

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 3162
(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 18th December 2025)

OPERATIONALISATION OF AZAMGARH AIRPORT

3162. SHRI RAJEEV RAI

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

be pleased to state:-

- (a) the date on which Azamgarh Airport was fully constructed and became ready for operation;
- (b) the details of total expenditure incurred on the construction of the said airport;
- (c) whether it is a fact that all flights have been suspended following the initial inauguration of the airport and if so, the reasons therefor;
- (d) the hurdles and challenges being faced by the Government in the operationalisation of Azamgarh Airport; and
- (e) the time by which the Government proposes to overcome these hurdles and challenges in order to make the said airport operational at the earliest?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (e): Azamgarh airport, Uttar Pradesh was developed at a cost of Rs.29.57 crore under the RCS- UDAN (Ude Desh Ka Aam Nagrik) scheme & was licensed as a Category ARC-2B airport on 15.12.2023. It supports only VFR (Visual Flight Rules) operations.

FlyBig commenced RCS flight operations between Azamgarh and Lucknow on 11.03.2024. The airline, subsequently, discontinued services due to poor visibility conditions. Additionally, resurfacing work at Lucknow Airport was being carried out in phases, with runway closures during daytime hours.

Flybig has novated its RCS rights and obligations to Skyhop Aviation Pvt. Ltd. for continued operation of RCS routes of Azamgarh-Lucknow-Azamgarh route. Skyhop is currently fulfilling regulatory and operational requirements, including obtaining an Air Operator Certificate and acquiring aircraft. RCS flights are expected to commence once these prerequisites are met.
