## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.: 3052 (To be answered on the 11<sup>th</sup> July 2019)

## **UDAN SCHEME IN ODISHA**

## 3052. SHRI RAMESH CHANDRA MAJHI

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:-

(a) whether some proposals under UDAN scheme are under consideration for Odisha and if so, the details and the present status thereof; and

(b) the time by which work on the said proposals is likely to be started?

## **ANSWER**

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(a) & (b): In the first round of bidding under Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS)- UDAN routes connecting Jeypore, Utkela, Rourkela and Jharsuguda airports were awarded. Out of these, routes connecting Jeypore, Utkela and Jharsuguda airports were cancelled due to the default by the airlines. These airports were offered under second and third rounds of bidding under RCS-UDAN. However, no valid bids were received for Jeypore and Utkela Airport.

Under UDAN third round, RCS route connecting Jharsuguda airport to Kolkata, Bhubaneshwar, Hyderabad, Mumbai, Delhi and Raipur airport were awarded. Operations on these routes, except Jharsuguda-Mumbai have been commenced. Jharsuguda-Mumbai route could not be operationalized as the Selected Airline Operator has suspended its operations.

Route from Rourkela to Bhubneshwar and Raipur were awarded to M/s Alliance Air and M/s Turbo Aviation. However, operation could not be commenced due to non-readiness of Rourkela Airport.

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