

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA**

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SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND EMPLOYMENT FOR YOUTH

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

- (a) whether the Government has prepared any plan for skill development and creation of employment opportunities for the youth in the naxal hit, insurgency dominated areas of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether his Ministry has sought financial assistance from the Ministry of Finance to implement the proposed plan;
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons of the Finance Ministry; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to tap the potential of the youth and channeling their energy towards nation building?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS(SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

(a) Yes, Madam.

(b) to (d) : Government of India through its youth based flagship organisation Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan is implementing Skill Upgradation Training Programme(SUTP) for girls in 200 bordering /tribal/hilly districts of the country. Recognising the constructive potential of these vocational programmes especially for youth, the Government of India is also actively considering a Pilot project named Youth Employability Skill (YES) Project with the focus to provide specific skills to the volunteers and youth clubs members in all the States in the North Eastern Region.

(e) The Government has launched a new Scheme "National Youth Corps" during the current financial year 2010-11 to tap the potential of the youth and channeling their energy towards nation building. The Scheme envisages enrollment of 20,000 volunteers, of which 8,000 are to be deployed in Jammu and Kashmir and 12,000 volunteers in other States.