## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO: 1785 (TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 4<sup>th</sup> August 2021)

## PROJECTS UNDER UDAN SCHEME IN NORTH-EASTERN STATES

## 1785. SHRI KAMAKHYA PRASAD TASA

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has approved several new projects under the UDAN scheme;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with particular reference to the projects approved for North-Eastern States; and
- (c) the status of implementation of the said projects in North-Eastern States and by when projects in North-Eastern States would be started and timeline proposed to be completed?

## **ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

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(a) to (c): Ministry of Civil Aviation has launched Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS)- UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik) on 21-10-2016 to enhance regional air connectivity from unserved and underserved airports in the country by making air travel affordable to the masses. States of North Eastern Region (NER) have been included in the Scheme Document as Priority Area(s). So far, 359 UDAN routes have been operationalized across the country, connecting 59 UDAN airports including 2 water aerodromes & 5 heliports. Till date, UDAN flights from Passighat, Rupsi, Jorhat, Lilabari, Tezpur, Shillong, Dimapur and Pakyong in NER have been made operationalized by the Selected Airline Operators (SAOs).

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