



National Youth Parliament Festival 2021: Be The Voice of New India

Find Solutions and Contribute to Policy

Guidelines for Participation

I. Background

The Honourable Prime Minister shared the idea of youth becoming the voice of India in his Mann ki Baat address of 31st December, 2017:

“I got an idea whether we could organize a mock parliament in every district of India? Where the youth between 18 and 25 could sit together and brain storm about new India, find ways and chalk our plans. How could we realize our resolves before 2022? How could we build an India of the dreams of our freedom fighters?”

He categorically spoke about giving a chance to the youth to put forth their views on various issues concerning the country.

“I propose that a mock Parliament be organized... comprising one young person selected from each district who would participate and deliberate on how a new India could be formed in the next five years. How can resolve be transformed into reality?”

He reiterated his desire to organize the District Youth Parliaments in his address at time of the inaugural of the 22nd National Youth Festival on 12th January 2018.

Thereafter the First National Youth Parliament Festival was organized in January-February, 2019 wherein 56 finalists (32 Female and 24 Male) and 700 delegates representing each district participated at National Youth Parliament. Hon’ble Prime Minister addressed the youth and also gave away the Prizes to the National Awardees.

II. OBJECTIVES OF ORGANISING THE NATIONAL YOUTH PARLIAMENT FESTIVAL

- To hear the voice of youth between 18 and less than 25 years of age, who are allowed to vote but cannot stand as a candidate for election, through deliberations in Youth Parliaments at district level and above.
- To encourage the youth to engage with public issues, understand the common man's point of view, form their opinions and express it in an articulate manner
- To develop and enhance decision making abilities
- To develop in them a respect and tolerance for the views of others.
- To develop in them an understanding that respect for rules is essential for conducting any discussion systematically and effectively.
- To obtain and document their opinions on Vision of New India in 2022.
- To make available their views to policy makers and implementers to take it forward.

III: CRITERIA FOR PARTICIPATION

- Youth, to participate in Youth Parliament must be above 18 and less than 25 years of age as on 30th November, 2020. The onus will be on the participant to furnish correct information in this regard. Furnishing of false information will lead to disqualification from participation in the Parliament at whatever stage.
- The individual need not necessarily be a student of an educational institution to participate in the Youth Parliaments.

IV: FORMAT

- Youth Parliaments will be conducted at three levels:
 - a) District Youth Parliament (DYP) will be conducted on virtual mode at the district level. Preliminary rounds of screening will be conducted to select youth for participation in the DYP.
 - b) State Youth Parliament (SYP) will be conducted on virtual mode. The youth selected by a Jury from the District Youth Parliament will participate at the State level in SYP.
 - c) National Youth Parliament (NYP): The youth selected by a Jury from the State Youth Parliament will participate at the National level in NYP in New Delhi .

- The themes and subjects will be provided to the participants to conduct and facilitate participation at each of the above levels.

V: TIMELINE

- District Youth Parliament (DYP) to be organized in 150 specified districts: 24-29 December, 2020 (List enclosed at **Annexure –I**)
- State Youth Parliament (SYP): 01-05 January, 2021
- National Youth Parliament (NYP): 11-12 January, 2021

VI: SELECTION PROCESS

A: Selection at District Level

Conduct of District Youth Parliament (DYP): 24th to 29th December, 2020

District Youth Parliaments will be organized at 150 venues in as many districts. Each event will be for a cluster of 4-5 districts so that these 150 DYPs will cover most of the districts of the country. The District Youth Parliament (DYP) will be organized virtually by taking the youth selected from individual districts.

The two (2) winners from each District Youth Parliament (DYP) will participate at the State level. A certificate of merit will be awarded to the best speakers from the DYP in the panel. Every participant will be given a certificate of participation (format will be provided by the Ministry).

The evaluation criteria to select speakers for State Youth Parliament by the Jury will be as given below:

- a) Articulation
- b) Clarity of Thought
- c) Content knowledge
- d) Demeanor

Each evaluation criteria will carry 25 points. Final evaluation will be made out of 100 points.

B: Selection at State Level

Conduct of State Youth Parliament (SYP): 01-05, January, 2021

29 State Youth Parliaments will be organized on virtual mode to cover all States and Union Territories. Winners from each DYP will join together in State Youth Parliament (SYP) and deliberate on given topics in the presence of a Jury on virtual mode.

The evaluation criteria to select speakers from SYP for participation in the National Youth Parliament (NYP) will be as under:

- a) Articulation
- b) Clarity of Thought
- c) Content knowledge
- d) Demeanour

Each evaluation criteria to carry 25 points. Final evaluation will be made out of 100 points. The concerned Jury will prepare a panel of three (3) best speakers from each State Youth Parliament (SYP) out of which the First position holder from each state would participate as speaker in the National Youth Parliament Festival. The 2nd and 3rd position holder from each state will come to Delhi and will be a part of National Youth Parliament. A certificate of merit will be awarded to the best speakers from the State in the panel. Every participant will be given a certificate of participation.

