### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1824 ANSWERED ON 17/03/2025

## CYCLE PATHWAYS IN URBAN AREAS

#### **1824.** SHRI SATNAM SINGH SANDHU:

#### Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there are plans to develop or expand dedicated cycle pathways in urban areas to promote sustainable and eco-friendly transportation;
- (b) if so, the details of the initiatives taken under the Smart Cities Mission, AMRUT, or other urban development schemes to integrate cycling infrastructure;
- (c) the number of cities where dedicated cycling tracks have been constructed during the last five years, along with the total length of such tracks;
- (d) whether Government is considering incentives for States/UTs to encourage nonmotorized transport infrastructure, including cycle-sharing systems and safe cycle lanes; and
- (e) the measures taken to ensure safety of cyclists in urban areas?

#### ANSWER

# THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS (SHRI TOKHAN SAHU)

(a) to (e): As per 12<sup>th</sup> Schedule of the Constitution of India, urban planning is the function of Urban Local Bodies (ULBs)/ Urban Development Authorities. Government of India supplements the efforts of the States through schematic interventions/ advisories.

Non-motorized Urban Transport is one of the thrust areas of the Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) Mission that includes provision of pedestrian, non-motorized and public transport facilities, cycle tracks, parking spaces etc. Against the total plan size of ₹77,640 crore under AMRUT, ₹1,436 crore (2%) has been allocated under this sector. As reported by the States/ Union Territories, so far, 351 projects worth ₹1,021.46 crore have been grounded of which works worth ₹956.16 crore have been physically completed which led to the development of 42.56 Kilometer (Km) length of cycle track in 13 cities. Under Smart City Missions (SCM), as on 30.09.2024, 712.59 Km length of cycle track has been developed in 61 cities.

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