

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 1656
(To be answered on the 28th November 2019)**

AIR CONNECTIVITY TO REMOTE REGIONS

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Government has been successful in achieving the objectives of containing surging demand and providing air connectivity to remote regions and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the routes which were awarded for increasing regional connectivity have been fully operationalized and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor along with the steps taken for operationalization of all the awarded routes?

ANSWER

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

नागर विमानन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)

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(a) to (c): Government has launched Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS) - UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik) on 21.10.2016 to stimulate regional air connectivity by making it affordable. RCS - UDAN is market driven mechanism. Under the scheme, airlines assess demand and nature of supply required on particular route and based on their analysis participate in the bidding process to be conducted from time to time. Under Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS) - UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik), 688 RCS routes have been awarded by the Implementing Agency. Out of which, 232 RCS routes have been commenced so far. List of commenced RCS routes is attached at Annexure-A. The Selected Airline Operators (SAOs) are obligated to commence RCS flight operations on a RCS-route, as part of individual route-proposal or a network proposal within a period of 180 days from the issuance of Letter of Award unless any extension is granted by the Implementing Agency depending upon the readiness of airports/heliports, infrastructure requirements etc.

Annexure-A

Statement referred to in reply of Lok Sabha unstarred Q.no
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List of RCS routes started under RCS-UDAN 1.0, 2.0 & 3.0

RCS-UDAN 1.0

Sr. No	Departure Airport (State)	Arrival Airport (State)	Commencement Date
1.	BHATINDA (Punjab)	DELHI	27-04-2017
2.	DELHI	BHATINDA (Punjab)	27-04-2017
3.	SHIMLA (HP)	DELHI	27-04-2017
4.	DELHI	SHIMLA (HP)	27-04-2017
5.	KADAPA (Andhra Pradesh)	HYDERABAD (Telangana)	27-04-2017
6.	HYDERABAD (Telangana)	KADAPA (Andhra Pradesh)	27-04-2017
7.	NANDED (Maharashtra)	HYDERABAD (Telangana)	27-04-2017
8.	HYDERABAD (Telangana)	NANDED (Maharashtra)	27-04-2017
9.	GWALIOR (MP)	DELHI	31-05-2017
10.	GWALIOR (MP)	INDORE (MP)	31-05-2017
11.	INDORE (MP)	GWALIOR (MP)	31-05-2017
12.	KANDLA (Gujarat)	MUMBAI (Maharashtra)	10-07-2017
13.	MUMBAI (Maharashtra)	KANDLA (Gujarat)	10-07-2017
14.	PORBANDAR (Gujarat)	MUMBAI (Maharashtra)	10-07-2017
15.	HYDERABAD (Telangana)	PONDICHERRY	16-08-2017
16.	PONDICHERRY	HYDERABAD (Telangana)	16-08-2017
17.	DELHI	LUDHIANA (Punjab)	02-09-2017
18.	LUDHIANA (Punjab)	DELHI	02-09-2017
19.	CHENNAI (Tamil Nadu)	MYSORE (Karnataka)	20-09-2017
20.	MYSORE (Karnataka)	CHENNAI (Tamil Nadu)	20-09-2017

