

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
Rajya Sabha
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 1777
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 10th March 2021
STATUS OF AIRSTRIPS PLANNED AT JEYPORE AND
UTKELA

1777. SHRI SUJEET KUMAR

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

- (a) the current status of airstrips planned at Jeypore and Utkela; and**
(b) by when, they are going to be completed?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): Airports Authority of India(AAI), the Implementing Agency, had awarded Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS) - UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik) routes from Jeypore and Utkela to Selected Airline Operators (SAO) for operation of RCS flights. Rs. 28.158 crore and Rs. 18.157 crore have been spent for development/upgradation of Jeypore and Utkela Airports, respectively. Subsequently, the Implementing Agency has cancelled the awarded RCS routes due to non-compliance with SAO Agreement by the Selected Airline Operator. There is no valid bid available at present for these two airports. However, if any valid bid is received in the subsequent round of bidding under UDAN, the same would be considered as per the provisions of Scheme document as UDAN is a market driven Scheme.
