

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 4380
(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 19th March 2026)

FLIGHTS FROM TIRUCHIRAPALLI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

4380. SHRI DURAI VAIKO

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Government proposes to introduce flight services from Tiruchirapalli International Airport to destinations in the Eastern and North Eastern parts of the country under the Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik (UDAN) scheme and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government is aware of the growing passenger demand from Tiruchirapalli International Airport for improved air connectivity to the Eastern and North Eastern parts of the country, particularly to the States of West Bengal, Assam, Jharkhand and other North Eastern States and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to connect Tiruchirapalli International Airport with any underserved or unserved airports in the Eastern and North Eastern parts of the country under the UDAN scheme; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA) has launched Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS) - UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik) to enhance regional air connectivity from unserved and underserved airports in the country and making air travel affordable to the masses.

Under the provisions of the UDAN scheme, Tiruchirapalli Airport, being a served airport is available for connectivity with any unserved or underserved airport. However, till date, no airline bidder has submitted a proposal to operate RCS flights connecting Tiruchirapalli with any unserved or underserved airports including from the Eastern or North Eastern parts of the country.
