GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

Rajya Sabha

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.: 204 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 5th February 2024

FUND ALLOCATION UNDER UDAN SCHEME

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

(a) the initiatives taken by Government under the UDAN scheme in the State of Himachal Pradesh since the inception of the scheme; and (b) the funds disbursed under the above mentioned scheme in the said State during the said period?

ANSWER

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

- (a) Ministry of Civil Aviation launched Regional Connectivity Scheme UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik) on 21-10-2016 to stimulate regional air connectivity and making air travel affordable to the masses. Under the UDAN scheme, the following airports, heliports, and water aerodromes in Himachal Pradesh have been identified for development and to operate RCS flights.
- (i)Airport: Shimla & Kullu
- (ii)Heliport: Rampur (H), Mandi (H), Manali (H), Baddi/Kasauli (H) & Shimla-Sanjoli (H), Reckong Peo (H), Chamba (H), Palampur & Rakkar Helipad (Dharamshala)
- (iii) Water Aerodromes: Dalhousie

Shimla, Kullu, Rampur (H) & Mandi (H) have already been operationalised under the UDAN scheme.

(b) The details of funds allocated and expenditure incurred for the development of identified airports and heliports in the state of Himachal Pradesh is at Annexure-A.

VGF amounting to Rs. 70.46 Crores has been disbursed to airlines for operationalisation of the RCS routes in Himachal Pradesh.

Annexure-A

(in Rs. Crores)

Airport	Heliport/ WA/Airport	Expenditure till 31.12.2023
Baddi/ Kasauli (H)	Н	3.24
Kullu (Bhuntar)	A	21.88
Manali (H)	Н	2.44
Mandi (H)	Н	2.59
Nathpajhakri (H)	Н	0.53
Rampur (H)	Н	4.42
Sanjoli Shimla (H)	Н	3.95
Shimla	A	113.67
Total		152.74