

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 1814
(To be answered on the 5th December 2024)**

EXPANSION AND DEVELOPMENT OF NEYVELI AIRPORT

1814. DR. M K VISHNU PRASAD

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

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be pleased to state:-

- (a) the time by which the commercial operation would be commenced from Neyveli Airport in Tamil Nadu under UDAN scheme;**
(b) the status of the expansion and development of the said airport;
(c) the measures being taken to improve infrastructure at the said airport during the current year and the last year;
(d) the steps being taken to establish air connectivity between Neyveli and other airports; and
(e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

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(Shri Murlidhar Mohol)

(a) to (e) Neyveli Airport, Tamil Nadu owned by the Neyveli Lignite Corporation (NLC) was identified for the development and operation of RCS (Regional Connectivity Scheme) flights in the 1st round of bidding under the UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik) scheme. The airport has been developed with an expenditure amounting to Rs. 15.21 Cr. (as on 31.10.2024) and licensing of the airport is in process. An RCS route connecting Neyveli to Chennai has been awarded. Commencement of flights is subject to readiness of the airport.
