

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

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ACTIVITIES UNDER NYKS

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

- (a) the number of Nehru Yuva Kendras (NYKs) functioning and the details of the functions and activities undertaken by them in various parts of the country including Andhra Pradesh alongwith area covered by such Kendras, State-wise and location-wise;
- (b) the funds allocated/spent on such Kendras during each of the last three years and the current year, NYKs-wise, State-wise;
- (c) the achievement made by such Kendras so far, State-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has any proposal for restructuring of NYKs; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken/being taken by the Government to bring awareness among the youths?

**Answer**

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

(a) As on date, 501 Nehru Yuva Kendras (NYKs) are functioning in different districts and States including 23 Kendras in the State of Andhra Pradesh as per the details Annexed. These Kendras established in the States undertake multifarious activities through a huge network of Youth Clubs/Manila Mandals and volunteers who work at the grassroots level. The programmes and activities of NYKs during the 11th Plan Period include Capacity Building of Youth Club members, Youth Leadership and Development Programme, Skill Upgradation Training Programme for Women, Work Camps, Sports Promotion Activities at grassroots levels, provision of Sports Material for Youth Clubs, Involvement of Rural youth for awareness generation under (Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act) MGNREGA, Publicity of message of Development and Peace in Manipur for awareness among youth about different development schemes of the Government and Entrepreneurship activities and to sensitize youth about the critical linkages between development and peace, Nirmal Bihar Total Sanitation Awareness Campaign for creating sanitation awareness and building strategy for total sanitation in 250 villages of 5 blocks in each of the 9 districts of Bihar, Awareness campaigns for control of HIV/AIDS through exhibitions, interactions, sharing knowledge and information. Inter School Sports Competitions under Panchayat Yuva Krida aur Khel Abhiyaan (PYKKA) for promotion of sports and games at School level and to harness available and potential sporting talent.

(b) & (c): During the year 2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11, funds to the tune of Rs.101.76 crore, Rs.127.54 crore and Rs.121.50 crore respectively were made available and during the current year Rs.134.50 crore has been earmarked for these 501 Kendras. Each Kendra is granted funds to the tune of about Rs.5-7 lakh annually for conduct of programmes/ activities based on the number of blocks in the district, The funds allocated/released to the Kendras during the 11th Plan period have been fully utilised for the purpose for which they were granted and the targets met.

(d) No, Madam.

(e) For bringing awareness among the youth, in addition to the ongoing programmes, the Government has recently launched a new Scheme called the 'National Youth Corps' for the youth. The Scheme envisages enrollment of 20,000 volunteers of which 8,000 volunteers are being deployed in Jammu and Kashmir and 12,000 volunteers in other States, The Government of India has also launched a Pilot project named Youth Employability Skill (YES) Project with the focus on providing specific employable skills to unemployed youth in all the States in the North Eastern Region. A programme has also been launched for creating awareness and education for the Prevention of Drug Abuse and Alcoholism in five districts of Punjab and seven districts of Manipur.