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Both the houses of Parliament [Lok Sabha – 21 May 2012 and Rajya Sabha – 09 August 2012] passed the Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development Bill, 2011 converting RGNIYD into an Institute of National Importance. The bill was moved by the Hon'ble Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports, Shri. Ajay Maken. Replying to the debate on the bill, he said the Institute would function as a repository of knowledge pertaining to data on youth.

The bill seeks to develop the Institute as a centre of advanced study in the field of youth studies and achieve an integrated approach to youth development providing employment-oriented and inter-disciplinary courses at the post-graduate level.

RGNIYD upgraded as an Institute of National Importance by an Act of Parliament No. 35/2012

Further, the Institute would evolve and achieve an integrated approach to youth development, with a view to preparing and empowering youth for the future, by providing action research inputs for policy formulation, implementing policies through extension, promoting assessment / impact studies, conducting teaching, training and other academic programmes. The Institute, in addition, would function as an advanced National Youth Resource Centre that will provide comprehensive and scientifically analysed data on all youth related issues and matters, with excellent library facilities and professionally produced documentation and publications.

The new status would enable the Institute to achieve horizontal and vertical growth over a specified time-line viz., in terms of more programmes, networking and collaborations, strengthening the national youth resource centre, assuming regional leadership while moving towards global partnerships, evolving unique and innovative courses, developing a world-class curriculum, practise innovative teaching strategies, adopting rigorous evaluation system, etc. to bring forth vigorous and ingenious youth – a boon to the nation and the world!

Indian Youth Delegation to China 2012

12-21 July 2012, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Govt. of India & All China Youth Federation, China

The Year 2006 was celebrated as the Indo-Chinese Friendship Year. During the visit of the Chinese Premier to India in April 2005, the Prime Minister of India and the Chinese Premier came to an agreement to organise a youth exchange programme as part of Indo-Chinese Friendship Year. It had been agreed to send 100 youth in the age group of 15-35 from India to China and vice versa.

As a sequel to the visit of the 500-Member Chinese Youth Delegation to India during 25 February to 04 March 2012, a 100-Member Indian Youth Delegation visited China from 12-21 July 2012. The Delegation was led by Ms. Nita Chowdhury IAS, Secretary to the

diplomats were present at the event. Shri. Deng Xijun opined that the delegation would achieve a better understanding of China and its people through this visit and extensive exchange with Chinese youth. He addressed the delegation members as "Goodwill Ambassadors". He hoped that they would inherit and further develop China-India friendship, and improve relations between the two in the long term.

Ms. Nita Chowdhury said that youth are the future of India, who shoulder the historical obligation of national development. She said that this visit would give young people, both from India and China, an opportunity to enhance friendship and share happiness. She also believed that through endeavours of the two governments, this kind of reciprocal visits by youth delegations would sow seeds of friendship for China-India relations.



Government of India, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports and Shri. P. Michael Vetha Siromony IAS, Director, RGNIYD. Five students of RGNIYD had the privilege of being the members in the delegation.

On the evening of July 11, 2012, the Chinese Embassy in India held a reception for the 100-Member Indian Youth Delegation. Shri. Deng Xijun, Chargé d' Affaires of the Chinese Embassy, Ms. Nita Chowdhury IAS, Secretary of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India, all members of the delegation together with some Chinese

The Indian youth during their exchange programme visited the China Institute of International Studies, Indian Embassy in China, Beijing Planning Exhibition Hall, Palace Museum, Juyongguan Great Wall, Forbidden city, Jokhang temple, Inner Mongolia Yili Industrial Group Co.Ltd, Grassland, Shenyang Green of Life Agricultural and Sideline Products, Tang Yung Pharmaceutical Company, Shenyang Blower Works Group and the Young Entrepreneurs Incubator.



TNPSC Group IV Model Test 01 July 12, RGNIYD

The Vocational Training and Entrepreneurship Development Division (VTED) organised a mock test for 18 candidates on 01 July 12 at RGNIYD for the candidates appearing for TNPSC group IV examinations. Further technical inputs were provided on facing competitive exams.

Artificial Jewel making

01-04 July 12, Kanchipuram

01, 07 & 22 July 2012, Mayiladuthurai

The VTED Division organised two training programmes on artificial jewellery making during 01-04 and 27-29 July, 2012 in Kanchipuram and Mayiladuthurai respectively. In Kanchipuram, 33 mahilas and SHG members were awarded certificates by Smt. Mangaikarasi, Extension Officer, Social welfare Department, Kanchipuram on completion of training. In Mayiladuthurai, 40 mahilas attended the programme. Dr. Ganesan, Deputy Director, NCCT, Ministry of Agriculture, Govt. of India and Shri. Barath, District Youth Coordinator, NYKS Thiruvapur distributed certificates to the participants.

Training on Sanitation and Environment for Teens Club Members

01, 07 & 22 July 2012



The Adolescent Health and Development Project conducted three training programmes on Sanitation and Environment for Teens Club members in Sengadu, Polivakkam, Kattrambakkam, Nemeli and Pillaypakkam villages in Sriperumbudur and Kadambattur Blocks on 01, 07 and 22 July 2012 respectively.



A total of 92 members participated in these programmes. They were provided inputs on personal hygiene, proper use of toilets, conservation of water, segregation and disposal of garbage, hand washing, tree plantation, avoiding polythene products, etc.

Capacity Building on Life Skills, Civics Citizenship and Employability Skills

**04 - 12 July 2012,
Jammu & Kashmir**

The YAHD organised two capacity building programmes covering areas like life skills, civics, and citizenship and employability skills for the adolescents and youth of Uri border district of Jammu & Kashmir from 04 – 12 July 2012. A total of 84 (65 male and 19 female) youth participated. The General Officer Commanding, Baramulla Division, Brig. B.S. Raju and Shri. Kadri, KAS, Addl. District Development Commissioner, Baramulla interacted with the participating youth and distributed certificates. The valedictory of the first training programme was chaired by the General Officer Commanding, Baramulla Division and Mrs Rawat distributed certificates to the participants. The valedictory of the second programme was chaired by Brig. B.S Raju. Shri.Kadri, KAS, Addl. Dist. Dev. Commissioner, Baramulla distributed certificates to the participants.

Dissemination Work Shop on Attitude of the Youth towards Elderly

06 July 2012, Chennai

The READ Division organised a dissemination workshop on the research project titled "A Study on Attitude of the Youth towards Elderly in Chennai" on 06 July 2012, at the Conference Hall of YWCA, Chennai. A total of forty participants including gerontologists, youth, elderly care professionals and academicians attended the workshop. The outcomes of the aforesaid research study were presented among the key stakeholders by Shri. Ravi Samuel, Hon. Secretary, Vision Age India, Chennai who had carried out the study on behalf of RGNIYD. The workshop also

explored the interventional strategies to strengthen elderly care and infuse among the youth the right attitude towards the elderly persons. The participants suggested appropriate policies for the elderly and to professionalise elderly care services in the country. Further, it was suggested that a suitable training manual be prepared to bring in an attitudinal change among the youth and elders. The findings of the study would be brought out as a research monograph incorporating the suggestions and recommendations made during the workshop.

