

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 1463
(To be answered on the 26th July 2018)**

INTRODUCTION OF NEW FLIGHTS

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:-

- (a) the policy to introduce new flights in the country;**
- (b) the names of places for which flights have been introduced during the last four years, State/UT-wise;**
- (c) whether proposal to introduce flights from Barmer, Rajasthan has been received;**
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (e) the action taken by the Union Government on the said proposal?**

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री

(Shri Jayant Sinha)

(a) : With repeal of Air Corporation Act in March 1994, the Indian aviation was deregulated. Airlines are free to induct capacity with any aircraft type, free to select whatever markets and network they wish to service and operate. Under the provision of Sub-Rule (1A) of Rule 134 of the Aircraft Rules, 1937 the Central Government has laid down Route Dispersal Guidelines, with a view to achieving better connectivity of air transport services of different regions in the country. It is, however, up to the airlines to provide air services to specific places depending upon the traffic demand and commercial viability. As such, the airlines are free to operate anywhere in the country subject to compliance of Route Dispersal Guidelines issued by Government and approval of slot from concerned airport operator.

(b): From 2015 till June,2018 Regional Connectivity Scheme(RCS)-UDAN services have commenced from following airports : Adampur, Kandla, Shimla, Vidyanagar, Bhatinda, Ludhiana, Pathankot, Passighat, Jaisalmer, Bikaner, Salem, Kanpur, Nanded, Diu, Puducherry, Kadapa, Durgapur, Nashik, Jalgaon, Kolhapur, Mundra, Jharsuguda and Jagdalpur.

(c) to (e): Airports Authority of India, Implementing Agency in the second round of bidding of the Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS) - UDAN has issued Letter of Award to Zoom Air, the Selected Airline Operator, to operate RCS flights between Delhi and Uterlai in Barmer.
