

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. *173
TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.08.2023**

Flagship Programme for Adolescents and Youth

***173. SHRI RAJENDRA DHEDYA GAVIT:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has started any flagship programme for the development of adolescents and youth of the country;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the objectives, features and financial allocation for the said programme; and**
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?**

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
[SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR]**

(a) to (c) A Statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *173 FOR REPLY ON 01.08.2023 ASKED BY SHRI RAJENDRA DHEDYA GAVIT REGARDING FLAGSHIP PROGRAMME FOR ADOLESCENTS AND YOUTH.

(a) Yes, the Government runs a scheme called National Programme for Youth and Adolescent Development (NPYAD) as part of a flagship programme viz., Rashtriya Yuva Sashaktikaran Karyakram (RYSK).

(b) The objectives of the NPYAD scheme is to engage youth for nation building; promote spirit of National Integration; stimulate action for development and empowerment of adolescent; develop amongst youth a sense of pride in nationally accepted values like democracy, socialism, and secularism; foster social harmony and national unity among youth; motivate youth to act as focal point for dissemination of knowledge in the rural area and involve them in nation building process. Under NPYAD Scheme financial assistance is provided to Government / Non-Government Organisations for taking up activities for youth and adolescent development under following 5 programme areas:

- i. Youth Leadership and Personality Development Training.**
- ii. Promotion of National Integration (National Integration Camps, Inter-State Youth Exchange Programmes, Youth Festivals, National Youth Award, etc.)**
- iii. Promotion of Adventure; Tenzing Norgay National Adventure Awards.**
- iv. Development and Empowerment of Adolescents (Life Skills Education, Counselling, Career Guidance, etc.).**
- v. Technical and Resource Development (Research and Studies on Youth issues, Documentation, Seminars/ Workshops).**

The major highlights/features of NPYAD Scheme are organization of National Youth Festival, North East Youth Festival and Youth Pravasi Bharatiya Divas and conferment of National Youth Award and Tenzing Norgay National Adventure Award.

Financial Allocation under NPYAD Scheme in the last three years are:

(Rs. In crore)

Year	BE	RE	Actuals
2020-21	23.00	20.00	12.79
2021-22	21.00	25.15	15.10
2022-23	22.00	26.35	18.68

(c) Does not arise.
