

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
**MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION**  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 6271**  
( TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 2nd April 2026 )

**DRONE INTEGRATION POLICY**

6271. SHRI SAUMITRA KHAN  
SHRI DARSHAN SINGH CHOUDHARY  
SMT KRITI DEVI DEBBARMAN  
SHRI DEVUSINH CHAUHAN  
SHRI RAJPALSINH MAHENDRASINH JADAV

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

be pleased to state:-

- (a) the manner in which the reduction of GST on drones to five per cent in late 2025 has impacted the adoption of drone-as-a-service models in the agricultural and logistics sectors;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to notify the National Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) Policy to meet the one per cent blending target mandate starting in 2027 and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the progress made in the Nammo Drone Didi initiative; and
- (d) the number of women self-help groups trained successfully as drone pilots under the said initiative as of February 2026, State and district-wise including in West Bengal and Narmadapuram Lok Sabha Constituency?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) The Government of India has taken a significant step towards strengthening farm mechanization by reducing the Goods and Services Tax (GST) slab on agricultural machinery, including drones, from 12-18% to 5%. This measure directly benefits farmers across the country, particularly those availing support under various farm mechanization assistance programs.

The reduction in GST has lowered the purchase cost of drones, making them more affordable and accessible for farmers. When combined with financial support available under farm mechanization schemes, which provide subsidies of up to 40-50% for the purchase of agricultural machinery, including drones, farmers gain the dual advantage of lower taxation and financial assistance. Under the Nammo Drone Didi Scheme, subsidies amount to 80% of the drone package cost, up to a maximum of Rs 8 lakh per drone package.;

(b)The Government has approved indicative blending targets of 1% by 2027, 2% by 2028 and 5% by 2030 for Sustainable Aviation Fuels (SAF) in traditional ATF, initially for international flights. Public sector Oil Marketing Companies are actively engaged in achieving the stated blending targets. The Government has also initiated steps for formulation of a SAF Policy.

(c) and (d) Namo Drone Didi Yojana (NDDY) was approved by the Government as a Central Sector Scheme with an outlay of Rs 1,261 crore for the period from Financial Year (FY) 2023-24 to FY 2025-26. The scheme aims to provide 15,000 agricultural drones to selected Women Self-Help Groups (SHGs). In 2023, 1,094 drones were distributed to SHGs by Lead Fertilizer Companies using their internal resources. Out of these 1,094 drones, 500 were distributed under the NDDY scheme. All SHG members have been provided training at Remote Pilot Training Organisations.;

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The State and District -wise list of drones distributed and SHG members trained as drone pilots is attached as Annexure.

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**ANNEXURE**

**ANNEXURE IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 6271  
REGARDING “DRONE INTEGRATION POLICY” DUE FOR ANSWER ON  
02.04.2026**

**STATE & DISTRICT-WISE DETAILS OF DRONES DISTRIBUTED AND SHG  
MEMBERS TRAINED AS DRONE PILOTS**

<b>S. No</b>	<b>States</b>	<b>District</b>	<b>No. Of SHGs</b>
1	<b>Andhra Pradesh</b>	Alluri Seetharamaraju	1
2		Anakapalli	1
3		Anantapur	5
4		Annamaya	5
5		Bapatla	6
6		Chittoor	6
7		Dr.B.R. Konaseema	1
8		Eluru	6
9		Guntur	1
10		Kadapa	2
11		Kakinada	4
12		Krishna	7
13		Kurnool	10
14		Nandyal	9
15		Nellore	4
16		NTR	3
17		Palnadu	4
18		Prakasam	6
19		Spsr Nellore	1
20		Sri Satya Sai	1
21		Srikakulam	11
22		Tirupathi	2
23		West Godavari	6
24		YSR	6
		<b>Total</b>	<b>108</b>
1.	<b>Assam</b>	Baksa	1
2.		Barpeta	2
3.		Bongaigaon	2
4.		Darrang	2
5.		Dibrugarh	3
6.		Golaghat	4
7.		Jorhat	4
8.		Morigaon	1
9.		Sonitpur	3
10.		Tinsukia	3
11.		Udalguri	3

			<b>Total</b>	<b>28</b>
1.	<b>Bihar</b>	Begusarai		3
2.		Bhojpur		2
3.		Buxar		1
4.		Gaya		1
5.		Muzaffarpur		2
6.		Nalanda		3
7.		Patna		2
8.		Purbi Champaran		3
9.		Purnea		4
10.		Rohtas		1
11.		Saharsa		1
12.		Samastipur		5
13.		Sitamarhi		1
14.		Siwan		1
15.		Vaishali		1
16.		West Champaran		1
			<b>Total</b>	<b>32</b>
1.	<b>Chhattisgarh</b>	Balod		2
2.		Baloda Bazar		2
3.		Bilaspur		2
4.		Dhamtari		1
5.		Durg		2
6.		Janjgir Champa		1
7.		Khairagarh-Chhuikhadan-Gandai		1
8.		Mungeli		1
9.		Raipur		3
<b>Total</b>				<b>15</b>
1.	<b>Goa</b>	<b>Sankhli</b>		<b>1</b>
1.	<b>Gujarat</b>	Ahmedabad		1
2.		Amreli		4
3.		Aravali		1
4.		Banaskantha		4
5.		Bharuch		2
6.		Bhavnagar		3
7.		Chhotaudepur		1
8.		Dahod		1
9.		Dang		1
10.		Devbhumi Dwarka		2
11.		Gandhinagar		3
12.		Gir Somnath		1
13.		Jamnagar		1
14.		Kheda		1
15.		Kutch		2
16.		Mahisagar		2
17.		Morbi		2

18.		Narmada	3
19.		Patan	3
20.		Porbandar	1
21.		Rajkot	6
22.		Sabarkantha	1
23.		Surat	5
24.		Surendranagar	2
25.		Tapi	2
26.		Vadodara	3
<b>Total</b>			<b>58</b>
1.	<b>Haryana</b>	Ambala	2
2.		Bhiwani	8
3.		Ch Dadri	3
4.		Faridabad	1
5.		Fatehabad	6
6.		Gurgaon	5
7.		Hisar	9
8.		Jhajjar	2
9.		Jind	9
10.		Kaithal	6
11.		Karnal	8
12.		Kurukshetra	2
13.		Mahendragarh	1
14.		Nuh	4
15.		Palwal	5
16.		Panchkula	1
17.		Panipat	4
18.		Rewari	2
19.		Rohtak	3
20.		Sirsa	11
21.		Sonipat	7
22.		Yamunanagar	3
<b>Total</b>			<b>102</b>
1.	<b>Himachal Pradesh</b>	Bilaspur	1
2.		Mandi	2
3.		Sirmaur	1
<b>Total</b>			<b>4</b>
1.	<b>J&amp;K</b>	<b>J&amp;K</b>	<b>2</b>
1.	<b>Jharkhand</b>	Deoghar	2
2.		Dumka	2
3.		Garhwa	2
4.		Gumla	1
5.		Hazaribagh	2
6.		Lohardaga	1
7.		Ranchi	4
8.		Sahebgani	1

			<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>
1.	<b>Karnataka</b>	Bagalkot	7	
2.		Ballari	4	
3.		Belagavi	9	
4.		Belgaum	4	
5.		Bellary	3	
6.		Bengaluru	1	
7.		Bidar	3	
8.		Bijapur	3	
9.		Chamarajnar	3	
10.		Chikkabalapur	5	
11.		Chikmagalur	1	
12.		Chitradurga	1	
13.		Davanagere	6	
14.		Dharwad	1	
15.		Gadag	2	
16.		Gulbarga	12	
17.		Hassan	9	
18.		Haveri	2	
19.		Jhamkandi	1	
20.		Kalaburagi	2	
21.		Kodugu	1	
22.		Kolar	6	
23.		Koppal	13	
24.		Mandya	11	
25.		Mysore	5	
26.		Raichur	8	
27.		Ramanagara	1	
28.		Shimoga	5	
29.		Tumkur	4	
30.		Vijayanagara	7	
31.		Vijayapur	2	
32.		Yadgir	3	
			<b>Total</b>	<b>145</b>
1.	<b>Kerala</b>	Alappuzha	4	
2.		Ernakulam	4	
3.		Idukki	3	
4.		Kannur	1	
5.		Kasargode	7	
6.		Kollam	1	
7.		Kottayam	3	
8.		Kozhikode	4	
9.		Malapurram	2	
10.		Palakkad	8	
11.		Pathanamthitha	4	
12.		Thiruvananthapuram	3	