Youth Hour Series of Ilanthalir Radio

On 06 July 2012 the students of St. Joseph Engineering College, Sriperumbudur prepared a radio programme on drug abuse. Radio talks on prominent freedom fighters were prepared and aired.

Career Workshop and Exhibition

06 - 07 July 2012, Chennai Corporation School, Ayanavaram

RGNIYD in collaboration with Ma Foi Foundation, Chennai, organised a career workshop and exhibition for high and higher secondary school students at Chennai Corporation School, Ayanavaram, Chennai from 6-7 July 2012. A total of 400 school students attended the programme in batches. They were provided inputs on steps in career planning and career

decision making through films and group activities. They were exposed to various career opportunities through career panels prepared by the School of Counselling. Group counselling sessions were held for higher secondary students in different sessions besides offering information on admission to various vocational courses and scholarships.

Observance of World Population Day

11 July 2012

The Ilanthalir Community Radio organised a live radio programme on World Population besides organising an awareness rally; slogan writing and painting competitions; and quiz programmes at Valasaivettikadu village. 72 school students and villagers participated

TOT on Youth Leadership

13 - 22 July 2012, Punjab

The TOE Division organised a Training of Trainers programme in collaboration with Punjab Technical University (PTU), Jalandar for the student youth from 13 - 22 July, 2012 in which 48 students (Boys: 36 and Girls: 12) representing various colleges of PTU attended. Dr. S.K Bansal, Vice Chancellor,

Bahra University, inaugurated the programme and Dr. Jagmeet Bawa, Coordinator, NSS, PTU felicitated. The training covered vital topics on leadership, personality development and employability skills. Dr. Bains, Registrar, PTU, delivered the valedictory address and distributed certificates to the participants.

Career Exhibition

17 July 2012, Chennai

The School of Counselling organised a Career Exhibition on 17 July 2012, at Kumararani Meena Muthiah Hr.Sec. School, Adyar, Chennai, in which 96 higher secondary students participated. Ms. Sri Devi, Principal of the School inaugurated the exhibition. After screening the short film on career guidance, interactions on career planning and goal setting were held, moderated by the faculty of School of Counselling. Later the students were explained about different career fields and job prospects. Group counselling sessions were held and the questions of the students were addressed.

Student Exchange Programme from the University of Florida

16 July 2012, RGNIYD

The PRIYA division coordinated the study abroad programme offered by the Dept. of Family, Youth and Community Sciences, University of Florida (UoF), USA through which a team of 15 post graduate students guided by Dr. Muthuswami Kumaran visited RGNIYD on 16 July 2012. Dr. V. K Padmanabhan, Professor, University of Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, Shri. C. R. Kesavan, Vice President, RGNIYD and the faculty members of RGNIYD interacted with the students. The Faculty Head (PRIYA) moderated a discussion on the Demographic Dividend and priority areas of youth development with special reference to the Draft National Youth Policy, 2012.

The Faculty Head (YAHD) gave a chronological account of Youth Development Programmes in India and major agencies rendering such services. The international students interacted with the Chairperson, Thakkolam Town Panchayat with regard to the implementation of the "Mainstreaming Youth in Local Governance" a flagship programme of RGNIYD. They also visited Mudichur Village Panchayat (VP), Kancheepuram District to witness the functioning of Panchayati Raj Systems and rural development initiatives and interacted with the SHG members and local governance stakeholders. It was decided to institutionalise mutual exchange programmes between UoF and RGNIYD through a Memorandum of Understanding.

Orientation Programme for Empowering Rural Youth for Sustainable Livelihood

**17 - 19 July, 2012,
Mahaboobnagar, Andhra Pradesh**

The Training Orientation and Extension Division conducted a two -day orientation programme on Empowering rural youth for sustainable livelihood at Madanapuram, Mahaboobnagar, Andhra Pradesh in association with the NGO called Youth for Action. 40 youth (5 female and 35 Male) participated in the programme. The objective of the programme was to impart skill based education and training in agriculture and off-farm non agricultural sectors covering two districts of Karnataka (Gulbarga/Yadagiri districts) and the outcome of the programme was to promote trained youths to work as para entrepreneurs and extension agents.. The participants felt that it was a need based programme and they were able to identify their entrepreneurial skills through this training programme.

Capacity Building of Tribal Youth (Mishing) of Assam on Autonomous Councils

18 July 2012, Guwahati, Assam

In continuation of the Inter-state Interactive experience sharing programme for Tribal Autonomous Councils from North Eastern States in March 2012 a capacity building programme of Tribal Youth (Mishing) of Assam on Autonomous Councils was organised by the PRIYA Division at MurongOkum, Krishna Nagar, Japorigog, Guwahati on 18 July 2012. The programme discussed the functioning of Autonomous Councils, current status and amendments to the Mishing Autonomous Councils Act, issues and impediments in their operationalization, etc. The meeting also discussed the strategies for rejuvenating the local government institutions. Tribal Youth (Mishing) from the selected districts of Assam participated in the programme. Dr. SrinibasPathi, Professor, Dept. of Public Administration, Mizoram (Central) University, Aizawl and Faculty Head, PRIYA Division, RGNIYD served as resource persons for the programme.

Orientation on Community Radio for Government Officials in Kanchipuram District

18 July 2012

Orientation on community Radio for the officials of various Government departments in Kanchipuram district was organised by the AHDP on 18 July 2012 at RGNIYD. The Faculty Head, (YAHD) explained the activities of Ilanthalur Community Radio. Shri. Dr. Kannan IAS, Secretary, Survey and Settlement Department, Government of Tamil Nadu, delivered the inaugural address. 30 School students from Sriperumbudur and ICDS functionaries participated.

Workshop on Skill Development for Youth

20 July 2012, Guwahati

A workshop on Skill Development for Youth was held on 20 July 2012 at Don Bosco Institute, Guwahati. 42 persons including the senior functionaries of World Vision attended the workshop. The Faculty Head (YAHD) made a presentation on the programmes and activities of RGNIYD and highlighted its activities towards skill development of youth. It was followed by Mr. Joshua Immanuel's presentation on WV and their youth specific programmes and skill development initiatives. Mr. Biswajit Chakrabarty narrated the skill development programmes of FICCI.

During the workshop, the need for skill gap analysis and skill mapping in northeast, life skills training for enhancing employability, orientation to parents and teachers on vocational training and career, job opportunity in media and visual communication related sector, policy framework to incorporate life skill training in course curriculum of school and colleges, migration of north east youth in search of employment and better living, retaining the youth in villages by reinventing jobs in agriculture and related sectors, enhancing the self-esteem of youth of north east and the need of new enterprises in north east were discussed.

Workshop on Mainstreaming Youth in Local Governance

19 - 20 July 2012, Umran, Meghalaya

A Workshop on the action research project 'Mainstreaming Youth in Local Governance' was organised by the PRIYA Division of RGNIYD at Rural Resources and Training Centre, Umran, Meghalaya from 19-20 July 2012. The programme started with presentations and discussions on the overview of demographic dividend and the significance of youth development in India and the background of the project. That was followed by sharing of experiences in taking up the project by the Elected Members and officials of the Local Government Institution from the project area and also by the Research Consultants. Issues and impediments in the implementation of the project, strategies and approaches for effective implementation, as well as the way forward for the project were discussed during the two-day workshop. Delegates from Jharkhand, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim and West Bengal participated in the programme. The Faculty Head, PRIYA Division, RGNIYD provided the resource support and Prof. Srinibas Pathi from the Dept. of Public Administration, Mizoram (Central) University, Aizawl moderated the presentations.

Motivational Training

**21 July 2012, Sathavollore, Kanchipuram
29 July 2012, Ooveri-Puthery, Kanchipuram**

One day motivational training was conducted by the VTED at Sathavollore Village on 21 July 2012. 34 Youth (Male:14, Female: 20) attended the programme. A similar programme was conducted on 29 July 2012 at Ooveri-Puthery Village in which 26 Youth (male) participated.

Sports Activity, (YOGA)

22 July 2012, RGNIYD

RGNIYD conducted the Tamil Nadu State Yoga Championship on 22 July 2012 in association with the Tamil Nadu Sports Foundation and World Martial Association /YOGA Association. Participants from 22 Districts of Tamil Nadu attended. Shri. Arivanthan, Principal, Vasantham International School and Shri. P. Chandrasekaran inaugurated the programme.

Social Harmony and Human Rights

23-25 July 2012

RGNIYD organised a three-day training programme on Social Harmony and Human Rights for NSS programme officers of Karnataka at Bidar Institute of Medical Science, Bidar from 23 - 25 July 2012. During the training, emphasis was laid on enhancing the understanding of the trainees about Human Rights and Constitutional remedies in case of violation of Human Rights. Shri Anees Ahmed, I.A.S., Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad, Bidar inaugurated the training programme. Forty one programme officers from six universities in Karnataka participated in the programme. The valedictory address was given by Shri. Jaideep Singh Kocher, IES, Joint Secretary (Training), National Human Rights Commission (NHRC), New Delhi. He delineated the activities of NHRC and assured all possible help to the NSS Programme Officers in creating awareness about Human Rights. Dr. B. Hanumanthappa, Director, Bidar Institute of Medical Science, Bidar, presided over the occasion. Shri.K.V. Kadri Narasimmaiah, Head, NSS, Regional Centre, Bangalore, extended all co-operation to the RGNIYD in this regard. The SHANU Division coordinated the programme.

Induction Training for the freshers of RGNIYD (2012-14 Batch)

23-31 July 2012

The induction programme for the fresh batch of RGNIYD's post graduate students (2012-2014 batch) commenced on 23 July 2012 and concluded on 31 July 2012. About 40 students underwent the induction programme which was coordinated by the School of Counselling. They were provided orientation on the programmes and activities of RGNIYD besides accessing different facilities in the campus. The Director, Registrar and Faculty Heads interacted with the students and motivated them. They were provided orientation on examination pattern and internal assessments, rules and regulations of Hostel and Mess. They were given inputs on life skills, health and fitness, writing book reviews and were involved in sports activities. Further they underwent a session on passion for excellence and their English language skills were assessed. They were also oriented on the activities of different student clubs. They were also taken on field visit to places of significance in Sriperumbudur and Kancheepuram.

Career Exhibition

24-25 July 2012,

**T.P. Govt. Hr. Sec. School,
Puzhuthivakkam**

The School of Counselling organised Career Exhibition Programme at Thanthai Periyar Government Higher Secondary School, Puzhuthivakkam, Chennai from 24-25 July 2012 with the objective to enable them plan their careers systematically. A total of 200 higher secondary school students participated in the programme. Sessions on career planning, career options in the world of work, scholarship information and procedures for applying for various courses were held. Besides, career assessments were conducted for the participating students to identify their career interests, aptitudes and personality traits. The students were provided information on A to Z of Career Fields and options in different fields through career panels displayed in the career exhibition.

Training of Trainers (ToT) on Civic Citizenship, Parenting, Peer Education and Life Skills

23 July – 04 August 2012, Nilshi, Lonavala

The YAHD organised Training of Trainers (ToT) for youth functionaries from 23 July to 04 August 2012 at Nilshi, Lonavala. 50 professionals (21 male and 29 female) representing NSS, NYKS, NCC, NGOs, Colleges from education, counselling, training, research and social work fields participated in the training. The programme was inaugurated by Dr. Gowtam Gawali, Professor and Head of Department

of Applied Psychology, University of Mumbai. The participants were provided a capsule on civic citizenship, effective parenting skills, life skills and dissemination of learning through peer education approach. The participants were divided into groups and were required to impart mock training to 350 school children drawn from two schools viz., Carmel Covent and Zenith School at Khopoli.

Training in Community Radio Management

24 – 30 July 2012, RGNIYD



At the request of the District Collector, Sukma District, the Youth and Adolescent Health Division organised 5-day Training on Community Radio Management for 27 youth (20 male, 7 female) of Sukma District, Chhattisgarh State from 24 - 28 July 2012 at RGNIYD. Shri. Palanichamy IIS, Director (News), All India Radio, Chennai, inaugurated the programme. He emphasized the importance of community radio especially for rural development. The Faculty Head (YAHD) delivered the special address. The five-day training programme focussed on CR Management, Technical orientation on CRS setup, Programme Production, Sustainability of CR, Field exposure and Cultural tour. Shri, Sanjay Chandekar, Radio FTI, Pune, Shri. B. R. Kumar, DDG, AIR (Retd) and Shri. K. Kalyana Sundaram, Director, Audience Research, AIR (Retd.) served as resource persons.

Training of Trainers in Life Skills

25 – 31 July 2012, RGNIYD

The YAHD organised a Training of Trainers programme from 25-31 July 2012 on life skills, which was attended by 36 teaching and training professionals from Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu. The Director, RGNIYD, inaugurated the programme. The Faculty Head, YAHD, briefed about the content and process of training. The programme covered various modules on Introduction to life skills, ten core life skills viz., self awareness, creative thinking, critical thinking, coping with emotions and stress, effective communication skills, problem

solving, decision making, empathy, interpersonal skills, internalisation of life skills, techniques of imparting life skills education for the youth and adolescents to face life challenges etc. Besides, a session on National Youth Policy was also held. The participants were later taken on a field visit to Vivekananda School, Sriperumbudur to impart training to the adolescents. Dr Joseph Sebastian, Director, Indo Global Service Society, delivered the valedictory address and distributed certificates to the participants.

Martial Arts and Sports Tournament

29 July 2012, RGNIYD

National Championship for Martial Arts and Sports Tournament (Cricket, Football, Volleyball, Kabaddi and Karate) were conducted on 28 and 29 July 2012. 185 (Male:105, Female: 80) participated in the sports programmes on 28 July. On 29 July, 310 participants (Male: 260, Female: 50) attended various sports events. Sri. Adaikalraj, Inspector of Police (Traffic), Sriperumbudur, distributed the certificates.

Regional Consultative Meeting to Develop Facilitators' Manual on Youth Mental Health

31 July 2012, Chennai



In consonance with the National Youth Policy and the National Policy on Mental Health, The School of Counselling organised a southern regional consultative meeting to develop a facilitators' manual on youth Mental Health, on 31 July 2012 at the Conference Hall of YWCA, Chennai. A total of 12 experts in the field of mental health including Psychiatrists, Academicians, Psychologists, Counsellors, Psychiatric Social Workers and De-addiction Professionals deliberated on preparing a framework for the manual in a user-friendly format.

Ten thematic areas viz., addictive behaviour, academic related issues, youth in conflict with law, personal issues, sex and sexuality, depression, suicide and deliberate self-harm, anxiety and acute stress reaction, career planning and adjustments and acculturation were identified. Sub groups were also formed for each thematic area to work out the detailed content and methodology of each module with a timeline. After finalisation, the manual would be pilot- tested suitably.



Radio Programmes on Maternal and Child Health July 2012

As part of the Maternal and Child Health Programme series, radio programmes were prepared and broadcast by the Ilanthalir Community Radio Station. Live Phone in Programme on Prenatal Care was broadcast on 03 July 2012. Dr. Srikala Prasad, Assistant Professor from the Institute for Non Communicable Diseases & Government Hospital, Royapettah, spoke and addressed the queries of listeners. On 9 July 2012, an awareness programme on tuberculosis was prepared and broadcasted in drama format. On 10 July 2012 a live phone- in programme was provided by Ms. Bhuvaneswari, Assistant Director of Census Operations, Directorate of Census Operations, Tamil Nadu. In addition, on 17 July 2012 live phone- in programmes on Infertility and Genetic Disorders were broadcast. Dr. Priya Kannan, Assistant Professor, Tamil Nadu MGR Medical University, addressed the listeners. Subsequently, on 24 July 2012, Dr. Rajiv from Government Hospital Sriperumbudur provided inputs on Immunisation and Healthy Food Choice during Pregnancy. Besides, during the World Breast Feeding Week, radio programme on exclusive breast feeding was broadcasted on 31 July 2012. Dr. Sukanya, Assistant Professor, Government Kilpauk Medical College, provided inputs for the listeners on the topic.

Training Tribal Youth as Social Animators

01-05 August 2012, Koraput, Odisha

The SHANU division organised a TOT for 40 tribal youth at Yatri Kutir, Koraput, Odisha. The programme was inaugurated by Smt Malathi Majhi, Chairperson, Zilla Board, Koraput. The youth belonged to Gadaba, Paraja, Kondh and Desia tribes.

Topics such as personality development, leadership,

discrimination, government policies and welfare schemes were dealt with. Issues like youth joining the Maoist movement in significant numbers, displacement, changing life styles of the tribes were also discussed. Mr P.K.Mallick, District Information Officer, Koraput was the chief guest at the valediction.

Job Mela 04 August 2012, RGNIYD

Job Mela was conducted at RGNIYD Campus in collaboration with M/s JK Tyre Company. 440 candidates participated of whom 328 underwent screening test. Out of the 214 shortlisted candidates for interview, 83 candidates were selected and provisional appointment orders were issued.

Sports activities 04-05 August, 2012, RGNIYD

RGNIYD in coordination with Tamil Nadu Sports Foundation conducted national level Badminton and Athletics events in which about 205 youth participated.

Establishment of Youth Resource Centre

06 August 2012, Chenglepet

The TOE Division, RGNIYD in collaboration with Restless Development established Youth Resource Centre in the Chenglepet Rural Development Society (CRDS) premises, on 6 August, 2012. It was inaugurated by the Rt. Rev. Dr. A. Neethinathan, Bishop of Chingleput and the function was presided over by Rev. Fr. John Suresh, Director cum Secretary, CRDS. Dr. Henry Rozario, Sacred Heart

College, Thirupattur offered felicitations during the occasion. Ms. Aparijitha, Country Director, Restless Development, explained the importance of YRC and its role. The Panchayat President, Thimmavaram, along with 87 SHG women and Youth of the village (Female – 61, Male – 26) and a few students of Sacred Heart College were present during the inauguration of the centre.

ToT on Environment and Sustainability

06 -10 August 2012, Sikkim

The TOE Division conducted training on Environment and Sustainable development, in association with Forest Environment and Wildlife Management Department, West Territorial Division, Sikkim. There were 39 participants (8 male and 21 female) including students, NGO representatives and employees of Forest Department. During the programme, the participants were provided inputs on: the environment, its different components and their interrelationship, role of youth towards sustainable development, development initiatives at Sikkim, importance of Nature, eco-tourism,

environmental concerns and issues of Sikkim, development and waste management, environment protection, responsibilities of the people of Sikkim in protecting the diversity of Sikkim Wildlife, fight against poaching and trading of wildlife, sustainable consumption and lifestyle and Rights and Duties of a citizen toward forest. The programme was inaugurated by Shri AP Rai, SCS Additional District Magistrate and Shri. Rawath, SCS District Planning Officer, West. Shri. Elamurugan, IFS DFO (T) West Sikkim delivered the valedictory address.

Orientation on Ilanthalir Community Radio for Students

**7 August 2012,
Panchayat Union Middle School,
Sriperumbudur South**



An Orientation on Ilanthalir Community Radio was conducted for students of Panchayat Union Middle School, Sriperumbudur South at their school campus in which 36 students participated.

First Consultation meeting on International Seminar on Migration and Development

11 August 2012, Chennai

The TOE division organised two consultation meetings in connection with the International Conference on Youth Migration and Development to be held during 8- 9 February, 2013. The first meeting was held at Loyola college on 11 August, 2012 and the Second Consultation meeting was held at Hotel Park View, Chennai on 25 August, 2012. The Director, RGNIYD; Director, Internal

25 August 2012, Chennai

Quality Assurance Cell, and faculty of Social Work, Loyola College, Representative of Centre for Development Studies(CDS), Kerala, Founder Director, Arunodhaya International Migration, Chennai, the Faculty of TOE Division, RGNIYD discussed several strategic plans to conduct Migration Survey and workshops and also proposed to set up a Migration Cell at RGNIYD.

Celebration of International Youth Day

12 August 2012, RGNIYD

Commemorating the International Youth Day, RGNIYD conducted a National Level Essay Competition on the theme of the year "Building a Better World: Partnering with Youth". About 110 NSS Volunteers from different Universities and Colleges participated and the three best essays were awarded prizes.

