

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 3079

(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 18th December 2025)

**INTEGRATION OF LOGISTIC INFRASTRUCTURE AT
MAHARASHTRA**

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Government has assessed the impact of inadequate aviation connectivity and logistics infrastructure on industrial job migration from Maharashtra, particularly in districts like Nandurbar, Solapur and Sangli and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the steps being taken to ensure that the Navi Mumbai International Airport (NMIA) is integrated with Maharashtra's major industrial and export clusters including Solapur, Sangli and Nandurbar;
- (c) whether any time-bound plan has been formulated for developing regional air cargo terminals, last-mile logistics corridors and feeder routes connecting Maharashtra's tier-2 cities to NMIA and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the measures being adopted to align central aviation investments with State-level industrial growth and employment generation targets?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): The Government is proactively undertaking multiple initiatives to enhance regional connectivity and logistics infrastructure across the country. The Regional Connectivity Scheme Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik (RCS-UDAN) is an ongoing, market-based scheme aimed at improving air connectivity to unserved and underserved regions. Bidding rounds are conducted periodically, and airlines submit proposals based on demand assessment and commercial viability. ;

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Solapur Airport is being developed under the UDAN Scheme, and commercial flight operations have already commenced. The Jath airstrip in Sangli district is available under the Scheme; however, no airline has submitted a proposal to operate RCS flights on this sector so far. Nandurbar airstrip is not available in the UDAN Document.

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Navi Mumbai International Airport (NMIA) is being developed with strong multimodal connectivity through major highways, Atal Setu (MTHL), and rail networks, ensuring seamless access across Maharashtra and the Mumbai Metropolitan Region. This connectivity

supports the efficient movement of passengers and goods between NMIA and major industrial and export clusters, including Solapur, Sangli, and Nandurbar.

A new air cargo facility with an annual handling capacity of 1.20 million metric tonnes has been planned at NMIA by the airport operator.

Central aviation initiatives, including the UDAN Scheme and airport infrastructure development, are intended to enhance connectivity, thereby supporting State-level industrial growth and employment generation.
