

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 3049  
(To be answered on the 12<sup>th</sup> March 2020)**

**AIRPORTS IN WEST BENGAL**

**3049. SHRI KHALILUR RAHAMAN**

**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION**

तागर विमानतल मंत्री

be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to set up an Airport in the district of Murshidabad in West Bengal;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of new airports sanctioned in West Bengal under UDAN scheme;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to set up more Greenfield airports across the country in the coming years; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof including West Bengal?

**ANSWER**

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

तागर विमानतल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)

(Shri Hardeep Singh Puri)

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- (a) & (b): No Sir, Government of India (GoI), Ministry of Civil Aviation has not received any proposal from the State Government to set up an Airport in the district of Murshidabad in West Bengal as per Greenfield Airport Policy.
- (c): Airports Authority of India (AAI), the Implementing Agency has awarded 5 (five) airports namely Cooch Behar, Burnpur, Durgapur, Kalaikunda and Hashimara of West Bengal under Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS) - UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik) for operations of RCS flights till 3rd round of bidding. However, RCS routes connecting Burnpur and Cooch Behar have been cancelled due to non-compliance of Selected Airline Operator (SAO) agreement by SAO.
- (d) & (e): Yes Sir, GoI has granted 'in principle' approval for setting up of 16 Greenfield Airports across the country namely Mopa in Goa, Navi Mumbai and Sindhudurg in Maharashtra, Bijapur, Hassan and Shimoga in Karnataka, Datia (Gwalior) in Madhya Pradesh, Kushinagar and Noida (Jewar) in Uttar Pradesh, Dholera and Hirasar in Gujarat, Karaikal in Puducherry, Dagadarthi, Bhogapuram and Oravakal in Andhra Pradesh and Holongi, Itanagar in Arunachal Pradesh.

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