Government of India Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.984 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.12.2024

Youth Engagement Programmes

984. Shri Baijayant Panda:

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

(a) the total number of youth engagement programmes conducted in rural areas under the National Youth Policy in FY 2023-24;

(b) the funds allocated for promoting youth leadership, skills and sports in rural regions;

(c) the number of youth participants engaged in these programmes; and

(d) the specific initiatives taken to provide employment and skill development opportunities for rural youth through these programmes?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (DR. MANSUKH MANDAVIYA)

(a) The National Youth Policy envisions to synergize the hopes and aspirations of India's youth to enable harmonious growth of society to harness the energies of youth more effectively towards inclusive economic growth & responsible governance. The Policy broadly lays down the principles around which the schemes of the Department are to be implemented.

(b) The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports provides funds for promoting youth leadership, skills and sports in the country as a whole including the rural regions. The funds are allocated by the Ministry Scheme-wise, and not region-wise. The statement indicating budget for various programmes is placed at Annexure-I.

(c) A total of 4,96,39,201 youth participated in various youth engagement/Experiential learning/ training and other programs conducted by the Department during FY 2023-24.

(d) The Department through its field organizations has taken various initiatives for instance, through MY Bharat portal various Experiential Learning Programs have been launched for youth in several sectors. These programmes provide an opportunity to youth for learning by doing.

Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development organized various skill training programs for creation of entrepreneurial opportunities and for providing employment generation among the rural youth across the country, particularly for the underprivileged youth of Jammu and Kashmir.

Annexure-I

BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR 2024-25 OF THE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS

(In Rs. crore)

| SI. No. | Name of Scheme | Budget Estimates@ |
|---------|--|-------------------|
| | | 2024-25 |
| Α. | Secretariat Youth Affairs | 20.25 |
| В. | Rashtriya Yuva Sashaktikaran Karyakaram (RYSK) | |
| 1. | Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan | 426.00 |
| 2. | National Youth Corps | 75.00 |
| 3. | Young Leaders Programme | 9.00 |
| 4. | National Programme for Youth & | 22.00 |
| | Adolescent Development | |
| 5. | International Cooperation | 11.70 |
| 6. | Youth Hostels | 5.00 |
| 7. | Scouting & Guiding | 0.75 |
| 8. | Yuva Portal | 13.30 |
| | TOTAL (B) RYSK | 562.75 |
| C. | National Service Scheme (NSS) | 250.00 |
| D. | Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of | 26.50 |
| | Youth Development (RGNIYD) | |
| Ε. | Mera Yuva Bharat (MY Bharat) | 200.00 |
| | GRAND TOTAL (A+B+C+D+E) | 1059.50 |

@ - including NE Region