

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 1557
(To be answered on the 26th July 2018)

JHARSUGUDA AIRPORT

1557. DR. PRABHAS KUMAR SINGH

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION
नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Government proposes to operate air services from Jharsuguda airport very soon, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to provide employment to local youth at Jharsuguda airport, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government would consider naming Jharsuguda airport in the name of veteran freedom fighter Veer Surendra Sai;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) whether the Jharsuguda airport is covered under regional air connectivity scheme, UDAN and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION
नागर विमानन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री

(Shri Jayant Sinha)

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- (a): Yes, Madam. The major construction work of Jharsuguda airport has been completed and the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) has initiated the process for licencing of the airport.
- (b): Airport infrastructure project lead to livelihood for many people as many skilled / semi-skilled laborers, technical & professional experts are required for this purpose. There is creation of direct/indirect jobs as man power is required for operation of Food Courts, Ground Handling services, Security of airports etc.
- (c) & (d): As a general practice, the requests for naming/renaming of airports are considered based on the recommendations of the concerned State Government, supported by a resolution passed in the State Legislative Assembly. However, no such resolution for naming of Jharsuguda Airport after 'Veer Surendra Sai' has been received in this Ministry.
- (e): Yes, Madam. Proposal of Air Odisha for operation of RCS flights from Bhubaneswar and Ranchi to Jharsuguda was accepted in 1st round of bidding under Regional Connectivity Scheme-UDAN.
