

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 4770
(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 21st August 2025)

GREENFIELD AND BROWNFIELD AIRPORTS

4770. SHRI GODAM NAGESH

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

be pleased to state:-

- (a) the number of Greenfield and Brownfield airports sanctioned in the country during the last ten years, year and State-wise;
- (b) whether there are any new proposals under consideration for the sanction of Greenfield or Brownfield airports and if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (c) whether any proposals have been submitted or approved for Telangana and if so, the details thereof including location, status of approval and timeline fixed for implementation?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): Government of India (GoI) has formulated a Greenfield Airports (GFA) Policy, 2008 for development of new Greenfield airports in the country. As per the policy, if any airport developer including the State Government desires to develop an airport, they are required to identify a suitable site and get the Pre-feasibility Study conducted and submit a proposal to the Central Government for 'Site Clearance' followed by 'In-Principle' approval.;

In last 10 years, In-Principle approval has been accorded for development of 10 Greenfield airports namely Dholera in Gujarat, Noida in Uttar Pradesh, Bhogapuram, Dagadharthi & Kurnool in Andhra Pradesh, Rajkot (Hirasar) in Gujarat, Itanagar (Hollongi) in Arunachal Pradesh, Parandur in Tamil Nadu, Kota in Rajasthan and Puri in Odisha.;

At present, application seeking In-Principle approval for Kottayam Greenfield Airport Project has been circulated to the Government Ministries/Departments/Organizations concerned for their observations/recommendations/No Objection. Further, no proposal has been received seeking approvals under GFA Policy for construction of Greenfield Airports in Telangana.

The Ministry of Civil Aviation has also launched the Regional Connectivity Scheme -Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik (RCS-UDAN) on 21st October 2016 to enhance regional air connectivity and make air travel affordable for the common citizen. RCS-UDAN is an ongoing market-driven scheme wherein bidding rounds are conducted periodically to expand connectivity from unserved and underserved airports. Based on assessed demand for specific routes, airlines submit bids under the Scheme. Valid bids are awarded to airlines for operationalisation of Routes under the Scheme post-readiness of the airport.

637 RCS routes connecting 92 unserved and underserved airports (including 15 heliports & 02 water aerodromes) have been developed & operationalized across the country. State-wise list of these airports is at Annexure.

Further, GoI in February, 2025 has accorded approval for development of existing Warangal (Mamnoor) Airport in Telangana, by waiving the Exclusivity Clause of the Concession Agreement relating to Hyderabad Greenfield Airport.

Annexure

Statement referred in part (a) to (c) of reply of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 4770 for answer on 21.08.2025

List of 92 RCS Airports Operationalized under UDAN

S.No.	State	Airport / Heliports / Water Aerodromes	Date of Operationalisation
1	Andhra Pradesh	Kadapa	27-04-2017
2		Kurnool	28-03-2021
3	Arunachal Pradesh	Hollongi	15-01-2023
4		Tezu	15-08-2021
5		Passighat	24-05-2021
6	Assam	Jorhat	01-08-2018
7		Lilabari	15-01-2019
8		Rupsi	08-05-2021
9		Tezpur	26-04-2018
10	Bihar	Darbhanga	08-11-2020
11	Chhattisgarh	Bilaspur	01-03-2021
12		Jagdalpur	14-06-2018
13		Ambikapur	19-12-2024
14	Daman & Diu	Diu	24-02-2018
15	Gujarat	Bhavnagar	01-05-2018
16		Jamnagar	17-02-2018
17		Kandla	01-07-2017
18		Keshod	16-04-2022
19		Mundra	17-02-2018
20		Porbandar	10-07-2017
21		Sabarmati River	31-10-2020
22		Statue of Unity (W)	31-10-2020
23	Haryana	Hissar	14-01-2021
24	Himachal Pradesh	Kullu	13-05-2019
25		Shimla	27-04-2017
26		Mandi(H)	09-12-2021
27		Rampur(H)	14-12-2021
28	Jharkhand	Jamshedpur	31-01-2023
29		Deoghar	12-07-2022
30	Karnataka	Belgaum	01-05-2019
31		Bidar	07-02-2020
32		Hubli	14-05-2018
33		Kalaburgi	22-11-2019
34		Mysore	02-09-2017
35		Shivamogga	21-11-2023
36		Vidyanagar	21-09-2017

37	Kerala	Kannur	25-01-2019
38	Lakshadweep	Agatti	18-04-2024
39	Madhya Pradesh	Gwalior	31-05-2017
40		Rewa	25-11-2024
41		Datia	31-05-2025
42	Maharashtra	Gondia	13-03-2022
43		Jalgaon	23-12-2017
44		Kolhapur	08-04-2018
45		Nanded	27-04-2017
46		Ozar (Nasik)	23-12-2017
47		Sindhudurg	09-10-2021
48		Amravati	16-04-2025
49	Manipur	Jiribam(H)	13-03-2024
50		Tamenglong(H)	13-03-2024
51	Meghalaya	Shillong (Barapani)	26-04-2018
52	Nagaland	Dimapur	07-12-2019
53	Odisha	Jeypore	03-08-2022
54		Jharsuguda	22-09-2018
55		Rourkela	07-01-2023
56		Utkela	31-08-2023
57	Puducherry (U.T.)	Pudicherry	16-08-2017
58	Punjab	Adampur	01-05-2018
59		Bhatinda	27-04-2017
60		Ludhiana	02-09-2017
61		Pathankot	05-04-2018
62	Rajasthan	Bikaner (Nal)	26-09-2017
63		Jaisalmer	29-10-2017
64		Kishangarh	08-10-2018
65	Sikkim	Pakyong	04-10-2018
66	Tamil Nadu	Salem	25-03-2018
67	Uttar Pradesh	Agra	08-12-2017
68		Aligarh	11-03-2024
69		Azamgarh	11-03-2024
70		Bareilly	08-03-2021
71		Chitrakoot	12-03-2024
72		Hindon	11-10-2019
73		Kanpur (chakeri)	03-07-2018
74		Kushinagar/ Kasia	26-11-2021
75		Prayagraj / Allahabad	14-06-2018
76		Shravasti	12-03-2024
77		Moradabad	10-08-2024
78	Uttarakhand	Pantnagar	04-01-2019

79		Pithoragarh	17-01-2019
80		Almora(H)	26-08-2022
81		Champawat (H)	22-02-2024
82		Chinyali Saur (H)	08-02-2020
83		Gaucher (H)	08-02-2020
84		Haldwani(H)	08-10-2021
85		Munsyari,	22-02-2024
86		New Tehri(H)	29-07-2020
87		Sahastradhara(H)	08-02-2020
88		Srinagar(H)	29-07-2020
89		Nainital (H)	12-03-2025
90		Bageshwar (H)	12-03-2025
91	West Bengal	Cooch behar	21-02-2023
92		Durgapur(Andal)	25-06-2019

* H – Heliport

W – Water Aerodrome