

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 1910  
(To be answered on the 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2020)**

**KRISHI UDAN SCHEME DURING PANDEMIC**

**1910. SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI KUNDARIYA**

**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION**

**नागर विमानन मंत्री**

**be pleased to state:-**

- (a) the details of airlines which have participated in Krishi Udan Scheme during the pandemic;**
- (b) the details of perishable and non-perishable commodities transported thereof, airport, airline and sector-wise; and**
- (c) whether the Krishi Udan Scheme is limited upto pandemic duration or will be extended further in the welfare of farmers, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?**

**ANSWER**

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

**नागर विमानन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)**

**(Shri Hardeep Singh Puri)**

**(a) to (b):** In the preparatory phase of Krishi Udaan Scheme, between 1 April 2020 and 31 August 2020 as per estimates more than 65,000 metric tonnes of agri-produce was air freighted, of which about 75 per cent was export cargo. Almost every Indian scheduled airline operators including Air India, Air India Express, Air Asia, Blue Dart Aviation, Go Airlines, IndiGo, Spice Jet, and Vistara participated in airlifting agri-produce either in belly holds, in cargo-on-seat passenger charters, or in dedicated freighter operations. The principal airports which participated included Agartala, Ahmedabad, Bengaluru, Bhubaneswar, Chennai, Cochin, Coimbatore, Delhi, Guwahati, Imphal, Kolkata, Lucknow, Mangalore, Mumbai, Surat, Trichy, and Vishakhapatnam. Agri-produce uplifted included Mango, Litchi, Cherry, Banana, Rasakdali, Banana Leaves, Pineapple, Custard Apple, Apple, Peas, Babycorn, Coriander, Cucumber, Cluster Beans, Drumstick, Small Onion, Curry Leaves, Betel Leaves, Green Vegetables, Flowers, Walnuts, Shrimps, Meat and Meat Products, Paneer, Tea, Spices, Rice, etc. Airport, airline and sector-wise data is not maintained.

**(c):** The Krishi Udaan Scheme has been approved and circulated to all concerned Ministries/ Departments on 10 September 2020 for implementation. The operation of the Krishi Udaan Scheme is not limited to the pandemic period.