13.		Thrissur	4
14.		Wayanad	3
		<b>Total</b>	<b>51</b>
1.	<b>Madhya Pradesh</b>	Agar	1
2.		Agar Malwa	1
3.		Alirajpur	1
4.		Balaghat	1
5.		Barwani	1
6.		Betul	1
7.		Bhind	2
8.		Bhopal	1
9.		Burhanpur	1
10.		Chattarpur	1
11.		Chhindwara	2
12.		Damoh	1
13.		Datia	2
14.		Dewas	2
15.		Dhar	2
16.		Dindori	1
17.		Guna	1
18.		Gwalior	6
19.		Hosangabad	1
20.		Indore	2
21.		Jabalpur	1
22.		Jhabua	1
23.		Katni	3
24.		Khandwa	4
25.		Mandla	3
26.		Morena	3
27.		Narmadapuram	1
28.		Narsinghpur	1
29.		Panna	1
30.		Raisen	7
31.		Rajgarh	3
32.		Ratlam	4
33.		Rewa	2
34.		Sagar	5
35.		Satna	5
36.		Sehore	3
37.		Seoni	2
38.		Shajapur	1
39.		Sheopur	1
40.		Shivpuri	1
41.		Sidhi	1
42.		Ujjain	3
43.		Vidisha	2

		<b>Total</b>	<b>89</b>
1.	<b>Maharashtra</b>	Ahmednagar	6
2.		Akola	2
3.		Amravati	1
4.		Beed	3
5.		Bhandara	1
6.		Buldhana	1
7.		Chandrapur	1
8.		Chatrapati Sambhajinagar	1
9.		Dharasiv	3
10.		Dhule	2
11.		Gadchiroli	1
12.		Hingoli	1
13.		Jalgaon	1
14.		Jalna	2
15.		Kolhapur	5
16.		Latur	1
17.		Nandurbar	1
18.		Nasik	4
19.		Palqhar	1
20.		Parbhani	2
21.		Pune	5
22.		Raigad	1
23.		Sangli	4
24.		Satara	3
25.		Sindhudure	1
26.		Solapur	4
27.		Wardha	1
28.		Washim	1
		<b>Total</b>	<b>60</b>
1.	<b>Odisha</b>	Balasore	2
2.		Bargarh	1
3.		Belaguntha	1
4.		Bolangir	1
5.		Cuttack	1
6.		Ganjam	1
7.		Jagatsinghpur	1
8.		Jajpur	1
9.		Kendrapada	2
10.		Khordha	2
11.		Koraput	1
12.		Puri	1
13.		Sundargarh	1
		<b>Total</b>	<b>16</b>
1.	<b>Punjab</b>	Amritsar	2
2.		Barnala	3

3.		Bathinda	4
4.		Faridkot	1
5.		Fatehgarh Sahib	1
6.		Fazilka	2
7.		Ferozepur	4
8.		Gurdaspur	3
9.		Hoshiarpur	1
10.		Jalandhar	1
11.		Ludhiana	4
12.		Malerkotla	1
13.		Mansa	4
14.		Moga	6
15.		Muktsar	1
16.		Patiala	5
17.		Ropar	2
18.		Rupnagar	1
19.		Sangrur	6
20.		Sbs Nagar	1
21.		Shri Mukatsar Sahib	3
22.		Tarntaran	1
<b>Total</b>			<b>57</b>
1.	<b>Rajasthan</b>	Ajmer	3
2.		Alwar	1
3.		Baran	3
4.		Barmer	1
5.		Bharatpur	2
6.		Bhilwara	2
7.		Bundi	2
8.		Chhitorgarh	2
9.		Dausa	1
10.		Hanumangarh	2
11.		Jaipur	1
12.		Jalore	1
13.		Jhalawar	1
14.		Jhunjhunu	3
15.		Jodhpur	1
16.		Karauli	2
17.		Kota	2
18.		Nagaur	2
19.		Pratapgarh	1
20.		Rajsamand	1
21.		Sawai Madhopur	1
22.		Sikar	1
23.		Sri Ganganagar	2
24.		Tonk	1
25.		Udaipur	1

