GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION **RAJYA SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO: 34 (TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 4th December 2023)

DEVELOPEMENT OF AMRAVATI AIRPORT UNDER THE UDAN **SCHEME**

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

- (a) the current status and progress of the development of Amravati airport under the UDAN scheme in Maharashtra;
- (b) the measures taken to ensure the timely completion of the Amravati airport project and the time by when it is likely to become operational;
- (c) whether Government has faced any challenges or obstacles during the development of Amravati airport and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of the facilities and infrastructure planned for Amravati airport to accommodate UDAN flights and support regional air connectivity?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

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(a) to (d): Amravati Airport is owned by Maharashtra Airport Development Corporation Limited, Govt. of Maharashtra. In the 3rd round of bidding under Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS)- Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik (UDAN), routes Mumbai - Amravati - Mumbai were awarded to M/s Alliance Air for operations with ATR-72 type of aircraft.

An amount of INR 100 crores has been allocated for development of the Amravati Airport under the scheme for revival/upgradation of Airports/Heliports/Water Aerodromes. Development works are in progress and expenditure of INR 65.71 crore has been incurred till 31st October, 2023. The development of Amravati Airport is likely to be completed in 2024. On readiness of the Airport, Selected Airline Operator (SAO) may commence the flight operations under RCS UDAN.