Selection at National Level

Conduct of National Youth Parliament (NYP)

The final stage of the National Youth Parliament (NYP) will be held at New Delhi. 87 State winners (1st, 2nd and 3rd prize winners) will participate in the National Youth Parliament out of which 29 (1st Position holder of each State) will be speaking on selected topics. Remaining 58 will be just attending the National Youth Parliament. The evaluation criteria to select the winners of the National Youth Parliament (NYP) by concerned Jury will be as under:

- a) Articulation
- b) Clarity of Thought
- c) Content knowledge
- d) Demeanour

Each evaluation criteria to carry 25 points. Final evaluation will be made out of 100 points. The three best speakers at the national level will be awarded Rs 2 lakhs, Rs 1.50 lakhs and Rs 1 lakh respectively alongwith a certificate of merit. Every participant will be given a certificate of participation (format will be provided by Ministry).

VII: LANGUAGE

To ensure that all sections of youth population are able to participate, the language for participation at District and State Parliaments will be Hindi, English or Official Language of the State. However, participants will be able to use either Hindi or English for National Youth Parliament.

VIII: JURY

Jury will be set up at all three levels i. e. District, State and National levels. The Youth Parliaments i.e. DYP, SYP & NYP will each be adjudged by a five (5) member Jury. Each Jury will be comprised of the following members:

- Member of Parliament /Member of Legislative Assembly/Eminent politicians
- Retired/serving government officials
- Eminent Artist
- Eminent journalist/writers
- Academicians of repute

At District and State levels, relevant local eminent personalities will be included to form the Jury. At the National level, nationally eminent personalities will be included in the Jury.

IX: TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

The topics for discussion at different levels will be released as per following details:

1. Topics for DYP: 22nd December, 2020
2. Topics for SYP: 31st December, 2020
3. Topics for NYP: 10th January, 2021

The list of topics for each of the above levels will be hosted on www.yas.nic.in, www.nss.gov.in; and www.nyks.nic.in

Four (4) minutes time will be given to each participant to speak on the given topic at the District and State level Youth Parliaments. The list of the topics is attached at **Annexure II**.

X: REGISTRATION AND TREATMENT OF DATA

All willing participants will have to register for District Youth Parliaments which would be initiated by NYKS and NSS for District Youth Parliament and representation of women, tribal youth and others from minor sections will be ensured. The data documented in the process will be the property of Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports.

XI: LOGISTICS

For District Youth Parliament (DYP) & (SYP), the participants will not be provided any travel cost or any other logistical support as these will be organized on virtual mode.

For National Youth Parliament (NYP), the participants will be provided boarding & lodging facility and the travelling expenses (By Economy Class Air). The participants will have to travel by Air India and only can travel by private airlines where no Air India services are available.

XII : COVID -19 NEGATIVE REPORT

The participants at the National Level have to come with the RT PCR Negative test Report from their respective states upto maximum 72 hours before commencement of the programme failing which they will not be allowed to participate..

Venue Districts for Conducting District Level Youth Parliaments

S.NO	Name of State/UT	Total Number of District NYKs where District Youth Parliaments would be organized through Virtual Mode	S.No	Name of Venue Districts, where District Youth Parliaments would be conducted through Webinars/Virtual Mode	Number of Districts including Venue Districts to participate in District level Youth Parliaments	
					No. of District NYKs	No. of Non-NYK Districts
A	B	C	D	E	F	
1.	Andhra Pradesh	4	1.	Guntur	14	0
			2.	Visakhapatnam		
			3.	Ananthpuram		
			4.	Vizainagarm		
2.	Assam	6	5.	Bongaigaon	27	6
			6.	Nagaon		
			7.	Sivasagar		
			8.	Cachar		
			9.	Barpeta		
			10.	Nalbari		
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	1	11.	Itanagar	15	0
4.	Bihar	11	12.	Bettiah (W. Champaran)	38	0
			13.	Muzaffarpur		
			14.	Madhubani		
			15.	Purnea		
			16.	Nawada		
			17.	Jehanabad		
			18.	Begusarai		
			19.	Gaya		
			20.	Sitamarhi		
			21.	Araria		
			22.	Bhagalpur		
5.	Delhi	2	23.	New Delhi	09	2
			24.	North Delhi		
6.	Chhattisgarh	5	25.	Dantewada	16	12
			26.	Korba		
			27.	Rajnandgaon		
			28.	Sarguja		
			29.	Mahasamund		
7.	Gujarat,	9	30.	Mehasana	28	7
			31.	Gandhinagar		