ToT on Youth Leadership, Personality Development and Employability

13-22 August 2012, Kohima, Nagaland

The TOE Division organised a ToT on Youth Leadership, Personality Development and Employability from 13-22 August 2012, at Mount Tabor Training Centre, Kohima, Nagaland which had 41 participants (34 Male and 7

Female). The programme was inaugurated by Shri. Elusing Meru, IFS, Secretary to the Government of Nagaland. The Rev. Sr. Superior, Mount Tabor Training Centre, rendered a Felicitation Address on the occasion.



Diabetes Screening Camp 15 August 2012, Pudhumavilangai, Thiruvallur District, Tamil Nadu

The AHD Project organised a free Diabetes Screening Camp. The Youth Clubs in the village and the District Health Centre, Thiruvallur supported in organising the programme. A total of 126 community members (73 Male and 53 Female) underwent the screening and found that 17 persons were diagnosed with high blood pressure, 31 persons were diagnosed with diabetes and 9 of them were identified with severe diabetes.



Independence Day

15 August 2012

RGNIYD celebrated the 66th Independence Day. The tricolour national flag was hoisted by the Director, RGNIYD who gave the Independence Day Message. Thereafter, a discussion on the topic 'Sixty-six Years of Freedom' and an essay competition on the topic 'Do you feel that the Indians have failed to imbibe the spirit of freedom struggle?' were held at the RGNIYD.

Consultation meeting on Comparison of Draft NYP 2012 and Maharashtra State Youth Policy 2012

17 August 2012, RGNIYD

A consultation meeting on Comparison of Draft NYP 2012 and Maharashtra State Youth Policy, 2012, was held on 17 August 2012 at RGNIYD. Shri. Padmakar Valvi, Hon'ble Minister for Sports and Youth Welfare, Government of Maharashtra, Shri. J. S. Saharia, IAS,

Additional Chief Secretary to the Government of Maharashtra, Department of School Education and Sports and the Assistant Director, Sports, District Sports Officer from Maharashtra and the Officials of RGNIYD deliberated on the Youth Policy and Programmes.

Sadbhavana Diwas

Commemorating the 68th Birth Anniversary of late Shri. Rajiv Gandhi, the READ Division of RGNIYD organised the Sadbhavana Diwas at its campus. Shri. Padmakar Valvi, Hon'ble Minister for Sports and Youth Welfare, Government of

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Maharashtra were also present during the occasion. The Director, RGNIYD spoke about Sadbhavana Diwas and administered the Sadbhavana Day Pledge to the Staff and Students of RGNIYD.



Maharashtra was the chief guest. Shri. J. S. Saharia, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary to the Government of Maharashtra, Department of School Education and Sports and the Assistant Director, Sports, District Sports Officer from

Hon'ble Minister for Sports and Youth Welfare, Government of Maharashtra recollected the achievements of late Shri. Rajiv Gandhi and exhorted the youth to practice the ideals of Shri. Rajiv Gandhi. Referring to the National Youth Policy 2003, the chief guest pointed out that RGNIYD has undertaken immense effort to prepare the draft National Youth Policy 2012. He also mentioned that the Government of Maharashtra also has prepared a comprehensive Youth Policy for the state, drawing success models from India and abroad. He appealed to the youth to conserve the environmental resources and motivated them to undertake sapling plantation, quoting his own initiative of planting over 15 crore saplings in Maharashtra.

Later, Shri. J. S. Saharia lauded the efforts of RGNIYD and pointed out that a great

responsibility lies ahead of the faculty and students of RGNIYD as the Institute is evolving as an Institute of National Importance. He further stated that countries like Japan who are facing a phase of super-ageing would look to India for youth power and human resources.

Later, the student youth of RGNIYD interacted with the Hon'ble Minister and sought his opinion/clarifications pertaining to youth issues such as social harmony, youth development programmes, sports development, employment and environment conservation.



Sadbhavana and Communal Harmony Fortnight

20 August - 03 September 2012

RGNIYD observed the Communal Harmony Fortnight from 20 August to 03 September 2012 by organising a plethora of programmes/competitions for the students of schools and colleges in Sriperumbudur and Chennai. Students of RGNIYD, Govt Girls High School, Sriperumbudur, Higher

Secondary School, Padappai, Maharshi School, Kancheepuram and Stella Maris College for Women, Chennai participated in poster making, drawing, essay writing and quiz competitions. Around 200 students participated in the competitions.

Mainstreaming Youth in Local Governance

August 2012

The PRIYA Division has undertaken an action research titled 'Mainstreaming Youth in Local Governance'. The research was initiated in Chhattisgarh, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha and Uttarakhand in August 2012. MoUs have been signed between RGNIYD and Samarthan-Centre for Development Support, Institute of Social Sciences (ISS), Madhya Pradesh Institute of Social Science Research (MPISSR), Centre for Youth and Social Development (CYSD) and Society for Environmental Education and Rural Development (SEED). The research is expected to put forward specific strategies, approaches and modes of interventions for strengthening youth participation at the local level. As part of the project, the following activities were initiated in various states:

1. Workshop on Mainstreaming Youth in Local Governance

01 August 2012, Jammu and Kashmir

The PRIYA Division of RGNIYD initiated the research activity at Manasbal Park on the bank of Manasbal Lake, Kondabal, Ganderbal District, State of Jammu &

Kashmir. Elected members and officials of the Local Government, prominent persons from the village, representatives of youth organisations and other key functionaries of Hamdard Educational Society, participated in the workshop and discussed the strategies to implement the project.

2. Conduct of a Youth Status Study at Edavaka GP, Wayanad District, Kerala

A Youth status study was carried out in Edavaka Gram Panchayat, Wayanad District, Kerala, as part of the action research project, Mainstreaming Youth in Local Governance. About 250 youth population including 100 tribals from different hamlets situated in the area were contacted as part of the assignment taken up by the Centre for Rural Management, the collaborating organisation for the project in the State. Based on the analysis of the status survey, field reflections and observations gathered, appropriate interventions will be taken up in the field.

3. Conduct of a Situational Analysis of Youth at RiBhoi District, Meghalaya

The Action research project, Mainstreaming Youth in

Local Governance, was initiated in Umsohlait Village, RiBhoi District, Meghalaya. Rural Resource and Training Centre (RRTC), one of the Don-Bosco institutions, is collaborating with RGNIYD in the implementation of the project in Meghalaya. The MLA of Mawhati Constituency, Shri. Donbok Khymdeit inaugurated the launching of the project in the area.

Shri. Provinus Mukhim, Headman of the village, other members of the Village Durbar, Fr. Cyril Tirkety, Director, RRTC and functionaries of youth organisations in the area participated in the function. After the formal launch, a situational analysis of youth was carried out in the project area.

Sensitisation Programme on Entrepreneurship Development for Rural Youth

22-23 August 2012, RGNIYD

Sensitisation Programme on Entrepreneurship Development for Rural youth was organised at RGNIYD by the VTED Division. 65 rural youth (Male:48, Female:17) poised to set up entrepreneurship/small business units nominated by various Nehru Yuva Kendras in Tamil Nadu participated.



