

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 1508  
(To be answered on the 10<sup>th</sup> February 2022)**

**AIRPORTS IN KARNATAKA**

**1508. SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA**

**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION**

**नागर विमानन मंत्री**

**be pleased to state:-**

- (a) the total number of underserved and unserved airports in Karnataka connected under the RCS-UDAN Scheme since its inception;
- (b) the number of flights operating from each of the airports in Karnataka;
- (c) whether the Government has observed an increase in passenger traffic due to the scheme and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has taken measures to expedite the upgradation of infrastructure in airports across the country to increase the speed of UDAN's implementation; and
- (e) whether the Government has proposed for a second airport in Bengaluru to serve the growing population of the city and if so, the details thereof and steps taken in this regard?

**ANSWER**

**Minister of CIVIL AVIATION**

**नागर विमानन मंत्री**

**(Shri Jyotiraditya M. Scindia)**

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**(a) & (b):** Airports Authority of India (AAI), the Implementing Agency of UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik), has identified 9 (Nine) Airports in Karnataka under the Scheme for operations of the flights. Out of these 9 identified airports, 6 airports, namely, Belgaum, Bidar, Hubli, Kalaburgi, Mysore and Vidyanagar have been operationalized for UDAN flights. The number of aircraft movement (arrival & departure) per week from Belgaum, Hubli, Kalaburgi and Mysore is 118, 66, 42 & 70 respectively. As on 04.02.2022, the air operation from Bidar and Vidyanagar are suspended.

**(c):** UDAN has transformed the way people travel in Tier-2 and Tier-3 cities of the country. Regional airports like Jharsuguda, Kishangarh, Belgaum, Hubli, Darbhanga, etc. have been witnessing exponential growth in air traffic. Approximately 87 lakh passengers have travelled on UDAN flights since its commencement on 26.10.2016 till 16.01.2022.

**(d): An airport which is included in the awarded routes of UDAN and requires upgradation/development for commencement of RCS operations is developed under "Revival of unserved and underserved airports" scheme. An expenditure of INR 2307 crore has so far been incurred on revival / upgradation of RCS airports as on 30.11.2021.**

**(e): Presently, there is no such proposal under consideration.**

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