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## Rajasthan's First Aviation Academy | Rajasthan | 13 Aug 2024

### Why in News?

Recently, **Rajasthan** Chief Minister inaugurated the state's **first [flight training academy](#)** at **Kishangarh airport in Ajmer district**.

### Key Points

- The new academy would help in the **growth of economic activities in Kishangarh**, which had emerged as a **major business centre because of its marble and granite industry**.
- The **enhancement in air connectivity** in the State will also **facilitate [tourism](#)**.
- The **Centre had approved 21 greenfield airports across the country** and taken steps to increase the number of air passengers and **promote regional connectivity** by upgrading under-serviced air routes.
  - More than 1.41 crore domestic passengers had benefited from the Centre's [UDAN scheme](#).

### UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik) Scheme

- **About:**
  - The scheme was **launched by the Ministry of Civil Aviation** for regional airport development and regional connectivity enhancement.
  - It is **a part of the [National Civil Aviation Policy, 2016](#)**.
  - The scheme is applicable for a **period of 10 years**.
- **Objectives:**
  - Improve the air connectivity to remote and regional areas of India.
  - Development of remote areas and enhancing trade and commerce and tourism expansion.
  - Enable common people to access air travel with affordable rates.
  - Employment creation in the aviation sector.