Training of Trainers on Gender Equity for NSS Programme Officers

22 – 28 August 2012, RGNIYD

Visit of Vice-Chairperson, NYKS to RGNIYD

28, Aug, 2012

Ms. Thilothama, Chairperson, NYKS visited RGNIYD for the first time after assuming her position. She briefly spoke about the recent NYKS programmes in the country. Later she interacted with Faculty Heads of all divisions and Registrar i/c of RGNIYD to get oriented about the various activities and probable scope of partnership and cooperation between RGNIYD and NYKS to widen the opportunities for the youth with regard to employability skills.

The Gender Equity Division, RGNIYD organised a Training of Trainers Programme on Gender Equity at RGNIYD during 22 – 28 August, 2012 for the NSS Programme Officers of Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala, Puducherry and Tamil Nadu. The main objective of the training programme was to sensitise and train key youth functionaries on Gender Equity and who in turn can facilitate gender sensitization programmes with the youth and the community. Ms. Thilothama, Vice chairperson

of NYKS graced the valedictory session. In her address, she encouraged the participants to inculcate gender sensitivity and to extend it in practice even in their professional life.

Consultation Meeting on Establishment of Youth Resource Centre in Ramnad District, Tamil Nadu

27 August 2012, RGNIYD

The TOE division held a consultation meeting at RGNIYD to establish a Youth Resource Centre in Ramnad District. The officials of RGNIYD and NYKS of the concerned district discussed to explore the strategies to establish Youth Resource Centre at Ramnad District. Shri. Sathasivam, District Youth Co-ordinator, NYKS, Ramanathapuram suggested that the YRC could be established at Paramakudi and the District Collector and NYKS would identify a suitable place with adequate infrastructure facilities for the purpose.

Capacity Building Training on Life Skills

27–31 August 2012, Bangalore



The YAHD in collaboration with Centre for Life Skills Education (CLSE) of Kristu Jayanti College, Bangalore organised a 5-day Capacity Building Training on Life Skills for the post Graduate students of Kristu Jayanti College from 27-31 August 2012. The training was inaugurated by Rev. Fr. Sebastian, the Principal of the college, who stressed the imperativeness of life skills in day to day life. A total of 60 (35 Male and 25 Female) students pursuing MBA Programme participated and were trained in two batches simultaneously.

Orientation on Ilanthalir Community Radio station 107.2 MHz

To disseminate the activities of the Ilanthalir community radio and AHD Project and to involve the community members in various programmes, an orientation programme was organised at Kunnam Village on 25 August 2012 which was attended by 25 villagers (16M, 9F) and another programme at Mathuramangalm Village on 26 August 2012 attended by 23 community members (18 male, 5 female).

Capacity building of Elected Women Members of Panchayats at Sriperumbudur

29 – 30 August, 2012

The programme for capacity building of Elected Women Members of Panchayats of Sriperumbudur Block, Kancheepuram District was organised at RGNIYD during 29-30 August 2012 by the Gender Equity and PRIYA Division. The objective of the programme was to enable the women members to make an assessment of the needs of the community, carry out a resource mapping of the area and to play a

lead role in participatory planning in their functional area. About 21 elected women members from Village Panchayats of Sriperumbudur Block participated in the programme. The sessions were interactive and participatory and the members raised queries regarding the functions and roles of ward members. The participants also shared their experiences as members of PRIs.

NSS Orientation Programme at Hindustan College of Arts and Science

03 September, 2012, Chennai

An orientation programme for the NSS volunteers of Hindustan College of Arts and Science, was held on 3rd September at Kelambakkam, in which a total of 250 students participated. The students were

provided orientation on Youth Development, Youth Volunteerism, Social Service through NSS and role of RGNIYD as an agent of youth development.

Celebration of Teachers Day

05 September 2012, RGNIYD

Teachers Day Celebrations were organised by the students of RGNIYD on 5th September 2012 to felicitate the members of all the Faculties through various programmes. A debate was coordinated by

READ Division on the topic 'Who Moulds the Children – Teachers or Parents?' All the participants of the debate were given the Youth Development Index – 2010 as a symbol of appreciation.

Observance of World Suicide Prevention Day

10 September, 2012

RGNIYD observed the 10th World Suicide Prevention Day 2012 on the theme 'Suicide Prevention across the Globe: Strengthening Protective Factors and Instilling Hope'. Short films on suicide prevention were screened for the students and staff of RGNIYD, followed by a lecture on the 'Strategies for Suicidal Prevention among the Youth' by the Faculty

Head, READ Division. The students of RGNIYD made presentations/presented skits on topics related to suicide issues viz., suicides in higher educational institutions, reasons for suicides among women, suicides in corporates, suicidal deaths in rural areas and preventing suicides through imparting life skills

Visit of Dr. Karan Singh to RGNIYD

10 September 2012, RGNIYD

Padma Vibhushan Dr. Karan Singh, President, Indian Council for Cultural Relations and Chairman, Auroville Foundation visited the Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development (RGNIYD) on 10 September 2012. During his interaction with the faculty and students of RGNIYD, he lauded the activities of the Institute and mentioned that he was the first Member of the Rajya Sabha to visit the Institute after the RGNIYD Bill was passed to upgrade it as an Institution of National Importance. He recalled his long associations with late Shri. Rajiv Gandhi and Rajivji's political career and dreams for India's scientific advancement in the 21st century.

Speaking on the theme 'Youth as Builders of Nation', 'self-building of youth is the foremost step', he added. Towards building self, youth should look at five factors of development viz., Physical, Mental, Emotional, Social and Spiritual. He added that the body is the temple of the divine and the youth have the responsibility to nurture their body to stay fit and robust whereas a vast segment of youth poison

their bodies through alcohol, drugs and unsafe sex. He indicated that the second responsibility of youth

was to shape their minds to be sharp and intelligent with inquisitiveness to question and initiate healthy dialogues. Training one's emotions is equally vital and youth should not only develop the capacity to love and grow but also curb rage, jealousy and violence.



Speaking on the social aspect of youth development, he exhorted the youth to learn to live in harmony, foster team spirit and oneness in the nation building process. He also pointed out that the youth should develop a sense of pro-social behaviour to help the underprivileged. Speaking on spiritual development, he termed the process as an adventure of consciousness and laid stress on respecting all religions and refraining from religious fundamentalism, terrorism and antisocial forces. All these five pillars of development are essential to build a new India. During the occasion Dr. Karan Singh released a publication of RGNIYD titled "Youth Club Manual".

Visit of delegates of International Training Programme on Good Governance for Management of Rural Development Programmes



11 September 2012, RGNIYD

As part of the International Training Programme on Good Governance for Management of Rural Development Programmes organised by NIRD, a team of functionaries from 16 countries visited RGNIYD. The Director, RGNIYD detailed the youth development programmes in India. During the interactions, the delegates highlighted various concerns, issues and problems of young people in their respective countries.

