GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.: 615 (To be answered on the 4th February 2021)

AIRPORT IN PURNEA, BIHAR

615. SHRI DILESHWAR KAMAIT

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION जागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:-

(a) whether an airport is proposed to be set up at Purnea, Bihar under Udan Scheme; and

(b) if so, the details of the progress of the work made on the said project till date?

ANSWER

Minister of State (IC) in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION
वागर विमानन मंत्रालय मंत्री (स्वतंत्रपमार) (Shri Hardeep Singh Puri)

(a) & (b): Ministry of Civil Aviation has launched Regional Connectivity Scheme - UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik) to stimulate regional air connectivity and making air travel affordable to the masses. 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 UDAN from time to time. Purnea is an Indian Air Force (IAF) airport. No valid bid was received in respect of Purnea airport in Bihar in UDAN 1.0. Meanwhile the airport went for major repair/upgradation. As informed by IAF, the airport would be available for any civil operations once it is ready. If any valid bid is received in future rounds of bidding under UDAN scheme, the same will be considered as per the provisions of the scheme document.