



Chief Minister Inaugurated Dehradun-Almora Heli Service

Why In News?

- On August 26, 2022, Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhama launched the Dehradun-Almora Heli service under the 'UDAN scheme' at Jolly Grant Airport, Dehradun.

Key Points

- Chief Executive Officer of Uttarakhand Civil Aviation Development Authority, C. Ravi Shankar said that with the introduction of air service from Dehradun to Almora, besides promoting tourism, local people will also be able to travel in less time.
- He said that at present, the Heli service has been allowed to run once a week by the DGCA. It can also be done daily as the number of passengers increases.
- Recently, Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhama had asked Union Civil Aviation Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia to allow Heli services to operate from Dehradun to Almora.
- The Ministry of Civil Aviation has allowed Pawan Hans to operate a heli service between Dehradun and Almora.
- With this, one will be able to reach Almora from Doon in one and a half hours. It is a journey of 12 to 13 hours by road. The fare for the heli service has been fixed at Rs 7700 per passenger.
- The heli service will run from Jolly Grant Airport to Pantnagar, Haldwani, Almora and Pithoragarh. This route will also be of return.

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