Sr. No	Departure Airport (State)	Arrival Airport (State)	Commencement Date
21.	HYDERABAD (Telangana)	VIDYANAGAR (Karnataka)	21-09-2017
22.	VIDYANAGAR(Karnataka)	HYDERABAD (Telangana)	21-09-2017
23.	BIKANER (Rajasthan)	DELHI	26-09-2017
24.	DELHI	BIKANER (Rajasthan)	26-09-2017
25.	JAIPUR (Rajasthan)	JAISALMER (Rajasthan)	29-10-2017
26.	JAISALMER (Rajasthan)	JAIPUR (Rajasthan)	29-10-2017
27.	CHENNAI (Tamil Nadu)	KADAPA (Andhra Pradesh)	16-11-2017
28.	KADAPA (Andhra Pradesh)	CHENNAI (Tamil Nadu)	16-11-2017
29.	MUMBAI (Maharashtra)	NANDED (Maharashtra)	16-11-2017
30.	NANDED(Maharashtra)	MUMBAI (Maharashtra)	16-11-2017
31.	AGRA (UP)	JAIPUR (Rajasthan)	08-12-2017
32.	JAIPUR (Rajasthan)	AGRA (UP)	08-12-2017
33.	AHMEDABAD (Gujarat)	JAMNAGAR (Gujarat)	17-02-2018
34.	JAMNAGAR (Gujarat)	AHMEDABAD (Gujarat)	17-02-2018
35.	AHMEDABAD (Gujarat)	MUNDRA (Gujarat)	17-02-2018
36.	MUNDRA (Gujarat)	AHMEDABAD (Gujarat)	17-02-2018
37.	AHMEDABAD(Gujarat)	DIU	24-02-2018
38.	DIU	AHMEDABAD(Gujarat)	24-02-2018
39.	BANGALORE (Karnataka)	VIDYANAGAR (Karnataka)	01-03-2018
40.	VIDYANAGAR (Karnataka)	BANGALORE (Karnataka)	01-03-2018
41.	KADAPA (Andhra Pradesh)	VIJAYWADA (Andhra Pradesh)	01-03-2018
42.	VIJAYWADA (Andhra Pradesh)	KADAPA (Andhra Pradesh)	01-03-2018
43.	CHENNAI (Tamil Nadu)	SALEM (Tamil Nadu)	25-03-2018
44.	SALEM (Tamil Nadu)	CHENNAI (Tamil Nadu)	25-03-2018
45.	DELHI	PATHANKOT (Punjab)	05-04-2018
46.	PATHANKOT (Punjab)	DELHI	05-04-2018

Sr. No	Departure Airport (State)	Arrival Airport (State)	Commencement Date
47.	ADAMPUR (Punjab)	DELHI	01-05-2018
48.	DELHI	ADAMPUR (Punjab)	01-05-2018
49.	AHMEDABAD (Gujarat)	BHAVNAGAR (Gujarat)	01-05-2018
50.	BHAVNAGAR (Gujarat)	AHMEDABAD (Gujarat)	01-05-2018
51.	DELHI	KANPUR (UP)	03-07-2018
52.	KANPUR (UP)	DELHI	03-07-2018
53.	PANTNAGAR (Uttarakhand)	DEHRADUN (Uttarakhand)	04-01-2019
54.	DEHRADUN (Uttarakhand)	PANTNAGAR (Uttarakhand)	04-01-2019

RCS-UDAN 2.0

Sr. No	Departure Airport	Arrival Airport	Commencement Date
1.	BIKANER (Rajasthan)	JAIPUR (Rajasthan)	27-03-2018
2.	JAIPUR (Rajasthan)	BIKANER (Rajasthan)	27-03-2018
3.	BHATINDA (Punjab)	JAMMU (J&K)	05-04-2018
4.	JAMMU (J&K)	BHATINDA (Punjab)	05-04-2018
5.	KOLKATA (WB)	TEZPUR (Assam)	26-04-2018
6.	TEZPUR (Assam)	KOLKATA (WB)	26-04-2018
7.	CHENNAI (Tamil Nadu)	HUBLI (Karnataka)	14-05-2018
8.	HUBLI (Karnataka)	CHENNAI (Tamil Nadu)	14-05-2018
9.	HUBLI (Karnataka)	HYDERABAD (Telangana)	14-05-2018
10.	HYDERABAD (Telangana)	HUBLI (Karnataka)	14-05-2018
11.	ALLAHABAD (UP)	LUCKNOW	14-06-2018
12.	LUCKNOW (UP)	ALLAHABAD (UP)	14-06-2018
13.	ALLAHABAD (UP)	PATNA (Bihar)	14-06-2018
14.	PATNA (Bihar)	ALLAHABAD (UP)	14-06-2018
15.	DELHI	OZAR (Maharashtra)	15-06-2018
16.	OZAR (Maharashtra)	DELHI	15-06-2018
17.	ALLAHABAD (UP)	INDORE (MP)	16-06-2018
18.	INDORE (MP)	ALLAHABAD (UP)	16-06-2018
19.	ALLAHABAD (UP)	NAGPUR (Maharashtra)	16-06-2018
20.	NAGPUR (Maharashtra)	ALLAHABAD (UP)	16-06-2018
21.	HUBLI (Karnataka)	COCHIN (Kerala)	28-06-2018

