

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION NO. : 9  
(To be answered on the 20<sup>th</sup> July 2023)**

**COVERAGE UNDER UDAN SCHEME**

**\*9. SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA  
SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR BELLANA**

**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION**

**नागर विमानन मंत्री**

**be pleased to state:-**

- (a) the number of new airports opened and made operational since the inception of the Ude Desh Ka Aam Nagrik (UDAN) Scheme, State-wise;
- (b) the number of new routes started therefrom;
- (c) the number of passengers benefited under UDAN Scheme during the last five years;
- (d) the number of Greenfield airports presently under construction, State-wise;
- (e) whether the Government proposes to amend the UDAN scheme for further expansion and development;
- (f) if so, the details of cities/districts proposed to be covered thereunder as a result of its expansion; and
- (g) if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

**Minister of CIVIL AVIATION**

**नागर विमानन मंत्री**

**(Shri Jyotiraditya M. Scindia)**

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**(a) to (g): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.**

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**STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 9 REGARDING "COVERAGE UNDER UDAN SCHEME" TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.07.2023**

**(a) to (c) : The Government launched the Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS)- UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik) in October 2016 to enhance regional air connectivity from unserved and underserved airports in the country for making air travel affordable to the masses.**

**As on 11.07.2023, 74 airports, including 2 Water Aerodromes and 9 Heliports have been operationalised and 479 RCS routes have been commenced under the UDAN scheme. More than 123 lakh passengers have benefited from the UDAN scheme since its inception.**

**(d): Greenfield Airports at Navi Mumbai (Maharashtra), Jewar (Uttar Pradesh), Vijayapura (Karnataka), Hassan (Karnataka), Dholera (Gujarat) and Hirasar (Gujarat) are under construction.**

**(e) to (g): There is no proposal to amend the UDAN Scheme. However, UDAN is an ongoing scheme where bidding rounds are conducted from time to time to cover more destinations/stations and routes under the scheme.**

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