

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
35.	Lakshadweep	2	2	3	6	13
36.	Puducherry	8	2	7	0	17
TOTAL (UTs)		439	72	172	97	780
TOTAL (ALL-INDIA)		20257	6134	13264	5519	45174

Source: Prison Statistics India.

#### **Amarwah Airstrip in Sidhi, Madhya Pradesh**

†\*185. SHRI AJAY PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Amarwah airstrip in Sidhi, Madhya Pradesh is not functional; and
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor and by when it would be made functional?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Amarwah airstrip in Sidhi is not functional.

The airstrip belongs to the Government of Madhya Pradesh and its runway dimensions are 1000 x 15 M as against the minimum requirement of 18 M runway width for operation of code A type of aircraft with Outer Main Gear Wheel Span (OMGWS) upto 4.5 M.

The Government of India, Ministry of Civil Aviation has launched the Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS)-UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Naagrik) in October, 2016 with the objective of facilitating/stimulating regional air connectivity to currently underserved and unserved airports in the country. However, the revival of airstrips/airports is "demand driven", depending upon firm commitment from airline operators as well as from the State Government for providing various concessions. Airstrip at Sidhi has been included under un-served category in the RCS-UDAN. However, under the three bidding rounds of RCS-UDAN Scheme, no bids have been received from airlines to provide connectivity from this airstrip.

#### **Steel production and export by Sail**

†\*186. MS. SAROJ PANDEY: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of production of steel by Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) during the last three years;

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† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.