

- (iii) increased workload for Air Traffic Controllers
- (iv) increased coordination with other agencies in India and foreign Air Navigation Service providers for safe aircraft operations.

(c) and (d) The airspace restrictions that were put in place by Pakistan in February 2019 have been lifted with effect from 16 July 2019.

Airports under Udan scheme

1776. DR. ABHISHEK MANU STNGHVI : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether out of the 440 odd air routes allotted to 14 major and fledgling airlines under the two phases of UDAN, not more than 40 to 60 routes are operating regularly, if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) why air services are yet to begin in a number of newly constructed airports; and

(c) the details of all the airports whose construction has been completed under the scheme but they are yet to operate?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI) : (a) and (b) Out of 313 number of valid routes under first two rounds of bidding under Regional Connectivity Scheme(RCS)- UDAN(Ude Desk ka Aam Nagrik), 158 RCS routes have commenced. There is a delay in operationalizing some routes/discontinuation of the routes, for reasons which include:

- (i) Non-readiness of civil airports/heliports, which may be related to availability of land, creating regional infrastructure, complying to the regulations by the airport operators.
- (ii) Delay in obtaining Scheduled Commuter Operators Permit by new entrant Airlines.
- (iii) Unsustainability of the operation on the awarded routes.

(c) List of RCS airports which have been operationalized under UDAN is given in the Statement (*See* below). As per the scheme, Selected Airline Operator (SAO) is to start RCS operations within six months of signing the Agreement or within sixty days of readiness of airports, whichever is later.

Statement*List of RCS airports operationalized under UDAN*

| Sl.No | State | Airport | Date of Operationalisation |
|-------|------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 1. | Andhra Pradesh | Kadapa (Underserved) | 27-April-2017 |
| 2. | Assam | Jorhat (Underserved) | 1-Aug-2018 |
| 3. | | Lilabari (Underserved) | 15-Jan-2019 |
| 4. | | Tezpur (Underserved) | 26-April-2018 |
| 5. | Chhattisgarh | Jagdarpur | 14-June-2018 |
| 6. | Daman and Diu | Diu (Underserved) | 24-Feb-2018 |
| 7. | Gujarat | Bhavnagar (Underserved) | 1-May-2018 |
| 8. | | Jamnagar (Underserved) | 17-Feb-2018 |
| 9. | | Kandla | 1-july-2017 |
| 10. | | Mundra | 17-Feb-2018 |
| 11. | | Porbandar (Underserved) | 10-July-2017 |
| 12. | Himachal Pradesh | Shimla | 27-April-2017 |
| 13. | | Kullu | 13-May-2019 |
| 14. | Karnataka | Belgaum (Underserved) | 1-May-2019 |
| 15. | | Hubli (Underserved) | 14-May-2018 |
| 16. | | Mysore | 2-Sep-2017 |
| 17. | | Vidyanagar | 21-Sep-2017 |
| 18. | | Kalaburgai (Gulbarga) | 22-Nov-2019 |
| 19. | Kerala | Kannur | 25-Jan-2019 |
| 20. | Madhya Pradesh | Gwalior (Underserved) | 31-May-2017 |
| 21. | Maharashtra | Jalgaon | 23-Dec-2017 |
| 22. | | Kolhapur | 8-April-2018 |

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|-----|------------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| 23. | | Nanded | 27-April-2017 |
| 24. | | Ozar (Nasik) | 23-Dec-2017 |
| 25. | Meghalaya | Shillong (Underserved) | 26-April-2018 |
| 26. | Odisha | Jharsuguda | 22-Sep-2018 |
| 27. | Pondicherry (UT) | Pondicherry (Underserved) | 16-Aug-2017 |
| 28. | Punjab | Adampur | 1-May-2018 |
| 29. | | Bhatinda | 27-April-2017 |
| 30. | | Ludhiana | 2-Sep-2017 |
| 31. | | Pathankot | 5-April-2018 |
| 32. | Rajasthan | Bikaner | 26-Sep-2017 |
| 33. | | Jaisalmer | 29-Oct-2017 |
| 34. | | Kishangarh | 8-Oct-2018 |
| 35. | Sikkim | Pakyong | 4-Oct-2018 |
| 36. | Tamil Nadu | Salem | 25-March-2018 |
| 37. | Uttar Pradesh | Agra (Underserved) | 8-Dec-2017 |
| 38. | | Allahabad (Underserved) | 14-June-2018 |
| 39. | | Kanpur (Chakeri) | 3-July-2018 |
| 40. | | Hindon | 11-Oct-2019 |
| 41. | Uttarakhand | Pantnagar (Underserved) | 4-Jan-2019 |
| 42. | | Pithoragarh | 17-Jan-2019 |
| 43. | West Bengal | Durgapur (Underserved) | 25-June-2109 |

International flights from Vijayawada Airports

1777. SHRI KANAKAMEDALA RAVINDRA KUMAR : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is aware of the fact that though Vijayawada Airport has