

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. : 84
(To be answered on the 27th June 2019)**

AIR CONNECTIVITY TO SMALL CITIES

***84. SHRIMATI RAMYA HARIDAS
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Government proposes to provide air connectivity to small cities of the country;
(b) if so, the details thereof and the action plan chalked out in this regard;
(c) whether the airports at those cities have been revamped and if so, the details thereof; and
(d) the time by which the air service is likely to commence from these cities and the details of the airports to be expanded during the next three years in the country?

ANSWER

Minister of State (IC) in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

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(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the table of House.

STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 84 FOR REPLY ON 27.06.2019 REGARDING AIR CONNECTIVITY TO SMALL CITIES:

(a) to (d) Ministry of Civil Aviation has launched Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS)-UDAN scheme on 21-10-2016 to facilitate / stimulate regional air connectivity and making air travel affordable to the masses. Promoting affordability of regional air connectivity is envisioned under RCS by supporting airline operators through (i) concessions by Central Government, State Governments and airport operators to reduce the cost of airline operations on regional routes and (ii) financial support (Viability Gap Funding) to meet the gap,if any, between the cost of airline operations and expected revenues on regional routes. The interested airlines based on their assessment of demand on particular routes submit proposals at the time of bidding under RCS from time to time.

Under RCS-UDAN version 1.0, 2.0 and 3.0, 106 airports/waterdromes (76 Unserved, 20 Underserved and 10 waterdromes) and 31 heliports have been awarded. Out of these, 39 RCS Airports (16 underserved & 23 unserved) have been revived/developed for operationalization of RCS flights. The list of these airports is at Annexure A. The list of airports/waterdromes and heliports alongwith timelines for their operationalization are at Annexure B and C.

List of RCS Airports operationalized till date

S N	State	Airport	Date of Operationalisation
1.	Andhra Pradesh	KADAPA	27/04/2017
2.	Assam	JORHAT	1/08/2018
3.		LILABARI	15/01/2019
4.		TEZPUR	26/04/2018
5.	Chattisgarh	JAGDALPUR	14/06/2018
6.	Daman & Diu	DIU	24/02/2018
7.	Gujarat	BHAVNAGAR	1/05/2018
8.		JAMNAGAR	17/02/2018
9.		KANDLA	10/07/2017
10.		MUNDRA	17/02/2018
11.		PORBANDAR	10/07/2017
12.	Himachal Pradesh	SHIMLA	27/04/2017
13.	Karnataka	BELGAUM	1/05/2019
14.		HUBLI	14/05/2018
15.		MYSORE	20/09/2017
16.		VIDYANAGAR	21/09/2017
17.	Kerala	KANNUR	25/01/2019
18.	Madhya Pradesh	GWALIOR	31/05/2017
19.	Maharashtra	JALGAON	23/12/2017
20.		KOLHAPUR	8/04/2018
21.		NANDED	27/04/2017
22.		OZAR(NASIK)	23/12/2017
23.	Meghalaya	SHILLONG	26/04/2018
24.	Odisha	JHARSUGUDA	22/09/2018
25.	Pondicherry (UT)	PONDICHERRY	16/08/2017
26.	Punjab	ADAMPUR	1/05/2018
27.		BHATINDA	27/04/2017
28.		LUDHIANA	2/09/2017
29.		PATHANKOT	5/04/2018
30.	Rajasthan	BIKANER	26/09/2017
31.		JAISALMER	29/10/2017
32.		KISHANGARH	8/10/2018
33.	Sikkim	PAKYONG	4/10/2018
34.	Tamil Nadu	SALEM	25/03/2018
35.	Uttar Pradesh	AGRA	12/08/2017
36.		ALLAHABAD	14/06/2018
37.		KANPUR(Chakeri)	3/07/2018
38.	Uttarakhand	PANTNAGAR	4/01/2019
39.		PITHORAGARH	17/01/2019

**List of RCS (unserved and underserved) Airports / Waterdrome (W)
identified in 1st, 2nd and 3rd round of bidding**

S. No.	State	Owner	Date of Operationalisation	Airport	Status	Remarks
1.	Andaman & Nicobar	INS	-	Campbell Bay (3)	Unserved	Six months or readiness of airport
2.		IAF	-	Car Nicobar (3)	Unserved	Six months or readiness of airport
3.		INS	-	Shibpur (3)	Unserved	Six months or readiness of airport
4.		INS	-	Havelock (W-3)	Unserved	Six months or readiness of airport
5.		INS	-	Long Island (W-3)	Unserved	Six months or readiness of airport
6.		INS	-	Neil Port (W-3)	Unserved	Six months or readiness of airport
7.	Andhra Pradesh	AAI	27-04-17	Kadapa	Underserved	
8.		AP Airports Dev. Corp. Ltd	-	Kurnool (3)	Unserved	Six months or readiness of airport
9.		State Govt.	-	Parkasam Barrage (W-3)	Unserved	Six months or readiness of airport
10.	Arunachal Pradesh	IAF	-	Passighat (2)	Unserved	Six months or readiness of airport
11.		AAI	-	Tezu (2)	Unserved	Six months or readiness of airport
12.	Assam	AAI	-	Rupsi (2)	Unserved	Six months or readiness of airport
13.		IAF (CE - AAI)	01-08-18	Jorhat (2)	Underserved	
14.		AAI	15-01-19	Lilabari (2)	Underserved	
15.		IAF (CE - AAI)	26-04-18	Tezpur (2)	Underserved	
16.		State Govt.	-	Guwahati River Front(W-3)	Unserved	Six months or readiness of airport

