

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

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FUNDS ALLOCATED TO NYKS  
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**Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of funds allocated/released and utilised for the functioning of Nehru Yuva Kendras (NYKs) during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise including Maharashtra;
- (b) whether the Government is planning to open more NYKs in various States of the country including Maharashtra;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the number of new NYKs approved so far;
- (d) whether the Government has assessed/evaluated the performance of the NYKs; and (
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government to strengthen the performance of NYKs?

**Answer**

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

- (a) The details of funds allocated/released and utilized for the functioning of Nehru Yuva Kendras (NYKs) during the each of the last three years and the current year, State- wise including Maharashtra are given at Annexure -I.
- (b) &(c) At present there is no proposal under consideration to open new Nehru Yuva Kendras. At present 623 Nehru Yuva Kendras are functioning in the country. The Statewise and location wise details of their Kendras are given at Annexure-II.
- (d) & (e) 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 implemented. Nehru Yuva Kendra has also been opened in each of 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.