# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION Lok Sabha UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 3671 ( TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 10th August 2023 ) AIRPORTS UNDER UDAN SCHEME

## 3671. SHRI M. BADRUDDIN AJMAL Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

#### be pleased to state:-

(a) the number of airports redeveloped and upgraded under the UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Naagrik) scheme during the last five years including the current year;

(b) the number of passengers travelled through functional airports under the UDAN scheme since its inception, year and airport-wise;

(c) whether it is true that many airports under UDAN scheme lack basic amenities and infrastructure and passengers face trouble due to congestion despite the fact that these airports are earning good revenue because of the large number of travellers and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Ministry would initiate to identify such airports and ensure the required facilities in consultation with concerned authorities and departments and if so, the details thereof?

#### ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION (GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD))

(a) : On the basis of the four rounds of bidding under UDAN, 74 airports, including 2 Water Aerodromes and 9 heliports have been operationalised so far.;

(b) : More than 124 lakh domestic passengers have travelled on Ude Desh Ka Aam Nagrik (UDAN) flights since the inception of the scheme. Year-wise details of passengers travelled is at Annexure.;

(c) & (d): UDAN is a demand-driven scheme. Based on their assessment of demand on particular routes, interested airlines submit their proposals 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 UDAN operations, is developed under the 'Revival of unserved and underserved airports' scheme.

The upgradation of infrastructures/facilities at airports ,including extension of runways and expansion of terminal buildings, is a continuous process, which is undertaken by the Airports Authority of India (AAI) or the concerned Airport Operators depending upon operational requirements, traffic, demand, commercial feasibility, availability of land etc.

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#### Annexure

### DETAILS OF PASSENGERS TRAVELLED DURING FINACIAL YEAR 2017 TO 2023

Financial Year	Passenger Travelled
2017-18	263166
2018-19	1240896
2019-20	2991337
2020-21	1498066
2021-22	3299861
2022-23	2497361
2023-24	
(till June, 2023)	571730