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Aviation sector in the country has an inexhaustible market and largely untapped potential. Do you agree with this view? Comment (200 words)

India the 3rd largest domestic market after US and China for air transportation. Ironically the per capita consumption of India alongside of poor African countries in purchasing air tickets.

Potential Areas

- i) Hubbing of Airlines - concept of waves where waves of incoming flights and are connected to another wave of outgoing flights in hour or two this can maximize combination of destination and point to point connection
- ii) Force Multiplier - one job in Aviation sector creates up to six jobs in allied sectors like tourism and hospitality
- iii) Integration of Air cargo with road, rail and port infrastructure can develop economy
- iv) Startup Initiative, program of modernization and indigenisation can provide jobs to various MSMEs, etc

Way Forward

- i) Implementation of UDAN program of regional airport aggressively. To cater the demand

ii) Skyrocketing price of aviation fuel and tax can be controlled through including it under GST framework

iii) Hub transport basic requirement of domestic demand, geographical location are plenty. Infrastructure has to maximised

iv) Modernization and best practices can be incorporated by the airlines. which lacks competition.

The development of aviation sector can leads economic development, they airlines can be incentivized by the government