

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
RAJYA SABHA
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(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 22nd July 2024)

DRONE INDUSTRY

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

- (a) the stage at which the Drone industry stands at present including the number of licences granted, jobs created by it, the number of Drone training schools, the companies which are manufacturing the components of the Drone; and
- (b) the salient features of Kisan Drone Yatra and the way it is likely to give a boost to the agriculture sector?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

(Shri Murlidhar Mohol)

(a) The drone industry is witnessing growth in India. Till date, 16,000 Remote Pilot Certificates (RPC) have been issued by Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) approved Remote Pilot Training Organisations (RPTOs). There are 116 DGCA approved RPTOs across the country. Further, 70 UAS models have been type certified by the DGCA.

There are 48 drone companies manufacturing DGCA type certified Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) models in the country. Under the PLI scheme of Ministry of Civil Aviation, 23 MSMEs were shortlisted as per the prescribed the scheme guidelines, out of which 11 were under the category of Drone Component manufacturer.

(b) Ministry of Civil Aviation has no such scheme under implementation.
