

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 1328  
(To be answered on the 27<sup>th</sup> July 2023)**

**REGIONAL AIR SERVICE FOR BIHAR**

**1328. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH  
ALIAS LALAN SINGH**

**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION**

**नागर विमानन मंत्री**

**be pleased to state:-**

- (a) whether the Union Government has received any proposal from State Government of Bihar for development of Muzaffarpur, Darbhanga, Bhagalpur and Purnea Airports to start regional air services from there and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Government has also received any proposal for development of International Airport in Nalanda/Rajgir to provide Air services especially to tourists; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION**

**नागर विमानन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री**

**(GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD))**

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**(a) to (c): Development of New Civil Enclave at Darbhanga is being taken up by the Airports Authority of India(AAI) at a tentative cost of Rs. 912 crore for which 52.65 acres of land has been handed over to AAI from Government of Bihar. Development of New Civil Enclave at Purnea is being taken up by AAI at a tentative cost of Rs. 424 crore. Government of Bihar acquired 52.48 acres of land for developing this airport.**

**In the 2nd round of bidding under UDAN, Darbhanga airport has been identified and developed for operation of RCS flights. Presently, flights operating from Darbhanga are connected with Delhi, Mumbai, Bangalore, Hyderabad and Kolkata.**

**Bhagalpur, Muzaffarpur and Purnea airports are included in the list of unserved airports under UDAN Scheme. Interested airlines submit their proposals to operate routes from and to unserved/underserved airports at the time of bidding under UDAN. An airport which is included in the awarded**

**routes of UDAN and requires upgradation/development for commencement of operations, is developed under 'Revival of unserved and underserved airports' scheme.**

**No proposal for development of International Airport in Nalanda/Rajgir has been received.**

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