

**Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
Department of Youth Affairs**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2578
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.03.2026**

Reservation in Mera Yuva Bharat Volunteers

2578. SHRI MANOJ KUMAR:

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

(a) the number and percentage of National Volunteers that belongs to SC, ST, OBC, EWS categories selected under Mera Yuva Bharat erstwhile Nehru Yuva Kendra (NYK) districts, State/UTs and category-wise particularly in Kaimur and Rohtas districts of Sasaram Lok Sabha Constituency;

(b) whether the Government is aware that due to non-implementation of reservation policy in the selection process of national volunteer under Mera Yuva Bharat, the numbers and percentage of SC, ST, OBC volunteers are very low and if so, whether the Government proposes to implement reservation policy in the selection process of national volunteer and if not, the reason therefor; and

(c) whether the Government has any plan to conduct special drives/advertisement to fill up vacancies reserved for SC, ST, OBC, EWS categories in the selection process of national volunteer and if so, the timeline thereof and if not, the reason therefor?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS
[DR. MANSUKH MANDAVIYA]**

(a) At present, a total of 3,302 MY Bharat Youth volunteers are deployed under the NYC Scheme. Out of these, 322 belong to ST category, 572 to SC category, 1,154 to OBC category and 1,254 to General category. Thus, volunteers belonging to SC/ST/OBC categories constitute more than 62% of the total volunteers deployed under the Scheme.

The category-wise details of MY Bharat Volunteers in Kaimur and Rohtas Districts are as under:

| S. No. | Category | Kaimur District | Rohtas District |
|---------------|-----------------|---|---|
| 1. | SC | 1 | 3 |
| 2. | ST | 3 | 0 |
| 3. | OBC | 8 | 24 |
| 4. | EWS | 8 | 5 |
| 5. | General | 4 | 8 |
| | Total | 24 | 40 |
| | Note | 83.33 % (20/24) Volunteers belong to reserved categories | 80.00 % (32/40) Volunteers belong to reserved categories |

(b) & (c) The reservation policy is not applicable to the MY Bharat Youth Volunteers under the National Youth Corps Scheme (NYC) as the NYC Scheme envisages engagement of youths on a voluntary basis for one year (extendable for one more year) and are paid honorarium for their volunteering services. Further, endeavour is made to include youth from all sections of the society.
