

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

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 4587**  
( TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 19th March 2026 )

**OPERATIONALISATION OF CHITRAKOOT AIRPORT**

4587. SMT KRISHNA DEVI SHIVSHANKAR PATEL

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether it is true that air services were earlier operated from Chitrakoot Airport in Uttar Pradesh and are presently discontinued; and  
(b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor and the steps taken by the Government so far to resume the said air services?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) & (b): Chitrakoot Airport was developed and operationalised under the RCS UDAN Scheme with Flybig commencing RCS flight operations between Chitrakoot and Lucknow on 12 March 2024. However, the services were discontinued from December 2024 due to poor visibility conditions and daytime runway closures due to works at Lucknow airport.

RCS routes connecting Chitrakoot with Kanpur, Khajuraho, Prayagraj and Varanasi have also been awarded to Flybig, which has since novated its contractual rights and obligations under the Scheme to Skyhop Aviation Private Limited. The airline is in the process of obtaining its Air Operator's Permit from DGCA.

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