

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION  
RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO : 11  
(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024)**

**AIRPORT AT SHAHDOL, MADHYA PRADESH**

11. SHRI VIVEK K. TANKHA

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

(a) the steps taken so far for establishment of a proper Airport/Airstrip at Shahdol, a divisional headquarter in Madhya Pradesh as it is a hub of coal production Power Plants and Amarkantak a religious and tourist destination is also situated there and has a sizable tribal population, thus bearing immense potential for air traffic, for the reasons stated above;

(b) whether Government has any plan to establish an airport at Shahdol, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION**

(Shri Murlidhar Mohol)

(a) to (c): Shahdol airstrip in Madhya Pradesh is State Government owned airport and is included in the list of tentative unserved airports under the Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS)-Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik(UDAN) Scheme. As per the provisions of the Scheme, revival / up-gradation of unserved and underserved airports is undertaken upon its identification through valid bid and award to the Selected Airline Operator. Development / Expansion of the airstrip under UDAN 5.2 is under consideration of the State Government.

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