

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 3198
(To be answered on the 3rd August 2017)**

DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL AIRPORTS

3198. SHRI HARI OM PANDAY

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Government has started all the regional airports in non-metro urban centres to promote the aviation industry;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the details of small towns selected to be included in the domestic aviation network along with the current status of their development?

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री

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(a) to (d): Government of India, Ministry of Civil Aviation has launched Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS) - UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Naagrik) in October, 2016 with the objective to facilitate / stimulate regional air connectivity to currently underserved and unserved airports. In order to implement the scheme, Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs has approved a budgetary provision of Rs. 4500 crores for revival of un-served/underserved airports/airstrips in the country. The revival of airstrips/airports is "demand driven", depending upon firm commitment from airline operators as well as from the State Government for providing various concessions. AAI, the implementing agency of RCS-UDAN has awarded 128 routes connecting 43 unserved and under-served airports (details are at Annexure) to 5 selected airlines for commencing operations under RCS-UDAN in the 1st round of bidding. RCS flights from seven RCS airports namely Shimla, Nanded, Kadapa, Kandla, Porbandar, Gwalior and Bhatinda have already commenced.

Annexure

S. No.	Name of unserved and under-served Airport	State
1.	Bathinda	Punjab
2.	Shimla	Himachal Pradesh
3.	Agra	Uttar Pradesh
4.	Bikaner(Nal)	Rajasthan
5.	Gwalior	Madhya Pradesh
6.	Kadapa	Andhra Pradesh
7.	Ludhiana	Punjab
8.	Nanded	Maharashtra
9.	Pathankot	Punjab
10.	Vidyanagar	Karnataka
11.	Andal (Durgapur)	West Bengal
12.	Burnpur	West Bengal
13.	Cooch Behar	West Bengal
14.	Jamshedpur	Jharkhand
15.	Rourkela	Odisha
16.	Bhavnagar	Gujarat
17.	Diu	Daman and Diu
18.	Jamnagar	Gujarat
19.	Adampur	Punjab
20.	Kandla	Gujarat
21.	Kanpur(Chakeri)	Uttar Pradesh
22.	Kullu(Bhuntar)	Himachal Pradesh
23.	Mithapur (Dwarka)	Gujarat
24.	Mundra	Gujarat
25.	Pantnagar	Uttarakhand
26.	Puducherry	Puducherry
27.	Porbandar	Gujarat
28.	Shillong(Barapani)	Meghalaya
29.	Ambikapur	Chhattisgarh
30.	Bilaspur	Chhattisgarh
31.	Jagdalpur	Chhattisgarh
32.	Jaisalmer	Rajasthan
33.	Jalgaon	Maharashtra
34.	Jeypore	Odisha
35.	Jharsuguda	Odisha
36.	Kolhapur	Maharashtra
37.	Mysore (Mandacally)	Karnataka
38.	Neyveli	Tamil Nadu
39.	Ozar Nasik	Maharashtra
40.	Raigarh	Chhattisgarh
41.	Salem	Tamil Nadu
42.	Sholapur	Maharashtra
43.	Utkela	Odisha