Sr. No	Departure Airport	Arrival Airport	Commencement Date
22.	COCHIN (Kerala)	HUBLI (Karnataka)	28-06-2018
23.	GOA	HUBLI (Karnataka)	28-06-2018
24.	HUBLI (Karnataka)	GOA	28-06-2018
25.	AHMEDABAD (Gujarat)	HUBLI (Karnataka)	01-07-2018
26.	HUBLI (Karnataka)	AHMEDABAD (Gujarat)	01-07-2018
27.	CHENNAI (Tamil Nadu)	HUBLI (Karnataka)	01-07-2018
28.	HUBLI (Karnataka)	CHENNAI (Tamil Nadu)	01-07-2018
29.	JORHAT (Assam)	KOLKATA (WB)	01-08-2018
30.	KOLKATA (WB)	JORHAT (Assam)	01-08-2018
31.	PAKYONG (Sikkim)	KOLKATA (WB)	04-10-2018
32.	KOLKATA (WB)	PAKYONG (Sikkim)	04-10-2018
33.	KISHANGARH (Rajasthan)	DELHI	08-10-2018
34.	DELHI	KISHANGARH (Rajasthan)	08-10-2018
35.	GUWAHATI (Assam)	PAKYONG (Sikkim)	28-10-2018
36.	PAKYONG (Sikkim)	GUWAHATI (Assam)	28-10-2018
37.	AHMEDABAD (Gujarat)	JAISALMER (Rajasthan)	31-10-2018
38.	JAISALMER (Rajasthan)	AHMEDABAD (Gujarat)	31-10-2018
39.	ALLAHABAD (UP)	BANGALORE (Karnataka)	15-11-2018
40.	BANGALORE (Karnataka)	ALLAHABAD (UP)	15-11-2018
41.	JAISALMER (Rajasthan)	SURAT (Gujarat)	30-11-2018
42.	SURAT (Gujarat)	JAISALMER (Rajasthan)	30-11-2018
43.	KOLHAPUR (Maharashtra)	HYDERABAD (Telangana)	09-12-2018
44.	HYDERABAD (Telangana)	KOLHAPUR (Maharashtra)	09-12-2018
45.	KOLHAPUR (Maharashtra)	BANGALORE (Karnataka)	09-12-2018
46.	BANGALORE (Karnataka)	KOLHAPUR (Maharashtra)	09-12-2018
47.	AHEMDABAD (Gujarat)	PORBANDAR (Gujarat)	19-12-2018
48.	PORBANDAR (Gujarat)	AHEMDABAD	19-12-2018
49.	AHEMDABAD (Gujarat)	JAISELMER (Rajasthan)	19-12-2018
50.	JAISELMER (Rajasthan)	AHEMDABAD (Gujarat)	19-12-2018
51.	KOLKATA (WB)	LILABARI (Assam)	15-01-2019
52.	LILABARI (Assam)	KOLKATA (WB)	15-01-2019
53.	DEHRADUN (Uttarakhand)	PITHORAGARH (Uttarakhand)	17-01-2019
54.	PITHORAGARH (Uttarakhand)	DEHRADUN (Uttarakhand)	17-01-2019
55.	PANTNAGAR (Uttarakhand)	PITHORAGARH (Uttarakhand)	17-01-2019
56.	PITHORAGARH (Uttarakhand)	PANTNAGAR (Uttarakhand)	17-01-2019

