

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

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PERFORMANCE OF NYKS

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

- (a) the details of Nehru Yuva Kendras (NYKs) functioning in the country as on date along with the funds allocated, released and utilized in their functioning during each of the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has assessed the performance of NYKs;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government to strengthen the performance of NYKs;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to expand NYKs to all the districts in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS (SHRI JITENDRA SINGH)

(a) At present, there is a Kendra of Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS) functioning in 623 districts of the country. The State wise and location wise details of these Kendras is at Annexure- 1. The State wise details of funds allocated/released for the functioning of Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS) during the Last three years is at Annexure-II.

(b) & (c) Yes, Madam, A holistic management study of Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS) was entrusted to Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Ahmedabad which submitted its report in February, 2009 and the Government has implemented the recommendations. These inter-alia included introducing a new programme for Youth Leadership and Personality Development; increasing the number of Zonal Offices from 18 to 28; introduction of Skill Upgradation Training Programme (SUTP) for girls in 200 bordering/Tribal/Hilly districts of the Country, preparation of revised training manuals for Youth Development and Empowerment, Life Skills Education, National Integration & Social Harmony and Enhancement of honorarium from Rs.1000/- to Rs.2500/- per month to the volunteers. To strengthen Youth Clubs, a new programme namely Mentor Youth Club Scheme has been introduced. A Kendra of NYKS has also been opened in the 122 uncovered districts of the country.

To strengthen the performance of NYKS, new initiatives have been taken up for implementing programmes and activities of various Ministries/Departments relating to awareness campaigns and advocacy like projects in the field of prevention of drug abuse and alcoholism in Punjab and Manipur. Awareness Generation of MG NREGA in 10 States, Tribal Youth Exchange Programme Adolescents Development and Empowerment J&K exchange programme, Youth Initiative for publicity of Message of Development and peace in North Eastern States, Voter Awareness Programme through Election Commission, Population Awareness, Awareness against AIDS and Sanitation Programme (Nirmal Bihar) etc.

(d) & (e) 81 more districts have been created subsequently in various States. As of now, these additional Districts will also be looked after by the officials posted in the nearby districts, till full time arrangements are made by the Ministry.