

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

**STARRED QUESTION NO. : 178**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 9th March 2026

**LONG-TERM AVIATION MASTER PLAN FOR ODISHA**

178. SHRI NIRANJAN BISHI

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

- (a) whether Government has prepared a long-term aviation master plan for the State of Odisha thereby integrating industrial growth, tourism, and regional development; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

Minister of CIVIL AVIATION (Shri Kinjarapu Rammohan Naidu)

(a) and (b): A statement is laid on the table of the House.

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) AND (B) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 178\* FOR REPLY ON 09.03.2026 REGARDING "LONG-TERM AVIATION MASTER PLAN FOR ODISHA" ASKED BY SHRI NIRANJAN BISHI

(a) & (b): There are 5 operational airports in the state of Odisha namely, Bhubaneswar, Jeypore, Jharsuguda, Rourkela and Utkela. Further, on the request of Government of Odisha (GoO), 'In-Principle' approval under Greenfield Airports (GFA) Policy, 2008 has been granted by Government of India (GoI) for development of a greenfield airport at Puri, Odisha.

Jharsuguda, Jeypore, Rourkela and Utkela airports have been developed and operationalised under the Regional Connectivity Scheme-Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik (RCS-UDAN). A total of 32 RCS routes have been operationalised in the State of Odisha under UDAN Scheme. Additionally, Rangeilunda, Amarda and Rairangpur (Dandabose) airstrips have also been identified for development to support RCS flights.

Further, the airstrips at Angul, Barbil, Birasal, Gudari, Hiraakud, Jayakpur, Lanjigarh, Nawapara, Padampur, Raisuan, Sukinda, Theruboli, Tushra, Malkangiri, Baripada, and Konark in Odisha are listed as unserved airstrips in the UDAN document. If any valid bid is received in future for operation of RCS flights connecting these airstrips, the same shall be considered as per UDAN scheme provisions.

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