GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.: 4678 (To be answered on the 31st March 2022)

UDAN SCHEME IN ASSAM

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

be pleased to state:-

- (a) the details of the selected/proposed airports under UDAN Scheme for domestic air travel in the North-Eastern States of the country including Assam;
- (b) the names of the airports ready and likely to be developed under UDAN scheme in Assam;
- (c) whether there is any demand to connect Assam with other airports in the country;
- (d) if so, the details of the destinations already connected and the destinations likely to be connected; and
- (e) the status of survey conducted in respect of runways under the UDAN Scheme in the country including Assam?

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

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(a) to (e): Airports Authority of India (AAI), the Implementing Agency, has identified 28 airports/heliports/water aerodromes in the North Eastern States, including Assam, for operationalization of flights under Regional Connectivity Scheme(RCS)-UDAN(Ude Desh Ka Aam Nagrik). State-wise list is enclosed at Annexure. Rupsi, Jorhat, Lilabari and Tezpur airports of Assam are connected to two destinations each, through operationalization of UDAN routes as on 24.03.2022.

UDAN is a market driven scheme. Interested airlines based on their assessment of demand and viability on particular routes, submit their proposals at the time of bidding under UDAN. Under UDAN, 948 valid routes have been awarded across length and breadth in the country, of which, 415 routes connecting 66 unserved and underserved airports including 8 Heliports

& 2 water aerodromes have been operationalized as on 27.03.2022.

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Interested Airline Operators have to do due diligence while submitting bids at the time of bidding under UDAN.

An airport which is included in the awarded routes of UDAN and requires upgradation / development for commencement of RCS operations, is developed under "Revival/upgradation of unserved and underserved airports/heliports/water aerodromes" Scheme.

Statement referred to in reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred Q.No. 4678 for 31.03.2022 regarding "UDAN Scheme in Assam"

Airports/Heliports/Water Aerodromes identified in the States of North Eastern Region under Regional Connectivity Scheme(RCS)-UDAN (Ude Desh Ka Aam Nagrik) for operations of RCS flights

- i) Arunachal Pradesh: Tezu, Pasighat, Daparizo(Helicopter-H), Itanagar(H), Tuting(H), Walong(H), Yinghiong(H) & Ziro (H)
- ii) Assam: Rupsi, Jorhat, Lilabari, Tezpur, Nagaon(H), Geleki (H), Guwahati Riverfront(Water Aerodrome-WA) & Umrangso Reservoir (WA)
- iii) Meghalaya: Shillong, Tura, Sohra(H), Dawki(H) & Williamnagar(H)
- iv) Manipur: Jiribam(H), Moreh(H), Parbung(H), Tamenglong(H) & Thanlon(H)
- v) Nagaland: Dimapur
- vi) Sikkim: Pakyong