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17.		State Govt.	-	Umrangso Reservoir (W-3)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
18.	Bihar	IAF	-	Darbhanga (2)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
19.	Chattisgarh	AAI	-	Bilaspur	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
20.		State Govt.	-	Ambikapur	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
21.		JSPL	-	Raigarh (Jindal)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
22.		State Govt.	14-06-18	Jagdapur	Unserviced	
23.	Daman & Diu	AAI	24-02-18	Diu	Underserved	
24.		AAI	-	Daman (3)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
25.	Gujarat	AAI	01-05-18	Bhavnagar	Underserved	
26.		AAI	17-02-18	Jamnagar	Underserved	
27.		AAI	10-07-17	Kandla	Unserviced	
28.		AAI	10-07-17	Porbandar	Underserved	
29.		TATA Chemicals	-	Mithapur (Dwarka)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
30.		Mundra & SEZ	17-02-18	Mundra	Unserviced	
31.		AAI	-	Keshod (2)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
32.		State Govt.	-	Sabarmati River Front(W-3)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
33.		State Govt.	-	Shatrunjay Dam (W-3)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
34.		State Govt.	-	Statue of Unity (W-3)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
35.	Haryana	State Govt.	-	Hissar (2)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
36.		IAF	-	Ambala (3)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of

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37.	Himachal Pradesh	AAI	27-04-17	Shimla	Unserviced	
38.		AAI	-	Kullu	Underserved	Six months or readiness of airport
39.	Jammu and Kashmir	IAF	-	Kargil (2)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
40.		IAF	-	Thoise (3)	Underserved	Six months or readiness of airport
41.	Jharkhand	TATA Steel Ltd.	-	Jamshedpur	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
42.		SAIL	-	Bokaro (2)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
43.		State Govt.	-	Dumka (2)	Unserviced	Land yet to be acquired by State Government
44.		State Govt.	-	Hazaribagh (3)	Unserviced	Land yet to be acquired by State Government
45.	Karnataka	AAI	20-09-17	Mysore	Unserviced	
46.		Private JSPL	21-09-17	Vidyanagar	Unserviced	
47.		ASPL Ltd.		Baldota/Koppal (2)	Unserviced	Baldota/Koppal airport belongs to MSPL.Govt. of Karnataka is yet to takeover airport.
48.		AAI	14-05-18	Hubli (2)	Underserved	
49.		State Govt.	-	Kalaburgi (3)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
50.		AAI	01-05-19	Belgaum (3)	Underserved	
51.	Kerala	KIAL	25-01-19	Kannur (2)	Unserviced	
52.	Madhya Pradesh	IAF	31-05-17	Gwalior	Underserved	
53.	Maharashtra	AAI	23-12-17	Jalgaon	Unserviced	
54.		AAI	08-04-18	Kolhapur	Unserviced	
55.		AAI		Sholapur	Unserviced	Chimney obstacles are yet

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						to be removed by State Government
56.		HAL	23-12-17	Ozar (Nasik)	Unserviced	
57.		MIDC	27-04-17	Nanded	Unserviced	
58.		MADC	-	Amravati (3)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
59.		State Govt.	-	Sindhudurg (3)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
60.		Coast Guard	-	Ratnagiri (3)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
61.	Meghalaya	AAI	26-04-18	Shillong (Barapani)	Underserved	
62.	Nagaland	AAI	-	Dimapur (3)	Underserved	Six months or readiness of airport
63.	Odisha	AAI	22-09-18	Jharsuguda	Unserviced	
64.		PSU - SAIL	-	Rourkela	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
65.		State Govt.	-	Utkela	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
66.		State Govt. / Air Odisha	-	Jeypore	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
67.	Pondicherry (U.T.)	AAI	16-08-17	Pondicherry	Underserved	
68.	Punjab	AAI	02-09-17	Ludhiana	Unserviced	
69.		Civil Enclave-AAI	01-05-18	Adampur	Unserviced	
70.		Civil Enclave-AAI	27-04-17	Bhatinda	Unserviced	
71.		Civil Enclave-AAI	05-04-18	Pathankot	Unserviced	
72.	Rajasthan	Civil Enclave-AAI	26-09-17	Bikaner (Nal)	Unserviced	
73.		Civil Enclave-AAI	29-10-17	Jaisalmer	Unserviced	

