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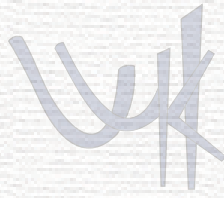
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Message from the Chairman and Managing Trustee

I have the pleasure of sharing the Annual Review 2023-24 – a testimonial of the dedication of the VYK Team and a result of careful research and meticulous planning, which ensures acceptance and success of VYK programmes by the target beneficiaries.

Apart from its state-level and in-house programmes on selected themes like leadership, motivation, resource mobilisation, skill development, entrepreneurship, women's safety, disaster management, Water Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH), climate change etc. The e-Certificate course organised by VYK on Climate Change was highly appreciated by the participants and the experts alike. VYK also organised specific initiatives for PwDs, including a job fair and entrepreneurship/skill development training programmes. One such initiative that was organised in Puducherry was done with the support of the state government who greatly appreciated the unique initiative of VYK and its regional partner. It was heartening to note that trainees who attended the programme were provided employment opportunities by the government itself, which was highly motivating for all.

The year also saw VYK carry out two programmes – World Environment Day and International Women's Day – in campaign mode. For these two programmes, VYK not only organised in-campus events to commemorate the occasion, but also carried out numerous events in various parts of the country with the support of regional partners thereby reaching a much wider audience. The fact that VYK was able to directly benefit nearly 57000 people from across the country is a clear indicator of the ever-increasing reach of VYK activities.

At this juncture, I would like to reiterate my wholehearted appreciation for the support extended by our eminent speakers, guests, partners and participants, and the dedicated efforts of the VYK Team. I sincerely hope that the team would continue to put in their best efforts to ensure the success of programmes and activities of Vishwa Yuvak Kendra.

Shishir Bajaj

Chairman & Managing Trustee





Foreword

The financial year 2023-24 concluded on a high note for Vishwa Yuvak Kendra (VYK). A number of high-quality programmes were organized during the year which were well appreciated by the participants.

It is gratifying to see Vishwa Yuvak Kendra establishing itself as a leading training centre for youth among the many NGOs in the country. The programme activities of VYK are dedicated to training youth workers and NGO activists, aimed at enhancing their knowledge and skills so they can perform their roles more effectively. Apart from capacity enhancement, VYK training programmes enable youth workers to apply their newly learnt knowledge and skills in their respective areas, making them more effective and beneficial for the society.

Through nation-wide initiatives built on the back of a strong partnership network, VYK has been able to ensure that quality training is made available for deserving participants from across the country,

irrespective of their location. The topics and themes for the training programmes, seminars and courses were selected considering their relevance in the current context. Apart from capacity enhancement trainings, VYK also organised motivational programmes, carried out skill development initiatives for the youth and CSR events during the year 2023-24. Recognizing the importance of digital trainings, VYK has been carrying out e-Certificate courses from last couple of years, which was taken forward in 2023-24 also. Through the Institutional Tie-up Programmes, VYK is also increasing its volunteer base across the country and establishing linkages with educational institutions and the academia.

None of this would have been possible without the support and cooperation by our well-wishers. Our Board of Trustees, led by our Hon. Chairman and Managing Trustee Shri Shishir Bajaj, has played a pivotal role in shaping our training programmes by providing us invaluable advice and guidance. I would also like to convey our profound gratitude to all our members and partner organizations, whose contributions have been vital to our success. Special thanks are due to the prominent media houses, both national and regional, for their extensive coverage of our activities. Last, but certainly not the least, I want to express my wholehearted appreciation to the entire team of VYK for their hard work and dedication, which contributed to the success of our activities.

I am confident that VYK will continue to grow and contribute to the social development process through its various initiatives, with the support from all our partners and stakeholders. Thank you once again!

Uday Shankar Singh
Chief Executive Officer

VYK at a Glance

Our Beginning

Vishwa Yuvak Kendra (VYK) has a unique history. In 1959, the executive committee of the Indian Assembly of Youth came to the conclusion that if youth work has to be developed in the country on scientific lines, a national youth centre should be established, which would provide training in youth work to the workers of youth organizations on a continuous basis. The committee also visualized the centre as an international meeting place for young people from all over the world. Since a centre of this type had to have a certain permanency, it was decided to set up an independent trust, which would command the necessary respect and support. Thus, the Indian Youth Centres Trust was set up on 10 August, 1961. With the active support of Pt. Jawahar Lal Nehru, a decision was taken to build a youth centre named Vishwa Yuvak Kendra. The first phase comprised of mainly the hostel and the central hall was completed and inaugurated by Dr. Zakir Husain, the then President of India on 22 December, 1968. In order to facilitate the smooth running of various workshops, seminars and training programmes, the Kendra provides economical boarding and lodging facilities to its members and the participants. To conduct various programmes, the Kendra also has conference and training halls.



