

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION  
RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO : 19  
(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 21<sup>st</sup> July 2025)**

**ACHIEVEMENTS MADE UNDER THE UDAN SCHEME**

19. SMT P. T. USHA

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

the achievements made under the UDAN scheme in enhancing regional air connectivity across the country, particularly in Tier-II and Tier-III cities?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

(Shri Murlidhar Mohol)

The Government launched the Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS) - UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik) on October 21, 2016, to enhance regional air connectivity from unserved and underserved airports in the country for making air travel affordable to the masses. The aim of the scheme is to bring air connectivity to Tier-2 & Tier-3 cities, by taking up existing airstrips which are identified through UDAN bidding rounds.

Since the commencement of the scheme, 637 no. of RCS routes have been operationalised, connecting 92 unserved and underserved airports, including 15 heliports and 2 water aerodromes across the country. Under the UDAN Scheme, approx. 1.54 Crore domestic passengers have travelled on more than 3.14 lakh RCS flights as on July 15, 2025.

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