

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
Rajya Sabha
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 3216
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 24th March 2021
DEVELOPMENT OF AIRSTRIPS

3216. SHRI DEEPAK PRAKASH

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether Government is considering on the proposals to develop airstrips across the country;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof, pertaining to the State of Jharkhand;**
- (c) whether the State Government of Jharkhand has approached the Central Government, in this regard; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with specific locations in this regard?**

ANSWER

**Minister of State (IC) in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION
(Shri Hardeep Singh Puri)**

(a) to (d): Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS)-UDAN(Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik) is a market driven scheme. The interested airlines based on their assessment of demand on particular routes submit their proposals at the time of bidding under RCS - UDAN from time to time. An airport which is included in the awarded routes of RCS - UDAN and requires upgradation/development for commencement of RCS operations is developed under "Revival of unserved and underserved airports" scheme. Airports Authority of India, the implementing agency, has awarded RCS routes connecting Bokaro, Dumka, Jamshedpur and Hazaribagh in Jharkhand till four rounds of bidding under RCS-UDAN. All these four RCS airports figure in the list of airports being developed / revived under "Revival of unserved and underserved airports" scheme for operation of RCS flights.
