GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.: 1956

(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 11th December 2025)

MODIFIED UDAN SCHEME

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Government has proposed a modified UDAN Scheme to add more destinations for regional connectivity and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of airports developed/revived under the UDAN scheme along with the cost incurred since its inception, State-wise;
- (c) the details of budget allocated and utilised under UDAN scheme along with the subsidy provided to the airlines for operations since its inception, year-wise;
- (d) whether a number of these airports are non-operational or closed presently and if so, the details thereof, State-wise along with the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the total number of routes awarded under the said scheme so far and the number of routes presently operational, State-wise including Bihar?

ANSWER

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

- (a): The Government has announced the launch of the modified UDAN Scheme to increase regional connectivity to 120 new destinations across the country, to cater to 4 crore passengers over the next 10 years. The scheme is currently at the approval stage.
- (b): The details of airports developed/revived under the UDAN scheme along with the cost incurred since its inception, State-wise is at Annexure-A.
- (c): Under the 'Revival and development of un-served and under-served airports/heliports/water aerodromes' scheme, an amount of Rs. 4500 crore in the Phase I and an amount of Rs.1000 Crores in Phase II of the Scheme has been allocated. Rs. 4639 Crore has been incurred for revival/development of airports identified under RCS-UDAN, as on 31.10.2025. ;

The Viability Gap Funding (VGF) is provided to the airline operators from the RCS levy collected under the RCS Scheme. The year-wise details of VGF disbursed to Selected Airline Operators are provided at Annexure-B.

(d): As on date, fourteen Airports are non-operational under the UDAN Scheme due to factors such as completion of the three-year concession period, poor visibility conditions, daytime runway restrictions at VFR only airports, shortage of aircraft, leasing issues, temporary

discontinuation by airlines, novation of routes, and low passenger load factors. The details of non-operational airports, state wise along with reasons is at Annexure-C.

(e): The total number of valid RCS routes awarded and the number of routes presently operational, State-wise including Bihar, are at Annexure-D.

ANNEXURE-A

Airports developed/revived under UDAN scheme along with cost incurred (Rs. in Crore)

S.NO	State	Airport / Heliports / Water Aerodromes	Total Expenditure till 31.10.2025		
1.	Andhra	Kadapa	99.36		
2.	Pradesh	Kurnool	0.03		
3.		Hollongi	-		
4.	Arunachal Pradesh	Tezu	89.65		
5.		Passighat	0.07		
6.		Jorhat	0.03		
7.	Assam	Lilabari	9.47		
8.		Rupsi	88.79		
9.		Tezpur	0.19		
10.	Bihar	Darbhunga	127.82		
11.		Purnea	40.00		
12.		Bilaspur	65.22		
13.	Chhattisgarh	Jagdalpur	60.16		
14.		Ambikapur	80.14		

S.NO	State	Airport / Heliports / Water Aerodromes	Total Expenditure till 31.10.2025	
15.	Daman & Diu	Diu	28.98	
16.		Bhavnagar	69.18	
17.		Jamnagar	24.16	
18.		Kandla	28.12	
19.	Gujarat	Keshod	32.71	
20.		Mundra	0.31	
21.		Porbandar	36.51	
22.		Sabarmati River Front(W)	21.61	
23.		Statue of Unity (W)	12.92	
24.	Haryana	Hissar	29.21	
25.	Himachal	Kullu	37.29	
26.	Pradesh	Shimla	116.70	
27.		Mandi(H)	8.76	
28.		Rampur(H)	4.84	
29.		Jamshedpur	-	
30.	Jharkhand	Deoghar	5.19	
31.	Karnataka	Belgaum	20.88	
32.		Bidar	12.29	
33.	7	Hubli	37.69	

S.NO	State	Airport / Heliports / Water Aerodromes	Total Expenditure till 31.10.2025
34.		Kalaburgi	28.64
35.		Mysore	41.40
36.		Shivamogga	-
37.	-	Vidyanagar	5.99
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38.	Kerala	Kannur	-
39.	Lakshadweep	Agatti	-
40.	Madhya	Gwalior	8.15
41.	- Pradesh	Rewa	102.10
42.	-	Datia	63.10
43.		Gondia	47.21
44.	Maharashtra	Jalgaon	28.55
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45.		Kolhapur	333.29

S.NO	State	Airport / Heliports / Water Aerodromes	Total Expenditure till 31.10.2025
46.		Nanded	0.20
47.		Ozar (Nasik)	11.19
48.		Sindhudurg	-
49.		Amravati	148.53
50.	- Manipur	Jiribam(H)	12.28
51.		Tamenglong(H)	1.60
52.	Meghalaya	Shillong (Barapani)	60.76
53.	Nagaland	Dimapur	4.89
54.		Jeypore	59.13
55.	Odisha	Jharsuguda	183.67
56.		Rourkela	58.96
57.		Utkela	56.03
58.	Pondicherry (U.T.)	Pondicherry	31.98
59.	Punjab	Adampur	125.60

S.NO	State Airport / Heliports / Water Aerodromes		Total Expenditure till 31.10.2025
60.		Bhatinda	3.04
61.		Ludhiana	12.80
62.		Pathankot	5.18
63.		Bikaner (Nal)	15.98
64.	Rajasthan	Jaisalmer	10.34
65.		Kishangarh	29.78
66.	Sikkim	Pakyong	178.75
67.	Tamil Nadu	Salem	24.44
68.		Agra	7.68
69.		Aligarh	31.94
70.		Azamgarh	29.57
71.		Bareilly	104.14
72.	=	Chitrakoot	32.79
73.	Uttar Pradesh	Hindon	46.60