Gender Sensitisation Programme for Police Officials

12 September 2012, Tamil Nadu Police Academy, Vandalur

RGNIYD in collaboration with TNPA, Vandalur organised a one-day Gender Sensitisation Programme for Police Officers through which inputs on issues relating to Gender, Social construction of gender, Violence against Women, Gender and Human Rights, Gender and Media, and Transgender were provided. A total of 30 Police Inspectors and sub-inspectors from different parts of Tamil Nadu attended the programme.

Training in Life Skills and Personality Development

12-15 September 2012, Kamptee, Maharashtra

RGNIYD organised training on life skills and personality development for 125



Male NCC Officers. Sessions on understanding Life Skills, Ten Core Life Skills and their importance, and Personality Development were held, using various methodologies.

Awareness on Environment Conservation

13 September 2012, Pillaipakkam

The nature club of RGNIYD organised an awareness programme for the youth of Pillaipakkam village at the Higher Secondary School of the village. The student volunteers of the nature club organised various programmes to make the youth and students of the village understand the importance of preserving

environment resources, besides facilitating the plantation of 50 saplings in the village and assigning responsibilities to various families to nurture the saplings. The participating youth and students took an oath to protect the environmental resources in their village.

Establishment of Youth Resource Centre

14 September 2012, Thenerangadu Block, Thiruvallur District

RGNIYD established its 3rd Youth Resource Centre in Thenerangadu Block, Thiruvallur District in association with Restless Development and Naanal (an NGO). A total of 72 participants including local political party members, block development officers, officials from Restless Development, Office



bearers of Naanal, Youth Club members and school children attended the inauguration of the Centre. The Centre includes facilities such as counselling, library, information desk, internet and photocopying. RGNIYD publications are also available at the centre for reference purposes.

Personality Development of Youth

15-16 September 2012, Amalapuram, Andhra Pradesh

RGNIYD in collaboration with the Andhra Pradesh Red Cross Society organised a two-day Youth Development programme for 100 youth (Red Cross and NYKS volunteers) at Amalapuram, Andhra Pradesh. The programme was aimed at enhancing the personality of the youth. Sri G.V.Harsha Kumar,

Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha) of Amalapuram inaugurated the programme while Sri Satyanarayana Raju, Member of Legislative Council, AP was the guest of honour at the inauguration. Sri Madhukar Babu, Project Director, DRDA, East Godavari District was the chief guest at the valediction.

Cricket Championship

15-16 September 2012, RGNIYD

RGNIYD along with the Super Nine Cricket Association, Chennai organised the 1st South Zone

cricket championship for Junior Boys and Girls at RGNIYD in which 60 players participated.

Asia Youth Leaders Summit 2012

18-21 September 2012, New Delhi

The Asia Youth Leaders' Summit 2012 was organised by Commonwealth Youth Program (CYP) Asia Center in Partnership with the British Council and Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development. Youth leaders, Policy Makers, Representatives of Civil Society Organisations, Bilateral and Multilateral Organisations examined the draft constitution of the Commonwealth Youth Council. Since capacity building of youth leaders is perceived as a *sine qua non* for their effective participation, it was decided to use the opportunity to also organise a capacity building workshop for the assembled youth leaders on leadership and advocacy. The summit had the following components:

a. Seminar on Youth Participation: Opportunities and Challenges

18 September 2012, New Delhi

The seminar on Youth Participation: Opportunities and Challenges was held at the British Council, New Delhi. During the seminar, technical sessions on the Rationale for and significance of Youth Participation, best practices on Youth Participation, peer learning on the National Youth Council (NYC) and Youth participation mechanism in Asian countries were held. The representatives of NYCs from Afghanistan, Brunei Darussalam, Maldives, Malaysia, Singapore and Sri Lanka, India, Bangladesh and Nepal shared their

experiences pertaining to youth developmental programmes. Hon'ble Deputy Minister, Ministry of Human Resource, Youth and Sports, Maldives delivered the special address highlighting the importance of the youth voice at the global levels. The Director, RGNIYD made a presentation on the Challenges and opportunities for today's youth. About 200 youth including youth delegates from SAARC attended the programme.

b. One day Consultation on the CYC Draft Constitution

19 September 2012, New Delhi

The consultation meeting on the Draft Commonwealth Youth Council (CYC) was held at Star Rock Hotel, New Delhi. Mr. Stanzin Dawa, Program Manager, CYP Asia Center and Mr. Dalbir Singh, Former Chair, Asia Youth Caucus emphasised the need and importance of NYC and briefed on the CYC draft Constitution. A total of 42 youth attended the programme. The participants discussed the Draft Constitution. Ms. Amita Dahiya, UNV National Coordinator, delivered a lecture on the Post 2015

Development Agenda. This was followed by a session on Advocacy by Mr. Stanzin Dawa.

c. Capacity building programme for Youth leaders on Leadership

20 September 2012, New Delhi

As a sequel to the Consultation on the CYC Draft Constitution, a capacity building programme on Youth Leadership in Peace building was conducted by Mr. Vargese Chakkummootil. The participating representatives of the Commonwealth Youth Council deliberated on the theme and shared their experience on the Peace building activities.

d. Capacity building programme for Youth leaders on Advocacy

21 September 2012, New Delhi

This programme aimed to train the participants on advocacy mechanism and linkage of stakeholders in development programmes. The Bangladesh Youth Leadership Center made a presentation on 'Leadership in Times of Chaos, Conflict and Uncertainty'.

Orientation on Youth Development to ADP Youth of World Vision India



**21 September 2012,
RGNIYD**

One-day orientation programme on youth development was held for the staff of World Vision and the youth in their catchment area. A total of 51 participants attended the programme. The participants were sensitised on the importance of mainstreaming youth into local governance, gender issues, significance of mental health for youth, National Youth Policy and the youth developmental programmes available in the country.

TOT on Social Harmony, National Unity and Human Rights

21-27 September 2012, RGNIYD

RGNIYD organised a seven -day ToT on Social Harmony, National Unity and Human Rights for 34

NSS Programme Officers of Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka and Kerala at the RGNIYD.

ToT on Civics, Citizenship, Parenting and Peer Education

21-27 September 2012, IIPER, Kolkatta



A Training of Trainers programme on Civics, Citizenship, Parenting and Peer Education was organised at IIPER, Kolkatta in which 40 officials from NCC and NSS including a few representatives of NGOs and Civil Society Organisations from West Bengal, Bihar, Jharkhand and Odisha participated. The topics covered include concept of Citizenship, Democracy, Indian Constitution, Transparency in Governance, Celebrating Diversity, Moulding young people as responsible citizens and Importance of peer education.



Orientation on Life Skills Education

22 September 2012, RGNIYD

RGNIYD organised an orientation on life skills education at its campus for 31 school teachers. The participating teachers were provided inputs on the 10 core life skills and were oriented on the strategies for imparting life skills education for school students.

Training cum Exposure visit for the Youth of Odisha

25 September – 01 October 2012

A Training cum Exposure visit was organised at RGNIYD for 39 youth from Odisha comprising NYKS and NSS Volunteers. The participants were trained on youth development programmes, youth policy and personality development. The participants, as part of the field exposure, visited various places of historical significance in Tamil Nadu including visit to the Irula Tribal Women Welfare Society.