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74.		AAI	08-10-18	Kishangarh (2)	Unserviced	
75.		IAF	-	Uterlai (2)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
76.		AAI	-	Kota (3)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
77.	Sikkim	AAI	04-10-18	Pakyong (2)	Unserviced	
78.	Tamil Nadu	AAI	25-03-18	Salem	Unserviced	
79.		Neyveli Lignite Corporation	-	Neyveli	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
80.		IAF	-	Tanjore (2)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
81.		AAI	-	Vellore (2)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
82.		Naval Air Station	-	Ramnad (3)	Unserviced	Land for extension of runway is yet to be acquired by State Government
83.	Telangana	State Govt.	-	Nagarjuna Sagar (W-3)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
84.	Uttar Pradesh	Civil Enclave-AAI	08-12-17	Agra	Underserviced	
85.		Civil Enclave-AAI	03-07-18	Kanpur (chakeri)	Unserviced	
86.		State Govt.	-	Aligarh (2)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
87.		State Govt.	-	Azamgarh (2)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
88.		IAF	-	Bareilly (2)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
89.		State Govt.	-	Chitrakoot (2)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
90.		AAI	-	Jhansi (2)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of

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91.		State Govt.	-	Moradabad (2)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
92.		State Govt.	-	Muirpur(Korba) (2)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
93.		State Govt.	-	Shravasti (2)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
94.		IAF (CE - AAI)	14-06-18	Allahabad (2)	Unserviced	
95.		State Govt.	-	Faizabad (3)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
96.		State Govt.	-	Ghazipur (3)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
97.		State Govt.	-	Kushinagar (3)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
98.		IAF	-	Saharanpur(Sar sawa) (3)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
99.		State Govt.	-	Meerut (3)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
100.	Uttarakhand	AAI	04-01-19	Pantnagar	Underserved	
101.		State Govt.	17-01-19	Pithoragarh (2)	Unserviced	
102.	West Bengal	AAI	-	Cooch behar	Un served	Six months or readiness of airport
103.		ISSCO	-	Burnpur	Un served	Six months or readiness of airport
104.		Private	-	Durgapur(Andal)	Underserved	Six months or readiness of airport
105.		IAF	-	Hashimara (3)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport
106.		IAF	-	Kalaikunda (3)	Unserviced	Six months or readiness of airport

Annexure-C

**State wise list of Heliports identified in 2nd round of bidding
under RCS-UDAN**

SN	Row Labels	Airport	Owner	Likely date of operationalization
1.	Arunachal Pradesh	DAPARIZO	ARMY	Within 60 days from readiness of heliports by State Government
2.		Itanagar(H)	State Govt.	Within 60 days from readiness of heliports by State Government
3.		TUTING	IAF	Within 60 days from readiness of heliports by State Government
4.		WALONG	IAF	Within 60 days from readiness of heliports by State Government
5.		YINGHIONG	ARMY	Within 60 days from readiness of heliports by State Government
6.		ZIRO	IAF	Within 60 days from readiness of heliports by State Government
7.	Assam	Nagaon(H)	State Govt.	Within 60 days from readiness of heliports by State Government
8.	Himachal Pradesh	Kasauli(H)	ARMY	Within 60 days from readiness of heliports by State Government
9.		Manali(H)	DRDO	Within 60 days from readiness of heliports by State Government
10.		Mandi(H)	State Govt.	Within 60 days from readiness of heliports by State Government
11.		NathpaJhakri(H)	State Govt.	Within 60 days from readiness of heliports by State Government
12.		Rampur(H)	State Govt.	Within 60 days from readiness of heliports by State Government
13.		Shimla(H) Annadale	State Government	Operation commenced from Shimla Airport
14.	Manipur	Jiribam(H)	State Govt.	Within 60 days from readiness of heliports by State Government
15.		Moreh(H)	Assam Rifles	Within 60 days from readiness of heliports by State Government
16.		Parbung(H)	Assam Rifles	Within 60 days from readiness of heliports by State Government
17.		Tamenglong(H)	Assam Rifles	Within 60 days from readiness of heliports by State Government
18.		Thanlon(H)	Assam Rifles	Within 60 days from readiness of heliports by State Government
19.	Uttarakhand	Almora(H)	ARMY	Within 60 days from readiness of heliports by State Government
20.		CHINYALI SAUR	State Govt.	Within 60 days from readiness of heliports by State Government
21.		Dharchula(H)	ARMY	Within 60 days from readiness of heliports

				by State Government
22.		GAUCHER	State Govt.	Within 60 days from readiness of heliports by State Government
23.		Haldwani(H)	State Govt.	Within 60 days from readiness of heliports by State Government
24.		Haridwar(H)	State Govt.	Within 60 days from readiness of heliports by State Government
25.		Joshimath(H)	ARMY	Within 60 days from readiness of heliports by State Government
26.		Mussoorie(H)	State Govt.	Within 60 days from readiness of heliports by State Government
27.		Nainital(H)	ARMY	Within 60 days from readiness of heliports by State Government
28.		New Tehri(H)	State Govt.	Within 60 days from readiness of heliports by State Government
29.		Ramnagar(H)	State Govt.	Within 60 days from readiness of heliports by State Government
30.		Sahastradhara(H)	State Govt.	Within 60 days from readiness of heliports by State Government
31.		Srinagar(H)	State Govt.	Within 60 days from readiness of heliports by State Government