



Rajasthan's First Aviation Academy

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.

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