



# Chief Minister launched Air Ambulance service for the 1st time for the General Public

## Why in News?

On 28 April 2023, Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren launched the 'Air Ambulance Service' at Birsa Munda Airport to provide emergency health facilities to the common citizens of the state.

## Key Points:

- A state-level cell has been constituted for 'Air Ambulance Service' by the Civil Aviation Division. The public of the state can get the service of air ambulance by contacting by telephone or through e-mail.
- The applicant will be informed over the phone itself about the possible expenditure as per the destination. After the consent of the applicant, a provision has been made to prepare the aircraft within 2 hours by the air ambulance operator, so that the needy can be taken to the destination as soon as possible.
- Under this service, a provision has also been made to reschedule the flight for the convenience of the common citizens.
- At present, New Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata, Chennai, Hyderabad, Varanasi, Lucknow and Tirupati have been identified as major destinations from Ranchi. Apart from Ranchi, this service will also be available in Deoghar, Bokaro, Jamshedpur, Dhanbad, Giridih and Dumka.
- It is not that only those who can pay will be able to use this service, there is a system to take those who cannot pay according to need through air ambulance and provide health services.