Prime Minister Pt. Jawahar Lal Nehru discussing project Vishwa Yuvak Kendra with (L-R) Prof. Ram Lal Parikh, Shri Ramkrishna Bajaj and Shri P T Kuriakose



The Founder Trustees (Clockwise): Founder Chairman Shri Morarji Desai, Smt. Indira Gandhi, Shri V J Shah, Shri Naval H Tata, Shri Ravindra Varma and Shri Ramkrishna Bajaj, Founder Managing Trustee



Dr. Zakir Husain, the then President of India, inaugurating the building of Vishwa Yuvak Kendra

Vision

- » Orient the youth to the developmental process and enable them to participate in the process of nation building;
- » Foster initiatives for unfolding the potential of youth through a constant process of self-evaluation and self-exploration;
- » Enable youth to acquire such knowledge, skills and techniques which will help them in their personal and social growth as well as foster in them sensitivity towards problems in the community;
- » Promote national integration and international understanding by developing youth leadership and providing a forum for youth from diverse backgrounds;
- » Promote regional cooperation and cultural exchange between people of various countries; and
- » Promote research in youth work

Objectives

- » Training in youth work
- » Research and documentation
- » Promotion of international understanding

Towards these objectives, VYK conducts workshops, seminars and training programmes for the NGOs from all over India and youth exchange programmes internationally.

Founder Members

- » Shri Morarji Desai : Former Prime Minister of India
- » Smt. Indira Gandhi : Former Prime Minister of India
- » Shri Naval H. Tata : Industrialist and Philanthropist
- » Shri Ravindra Varma : Former Union Minister
- » Shri V. J. Shah : Former Governor of West Bengal
- » Shri Ramkrishna Bajaj : Industrialist and Philanthropist

Shri Morarji Desai was the founder Chairman and Shri Ramkrishna Bajaj was the founder Managing Trustee.

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Programmes



Seminar on Heal Your Mind, Heal Your Life

26th April, 2023

According to National Crime Records Bureau, one-third of all suicides in the country in 2020 were among the youth. The need for strengthening our response to the emotional requirements of the youth, and making provisions for basic mental health services for them is, thus, urgent. This should be done by centre-staging youth to the forefront on all discussions about their mental health.

Considering the importance of recognizing the needs and rights of the youth to receive mental health care, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra organized a Seminar on “Heal Your Mind, Heal Your Life” in VYK Campus at Chanakyapuri, New Delhi on 26 April 2023.

Mr. Ajit Kumar Rai, Senior Officer – Sustainability & Development at VYK, delivered the welcome address and shared the objectives of the seminar.

Dr. R.K. Dhamija, Director of the Institute of Human Behaviour and Allied Sciences (IHBAS), graced the session as the esteemed chief guest where he spoke about the importance of mental health and the need for increased awareness and support for those suffering from mental illness. BK Anusuya Didi, renowned Senior Rajyoga Teacher, graced the session as the esteemed guest of honour and delivered the keynote

address, highlighting the important role of spirituality in promoting mental health and wellbeing.

The first panel discussion was moderated by Ms. Mukta Bhardwaj, Programme Officer, VYK. The expert panelists included Dr. Jagdish Sadiza, Consultant Clinical Psychologist, IHBAS, and Dr. Himanshu Singh, Consultant Psychiatric Social Worker, IHBAS who shared their insights and experiences on the topic of building resilience among youth.

The second panel discussion was moderated by Mr. Uday Shankar Singh, CEO, VYK, wherein Dr. Chavi Bhargava Sharma, renowned psychologist, Dr. Jayanti Dutta, clinical psychologist and visiting faculty at the CBI Headquarters in Delhi, and Prof. (Dr.) Rajesh, Senior Professor, and Head of the Department of Adult Continuing Education and Extension at Delhi University, shared their views on avoiding stress and the role of society and peer group in resilience and rehabilitation.

Mr. Alok Vats, Officer – IT & EDP, VYK, delivered the vote of thanks. Over 200 participants from 20 organizations across Delhi/NCR attended the programme and got benefited from it.



Group photo of the resource persons along with VYK staff



Active participation of the audience

Training Programme for Persons with Disabilities (PwD) Youth on Reverse Osmosis (RO) Water Management – as Entrepreneurs

22nd-27th May, 2023

Persons with disabilities (PwDs) face several challenges, including limited access to education, employment, healthcare, and social inclusion, among others. Additionally, the employment rate for PwDs is less than 1%, which is a cause for serious concern.

Recognizing the crucial nature of uplifting PwDs by extending livelihood opportunities, the Indian Rural Development and Rehabilitation Program (IRDRP) and Vishwa Yuvak Kendra (VYK), jointly organized Entrepreneur Training for People with Disabilities in Reverse Osmosis Water Plant Management. The 6-day long programme was held from 22 May 2023 to 27 May 2023 at PMSSS Training Center in Puducherry.

The training programme was inaugurated on 22 May 2023 by Ms. Amirthavalli, RSETI Director. Fr. Joseph Arumai Selvam, PMSSS Director, Dr. Lakshmiathy, Chairman of the Indian Red Cross Society, Puducherry, Mr. John Peter, PwD Leader; Dr. Irudayasamy, IRDRP Director and other government dignitaries were also present on the occasion. VYK Team joined the event virtually.

Mr. Veerapathiran, Master Trainer RSETI introduced the training structure of the programme and introduced the RSETI curriculum for the 6 days.

