

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 1985  
(To be answered on the 28<sup>th</sup> July 2022)**

**NEW AIRPORT AT KISHANGANJ**

**1985. DR. MOHAMMAD JAWED**

**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION**

**नागर विमानन मंत्री**

**be pleased to state:-**

**(a) whether the Government proposes to set up an airport in Kishanganj district, Bihar where the nearest airport is inaccessible to the population and if so, the details thereof; and**

**(b) whether there is any plan to set up airport in Kishanganj under the UDAN scheme where a sizeable population in the district and nearby areas works as migrant workers in different cities of India and in the Gulf countries which contributes a lot to the economy through remittances?**

**ANSWER**

**Minister of CIVIL AVIATION**

**नागर विमानन मंत्री**

**(Shri Jyotiraditya M. Scindia)**

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**(a) and (b) Ministry of Civil Aviation has launched Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS) - UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik) on 21-10-2016 to stimulate regional air connectivity and making air travel affordable to the masses. RCS - UDAN is a market driven scheme. Interested airlines based on their assessment of demand on particular routes submit their proposals at the time of bidding under RCS - UDAN. An airport /heliport /water aerodrome 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.**

**Kishanganj Airstrip, Bihar is available in the tentative list of unserved airports in the UDAN Scheme Document. However, none of the airline has submitted proposal to operate RCS flight from Kishanganj till the completion of four rounds of bidding. Thus, the airstrip has not been taken for its revival.**

**No proposal for construction of Greenfield Airport at Kishanganj district, Bihar has been received.**

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