Entrepreneurship Development Programme

26-28 September 2012, Tirupathi

RGNIYD and NYKS Andhra Pradesh Zone jointly conducted a three-day training programme for the rural youth on Entrepreneurship to motivate the youngsters to set up their own enterprises for employment. The programme was attended by 46 unemployed youth who were provided inputs on Youth and Employment: Challenges and Opportunities, Personality Development and Leadership Qualities for Employment Enhancement, Team building and co-opting, Entrepreneurial Skills, Career Planning, Motivational strategies and Preparing Pre-feasibility Reports for Entrepreneurial Activities. The participants were provided an opportunity to interact with successful Entrepreneurs. They were also provided information on various Entrepreneurship development agencies, Financial Assistance/Schemes and Subsidies.

Training in Life Skills and Personality Development

26-29 September 2012, Gwalior

Training on life skills and personality development was conducted by RGNIYD in which 125 women NCC Officers participated. Sessions on

Understanding Life Skills, Ten Core Life Skills and their importance and Personality Development were held.



Career Exhibition

**26-27 September 2012,
Thiruvallur**

A two-day career exhibition was organised for the high and higher secondary school students at the Christ King Matriculation Higher Secondary School, Thiruvallur in which the students from the government and private schools in Thiruvallur visited and obtained information on various career options after Tenth and Plus Two. Besides, the faculty and students of School of Counselling rendered personalised career guidance and counselling services to about 120 students.

Regional Workshop on Internal Migration

27 September 2012, RGNIYD



A regional level workshop on Internal Migration issues was conducted at RGNIYD to understand the reasons

for migration and its impact in which 23 participants including Experts, Activists, Builders, Research Scholars, Officials of NGOs and Trade Union members participated. The participants deliberated on Inter-state migration issues and Migrant Workers' Rights. It

was suggested that a Migration Helpline be set up by RGNIYD in association with NGOs working in the field of Migration, including a Migration cell, besides constituting a core committee under the chairmanship of Tamil Nadu Additional Labour Commissioner.

Orientation and Sensitisation on Community Radio Station for Educational Institutions in Sriperumbudur & Kadambathur block

27 September 2012, RGNIYD

Ilanthalir Community Radio station organised an Orientation and Sensitisation programme on community radio station for Educational Institutions in Sriperumbudur block & Kadambathur Block. The prime objective of the orientation was to provide information about the concept and evolution of Community Radio and RGNIYD, Ilanthalir Community Radio 107.2 MHz Station and involve the College Youth for Community development.

The Principals, Heads of the Departments and Students from 17 higher educational institutions including Medical,



Engineering and Law Colleges in Sriperumbudur and Kadambathur Blocks participated in this programme. The Faculty Head, YAHD briefed the participants on the objectives of the programme. The Director, RGNIYD delivered the inaugural address. Dr. S. Gowri, Director, Educational Multimedia Research Centre and Professor, Department of

Manufacturing Engineering, Anna University, Chennai delivered the special address, besides highlighting the growth of Anna FM and community radio.



Awareness on Environment Issues

27 September 2012, Santhavellor Village

As part of the Nature Club activities of RGNIYD, an outreach programme was organised at Santhavellor Village, Sriperumbudur Block to sensitise the adolescents and youth on environment issues. Alongside, 75 sapling plantation activities were undertaken in the village. The programme was organised in collaboration with the NSS Unit of the Santhavellor Government Higher Secondary School.

Ilanthalir Community Radio 107.2MHz

Recording Activities

S.No	Programme Title	Date	Venue	Target Group	Participants Details		
					Male	Female	Total
1	Youth Time – Discussion with Mr.Piyush Jain, MA Student from Harvard University	01/08/2012	ICRS, RGNIYD	Youth	5	1	6
2	VIP Speech Series – Kumari P.K Jaya Lakshmi, Minister for Welfare of Scheduled Tribes, Youth Affairs, Museum & Zoos, Kerala	03/08/2012	ICRS, RGNIYD	General	0	1	1
3	World Breast Feeding Week Special Programme by ICDS Sriperumbudur	03/08/2012	ICRS, RGNIYD	Women	0	13	13
4	Radio Report on World Breast Feeding Week Observation by ICDS Sriperumbudur, at Kachipattu Village	07/08/2012	Kachipattu Village	Women	3	6	9
5	Radio Report on World Breast Feeding Week Observed by ICDS Sriperumbur - Narration Part Recording	09/08/2012	ICRS, RGNIYD	Women	0	1	1
6	Special Programme on Independence Day by RGNIYD students	16/08/2012	ICRS, RGNIYD	General	1	1	2
7	VIP Speech Series – Shri. Padmakar Vijaysing Valvi, Minister for Sports and Youth Welfare, Maharashtra	17/08/2012	ICRS, RGNIYD	General	1	0	1
8	Ketpom Karpom (Learning through Radio- 8th Std.Tamil) With Govt.Panchayat Union Middle School, O.M.Mangalam	21/08/12	ICRS, RGNIYD	Adolescents	2	4	6
9	Ketpom Karpom (Learning through Radio- 8th Std.Science) With Govt.Panchayat Union Middle School, Vadamangalam	24/08/12	ICRS, RGNIYD	Adolescents	1	5	6
10	Ketpom Karpom (Learning through Radio-8th Std.Science) With Govt. Panchayat Union Middle School, Mambakkam	27/08/12	ICRS, RGNIYD	Adolescents	3	4	7
Total		10 Programmes			16	36	52

National Workshop on Convergence of Youth Development Programmes in Rural Development

28 September 2012



A workshop on convergence of youth development programmes in rural development was held at RGNIYD. Shri. SM Vijayanand, IAS, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Rural Development, Govt. of India presented the significance, scope and potentials of ensuring convergence in various development programmes. Functionaries from the Youth Organisations like Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan and National Service Scheme; Officials of National Institute of Rural Development, Hyderabad; Key functionaries of Development organisations like Institute of Social Sciences, DHAN Foundation, Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), Representatives of Local Government Institutions, Youth Awardees, etc. participated in the workshop. Action plan for convergence of youth development programmes in rural development was prepared by the participating experts.

Initiation of Action Research Project- Mainstreaming Youth in Local Governance in the selected States

September 2012

As part of the extension of Action Research project 'Mainstreaming Youth in Local Governance' into more areas, the project was taken up in Gujarat and Rajasthan during September 2012. Agreements have been signed between the designated functionaries of the Gujarat Institute of Development Research (GIDR), Ahmedabad and the Kumarappa Institute of Gram Swaraj (KIGS), Jaipur, for collaborating with RGNIYD for taking up the action research project in the selected Gram Panchayat for a period of one year. The action research is expected to come up with appropriate strategies and approaches towards enhancing youth participation in local governance.

“ *Youth comes but once in a lifetime.* ”

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

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