

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION No. 306
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.08.2026**

Cycling League of India under the Fit India Movement

**†*306. Shri Mahesh Kashyap:
 Shri Yaduveer Wadiyar:**

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has reviewed the performance of the Cycling League of India under the Fit India Movement, including its progress in Nabarangpur Lok Sabha Constituency in Odisha;

(b) if so, the key findings thereof and the details of the progress made so far;

(c) the various steps taken/being taken by the Government under the said League for talent identification, training, coaching, sports science support and providing competitive opportunities at national and international level for junior and sub-junior cyclists, including youth from the said Constituency;

(d) whether any specific scheme is being implemented under the said initiative to enhance cycling infrastructure, cycling tracks, training centres, equipment support and the availability of coaches across the country, if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise; and

(e) the expected contribution of the said League towards strengthening India's cycling ecosystem and improving international competitiveness in the sport across the country, along with the measures taken/being taken by the Government to promote participation in the said Constituency?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
[DR. MANSUKH MANDAVIYA]**

(a) to (e) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 306 TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.08.2026 REGARDING “CYCLING LEAGUE OF INDIA UNDER THE FIT INDIA MOVEMENT” ASKED BY SHRI MAHESH KASHYAP, SHRI YADUVEER WADIYAR, HON’BLE MEMBERS OF LOK SABHA.

(a) to (e) There is no Cycling League of India under the Fit India Movement. However, the Fit India Movement promotes cycling and active lifestyles through the nationwide Sundays on Cycle (SoC) campaign, launched on 17th December, 2024, which is a non-competitive, mass participation fitness campaign aimed at encouraging citizens to adopt cycling as a healthy and sustainable lifestyle. Since its inception, the initiative has evolved into a nationwide movement, engaging over 36 lakh cycling enthusiasts and reaching more than 7 crore citizens across India, through on-ground activities, social media outreach and public engagement campaigns.

Further, the primary responsibility for the development and promotion of a specific sports discipline, including evaluation of performance and taking corrective measures, rests with the concerned recognized National Sports Federation (NSF), which in the case of cycling is the Cycling Federation of India (CFI). The Government supplements the efforts of the NSFs, including the Cycling Federation of India by providing financial assistance for holding national/international sports events in India, participation of sportspersons/teams in international sports events abroad, training/coaching of national level sportspersons/teams through Indian and foreign coaches, wholesome nutritious diet, equipment, state-of-the-art infrastructure, lodging, travelling facilities, scientific & medical support, sports kit, etc.

CFI has informed that the Cycling League of India is at a nascent stage and no event has been conducted by it under the said League so far. At present, there is no proposal under consideration of CFI for organizing any event under the Cycling League of India in Nabarangpur Lok Sabha Constituency, Odisha.
