

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
Rajya Sabha**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 24

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 29th November 2021

UDAN SCHEME FOR DOMESTIC TRAVEL IN ODISHA

24. SMT MAMATA MOHANTA

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

- (a) the details of the airports selected/proposed under UDAN scheme for domestic travel in Odisha;**
- (b) the airports which are ready and to be developed for the UDAN scheme in Odisha;**
- (c) whether there has been demands for connecting more airports from Odisha, if so, the details thereof including destinations already connected and those which are in the pipeline; and**
- (d) the status of the survey conducted with regard to the airstrips under UDAN scheme in Odisha?**

ANSWER

**Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION (GEN.
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(a) to (d): Five airports, namely, Jharsuguda, Jeypore, Utkela, Rourkela & Rangeilunda have been identified for operations of UDAN flights. Jharsuguda Airport has been operationalized under UDAN scheme connecting it to Delhi, Hyderabad, Bhubaneshwar, Kolkata and Raipur. Subsequently, routes on commercial basis have also commenced connections with cities like Bengaluru. Rourkela Airport is licensed for Code 2B operations for smaller aircrafts. Further, Rourkela Airport is selected for upgradation/operationalization of RCS - UDAN flights with ATR 72 type of aircraft. Jeypore, Utkela, Rangeilunda and Amarda Road airstrips have received the bids under different round of bidding under RCS - UDAN. Upgradation/operationalization of the Airports are undertaken as per the scheme guidelines. Apart from already identified airports, Angul, Barbil, Birasal, Gudari, Hirakund, Jayakpur, Lanjigarh, Nawapara, Padampur, Rairangpur, Raisuan, Sukinda, Theruboli and Tushra unserved airports in Odisha are included in the RCS Document. UDAN is a market

driven scheme. Interested airlines based, on their assessment of demand on particular routes, submit their proposals at the time of bidding under UDAN from time to time.