S.NO	State	Airport / Heliports / Water Aerodromes	Total Expenditure till 31.10.2025
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74.		Kanpur (chakeri)	134.79
75.		Kushinagar/ Kasia	108.22
76.		Prayagraj / Allahabad	161.43
70.		Trayagraj / Amanabad	101.45
77.	_	Shravasti	32.84
78.	-	Moradabad	30.41
79.		Pantnagar	29.14
80.		Pithoragarh	9.36
81.		Almora(H)	5.38
82.		Champawat (H)	0.06
83.	-	Chinyali Saur (H)	2.75
84.		Gaucher (H)	8.20
	Uttarakhand		
85.		Haldwani(H)	3.27
86.		Munsyari, Pithoragarh (H)	-
87.		New Tehri(H)	3.95
88.	_	Sahastradhara(H)	21.61
89.	-	Srinagar(H)	6.51
90.	-	Nainital (H)	1.02
91.		Bageshwar (H)	0.06
92.	West Bengal	Cooch behar	11.00
93.	,, ost Deligui	Durgapur(Andal)	3.11

S.NO	State	Airport / Heliports / Water Aerodromes	Total Expenditure till 31.10.2025

ANNEXURE-B

VGF Disbursed to Airlines (Rs. in crores) updated as on 30.11.2025

2017-	2018-	2019-	2020-	2021-	2022-	2023-	2024-	2025-	Total
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	
42.35	138.08	681.28	325.60	625.94	798.34	807.02	628.42	349.51	4,396.54

ANNEXURE-C

Details of 14 Non-Operational Airports developed under RCS

S.N.	State	Airport	Remarks		
1.	Chhattisgarh Ambikapur		FlyBig assigned and novated its contractual rights and obligations under RCS to Skyhop for operating these flights. The airline is expected to commence operations on these routes subject to obtaining the Air Operator Certificate (AOC) and acquiring the intended aircraft.		
2.	Gujarat	Bhavnagar	Completion of VGF tenure. Eligible for re-bidding under UDAN.		
3.	Himachal Pradesh	Shimla	Due to grounding and shortage of aircraft. Alliance Air may re-commence flight operations on the route Shimla-Amritsar-Shimla on aircraft availability.		
4.	Karnataka	Kalaburgi	Completion of VGF tenure. Eligible for re-bidding under UDAN.		
5.	Madhya Pradesh	Datia	FlyBig assigned and novated its contractual rights and obligations under RCS to Skyhop for operating these flights. The airline is expected to commence operations on these routes, subject to obtaining the Air Operator Certificate (AOC) and acquiring the intended aircraft.		
6.	Punjab	Ludhiana	FlyBig assigned and novated its contractual rights and obligations under RCS to Skyhop for operating these flights. The airline is expected to commence operations on these routes from Halwara Airport instead of Ludhiana , subject to obtaining the Air Operator Certificate (AOC) and acquiring the intended aircraft.		
7.		Pathankot	Under UDAN 5.4, Letter of Intent has been issued for Pathankot—Delhi—Pathankot route with 80-seater aircraft to the new entrant airline, JettWings.		
8.	Sikkim	Pakyong	Due to terrain and Weather Challenges		
9.		Kushinagar	Shortage of relevant aircraft type with operator. Key requirement of IFR upgradation.		
10. 11.	-	Aligarh Azamgarh			
12.	Uttar Pradesh	Chitrakoot	FlyBig assigned and novated its contractual rights and obligations under RCS to Skyhop for operating these flights. The airline is expected to commence operations on these routes, subject to obtaining the Air Operator Certificate (AOC) and		
13.	_	Shravasti Moradabad	acquiring the intended aircraft.		

[#]Routes yet to be operationalized.

 $\underline{ANNEXURE\text{-}D}$ Details of routes Awarded, Operationalised and currently operational under RCS-UDAN

Sr. No.	State	No. of Awarded Routes	No. of Operationalised Routes	No. of routes presently operational
1	Andaman & Nicobar Island	6	0	0
2	Andhra Pradesh	19	18	9
3	Arunachal Pradesh	16	10	5
4	Assam	59	36	15
5	Bihar	12	10	6
6	Chandigarh	6	3	2
7	Chahattisgarh	14	13	4
8	Daman & Diu (UT)	11	5	4
9	Delhi (UT)	22	19	9
10	Goa	11	7	4
11	Gujarat	57	44	18
12	Haryana	4	3	1
13	Himachal Pradesh	47	23	4
14	Jammu & Kashmir	4	2	0
15	Jharkhand	12	5	2
16	Karnataka	71	66	33
17	Kerala	15	12	8
18	Ladakh (UT)	0	0	0
19	Lakshdweep	18	1	1
20	Madhya Pradesh	28	27	5
21	Maharashtra	75	65	43
22	Manipur	24	13	9
23	Meghalaya	11	9	3
24	Mizoram	11	2	0
25	Nagaland	17	4	2

26	Odisha	23	18	14
27	Pudducherry (UT)	1	1	1
28	Punjab	21	17	5
29	Rajasthan	37	31	13
30	Sikkim	6	3	0
31	Tamil Nadu	24	14	11
32	Telangana	30	29	23
33	Tripura	7	3	1
34	Uttar Pradesh	96	57	11
35	Uttarakhand	81	60	21
36	West Bengal	27	21	15