

**Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
Department of Sports**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2433
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.12.2025**

Plans to Establish F1 Circuit for Racing in India

2433. SMT. JUNE MALIAH:

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

(a) whether the Government intends to build a grade one level Formula One (F1) circuit as per Federation Internationale de l'Automobile (FIA) in the country, if so, the details thereof and if not, reasons therefor;

(b) whether the Government intends to engage with FIA to host a F1 race in the near future, if so, the details thereof and if not, reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any survey on the growing popularity of F1 in the country, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether it is a fact that F1 drivers like Kush Maini have stated that "real karting started when I moved to Europe" depicting low Karting infrastructure in India, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
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(a) to (d) 'Sports', being a state subject, the responsibility for development of sports infrastructure for various sports including that

for motor sports rests primarily with the State/Union Territory Governments, while the Central Government supplements their efforts. Further, FIA grade 1 Karting Track, Madras International Karting Arena (MIKA), exist in Chennai, Tamil Nadu. For promotion and development of any sport discipline in the country, the Ministry recognizes the sports association/federation as National Sports Federation (NSF), which is mandated, inter alia, to organize national championships, conduct international sports events in India and their State level affiliated units being responsible for organizing sports competitions at State level, so as to promote the culture of competitive sports. At present, the Government has not recognized any federation as a National Sports federation (NSF) for the sport of Motor Sports.
