

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
**MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION**  
**Lok Sabha**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 595**  
**( TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 25th July 2024 )**  
**UDAN SCHEME FOR TAMIL NADU**

**595. SHRI NAVASKANI K**

**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION**

**be pleased to state:-**

- (a) the details of development of projects under UDAN scheme in Tamil Nadu;**
- (b) the details of the measures being implemented to encourage more Selected Airline Operators (SAOs) to initiate UDAN flights from the unserved and underserved airports in Tamil Nadu;**
- (c) whether the Government has implemented specific measures to facilitate the commencement of UDAN flights from airports such as Ramanathapuram, Neyveli, Vellore and Tanjore in Tamil Nadu and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (d) the details of the update on the progress made towards achieving the target of operationalizing 1000 UDAN routes by 2024 along with the details of the specific initiatives undertaken in Tamil Nadu?**

**ANSWER**

**Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION**  
**(Shri Murlidhar Mohol)**

**(a) to (c) In the State of Tamil Nadu, five (05) airports namely, Salem, Tanjore, Ramnad, Vellore and Nevyeli have been identified for development and operation of flights under UDAN Scheme, out of which operations of flights at Salem have commenced. Licensing of Vellore and Nevyeli is under progress. State Government is yet to provide suitable land for development of civil enclave at Ramnad. At Tanjore, construction of civil enclave can be taken up by AAI on provision of required Approach Road by the State Government.;**

**In the state of Tamil Nadu, unserved airstrips at Arkonam, Chettinad, Cholavaram, Sular and Ulundurpet are available in UDAN Scheme document for bidding. Based on their assessment of demand on particular routes, interested airlines submit their proposals 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 UDAN operations, is developed under the 'Revival of unserved and underserved airports' scheme.;**

**(d) On conclusion of five rounds of bidding under UDAN, 579 routes connecting 85 unserved and underserved airports , including 13 heliports & 02 water aerodromes, have been operationalised till date.**

**The status of UDAN routes operationalised in Tamil Nadu is attached at Annexure;**

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## Annexure

### Routes operationalised under RCS – UDAN

S. N.	Round	Departure	Arrival	Operator	Started on
1.	1	Chennai	Mysore	Trujet	20-09-2017
2.	1	Mysore	Chennai	Trujet	20-09-2017
3.	1	Chennai	Kadapa	Trujet	16-11-2017
4.	1	Kadapa	Chennai	Trujet	16-11-2017
5.	1	Chennai	Salem	Trujet	25-03-2018
6.	1	Salem	Chennai	Trujet	25-03-2018
7.	2	Chennai	Kannur	Indigo	25-01-2019
8.	2	Kannur	Chennai	Indigo	25-01-2019
9.	2	Chennai	Hubli	Indigo	01-07-2018
10.	2	Hubli	Chennai	Indigo	01-07-2018
11.	3	Chennai	Durgapur	Spicejet	27-10-2019
12.	3	Durgapur	Chennai	Spicejet	27-10-2019
13.	4	Chennai	Kurnool	Indigo	28-03-2021
14.	4	Kurnool	Chennai	Indigo	28-03-2021
15.	5.0	Salem	Bangalore	Alliance Air	16-10-2023
16.	5.0	Bangalore	Salem	Alliance Air	16-10-2023
17.	5.0	Salem	Cochin	Alliance Air	16-10-2023
18.	5.0	Cochin	Salem	Alliance Air	16-10-2023
19.	5.0	Salem	Bangalore	Indigo	30-10-2023
20.	5.0	Bangalore	Salem	Indigo	30-10-2023
21.	5.0	Salem	Hyderabad	Indigo	30-10-2023
22.	5.0	Hyderabad	Salem	Indigo	30-10-2023