

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 1459
(To be answered on the 10th February 2022)**

RCS UDAN IN PUNJAB

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

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be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Government has conducted a survey to identify unserved and underserved airports in the State of Punjab and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government of Punjab has signed any agreements with Airports Authority of India (AAI) under the UDAN scheme during the last three years and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has allotted any identified routes from or to Punjab, to selected airline operators and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of routes connecting Punjab under the Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS) operationalized during the last three years, year-wise?

ANSWER

Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

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(Shri Jyotiraditya M. Scindia)

(a) to (d): The Ministry of Civil Aviation has launched Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS)- UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik) on 21-10-2016 to enhance regional air connectivity from unserved and underserved airports in the country and by making air travel affordable to the masses. UDAN is a market driven Scheme. Interested airlines based on their assessment of demand on particular routes submit proposals at the time of bidding under RCS. 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.

Under the UDAN scheme, the unserved & underserved airports/airstrips namely Ludhiana, Adampur Bhatinda and Pathankot were identified/awarded in the State of Punjab to operate UDAN flights. Selected Airline Operators (SAOs) have already commenced flights from these airports.

Government of Punjab has signed MoU on 15 June, 2017 with Airports Authority of India & Ministry of Civil Aviation under the UDAN Scheme.

The details of routes operationalized under UDAN scheme in Punjab is attached as Annexure.

Statement referred to in reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1459 for 10.02.2022 regarding "RCS UDAN in Punjab"

RCS – UDAN routes operationalized under RCS – UDAN in Punjab between 2019 and 2022

S. No.	Departure Airport	Arrival Airport	Started on
1.	Adampur	Jaipur	28-03-2021
2.	Jaipur	Adampur	28-03-2021
3.	Adampur	Mumbai	25-11-2020
4.	Mumbai	Adampur	25-11-2020
5.	Amritsar	Jaipur	31-03-2019
6.	Jaipur	Amritsar	31-03-2019
7.	Amritsar	Kolkata	01-12-2019 Re-commenced 11.06.2020
8.	Kolkata	Amritsar	01-12-2019 Re-commenced 11.06.2020
9.	Amritsar	Patna	28-08-2020
10.	Patna	Amritsar	28-08-2020