Mr. Ranjeeth Kumar explained the functioning of Reverse Osmosis plant in detail and informed the participants about back wash, rinsing, operation

of plant, membranes and other physical parts. Ms. Rajalakshmi discussed opportunities for women entrepreneurs and highlighted the availability of small and medium loans in banks, rural development agencies and the private sector.

The valedictory session was attended by Public Works Minister Shri K. Lakshminarayan, along with other dignitaries and leaders in the field. Shri Uday Shankar Singh, CEO, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, joined virtually and spoke about the new initiatives of skill training for youth with disabilities in the Reverse Osmosis water management system. Chief Guest Shri K. Lakshminarayan commended VYK and IRDRP for addressing the livelihood challenges of people with disabilities and providing alternative income opportunities through RO management training. Certificates were awarded to all participants. The meeting concluded with a virtual vote of thanks by Mr. Rajat Thomas, Programme Officer, VYK.

The training programme had such a significant impact that it garnered the attention of the Chief Minister of the state, Shri N. Rangaswamy, and the Legislative Assembly Speaker, Shri R. Selvam. Both of them eagerly engaged with the participants, offering words of encouragement for their future endeavours. A total of 31 Youth with Disabilities (YwDs) were registered for the programme, successfully completed the same and were gainfully employed.



Chief Minister of Puducherry, Shri N. Rangaswamy interacting with organisers and felicitating participants



Glimpses of the event

National Level Capacity Building Workshop on Promoting Community Centered Approaches for CWIS Implementation in Urban India

30th-31st May, 2023

Water sanitation and hygiene are crucial for promoting public health and ensuring access to clean and safe water for all individuals. Water sanitation and hygiene play a vital role in preventing illness, reducing child mortality rates, and improving the overall quality of life, particularly in areas with limited resources and

vulnerable population.

In order to address the aforementioned concerns, a two-day National Level Capacity Building Workshop for Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) in the field of Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) was jointly organized by Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, FANSA India

and Modern Architects for Rural India (MARI). The workshop took place on May 30-31, 2023, at the Grand Minerva Hotel in Secunderabad.

The main objectives of the programme were:

1. To develop an in-depth understanding of key concepts and principles of Citywide Inclusive Sanitation (CWIS).
2. To explain Strategies for fostering collaboration among all the concerned stakeholders so as to ensure that CWIS implementation benefits everyone with adequate sanitation service delivery outcomes.
3. To explain practical approaches and facilitate learning from the practitioners / ground level experiences about effective methods and strategies of building strong community engagement in implementation of CWIS.

The workshop comprised a series of technical sessions aimed at addressing key issues and challenges related to urban sanitation in India. These sessions covered topics such as the issues and challenges of urban sanitation in India, Comprehensive WASH Implementation Strategy (CWIS) framework and its principles, the importance of CWIS in achieving inclusive and equitable sanitation progress in India, and the sharing of experiences from organizations such as SWPSV, ITC, Navajeevan, CFAR, and others, focusing on improving access to sanitation in urban areas. Eminent resource persons including Mr. Murali Ramisetty, Dr. Seetharam M.R., Mr. Srinivas Chekuri, Ms. Akhila Sivadas and Dr. Snehalatha addressed the gathering. Mr. Uday Shankar Singh, CEO, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra was also present on the occasion and shared his views with the participants.

The event witnessed enthusiastic participation of more than 90 NGO representatives from across the country.



Group photo of the participants



Mr. Uday Shankar Singh, CEO, VYK addressing the gathering

Seminar on World Environment Day

05th June, 2023

Plastics, with their durable nature and low-cost production, have become integral parts of our daily lives. The consequences of plastic pollution are far-reaching. Plastic waste finds its way into oceans, rivers, and other water bodies, causing immense harm to marine life. Microplastics, tiny plastic particles that result from the breakdown of larger plastic items, have infiltrated the food chain, endangering both marine and terrestrial ecosystems. Moreover, plastic waste is a significant contributor to land pollution, affecting soil fertility and the overall health of ecosystems.

In acknowledgment of the pressing need to tackle plastic pollution, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra took the initiative to host a daylong seminar on Solutions to Plastic Pollution on World Environment Day, June 5, 2023.

The event commenced with an inaugural session. Prof. Moni Madaswamy, Prof. Emeritus and Chairman of CAIRS, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. Mr. Arbind Mukerji, Executive Director of Connecting

Dreams Foundation, was the Guest of Honour. Dr. Livleen K Kahlon, Associate Director of Environment Education and Awareness at TERI, delivered the keynote address.

During the technical session facilitated by Ms. Shweta Dalmia, Founder & CEO of Climapreneur, and Mr. Suraj Pandey, Assistant Vice President of the Corporate Office at NABARD Consultancy Services, participants gained valuable insights into various aspects of the theme.

The event also marked the launch of a nationwide

campaign for World Environment Day 2023 spanning from June 5th to July 5th, 2023. In alignment with the global initiative to combat climate change, VYK took the initiative to organize a range of grassroots developmental activities in collaboration with NGO partners across the country.

The seminar was held at the VYK Campus in New Delhi, attracting the participation of nearly 150 individuals from civil society organizations and educational institutions who recognized the significance of the event.



