

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 90  
(To be answered on the 20<sup>th</sup> July 2023)**

**REVIEW OF KRISHI UDAN SCHEME**

**90. SHRI D.K. SURESH**

**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION**

**नागर विमानन मंत्री**

**be pleased to state:-**

- (a) whether it is true that Krishi UDAN scheme has been introduced on International and National routes to assist farmers in transporting agricultural products to improve their value realization;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and;**
- (c) whether the Union Government has conducted any review of the implementation of the scheme to assess its benefits to farmers and if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

**Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION**

**नागर विमानन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री**

**(GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD))**

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**(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. Krishi Udan Scheme was launched in August 2020 on international and national routes to assist farmers in transporting agricultural products to help improve their value realization. Krishi Udan Scheme 2.0 mainly focuses on transporting perishable food products from the hilly areas, North Eastern States and tribal areas. The scheme primarily covers 25 airports focusing on North Eastern, Hilly and Tribal region besides 33 airports in other regions/areas.**

**Krishi Udan Scheme is a convergence scheme where eight Ministries/Departments namely Ministry of Civil Aviation, Department of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare, Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Food Processing Industries, Department of Commerce, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Ministry of Development of North-Eastern Region would leverage their existing schemes to strengthen the logistics for transportation of Agri-produce. There is no specific budget allocation under Krishi Udan Scheme. However, for facilitating and incentivising movement of agri-produce by air transportation, waiver of Landing charges, Parking charges, etc. are provided for Indian freighters and P2C (Passenger-to-Cargo) Aircraft by Airports Authority of**

**India (AAI) and Ministry of Defence at their selected Krishi Udan airports.**

**(c) Yes, Sir. Krishi Udan is an ongoing Scheme and is reviewed from time to time in consultation with stakeholders. Initially 53 Airports were covered in the Krishi Udan Scheme piloted for 06 months. After evaluation of the scheme, five more airports have been included, making it 58 airports covered under Krishi Udan.**

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