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1	2		3	4
5.	Madurai		25.71	3.15
6.	Tirupati		177	12.56
7.	Trichy		951	<b>7</b> 0
8.	Trivandrum		26.67	7.59
9.	Vijayawada		756	142.7
10.	Vizag		84	42.77
11.	Chennai		2663.36	259.04
Regi	on-Eastern			
1.	Port Blair		441.33	186.24
2.	Raipur		30.20	19.78
3.	Bhubaneswar		153.76	42.01
4.	Deoghar		205.46	78.11
5.	Kolkata		548.18	72.57
6.	Patna		599.34	26.53
Regi	on- Western			
1.	Ahmedabad		63.63	17.80
2.	Goa		231.16	138.11
3.	Jabalpur		524.41	51.13
4.	Kolhapur		221.17	16.37
5.	Pune		475.39	35.88
6.	Rajkot		648.00	0.00
7.	Surat		210.21	64.83

## **Udan Regional Connectivity Scheme in Maharashtra**

469. SHRI SAMBHAJI CHHATRAPATI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

<sup>(</sup>a) whether it is a fact that Mumbai-Kolhapur-Mumbai sector was given to M/s Air Deccan under the UDAN scheme;

- (b) whether it is also a fact that Air Deccan could not successfully operate flights on the sector apparently due to many technical and other issues;
- (c) whether Government is taking adequate steps to address these issues in order to ensure regional connectivity under UDAN scheme remains successful; and
- (d) whether there is any proposal under consideration to restore flights under the UDAN scheme between Mumbai-Kolhapur-Mumbai involving some other airline considering fairly good traffic on the route?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI): (a) to (d) The Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS) - UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik) is a demand-driven scheme, where airline operators undertake assessment of demand on particular routes and interested eligible Airline Operators participate in the ebidding to be held time to time for award of routes/networks. The Mumbai-Kolhapur Sector was awarded to M/s Deccan Charters Private Limited (Air Deccan) by the Airports Authority of India- the Implementing Agency, but the Selected Airline Operator could not operate successfully on the said Sector and therefore, Mumbai - Kolhapur - Mumbai sector was awarded to M/s Ghodawat Enterprises Private Limited (Star Air) and M/s Turbo Megha Airways Private Limited (TruJet) in the 3rd round of bidding under RCS-UDAN.

## Naming of Kolhapur airport

- 470. SHRI SAMBHAJI CHHATRAPATI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government of Maharashtra has recommended naming Kolhapur Airport as Chhatrapati Rajaram Maharaj Airport, honouring the illustrious son of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj and whose lineage continues in Kolhapur;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether any decision has been arrived at in this regard, if so, when would the official announcement and christening of the airport would happen?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The State Government of Maharashtra has recommended for naming Kolhapur Airport as 'Chhatrapati Rajaram Maharaj Airport, Kolhapur' and has forwarded copies of resolution passed in the Legislative Assembly as well as Legislative Council of the State.