## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.: 4419 (To be answered on the 27<sup>th</sup> March 2025)

## **UDAAN YATRI CAFE**

## 4419. SHRI PRADYUT BORDOLOI SHRI ASHOK KUMAR RAWAT

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Government proposes to launch Udaan Yatri Cafe at Lokpriya Gopinath Bordoloi International Airport in Guwahati and the airports in Uttar Pradesh and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the said scheme would only be extended to airports operated by the Airport Authority of India (AAI) and not to the airports operated by private companies and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the Government has issued any guidelines to food and beverage vendors operating inside Government and private-owned airports regarding rationalising the cost of food and beverages and if so, the details thereof?

## **ANSWER**

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION नागर विमानन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (Shri Murlidhar Mohol)

- (a) & (b): The concept of 'Udan Yatri Cafe' has been started at Kolkata, Chennai and Ahmedabad airports as a new initiative to offer affordable meals to passengers. The introduction of 'Udan Yatri Cafe' or similar low-cost outlets at other airports is at the discretion of the respective airport operators. At Lokpriya Gopinath Bordoloi International Airport, Guwahati, the airport operator has taken steps towards developing an 'Udan Yatri Cafe'.
- (c): Prices of non-aeronautical activities, including food and beverage services, are determined by airport operators and concessionaires based on market dynamics and commercial considerations, as they are not regulated by the Government. Furthermore, 30% of the non-aeronautical revenue (including food and beverages) generated by airports is used to cross-subsidise aeronautical charges, leading to lower ticket prices for passengers.

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