

**Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †1150
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.02.2025**

Skilled Young Leaders for Nation Building

†1150. Smt. Kamlesh Jangde:

Shri Suresh Kumar Kashyap:

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

(a) the details of specific programmes or workshops offered under the dialogue to equip young leaders with the skills required for nation building especially in Himachal Pradesh;

(b) whether the dialogue aligns with India's goal of becoming a developed nation by 2047;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the number of youth proposed to be equipped with the skills required for nation building from the States of Chhattisgarh and Himachal Pradesh?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d) National Youth Festival (NYF) is one of the major programmes of National Programme for Youth Adolescent Development (NPYAD) Scheme being implemented by Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports. This year, NYF has been restructured and called Viksit Bharat Young Leaders Dialogue (VBYLD). VBYLD-2025 was an effort to broaden the NYF platform and engage with youths more

intensively. It was an effort to align with the Prime Minister's Independence Day vision of engaging 1 lakh youth in public affairs, providing them with a national platform to create a meaningful sphere of national development and leadership for a developed India. In the dialogue, youth were encouraged to write about various aspects of Viksit Bharat. The dialogue encouraged them to dream big and work towards the vision of Viksit Bharat 2047.

VBYLD-2025 brought together 30 lakh motivated youth nationwide including the States of Himachal Pradesh and Chhattisgarh; a total of around 2500 dynamic youth were selected to participate in the 28th National Youth Festival: Viksit Bharat Young Leaders Dialogue 2025, held from 10th -12th January, 2025, through a merit-based, multi-stage process, representing India's most vibrant demographic of youth aged 15-29. The presentations emerging out of the dialogue were made before Hon'ble Prime Minister. The VBYLD-2025 emerged as a landmark event, fostering the next generation of leaders, innovators and thinkers who will drive India's growth.

The selected participants of Viksit Bharat Track and Traditional Track, young innovators, volunteers, etc. became part of VBYLD 2025. Additionally, over 6 crore youth and others witnessed the event through various social media platforms.

Under Viksit Bharat Young Leaders Dialogue (VBYLD), no specific programme or workshop was offered to youth. However, as part of VBYLD, Viksit Bharat Challenge was organized in four stages namely, Viksit Bharat Quiz; Viksit Bharat Essay; Viksit Bharat PPT Challenge and Viksit Bharat Championship on 12th January 2025 at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi.

The ten themes for discussion during Viksit Bharat Challenge were:

- i. Vikas Bhi Virasat Bhi**
- ii. Empowering Women And Improving Social Indicators**
- iii. Tech For Viksit Bharat**
- iv. Making India The Global Manufacturing Powerhouse**
- v. Building The Infrastructure For The Future**
- vi. Enhancing Productivity In Agriculture**
- vii. Steering India Towards A fully Sustainable Future**
- viii. Empowering Youth For Viksit Bharat**

- ix. Making India The Startup Capital Of The World**
- x. Making India a Sporting And Fit Nation.**

“Viksit Bharat 2047” is an initiative aimed at realizing India’s aspiration of becoming a developed nation by its centennial year of independence.