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57.	KANNUR (Kerala)	BANGALORE (Karnataka)	25-01-2019
58.	BANGALORE (Karnataka)	KANNUR (Kerala)	25-01-2019
59.	KANNUR (Kerala)	CHENNAI (Tamil Nadu)	25-01-2019
60.	CHENNAI (Tamil Nadu)	KANNUR (Kerala)	25-01-2019
61.	KANNUR (Kerala)	GOA	25-01-2019
62.	GOA	KANNUR (Kerala)	25-01-2019
63.	KANNUR (Kerala)	HUBLI (Karnataka)	25-01-2019
64.	HUBLI (Karnataka)	KANNUR (Kerala)	25-01-2019
65.	TIRUPATI (Andhra Pradesh)	HUBLI (Karnataka)	25-01-2019
66.	HUBLI (Karnataka)	TIRUPATI (Andhra Pradesh)	25-01-2019
67.	HYDERABAD (Telangana)	NASIK (Maharashtra)	01-02-2019
68.	NASIK (Maharashtra)	HYDERABAD (Telangana)	01-02-2019
69.	AHMEDABAD (Gujarat)	NASIK (Maharashtra)	01-02-2019
70.	NASIK (Maharashtra)	AHMEDABAD (Gujarat)	01-02-2019
71.	AHMEDABAD (Gujarat)	NASIK (Maharashtra)	13-02-2019
72.	NASIK (Maharashtra)	AHMEDABAD (Gujarat)	13-02-2019
73.	CHANDIGARH (UT)	SHIMLA (Himachal Pradesh)	11-03-2019
74.	SHIMLA (Himachal Pradesh)	CHANDIGARH (UT)	11-03-2019
75.	KANNUR (Kerala)	THIRUVANANTHAPURAM (Kerala)	31-03-2019
76.	THIRUVANANTHAPURAM (Kerala)	KANNUR (Kerala)	31-03-2019
77.	COCHIN (Kerala)	KANNUR (Kerala)	31-03-2019
78.	KANNUR (Kerala)	COCHIN (Kerala)	31-03-2019
79.	MUMBAI (Maharashtra)	ALLAHABAD (UP)	20-04-2019
80.	ALLAHABAD (UP)	MUMBAI (Maharashtra)	20-04-2019
81.	KOLHAPUR (Maharashtra)	HYDERABAD (Telangana)	12-05-2019
82.	HYDERABAD (Telangana)	KOLHAPUR (Maharashtra)	12-05-2019
83.	KOLHAPUR (Maharashtra)	TIRUPATI (Andhra Pradesh)	12-05-2019
84.	TIRUPATI (Andhra Pradesh)	KOLHAPUR (Maharashtra)	12-05-2019
85.	SHIMLA (Himachal Pradesh)	KULLU (Himachal Pradesh)	13-05-2019
86.	KULLU (Himachal Pradesh)	SHIMLA (Himachal Pradesh)	13-05-2019
87.	SHIMLA (Himachal Pradesh)	DHARAMSHALA (Himachal Pradesh)	14-05-2019
88.	DHARAMSHALA (Himachal Pradesh)	SHIMLA (Himachal Pradesh)	14-05-2019
89.	AHMEDABAD (Gujarat)	KANDLA (Gujarat)	15-05-2019
90.	KANDLA (Gujarat)	AHMEDABAD (Gujarat)	15-05-2019
91.	KOLKATA (WB)	ALLAHABAD (UP)	28-06-2019
92.	ALLAHABAD (UP)	KOLKATA (WB)	28-06-2019

