

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 4789
(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 21st August 2025)
DEVELOPMENT OF FURSATGANJ AIRPORT

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

be pleased to state:-

- (a) the expected timeline fixed for the completion of Fursatganj Airport or Fursatganj Airfield in Amethi district of Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) the reasons for the undue delay in commencing full-fledged services such as direct flights to Delhi-NCR areas;
- (c) whether the Government has outlined targeted infrastructure projects or specific air infrastructure development projects;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the airports included in such projects; and
- (e) the details of the steps taken so far to upgrade the infrastructural facilities and academic standards of Indira Gandhi Rashtriya Uran Akademi, a flight training school established in 1986 and co-located with the airfield under the Government?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): The Fursatganj airstrip was identified for development and to operate RCS flights under UDAN 4.1 round of bidding.

RCS-UDAN in an ongoing market-based Scheme wherein bidding rounds are conducted periodically to expand connectivity to unserved and underserved airstrips. Airlines submit proposals based on demand assessment on a particular route during the bidding round. Valid bids are awarded for the operationalisation of routes under the Scheme post-readiness of airports.;;

The construction of the terminal building and apron at Fursatganj Airport has been completed. An amount of Rs. 22.88 crores has been incurred till date for the development of the airport under the UDAN scheme.

The expansion and upgradation of airports is a continuous process and is undertaken by the Airport Operators from time to time, depending on the availability of land, commercial viability, socio-economic considerations, traffic demand/willingness of airlines to operate to/from such airports.

(e): Indira Gandhi Rashtriya Uran Akademi (IGRUA), set up in 1986 under the Ministry of Civil Aviation, has been upgraded with:

- Seven-day flying operations, with an additional base at Birsī Airport, Gondia.
- Budget allocation of Rs. 25 crores in FY 2024-25 for acquiring new trainer aircraft.
