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Employment for youth

793 # Shri Ram Nath Thakur:

Will the Minister of **Youth Affairs and Sports** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the youth of the country has worked actively for public service during the COVID-19 pandemic;

(b) whether Government has any action plan for the youth in light of the work done by them;

(c) the details of schemes being implemented for employment generation to curb the basic problem of unemployment; and

(d) the steps being taken by Government to provide maximum benefits to those youth under "Atmanirbhar Bharat" scheme?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
(SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR)

(a) to (d): Yes, Sir. During COVID Pandemic, Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS), and National Service Scheme (NSS) of the Department of Youth Affairs, with the support of their more than 75 lakh Youth Volunteers played vital roles in awareness, dissemination and message amplification to contain the spread of infection. In this regard, activities like encouraging people to wear masks and prepare homemade masks, maintain Social Distancing, Hand Wash, Hygiene and Personal Cleanliness, De-Stigmatization of disease, dispelling of Myths and Misconceptions, Promoting Immunity Boosting AYUSH measures, Encouraging people for COVID-19 Testing and for download and use of Aarogya Setu app, support to District Administration in maintaining control rooms, help in relief operations and support to needy, underprivileged, old people, migrant labourers and other vulnerable groups in collaboration with Administration, Medical Camps for the Screening of COVID 19 patients, marking of Distances at market places. The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports undertakes various youth-centric activities to develop the personality of the youth and to engage them in nation-building activities. Our volunteers carry out publicity campaigns for popularizing different employment schemes of the Government.

Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS) of Department of Youth Affairs, through its District Nehru Yuva Kendras across the country are publicizing Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan-related programme for the country. National Youth Volunteers, Members of Youth Clubs, COVID Volunteers and other stakeholders are involved in publicity campaign. Publicity campaign is carried out through WhatsApp groups, wall writing, sharing of PDFs, slogans of vocal for local, E-posters, videos, documents, etc. through Social Media.

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