During the campaign launching



Active participation of audience

World Environment Day 2023 Campaign

05th June, 2023 to 05th July, 2023

The objective of the field campaign was to raise awareness and promote action on environmental issues, specifically focusing on the theme of World Environment Day. Through various activities such as seminars, workshops, conferences, rallies, and tree plantation drives, the campaign aims to engage stakeholders from diverse sectors, including corporations, NGOs, educational institutions, and community-based organizations.

Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, in collaboration with 27 esteemed NGO partners spanning over 14 states, embarked on a grand nationwide field campaign to honor the momentous occasion of World Environment Day 2023. This ambitious initiative aimed to reach far and wide, leaving a lasting impact on communities and individuals across the country. Through the collective efforts of dedicated partners, VYK was able to engage and inspire approximately 17,000 individuals and plant nearly 46,500 saplings in various locations.



Glimpses of the campaign

Workshop on Agro Entrepreneurship Development

20th-22nd June, 2023

It is a well established fact that NGOs have a huge scope to take the lead in supporting small farmers in developing agricultural value chains and getting their fair share of the profit, while giving a boost to agricultural production. However, in order to work among the farming community and moulding farmers to become entrepreneurs, NGOs should acquire the basic knowledge on agro-entrepreneurship. To equip NGOs with the knowhow of developing agro-entrepreneurship among farmers, a three-day state level workshop on Agro Entrepreneurship Development was jointly organized by Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, VAIGAI Trust, Gramium and Stella Mary's Institute of Development Studies (SMIDS) from 20-22 June 2023 at Kanyakumari.

The programme was inaugurated by Deputy Mayor of Nagercoil Municipal Corporation, Mrs. Mary Prince Latha. Mr. S. Annadurai, Director, Vaigai Trust, Mr. Rajat Thomas, Programme Officer, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra and Mr. P. Narayanan, Director, Gramium

Trust were present in the inaugural session along with dignitaries like Dr. Jebamalai, Director, SMIDS, Mr. Kumari Stephen, Chairman, Kanyakumari Town Panchayat, Mr. Y.Siluvai Vasthian, Director, HEAL and Mrs. Latha Kalaivanan, Director, Flower Trust.

Topics like Role of youth in Agro Entrepreneurship, Innovations in Agro-Entrepreneurship, climate change impacts on agriculture, challenges and opportunities in agro-entrepreneurship etc. were covered by eminent resource persons and subject experts over the three day period. A field visit to SMIDS was also organised on the last day of the programme wherein the participants got the opportunity to see the learnings implemented in the field.

Nearly 80 representatives from NGOs/FPOs and Farmers Clubs from Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Delhi, Puducherry and Karnataka participated in the three-day training programme and got benefited from it.



Inaugural session in progress



Eminent speaker addressing the session



Group photo of the participants

Seminar on Role of Youth in WASH

23rd June, 2023

Despite the heightened awareness of the significance of hand hygiene in preventing the spread of diseases during the COVID-19 pandemic, billions of people worldwide, including numerous school-going children, lack access to handwashing facilities equipped with soap. Sufficient sanitation plays a crucial role in the survival and development of children, enhancing their education, boosting productivity, and fostering resilience in the face of diseases and disasters.

To tackle the aforementioned challenges head-on, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, in collaboration with Vaigai Trust, Gramium, FANSA India, SMIDS, and Rohini College of Engineering and Technology (RCET) conducted a seminar on Role of Youth in WASH at

Grand Arena Auditorium, RCET on 23 June 2023.

The event was inaugurated by Chief Guest Dr. Lakshmipathy, Chairman IRCS, Puducherry. Mrs. Krishnaveni, HOD, Dept. of Agricultural Engineering, Dr. R. Rajesh, Principal, RCET, Mr. Annadurai, Director, Vaigai Trust and Mr. Rajat Thomas, Programme Officer, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra were present on the occasion, Mr. Putheri Babu, Senior WASH consultant was the technical resource person.

This seminar was attended by approximately 670 students who actively participated in the event and got to have a clearer understanding of WASH.



Glimpses of the event

Agro-entrepreneurship Development in Natural Farming: Possibilities, Challenges and Way Forward

24th-25th June, 2023

Agriculture plays a crucial role in the economy of India, providing food security, and employment opportunities, and contributing to overall development. However, the sector often faces numerous challenges such as climate change, resource scarcity, market volatility, and limited access to finance and technology.

With an objective of exploring possibilities for networking, mutual learnings, and value addition in natural farming at multi-levels, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra in partnership with CORD and Stars Forum organized a two-day state-level thematic programme titled Agro-Entrepreneurship Development: Possibilities, Challenges, and Opportunities at the CORD Training Centre in Sidhbari, Kangra District, Himachal Pradesh on 24-25 June, 2023.

The event commenced with an inauguration by the esteemed Chief Guest, Dr. Rajeshwar Singh Chandel, Vice Chancellor, Dr. Y.S. Parmar University of Horticulture & Forestry, Solan. The occasion was graced by the notable presence of Padma Shri Farmer

Nek Ram Sharma and Padma Shri Dr. Kshama Metre, National Director, CORD, Mr. Manjunath K., Programme Officer, VYK, Ms. Bhakti Talwelkar, Programme Manager, STARS Forum and Mr. Nityananda Dhal, Representative, PRADAN.

