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RAJIV GANDHI NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

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

- (a) whether the Government has established Rajiv Gandhi National Institute for Youth Development as an institute of national importance;
- (b) if so, the details including the mandate of the institute;
- (c) the criteria adopted for identification of site for the establishment of the said Institute;
- (d) the names of the programmes formulated/implemented by the Institute for the development of youths; and
- (e) the details of funds allocated and incurred by the Institute since its establishment?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c) Yes, Madam. Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development (RGNIYD) was established in March 1993 at Sriperumbudur, Tamil Nadu as a registered body. RGNIYD became deemed to be University in the year 2008 under section 3 of UGC act 1956. RGNIYD has now been converted into an Institution of National Importance by the Act of Parliament on 30.08.2012.

The mandate of the Institute is as under:-

- i) To function as a resource agency and think- tank for youth programmes, policies and implementation strategies.
- ii) To develop multi-faceted-programmes for youth keeping in view of the social harmony and national unity as the ultimate objective.
- iii) To grow and develop as a facilitator and nodal agency for youth training, youth work and youth development in the country for rural, urban as well as tribal youth.
- iv) To function as an institute of advanced study in the field of youth and to develop such professional excellence as may be required for the purpose.
- v) To develop its programmes aimed at inculcating a sense of national pride, awareness of national goals and internalisation of national values among the youth workers.
- vi) To develop new ideas and innovative programmes for motivating and creating a committed cadre of youth workers and functionaries.
- vii) To promote and conduct action and user based applied research and evaluation studies in youth development and through this provide necessary thrust to youth programmes on systematic and scientific lines.
- viii) To function as Center for Information Publication and Documentation pertaining to youth development.
- ix) To provide institutional training for the personnel working in the field of youth.
- x) To provide appropriate youth extension projects and services which can function as laboratory on youth work.
- xi) To link its programmes and functions to the promotion of National Youth Policy.

(d) The following are the programmes formulated/implemented by the Institute:-

(i) Academic Programmes

M.A. Youth Empowerment, M.A. Career Counselling, M.A. Gender Studies, M.A. Local Governance, M.A Life Skills Education, M.A. Development Practice and Ph.D (interdisciplinary specialising in Youth Work).

(ii) Areas of Training

Entrepreneurship/Social Entrepreneurship, Youth Leadership and Personality Development, Building Life Skills, Youth in Disaster Management, Adolescent Health Promotion, Enhancing Employability Skills/Skill Upgradation Programmes, Career Guidance and Counselling, Training of Youth in Social Harmony and National Unity, Training of Youth as Social Animators, Training in Human Rights and Social Harmony, Training in Civic, Citizenship and Life Skills, Training in Parenting, Training in peer Education, Youth in Gender Equity, Youth Health, Youth in Panchayati Raj, Formation of Teen Clubs, Environment Education for Sustainable Development, Interstate Interactive Experience Sharing-Youth in Panchayati Raj, Mainstreaming Youth in Local Governance, Training on Decentralized Governance and Youth Development, Interstate Interactive Youth Exchange and Home Stay Programmes, Social Audit and Accounting and Volunteerism.

(e) The details of funds allocated and incurred by the Institute are given at ANNEXURE.