

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

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Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development
Tiwari Shri Manoj Kumar

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

- (a) whether the Government is planning to introduce some capacity enhancement measures and organizational expansions in Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) whether these changes will ensure effective participation and overall development of the youth associated with it?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR
YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS
(SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)

(a) Yes Madam. The government has planned and introduced various capacity enhancement measures and organizational expansion in Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development (RGNIYD). The Institute has established a Regional Centre at Chandigarh to cater to the training requirements of youth and youth functionaries in the Northern part of the country. RGNIYD has also partnered with Institutes such as Apparel Training and Design Centre (ATDC) for offering Bachelor in Vocational courses (B. Voc.) in 'Apparel Manufacturing and Entrepreneurship' and 'Fashion Design & Retail'; the BANYAN Academy of Leadership to offer skill development certificate courses in Community Mental Health; Information, Communication, Technology Academy of Tamilnadu (ICTACT) to provide employability skills for youth; Letter of contract(LOC) with Bhartiya Yuva Shakti Trust (BYST) for a Youth led Development agenda and to foster a nation-wide mentoring movement through business volunteering; National Institute for Micro, Small and Medium Entrepreneurship(NI-MSME) to provide entrepreneurship and skill development programs; Indian Institute of Technology, Madras and Centre for Social Innovation and Entrepreneurship (CSIE) for offering certificate courses, training and workshop related to Social Innovation and Entrepreneurship. A new department of Tribal and North East Youth Development has been set up in RGNIYD to focus on development of tribal youth and North East youth.

(b) Not applicable.

(c) Yes Madam.