Dr. D. K. Sadana from Revitalization Rainfed Agriculture Network, Mr. Ranjeet Shabang from STARS Forum, Dr. Anju Kapoor from Dept. of Home Science Agriculture University, Palampur, Mr. Haresh Sharma from Ceva Himalya were the technical resource persons. Mr. Som Krishan, Best Practitioner Natural Farming, Mandi and Mr. Anup Kumar, Agro-entrepreneur & coordinator HIM PRA, passionately discussed the best practices of Natural Farming, drawing from their extensive experience and expertise in the field.

The workshop witnessed active participation from over 98 representatives, including Non-government Organisations, Former Producer Organisations, Government Officials, etc. representing six states of the country.



Glimpses of the event

Training Programme on Agro-Entrepreneurship Development

04th-06th July, 2023

Traditionally, agriculture in India was perceived as a low-tech industry, characterized by numerous small family farms that focused primarily on incremental improvements rather than embracing novel approaches. However, the past decade has witnessed a significant transformation in this landscape, driven by economic liberalization, evolving agricultural markets, and a rapidly changing society.

Vishwa Yuvak Kendra took a significant step towards empowering farmers by organizing a three-day training programme in collaboration with IRDRP Trust and Gramium on 4-6 July 2023. The event was held at KVK, Puducherry.

Hon'ble Shri. A.K. Sai J. Saravanan Kumar, Minister for Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs, DRDA and Hon'ble Shri Djeacoumar, Minister for Agriculture, Government of Puducherry, were the guests of honour.

The training sessions were not only informative but also practical, as participants were introduced to cutting edge technologies such as drone technology and solar technology.

It was heartening to note that over 80 participants benefited from this program, gaining valuable knowledge and skills that have the potential to enhance their agricultural practices and improve their livelihoods.



Glimpses of the event

Seminar on Women Safety and Security

05th-06th July, 2023

Every day, young girls and women from diverse backgrounds encounter various obstacles when it comes to their safety and security. In order to empower NGOs and various key stakeholders to effectively contribute towards ensuring the safety and security of women at all levels, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra in partnership with Chetana Child and Women Welfare Society hosted a two-day state-level thematic programme entitled Seminar on Women Safety and Security on 5-6 July, 2023.

The event commenced with inauguration by the esteemed Chief Guest, Ms. Lalita Mehar, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Raipur, Chhattisgarh. The occasion was graced by the notable presence of Shri R.K. Vij, Special Director-General of Police (Retd.),

Chhattisgarh, Mr. Manjunath K. Programme Officer, VYK and Ms. Indu Sahu, Director, Chetana Child and Women Welfare Society.

The event witnessed the crucial involvement of technical resource persons who greatly enriched the knowledge of the participants who shared information on IT perspective of women's safety and security, legal and institutional provisions in place to ensure women's safety, current state of women's safety and security in Chhattisgarh, challenges faced by women in public places, pivotal role educational institutions play in ensuring safety and security of women, importance of partnership and collaboration, PSEA Policy Act etc. The event was attended by the 85 representatives of NGOs from 19 districts of Chhattisgarh state.



Glimpses of the event

Seminar on Role of Youth in WASH

07th July, 2023

Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) are fundamental components of human well-being and are vital for achieving sustainable development. Access to clean water, adequate sanitation facilities, and proper hygiene practices are essential not only for health but also for poverty reduction, education, gender equality, and environmental sustainability. However, despite significant progress in recent years, millions of people around the world still lack access to safe WASH services.

Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, IRDRP Trust, Gramium & FANSA India jointly conducted a seminar on the Role of Youth in WASH on 7 July 2023 at Sri Manakula Vinayagar Medical College & Hospital, Puducherry.

Dr. Lakshmipathy, Chairman, IRCS Puducherry was the Chief Guest on the occasion.

Seminar aimed to shed light on the critical role of youth in shaping the future of the WASH sector. Distinguished dignitaries and speakers, who were experts in their respective fields, shared their insights on achieving personal well-being. Topics like challenges in water management, challenges in menstrual health management etc. were covered during the seminar.

The event's success was attributed to the enthusiastic involvement of nearly 500 students, along with faculty members.



Glimpses of the event

Workshop on NGO Governance, Management and Sustainability

27th-28th July, 2023

Promoting transparent decision-making, accountability, and ethical practices are the pillars of a well-structured governance framework within NGOs. These principles not only strengthen the organization but also foster trust among stakeholders, donors, and beneficiaries, nurturing long-term partnerships that are essential to support the NGO's mission.

In pursuit of this objective, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra in partnership with Federation of Voluntary Organisations for Rural and Urban Development-Karnataka (FEVOURD-K) organized a two-day State Level NGO Capacity Building Workshop on NGO Governance, Management, and Sustainability at Kalaburagi, Karnataka, on 27th and 28 July 2023.

