

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 920

(To be answered on the 4th December 2025)

AIR CONNECTIVITY IN HINGOLI, MAHARASHTRA

920. SHRI AASHTIKAR PATIL NAGESH BAPURAO

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION **नागर विमानन मंत्री** be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Government is aware that Hingoli district currently does not have any operational civil airport thereby compelling residents, farmers, traders, students and those requiring emergency medical evacuations to travel long distances resulting in increased time cost, inconvenience and risk and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of the distance and travel time from Hingoli town or Government-designated centres within the district to the nearest operational airports along with the estimated economic, tourism, medical and trade losses incurred due to lack of civil air connectivity; and
- (c) whether the Government has received or considered any proposal from the State Government of Maharashtra for the identification, survey, feasibility study, site-selection or development of a greenfield or brownfield airstrip/airport in Hingoli district under the regional connectivity scheme such as UDAN or any other policy framework and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री

(Shri Murlidhar Mohol)

(a) to (c): Under the Greenfield Airports (GFA) Policy, 2008 of the Government of India, the project proponent - an airport developer or the respective State Government willing to establish a Greenfield airport is required to send a proposal to the Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA) in the prescribed format. Such proposals are considered by MoCA as per the procedure stipulated in the GFA Policy. At

present, no proposal has been received in this Ministry for the development of a Greenfield Airport in Hingoli, Maharashtra as per the GFA Policy.

Under the 'Revival of unserved/underserved airstrips' Scheme, only existing airstrips are taken up for development upon identification in bidding rounds under UDAN for operating RCS flights.
