (Rajkot)	

List of RCS Airports/Heliports under development

S.No.	State	Airport
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	Shibpur
2	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	Campbell Bay
3	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	Car Nicobar
4	Arunachal Pradesh	Walong (H)
5	Arunachal Pradesh	Ziro (H)
6	Arunachal Pradesh	Daparizo (H)
7	Arunachal Pradesh	Itanagar (H)
8	Arunachal Pradesh	Tuting (H)
9	Chattisgarh	Ambikapur
10	Dama & Diu	Daman
11	Himachal Pradesh	Baddi(Kasauli) (H)
12	Himachal Pradesh	Shimla (Sanjoli) (H)
13	Jharkhand	Bokaro
14	Jharkhand	Dumka
15	Maharashtra	Amravati
16	Manipur	Jiribam (H)
17	Manipur	Thanlon (H)
18	Manipur	Parbung (H)
19	Manipur	Moreh (H)
20	Madhya Pradesh	Rewa
21	Odisha	Utkela
22	Tamil Nadu	Neyveli
23	Tamil Nadu	Vellore
24	Uttar Pradesh	Shravasti
25	Uttar Pradesh	Azamgarh
26	Uttar Pradesh	Chitrakoot
27	Uttar Pradesh	Aligarh
28	Uttar Pradesh	Moradabad
29	Uttar Pradesh	Ayodhya
30	Uttar Pradesh	Saharanpur (Sarsawa)
31	Uttar Pradesh	Muirpur (Korba)
32	Uttar Pradesh	Fursatganj

^{*}H- Heliport