The event commenced inauguration by Chief Guest, Mr. Raju Indargi, Cluster Head- HDFC Bank and

Prof. Hudugi (Retd.) from Gulbarga University. Mr. Maheshchandra Guru, State President, FEVOURD-K, Mr. Manjunath K., Programme Officer, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, Mr. Anjaneya Reddy, Former President- FEVOURD-K and other prominent figures were also present on the occasion.

Mr. Jacob D' Souza, Senior Manger, DrishtE and Mr. Giridharan HC, Enrolment Manager from Dhvani Foundation and subject experts from UAL-Singapore, HDFC CSR etc took technical sessions on the sub-themes of the workshop. Participants were awarded certificates upon the successful completion of the workshop.

It was heartening to witness the overwhelming response to the workshop, with 136 NGO representatives participating from 21 districts across Karnataka.



Joint Staff Development Programme

10th-13th August, 2023

In India, where more than 700 million people live in areas experiencing high water stress, the challenges of climate change only exacerbate the situation. This not only strains water resources but also affect energy production and delivery facilities, causing supply disruptions and impacting critical infrastructure dependent on a stable energy supply.

Recognizing the imperative to address these interlinkages between water, energy, climate action, and their contributions to achieving climate-smart goals, the JSDP Partners network and India Office of KAS collaborated to advance knowledge on water

and energy as integral components of climate action and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The 39th annual Joint Staff Development Programme (JSDP), organised from 10th-13th August 2023 at Mysuru focused on developing a sustainable network on SDG6 (Clean Water and Sanitation) and SDG7 (Affordable and Clean Energy) interlinkages, engaging stakeholders from all states, regions, and constituencies.

Nearly 50 participants from different organisations of JSDP partner network actively participated in the programme.



Glimpses of the event

Exposure-cum-Capacity Building Training Programme on Agro-Entrepreneurship and Water Resource Management

18th-22nd August, 2023 and 22nd-26th September, 2023

In recent years, the agricultural landscape has undergone significant transformations due to factors such as climate change, urbanization, and technological advancements. These changes have necessitated a shift towards more sustainable and efficient agricultural practices, particularly in the domains of agro-entrepreneurship and water resource management.

Recognizing the importance of equipping individuals with the knowledge and skills to navigate these challenges, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, in collaboration with Bajaj Foundation, organized two Exposure cum Capacity Building Training Programmes on Agro-entrepreneurship & Water Resource Management at Wardha for NGO representatives from all across the country. The first batch visited Wardha during 18-22 August 2023 while the second batch visited during 22-26 September 2023.

The Exposure cum Capacity Building Training Programme on Agro-entrepreneurship & Water Resource Management aimed to provide participants with up-to-date knowledge and insights into sustainable agricultural practices, agro-entrepreneurship and water resources, while at the same time foster innovation in agriculture and water management, encouraging participants to explore creative solutions to contemporary challenges.

The events were organized at Sevagram Ashram Pratishtan in Maharashtra. The first programme was inaugurated by Chief Guest Dr. Ashutosh A. Murkute, Director of Mahatma Gandhi Institute for Rural Industrialization (MGIRI) while Dr. Pankaj Bhoyar,

Hon. MLA, Wardha, was the Chief Guest of the second programme. Shri Haribhai Mori, President-CSR, Bajaj Group was present on both the occasions.

Apart from discussing on the theme and watching presentation of the exemplary work being done in Wardha on agriculture promotion and water harvesting including water rejuvenation, the participants visited various historical places in Wardha like Pavnar Ashram, Laxminarayan Temple, office of Bachraj Trading Co., Bajajwadi, the first office of the Bajaj Group, Geetai Mandir, Vishwa Shanti Stupa and Bapu Kutir. Visit to these sites helped the participants understand the immeasurable contributions of Gandhi ji, Vinoba ji and the Bajaj Family to the nation's freedom struggle and rich history. The teams also visited various farms and interacted with farmers practicing natural farming. The participants also saw a check dam, which was created as a part of Bajaj Foundation's Design for Change (DFC) initiative. The project was a real eye opener as it demonstrated the potential of children to create social change.

A total of nearly 200 participants attended both the batches, making the event a successful one. By conducting such training programmes, organizations like The Bajaj Foundation and Vishwa Yuvak Kendra contributed to building a cadre of skilled and knowledgeable individuals capable of driving positive change in agriculture and water resource management. These initiatives aligned with the broader goal of creating resilient, sustainable, and environmentally responsible farming practices to meet the challenges of the 21st century.



Glimpses from the visit of the first batch



Glimpses from the second batch visit

Seminar on Youth Empowerment and Leadership

25th August 2023

Youth empowerment and leadership development are essential for fostering a generation of capable and innovative leaders. Empowered youth can bring fresh perspectives and solutions to global challenges, participate actively in their communities, and contribute significantly to economic growth.

Considering the same, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra and BIT Group of Institutions organised a seminar on Youth Empowerment and Leadership on 25 August 2023 in BIT Campus. The seminar was designed to address the need for youth empowerment and leadership development.

