

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 750
(To be answered on the 17th September 2020)

DEVELOPMENT OF AIRPORT IN BERHAMPUR

750. SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

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be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Government has received any representations/demands for development of airport in the main city of South Odisha viz Berhampur;
- (b) if so, the details in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government have examined the demand for setting up airport at Berhampur, Odisha;
- (d) if so, the details and the present status thereof; and
- (e) the time by which demand of airport in South Odisha is likely to be acceded by the Government?

ANSWER

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

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(Shri Hardeep Singh Puri)

(a) to (e): Ministry of Civil Aviation has been receiving requests for development of airport in Berhampur from time to time. However, no proposal has been received as per the Greenfield Airport Policy.

Government has launched Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS)- Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik (UDAN) to promote regional connectivity. An airport which is included in the awarded routes of RCS-UDAN and requires upgradation/development for commencement of RCS operations is developed under "Revival of unserved and underserved airports" scheme. RCS - UDAN is a market driven scheme. The interested airlines based on their assessment of demand on particular routes submit their proposals at the time of bidding under RCS - UDAN from time to time. Berhampur (Rangeilunda) airport figures in the tentative list of unserved airports of RCS document. No valid bid connecting Berhampur was received after four rounds of bidding under RCS-UDAN. However, if any valid bid is received in future rounds of RCS-UDAN, same shall be considered as per the scheme document.