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93.	ALLAHABAD (UP)	RAIPUR (CG)	28-06-2019
94.	RAIPUR (CG)	ALLAHABAD (UP)	28-06-2019
95.	AHMEDABAD (Gujarat)	JALGAON (Maharashtra)	01-09-2019
96.	JALGAON (Maharashtra)	AHMEDABAD (Gujarat)	01-09-2019
97.	HINDAN (UP)	PITHORAGARH (Uttarakhand)	11-10-2019
98.	PITHORAGARH (Uttarakhand)	HINDAN (UP)	11-10-2019
99.	HINDON (UP)	HUBLI (Karnataka)	06-11-2019
100.	HUBLI (Karnataka)	HINDON (UP)	06-11-2019
101.	Kandla (Gujarat)	Ahmedabad (Gujarat)	18-11-2019
102.	Ahmedabad (Gujarat)	Kandla (Gujarat)	18-11-2019
103.	HYDERABAD (Telangana)	HUBLI (Karnataka)	26-11-2019
104.	HUBLI (Karnataka)	HYDERABAD (Telangana)	26-11-2019

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Sr. No	Departure Airport	Arrival Airport	Commencement Date
1.	AHMEDABAD (Gujarat)	UDAIPUR (Rajasthan)	25-03- 2019
2.	UDAIPUR (Rajasthan)	AHMEDABAD (Gujarat)	25-03- 2019
3.	AHMEDABAD (Gujarat)	KISHANGARH (Rajasthan)	31-03-2019
4.	KISHANGARH (Rajasthan)	AHMEDABAD (Gujarat)	31-03-2019
5.	AMRITSAR (Punjab)	JAIPUR (Rajasthan)	31-03-2019
6.	JAIPUR (Rajasthan)	AMRITSAR	31-03-2019
7.	BHOPAL (MP)	UDAIPUR (Rajasthan)	31-03-2019
8.	UDAIPUR (Rajasthan)	BHOPAL (MP)	31-03-2019
9.	DELHI	JHARSUGUDA (Odisha)	31-03-2019
10.	JHARSUGUDA (Odisha)	DELHI	31-03-2019
11.	<i>GUWAHATI (Assam)</i>	<i>LILABARI (Assam)</i>	<i>31- 03-2019</i>
12.	<i>LILABARI (Assam)</i>	<i>GUWAHATI (Assam)</i>	<i>31-03-2019</i>
13.	HYDERABAD (Telangana)	JHARSUGUDA (Odisha)	31-03-2019

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14.	JHARSUGUDA (Odisha)	HYDERABAD (Telangana)	31-03-2019
15.	JHARSUGUDA (Odisha)	KOLKATA (WB)	31-03-2019
16.	KOLKATA (WB)	JHARSUGUDA (Odisha)	31-03-2019
17.	KISHNGARH (Rajasthan)	HYDERABAD (Telangana)	25-04-2019
18.	HYDERABAD (Telangana)	KISHNGARH (Rajasthan)	25-04-2019
19.	HYDERABAD (Telangana)	BELGAUM (Karnataka)	01-05-2019
20.	BELGAUM (Karnataka)	HYDERABAD (Telangana)	01-05-2019
21.	HYDERABAD (Telangana)	GWALIOR (MP)	01-05-2019
22.	GWALIOR (MP)	HYDERABAD (Telangana)	01-05-2019
23.	JAMMU (J&K)	GWALIOR (MP)	01-05-2019
24.	GWALIOR (MP)	JAMMU (J&K)	01-05-2019
25.	AHMEDABAD (Gujarat)	BELGAUM (Karnataka)	15-05-2019
26.	BELGAUM (Karnataka)	AHMEDABAD (Gujarat)	15-05-2019
27.	PUNE (Maharashtra)	BELGAUM (Karnataka)	15-05-2019
28.	BELGAUM (Karnataka)	PUNE (Maharashtra)	15-05-2019
29.	JHARSUGUDA (Odisha)	RAIPUR (CG)	05-06-2019
30.	RAIPUR (CG)	JHARSUGUDA (Odisha)	05-06-2019
31.	JHARSUGUDA (Odisha)	BHUBANESHWAR	05-06-2019
32.	BHUBANESHWAR (Odisha)	JHARSUGUDA (Odisha)	05-06-2019
33.	JHARSUGUDA (Odisha)	KOLKATA (WB)	06-06-2019
34.	KOLKATA (WB)	JHARSUGUDA (Odisha)	06-06-2019
35.	BANGALORE (Karnataka)	MYSORE (Karnataka)	07-06-2019
36.	MYSORE (Karnataka)	BANGALORE (Karnataka)	07-06-2019
37.	GWALIOR (MP)	BANGALORE (Karnataka)	20-06-2019
38.	BANGALORE (Karnataka)	GWALIOR (MP)	20-06-2019
39.	KOLKATA (WB)	GWALIOR (MP)	20-06-2019
40.	GWALIOR (MP)	KOLKATA (WB)	20-06-2019
41.	MUMBAI (Maharashtra)	BELGAUM (Karnataka)	20-06-2019
42.	BELGAUM (Karnataka)	MUMBAI (Maharashtra)	20-06-2019
43.	MUMBAI (Maharashtra)	DURGAPUR (WB)	25-06-2019