			<b>Total</b>	<b>40</b>
1.	<b>Tamil Nadu</b>	Ariyalur		4
2.		Chengalpattu		5
3.		Coimbatore		1
4.		Cuddalore		2
5.		Dindigul		2
6.		Erode		2
7.		Kallakurichi		2
8.		Kanchipuram		2
9.		Krishnagiri		2
10.		Namakkal		1
11.		Perambalur		1
12.		Pudukkottai		1
13.		Ranipet		3
14.		Salem		1
15.		Thanjavur		2
16.		Theni		1
17.		Thirppur		2
18.		Thiruvarur		1
19.		Thoothukudi		1
20.		Tirunelveli		1
21.		Tiruvannamalai		5
22.		Vellore		2
			<b>Total</b>	<b>44</b>
1.	<b>Telangana</b>	Badradri Kothagudem		1
2.		Bhongir		1
3.		Jagitial		1
4.		Janagoan		2
5.		Kamareddy		1
6.		Karimnaqar		3
7.		Khammam		8
8.		Komaram Bheem Asifabad		2
9.		Mahabubabad		3
10.		Mahabubnagar		4
11.		Mancherial		2
12.		Medak		3
13.		Medchal		3
14.		Mehabubnagar		1
15.		Mulugu		4
16.		Nagarkurnool		1
17.		Nalgonda		11
18.		Nirmal		3
19.		Nizamabad		9
20.		Raianna- Siricilla		1
21.		Rangareddy		4
22.		Siddipet		4

23.		Siricilla	1
24.		Suryapet	4
25.		Vikarabad	1
26.		Warangal	3
<b>Total</b>			<b>81</b>
1.	<b>Uttar Pradesh</b>	Agra	4
2.		Aligarh	2
3.		Ambedkar Nagar	2
4.		Amethi	4
5.		Ayodhya	6
6.		Badaun	1
7.		Balia	2
8.		Barabanki	5
9.		Bareilly	4
10.		Basti	1
11.		Bijnore	1
12.		Bulandshahr	2
13.		Chandauli	1
14.		Deoria	2
15.		Etah	2
16.		Gonda	2
17.		Gorakhpur	8
18.		Hardoi	3
19.		Hathras	1
20.		Jalaun	1
21.		Jaunpur	5
22.		Jhansi	3
23.		Kanpur Naöar	1
24.		Kushinagar	2
25.		Lakhimpur	3
26.		Maharajganj	2
27.		Mahoba	1
28.		Mainpuri	4
29.		Meerut	3
30.		Moradabad	4
31.		Pratapgarh	3
32.		Prayagraj	16
33.		Rae Bareilly	3
34.		Sant Kabeer Naqar	2
35.		Shahjahanpur	4
36.		Sitapur	4
37.		Sonbhadra	1
38.		Sultanpur	2
39.		Unnao	2
40.		Varanasi	9
<b>Total</b>			<b>128</b>

1.	<b>Uttarakhand</b>	Dehradun	1
2.		Nainital	1
3.		Udham Singh Nagar	1
<b>Total</b>			<b>3</b>
1.	<b>West Bengal</b>	Bardhaman	1
2.		Birbhum	2
3.		East Burdwan	1
4.		Hooghly	5
5.		Jalpaiguri	1
6.		Murshidabad	1
7.		North Dinajpur	1
8.		Paschim Medinipur	1
9.		Purbha Bardhman	1
10.		South 24 Parganas	1
<b>Total</b>			<b>15</b>

**Source: Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare**

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