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Nehru yuvak kendras in Madhya Pradesh

2023. SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAOAN:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:-(a) the number of Nehru Yuvak Kendras functioning at present in Madhya Pradesh;

(b) whether any evaluation has been made regarding their working; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (KUMARI MAMITA BANERJEE)

(a) There are 45 Nehru Yuva Kendras in Madhya Pradesh.

(b) Programme Evaluation Cell of Planning Commission has conducted an evaluation of the Schemes of the Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan. This study was conducted on the basis of a sample survey after collecting information from 21 Kendras out of which 3 were from madhya Pradesh.

(c) The study conducted by the Planning Commission has revealed that the

Schemes of the Sangathan have generated awareness amongst the village youth about environment, national values and issues, development programmes and activities. In many cases Youth Clubs have been associated in creation of assets in a voluntary manner in cooperation with the village Panchayats. Further, the Youth participated in vocational training, functional literacy, work camps and Youth Club development programmes. The report, however, also points out that there is a lot of scope for coordination with various sectoral Departments.

Higher Study Courses on Gandhian Philsosophy

2024. SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:-(a) the number of Univesities conducting higher study courses in Gandhian philosophy;

(b) the number of Universities which propose to introduce such courses; and

(c) the steps the Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) According to the information furnished by UGC, the Universities at which Gandhian thought and philosophy is taught as a special subject and the level at which courses in Gandhian Studies are offered are indicated below:-

University	Courses
Annamalai Gandhian Studies.	M.A., PG Diploma in
Bhagalpur	M.A. in Gandhian Thought.
Gujurat Vidyapeeth Philosophy and	M.Phil in and Indian Comparative Religion.

University	Courses
Gandhiji University, Kottayam.	M.A., Ph. D. in Gandhian Studies.
Gandhiji Rural Institute	M.Phil. in Peace Students.
Karnatak Studies.	Diploma in Gandhian
Kashi Vidyapeeth Gandhian Economics.	Diploma and M.A. in
Madurai Kamraj Studies.	PG and M. Phil. in Peace
Mysore Thought.	Diploma in Gandhian
Nagpur Thought.	PG Diploma in gandhian
Punjab Diploma in Gandhian	M.A., M.Phil., Ph. D. and PG Studies.

In addition, Gandhian Philosophy is also taught as part of the courses in Philosophy, Economics and Political Science in many universities.

(b) and (c) According to the information furnished by the UGC, no proposal for starting new courses in Gandhian Studies is under consideration of the Commission. The Commission programmes of Gandhian Studies and values and strengthening of Gandhi Bhawans. The Commission also gives research ssociateships for conducting research in Gandhian Studies.

National Education Policy 1986

2025. SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN:
Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE
DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:-

(a) whether it is fact that autonomy to a number of colleges had been envisaged in the national Policy on Education, 1986;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the success achieved so far in this regard; and

(c) the further steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) to (c) National Policy on Education —1986 visualises development of autonomous colleges. According to the information furnished by UGC, at present 102 colleges are functioning as autonomous colleges as per details given below: