

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 2347
(To be answered on the 5th March 2020)**

KRISHI UDAAN

2347. **SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

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be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Government has planned to launch "Krishi Udaan" for a seamless national cold supply chain for perishables items and if so, the details thereof including its aims and objectives;
- (b) whether 100 more airports are to be developed by 2024 to support Udaan scheme and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has identified the international and national routes for this purpose to improve value realization on agricultural products, if so, the details thereof including the countries to be covered by the scheme;
- (d) the advantage that farmers producing perishable items would get from this scheme;
- (e) whether the Government has received any request for direct cargo flights under Udaan scheme for perishable items and if so, the details thereof and the action taken in this regard; and

(f) the time by which Krishi Udaan scheme will be implemented?

ANSWER

Minister of State (IC) in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

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(Shri Hardeep Singh Puri)

(a): It has already been announced in the Union Budget 2020-21 that Krishi Udaan is to be launched by the Government on international and national routes, which would help improve value realization, especially in North-East and tribal districts. The development of a seamless national cold supply chain for perishables, inclusive of milk, meat and fish, is to be taken up by Indian Railways under Kisan Rail, and not under Krishi Udaan.

(b): The Government has taken up the development of 100 airports, heliports and waterdromes under the Regional Connectivity Scheme - Ude Desh ka Aam Naagrik (RCS-UDAN) which was launched in October 2016 under the National Civil Aviation Policy, 2016. Under the scheme, so far, RCS flights have commenced from 48 RCS airports/ heliports which include 29 unserved and 19 underserved airports.

(c) to (f): No, Sir. Does not arise.