The seminar spanned a day, featuring a variety

of sessions, workshops, and activities. Sessions were divided into leadership development, skill-building and inspirational talks. Mr. Suneel Keswani, Motivational Speaker, delivered inspirational talks on leadership and personal growth. Ms. Mukta Bhardwaj and Mr. Rajat Thomas, Programme Officers of Vishwa Yuvak Kendra were present on the occasion along with officials of BIT Group of institution including the HOD-AS&H, Dr. Rajni Jain. Participants engaged in practical exercises to apply newly acquired skills.

A total of 246 students from different departments attended the seminar and got benefited. The seminar left a lasting impact on participants and their communities.



Glimpses from the seminar

Training on NGO Management, Governance and Compliances

24th–26th August, 2023

Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) play a crucial role in addressing social, environmental, and humanitarian issues worldwide. While their missions vary, all NGOs share common challenges related to management, governance, and compliance. To navigate these challenges effectively, NGO professionals require comprehensive training and knowledge.

Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, in collaboration with Nav Bharat Jagriti Kendra, organized a three day training programme on NGO Management, Governance and Compliances from 24-26 August 2023.

The programme was inaugurated by Dr. Ramesh Sharan, Former Vice Chancellor, Vinoba Bhave University, Hazaribagh, Jharkhand. Mr. Ajit Kumar Rai, Sr. Officer – Sustainability & Development, VYK

and Mr. Girija Satish, President Rashtriya Lok Samiti, were also present on the occasion and shared their views with the gathering.

During the programme the topics like financial management, 12A, 80G, FCRA along with proposal writing, fundraising and implementation of various policies were discussed. The sessions were facilitated by Mr. Girija Satish of Rashtriya Lok Samiti, Ms. Ritu Jha, Financial and Taxation consultant, Mr. Rajiv Rajan, Srijan Foundation and Mr. Satish Girija, Nav Bharat Jagriti Kendra.

The feedback received by the participants was very encouraging as they learnt a lot from the training. More than 60 participants attended the training and learnt important aspects of NGO governance.



Proceedings in progress

Training Programme on Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)

01st-02nd September, 2023

With an objective of achieving Sustainable Development Goal 6 (SDG-6) by empowering the youth with knowledge on WASH, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra and Indian Institute of Youth & Development (IIYD), in collaboration with FANSA India organised a two-day state-level NGO capacity-building training programme on Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) at the Red Cross Bhawan, Bhubaneswar, Odisha on 1-2 September, 2023.

The event kicked off with an inspiring inauguration by Chief Guest Mr. Bibhuti Bhusan Pattnaik, IAS (Retd.), Honorary Secretary, IRCS, Odisha State Branch, alongside guests and resource persons.

Expert resource persons engaged in thought-provoking discussions covering crucial topics. Er. B.B. Panda, Chief Engineer (Retd.), Govt. of Odisha, Mr. R.K. Rath, Ex-Registrar, IGNOU, Mr. Gouri Shankar

Mishra, WASH Expert, Mr. P.C. Misra, Director, IIYD, Mr. Manjunath K, Programme Officer, VYK, Ms. Bharati Chakra from HelpAge India, Mr. Haribandhu Behera, former Special Secretary to the Urban Development Department, Government of Odisha and Ms. Rasmirekha Biswal from EY, addressed the participants.

The event also saw the release of the Odia version of the book “Reaching the Unreached” by the Chief Guest

of the Valedictory Session, Mr. Prafulla Kumar Sahoo, Co-founder and Former Chairman of CYSD, along with other guests. Participants were also awarded certificates for their active participation at the end of the training programme.

It was quite heartening to witness active participation from over 84 representatives, including NGOs, WASH Ambassadors, and more, representing 15 districts of Odisha.



Glimpses of the programme and group photo

Training Programme on Skill and Entrepreneurship Development

06th-08th September 2023

In today’s rapidly changing economic landscape, skill and entrepreneurship development are crucial for fostering economic growth and innovation. Equipping individuals with relevant skills which enhances their employability and promoting entrepreneurial mindsets encourage individuals to explore various avenues of income generation.

Against this backdrop and recognizing the need for

comprehensive training on skill and entrepreneurship development, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra (VYK) in collaboration with Rural Education and Development Society (READS) organized a three-day training programme on Skill and Entrepreneurship Development at Villupuram, Tamil Nadu from 6-8 September, 2023. Shri Ravi Teja, IAS, District Collector of Thindivanam was the Chief Guest of the programme.

Eminent speakers including serial entrepreneurs, professors of agricultural economics, government and bank officials, representatives of FPOs addressed the participants during the three day event where various facets of the theme, including enhancing employability, fostering entrepreneurial skills,

promoting economic inclusivity, encouraging innovation, community engagement, sustainable development, and networking etc. were covered.

Nearly 110 participants from across the state attended the programme.



Training session in progress



Participants listening attentively



Group photo of the participants

Seminar on Role of Youth in Entrepreneurship

09th September 2023

Youth represents one of the most dynamic and promising segments of any society. Their energy, creativity, and passion have the potential to drive innovation, economic growth, and social development.

Recognizing the critical role that youth can play in shaping the future, seminars on the role of youth in

entrepreneurship development are instrumental in harnessing their potential and empowering them to become active contributors to their communities and economies. Vishwa Yuvak Kendra in collaboration with READS, Akilandeswari College organized a seminar on the Role of Youth in Entrepreneurship Development with the objective of empowering young minds and fostering a culture of entrepreneurship.