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44.	DURGAPUR (WB)	MUMBAI (Maharashtra)	25-06-2019
45.	MYSORE (Karnataka)	HYDERABAD (Telangana)	19-07-2019
46.	HYDERABAD (Telangana)	MYSORE (Karnataka)	19-07-2019
47.	MYSORE (Karnataka)	GOA	19-07-2019
48.	GOA	MYSORE (Karnataka)	19-07-2019
49.	MYSORE (Karnataka)	COCHIN (Kerala)	19-07-2019
50.	COCHIN (Kerala)	MYSORE (Karnataka)	19-07-2019
51.	<i>KOLKATA (West Bengal)</i>	<i>SHILLONG (Meghalaya)</i>	<i>20-07-2019</i>
52.	<i>SHILLONG (Meghalaya)</i>	<i>KOLKATA (West Bengal)</i>	<i>20-07-2019</i>
53.	Mumbai (Maharashtra)	Kolhapur (Maharashtra)	01-09-2019
54.	Kolhapur (Maharashtra)	Mumbai (Maharashtra)	01-09-2019
55.	Mumbai (Maharashtra)	Jalgaon (Maharashtra)	01-09-2019
56.	Jalgaon (Maharashtra)	Mumbai (Maharashtra)	01-09-2019
57.	Mumbai (Maharashtra)	BELGAUM (Karnataka)	06-09-2019
58.	BELGAUM (Karnataka)	Mumbai (Maharashtra)	06-09-2019
59.	Rajamundry (Andhra Pradesh)	Vishakhapatnam (Andhra Pradesh)	15-09-2019
60.	Vishakhapatnam (Andhra Pradesh)	Rajamundry (Andhra Pradesh)	15-09-2019
61.	Nasik (Maharashtra)	Pune (Maharashtra)	27-10-2019
62.	Pune (Maharashtra)	Nasik (Maharashtra)	27-10-2019
63.	Hyderabad (Telangana)	Belgaum (Karnataka)	27-10-2019
64.	Belgaum (Karnataka)	Hyderabad (Telangana)	27-10-2019
65.	Hyderabad (Telangana)	Mysore (Karnataka)	27-10-2019
66.	Mysore (Karnataka)	Hyderabad (Telangana)	27-10-2019
67.	Chennai (Tamil Nadu)	DURGAPUR (WB)	27-10-2019
68.	DURGAPUR (WB)	Chennai (Tamil Nadu)	27-10-2019
69.	Delhi	Agra (UP)	29-10-2019
70.	Agra (UP)	Delhi	29-10-2019

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71.	Chandigarh (UT)	Dharamshala(Himachal Pradesh)	16 -11-2019
72.	Dharamshala(Himachal Pradesh)	Chandigarh (UT)	16-11-2019
73.	Bangalore (Karnataka)	Kalaburgi (Gulbarga)-Karnataka	22-11-2019
74.	Kalaburgi (Gulbarga)-Karnataka	Bangalore (Karnataka)	22-11-2019

Total routes commenced: 232

Bold routes denotes: Tourism Routes (10)

Italic routes denotes: DoNER Routes (4)

