

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 3707  
(To be answered on the 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2019)**

**AIRPORTS UNDER UDAN SCHEME**

3707. **SHRI BALABHADRA MAJHI**

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

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be pleased to state:-

- (a) how far UDAN Scheme has been successful;  
(b) how many airports have been made operational under this scheme;  
(c) how many of these are in Odisha; and  
(d) when is the airport of Jeypore in Koraput district at Odisha going to be operational?

**ANSWER**

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

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(Shri Jayant Sinha)

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(a) to (c): Ministry of Civil Aviation launched Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS) - UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik) version 1.0 on 21 October, 2016 and version 2.0 on 24 August, 2017 to provide affordable air connectivity between cities in the country. Airports Authority of India (AAI), the Implementing Agency has awarded 27 proposals and 90 proposals under RCS - UDAN version 1 & 2 respectively. 56 unserved airports have been identified in the 1st round and 2nd round of bidding under RCS - UDAN. Out of these, 21 unserved airports have been developed and operationalized for RCS flights i.e. Bhatinda, Nanded, Shimla, Kandla, Ludhiana, Mysore, Vidyanagar, Bikaner, Jaisalmer, Jalgaon, Ozar (Nasik), Mundra, Salem, Pathankot, Kolhapur, Adampur, Jagdalpur, Kanpur, Jharsuguda, Pakyong, Kishangarh. Out of these operationalised airports, Jharsuguda Airport is in Odisha. However, due to default of Selected Airline Operator (SAO) the services are discontinued. Hence Jharsuguda Airport is placed in RCS - UDAN version 3.0 for establishing the connectivity.

(d): Awarded route for Jeypore to M/s Air Odisha Aviation Private Limited has been cancelled due to poor performance and included in RCS - UDAN version 3.0 bidding process. further, operation of an Airport depend on award of routes based on participation interested airline in the bidding process after assessing all factors including its readiness.

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