

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
Rajya Sabha
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 644
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 2nd December 2024
SEAPLANE OPERATIONS UNDER UDAN SCHEME

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Seaplane operations have been brought under the ambit of UDAN Scheme;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) the details of Seaplane routes approved or proposed as part of the Scheme; and**
- (d) the details thereof, State-wise?**

ANSWER

**Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION
(Shri Murlidhar Mohol)**

(a) & (b): With a view to provide connectivity to remote areas, Seaplane was introduced as a mode of transportation under bidding round 3 of the Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS) - Ude Desh Ka Aam Nagrik (UDAN). To streamline seaplane operations in the country 'Guidelines for Seaplane Operations under RCS-UDAN' have been issued on 22.08.2024. UDAN Round 5.5 has recently been launched for Helicopter and Seaplane Routes and bids have been invited from the airline operators on the water-bodies and Helipads listed in the Scheme document.

(c) & (d): Details of Seaplane routes pending for operationalisation by operators under the UDAN Scheme is at Annexure.

ANNEXURE

Seaplane routes pending for operationalisation by operators under the UDAN Scheme

S. No.	Round	Departure	Arrival	Operator
1.	4.2	Prakasam Barrage	Hyderabad	Spicejet
2.	4.2	Hyderabad	Prakasam Barrage	Spicejet
3.	4.2	Guwahati River Front	Jorhat	Spicejet
4.	4.2	Jorhat	Guwahati River front	Spicejet
5.	4.2	Guwahati River Front	Shillong	Spicejet
6.	4.2	Shillong	Guwahati River Front	Spicejet
7.	4.2	Statue of Unity (WA)	Surat	Spicejet
8.	4.2	Surat	Statue of Unity (WA)	Spicejet
9.	4.2	Dwarka (WA)	Surat	Spicejet
10.	4.2	Surat	Dwarka (WA)	Spicejet
11.	4.2	Agatti (WA)	Minicoy (WA)	Spicejet
12.	4.2	Minicoy (WA)	Agatti (WA)	Spicejet
13.	4.2	Agatti (WA)	Kavaratti (WA)	Spicejet
14.	4.2	Kavaratti (WA)	Agatti (WA)	Spicejet
15.	4.2	Kalpeni (WA)	Minicoy (WA)	Spicejet
16.	4.2	Minicoy (WA)	Kalpeni (WA)	Spicejet
17.	4.2	Kavaratti (WA)	Bitra (WA)	Spicejet
18.	4.2	Bitra (WA)	Kavaratti (WA)	Spicejet
19.	4.2	Kavaratti (WA)	Kadmat (WA)	Spicejet
20.	4.2	Kadmat (WA)	Kavaratti (WA)	Spicejet
21.	4.2	Kavaratti (WA)	Kalpeni (WA)	Spicejet
22.	4.2	Kalpeni (WA)	Kavaratti (WA)	Spicejet
23.	4.2	Kavaratti (WA)	Kiltan (WA)	Spicejet
24.	4.2	Kiltan (WA)	Kavaratti (WA)	Spicejet
25.	4.2	Bangaram (WA)	Kochi	Spicejet
26.	4.2	Kochi	Bangaram (WA)	Spicejet
27.	4.2	Bitra (WA)	Kochi	Spicejet
28.	4.2	Kochi	Bitra (WA)	Spicejet
29.	4.2	Kalpeni (WA)	Kochi	Spicejet
30.	4.2	Kochi	Kalpeni (WA)	Spicejet