



Helipad and Heliport will be built at 33 New Tourist Places in the State

Why In News?

- On August 29, 2022, Uttarakhand Chief Secretary Dr. SS Sandhu instructed the officials to build helipads and heliports at 33 tourist places to promote tourism in the state.

Key Points

- In the meeting, the Chief Secretary said that apart from Chardham in the state, there is a lot of potential in the tourism sector due to the beauty and climate of the state. He directed to build more and more heliports and helipads in the state keeping in mind the tourists.
- He said that there is a lot of potential for joy rides in the state. Along with this, schemes like Himalaya Darshan should be operated from as many places as possible.
- The Chief Secretary said that while making the master plan of heliport and helipad, planning should be made keeping in view the future prospects and requirements. The traffic plan of these heliports and helipads should be made keeping in mind the traffic of the next 20, 25, 50 years.
- He said that there is more potential for helipad and heliport in Ramnagar. He instructed DM Nainital to work on this on priority. He directed to construct two or more heliports or helipads in tourist places like Mussoorie, Nainital and Haridwar.
- It was informed in the meeting that there is total 83 helipads in the state, out of which 51 are government and 32 are private. Work is underway on 22 helipads.

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