

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO : 16
(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 4th December 2023)

VELLORE AIRPORT UNDER UDAN SCHEME

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

- (a) time by when the Vellore (Abdullahpuram) Airport under UDAN project will be made operational;
- (b) whether civil works like airport terminal, cargo terminal, runway, signal tower, waiting room have been completed;
- (c) whether any test flights were conducted for final operations;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the type of aircraft and the number of passengers expected to use this airport in the next three years?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

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

(a) to (e) During the 2nd round of bidding under Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS)- UDAN (Ude Desh Ka Aam Nagrik), Vellore airport was identified for operations of RCS flights and was taken up for development under the scheme of 'Revival and upgradation of unserved and underserved Airports'. The development work of Vellore Airport has been completed. The licensing of the airport is under process.

After readiness of the airport, M/s Air Taxi, the selected airline operator, may start operations from Vellore to Chennai and Bangalore with 9-seater type of aircraft.
