

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1298
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.07.2026**

NYK Units in Thanjavur Region

1298. SHRI MURASOLI S:

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

- (a) the number of Nehru Yuva Kendra (NYK) units functional in Thanjavur region and the number of youth beneficiaries covered under its programmes during the last five years;**
- (b) the details of funds released to Thanjavur region under Khelo India and/or Sports Authority of India infrastructure schemes during the said period;**
- (c) whether any National Service Scheme volunteer or Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development training programme has been extended to Thanjavur district and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?**

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

- (a) One unit of Mera Yuva Bharat Kendra (MY Bharat) (erstwhile Nehru Yuva Kendra) is functioning in the Thanjavur district. The number of youth beneficiaries covered under various programmes conducted by MY Bharat Kendra, Thanjavur during the last five financial years is as under:**

S.No.	Financial Year	Beneficiaries		
		Male	Female	Total
1	2021-22	8040	4660	12700

2	2022-23	7252	3956	11208
3	2023-24	20035	20615	40650
4	2024-25	5177	3084	8261
5	2025-26	3488	7472	10960

(b) Funds are allocated by this Ministry Scheme-wise, not State/UT-wise. Under the “Creation and Up-gradation of Sports Infrastructure” component of the Khelo India Scheme (KIS) and National Sports Development Funds (NSDF), financial assistance has been provided for development of sports infrastructure such as synthetic athletic track, synthetic hockey field, synthetic turf football ground, multipurpose hall, swimming pool, etc., across the country. The details of the sports infrastructure projects approved and their sanctioned cost, funds released, and physical and financial progress under the KIS and NSDF across the country, including in Thanjavur region, are available in the public domain on the dashboards of the Ministry at <https://mdsd.kheloindia.gov.in> and <http://www.nsdf.yas.gov.in/nsdf-glance.html>, respectively.

The Sports Authority of India (SAI) creates/upgrades infrastructure only in its SAI Centres. At present, no SAI Centre is operational in the Thanjavur region. Accordingly, no funds have been released.

(c)& (d) Yes, National Service Scheme is present in Thanjavur district. There are 94 NSS Units and 9400 NSS Volunteers are enrolled in Thanjavur.

The Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development (RGNIYD), an Institute of National Importance under the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India, does not conduct State-specific or district-specific training programmes. The Institute conducts training, capacity-building, orientation, and leadership development programmes for youth and youth stakeholders across the country based on programme objectives and nominations received from the concerned Ministries/Departments, organisations, and other stakeholders. Accordingly, no training programme has been extended exclusively to Thanjavur district. However, eligible participants from Thanjavur district may participate in RGNIYD's training programmes through the proscribed nomination/selection process under the respective national or regional programmes.