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	Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Daman & Diu		32.	Bhavnagar		
			33.	Junagarh		
			34.	Vadodara		
			35.	Surat		
			36.	Valsad		
			37.	Dahod		
			38.	Rajkot		
8.	Haryana	6	39.	Hissar	19	3
			40.	Karnal		
			41.	Gurugram		
			42.	Faridabad		
			43.	Panchkula		
			44.	Mahendragarh		
9.	Himachal Pradesh	6	45.	Hamirpur	12	0
			46.	Kullu		
			47.	Una		
			48.	Kinnaur		
			49.	Nahan		
			50.	Dharamshala		
10.	Jharkhand	4	51.	Ranchi	22	2
			52.	Palamau		
			53.	Gumla		
			54.	Garhwa		
11.	Jammu, Kashmir and Ladakh	3	55.	Srinagar	14	8
			56.	Jammu		
			57.	Udhampur		
12.	Karnataka	6	58.	Mysore	27	3
			59.	Gulbarga		
			60.	Karwar		
			61.	Udupi		
			62.	Raichur		
			63.	Mangalore		
13.	Kerala & Lakshadweep	3	64.	Palakkad	16	0
			65.	Ernakulam		
			66.	Waynad		
14.	Madhya Pradesh	12	67.	Bhopal	48	3
			68.	Gwalior		

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			69.	Jabalpur		
			70.	Damoh		
			71.	Satna		
			72.	Harda		
			73.	Dhar		
			74.	Dewas		
			75.	Balaghat		
			76.	Tikamgarh		
			77.	Barwani		
			78.	Guna		
15.	Maharashtra & Goa	6	79.	Pune	36	2
			80.	Nagpur		
			81.	Jalgaon		
			82.	Thane		
			83.	Nandurbar		
			84.	Panji		
16.	Manipur	2	85.	Imphal West	10	0
			86.	Chandel		
17.	Meghalaya	2	87.	Shillong	7	2
			88.	Ri-Bhoi		
18.	Mizoram	1	89.	Aizawl	8	3
19.	Nagaland	2	90.	Kohima	11	2
			91.	Dimapur		
20.	Odisha	8	92.	Bargarh	30	0
			93.	Kalahandi		
			94.	Angul		
			95.	Cuttack		
			96.	Puri		
			97.	Phulbani		
			98.	Gajapati		
			99.	Nuapada		
21.	Punjab & Chandigarh	5	100.	Jalandhar	21	2
			101.	Mohali		
			102.	Mansa		
			103.	Moga		
			104.	Patiala		

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22.	Rajasthan	6	105.	Jodhpur	32	1
			106.	Udaipur		
			107.	Kota		
			108.	Jaipur		
			109.	Sikar		
			110.	Jaiselmer		
23.	Sikkim	3	111.	East Sikkim Indore Stadium	4	0
			112.	West Sikkim		
			113.	South Sikkim		
24.	Tamilnadu & Puducherry	5	114.	Madurai	32	8
			115.	Thanjavur		
			116.	Kanyakumari		
			117.	Ramnathpuram		
			118.	Puducherry		
25.	Tripura	2	119.	North Tripura (Dharmanagar)	4	4
			120.	Udaipur		
26.	Telangana	3	121.	Nizamabad	10	23
			122.	Nalgonda		
			123.	Khamam		
27.	Uttarakhand	5	124.	Nainital	13	0
			125.	Pauri		
			126.	Tehri Garhwal		
			127.	Uttarkashi		
			128.	Haridwar		
28.	Uttar Pradesh	19	129.	Faizabad	71	4
			130.	Ghazipur		
			131.	Lucknow		
			132.	Bijnor		
			133.	Moradabad		
			134.	Deoria		
			135.	Agra		
			136.	Banda		
			137.	Ghaziabad		
			138.	Raebareli		
			139.	Allahabad		
140.	Jhansi					

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			141.	SantKabirnagar		
			142.	Balrampur		
			143.	Meerut		
			144.	Sidharthnagar		
			145.	Kannauj		
			146.	Varanasi		
			147.	Baharaich		
29.	West Bengal and A&N Island	3	148.	Kolkata North	29	3
			149.	Port Blair		
			150.	South Kolkata		
	TOTAL	150			623	100

Bold and Red Colour are 50 UNDP – UNV districts. Remaining 100 are NYKs Districts
Total Number of Programs Venues (NYK districts – 100 + UNDP, UNV districts – 50 = 150 Districts)

Total Number of Districts targeted to Participate at District level Youth Parliaments
(623 NYKs Districts + 100 Non NYKs Districts = 723 Districts)

Time Line:

Launching of District Level Youth Parliaments – 23rd December 2020

Conduct of District Youth Parliaments – 24th December to 29th December 2020

Proposed Topics for Discussion

District Youth Parliament 2020 (24th to 29th December, 2020)

- National Education Policy 2020 will transform education in India
- Unnat Bharat Abhiyan-Unleashing the power of communities and using technologies for their upliftment
- Unlocking rural economy in the face of new normal
- Zero budget Natural Farming is a boon for farmers