The seminar was organised on 9 September, 2023, in Akilandeswari College campus.

The seminar was structured to encompass a range of activities and sessions that catered to diverse interests and learning styles including keynote addresses, interactive workshops, panel discussions, etc. Prominent speakers and female entrepreneurs like Mrs. Anuratha Venktachalam, co-founder, Learner circle and Ms. Lavanya Muraleetharan, Founder, Robotronix, Swag Tails addressed the young students and shared their life story and experience. Mrs. Asha Marina S, Director, Creations, VP in CREDAI and Proprietor, Marina's Boutique was the Chief

Guest on the occasion. Other dignitaries included Ms. Dharani Muralidharan, CEO, READS, Dr. S. Rukmani, Principal, Sri Akilandeswari Women's College, Ln. B. Munirathnam, Chairman and Ln. M. Ramanan, Secretary of Sri Akilandeswari Women's College. Mr. Rajat Thomas, Programme Officer, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra also shared his views with the students.

Around 1000 students attended the programme and were highly motivated after listening to the real life story of achieving success through perseverance and determination.



Glimpses of the event

Training on Disaster Management

11th-13th September 2023

Taking into account the increasing incidences of disasters, it is crucial for all individuals directly or indirectly affected by the impacts of disasters to

understand their causes and consequences and to be adequately prepared to build resilience against such events.

With this objective in mind, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, Cosmic Community Centre and Vaigai Trust conducted a training on Disaster Management during 11-13 September 2023.

Prof. K.V.Thomas, Special Representative Government of Kerala in New Delhi inaugurated the training programme. Shri K.G. Mathaikutty, Shri Anna Durai, Shri Suresh, Shri Joe George and Shri Sathya Kumar

C.J. were the technical resource persons. Dr. Alexander Jacob, IPS, former DGP, Kerala was a special guest who shared his observations with the group.

Participants engaged in immersive sessions that combined theoretical knowledge with real-world applications, fostering a deeper understanding of disaster management concepts and practices. Nearly 60 participants from across the state participated in the event.



Glimpses of the event

Seminar on Waste Management

14th September 2023

Waste management is a critical concern in contemporary society, driven by rapid urbanization, population growth, and changing consumption patterns. The management of waste poses significant

environmental, health, and economic challenges, necessitating a concerted effort to address these issues effectively.

Recognizing the urgent need for action, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, in collaboration with the Government College for Women in Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, and the Cosmic Community Centre, organized a seminar on Role of Youth in Waste Management on 14 September 2023 at Trivandrum.

Prof K.V. Thomas, Special Representative of Kerala in Delhi inaugurated the seminar and delivered the inaugural address. Shri Geromic George K, IAS, Collector, Thiruvananthapuram District delivered the Keynote address. Mr. Jyothish Chandran G, Director, SWM-Suchitwa Mission, LSGD Dept, Govt of Kerala, Dr. Xavier, Coordinator, IQAC, Govt College for

Women and Mr. Abraham Karickam shared their views on the theme. Mr Rajat Thomas, Programme Officer, VYK also addressed the gathering.

The contents of the seminar were based on waste management, types of wastes, waste disposal, creating a behavioural change in public on waste disposal, awareness on new methods of waste management, waste management for safe environment and the role of youth in waste management.

The seminar was attended by around 540 students and faculties.



Poshan Maah

01st-30th September 2023

Strengthening food and nutrient security is crucial to feeding the ever-growing world population. Millets provide energy and nutrients for millions of poor people in low- and middle-income countries like India. In addition to a plethora of health benefits, millets require less water for cultivation and come with lower input costs. Therefore, promotion of millets could help attain the sustainable developmental goals (SDGs) of the United Nations (UN). Considering the importance the same, United Nations, at the best of Government of India, declared 2023 as International Year of Millets.

Taking cognizance of the role that millets can play in promoting food security and eradicating malnutrition, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, along with SHODH and FANSA India, organized a special event called Poshan Maah for the entire duration of September 2023. Two regional partners of VYK – Milestone and India is

Calling Youth – supported in this endeavour. The objective was to teach people about millets and their importance.

The event had four parts: 1st Week - Learning about good food and why clean water is important. 2nd Week - Millets, how to keep food clean, and how to cook safely. 3rd Week - Clean water and staying healthy. 4th Week - Keeping food safe and clean.

During the event, participants shared their knowledge about millets and how they can be cooked in tasty and nutritious ways. The event also highlighted the importance of water cleanliness and sanitation in staying healthy. It emphasized that having clean water was crucial for preparing and consuming food safely.

More than 3,300 people took part in the event and learned a lot from it.



Glimpses of the event



Training Programme on WASH for All: Building a Healthy Tomorrow

04th-06th October 2023

Water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) are crucial to human health and well-being. It also helps to create resilient communities living in healthy environments. With a vast population, ensuring access to clean water, proper sanitation facilities, and hygiene practices is essential for improving health outcomes and reducing diseases. Despite progress in recent times, challenges remain, especially in rural areas where access to clean water and adequate sanitation facilities is limited.

NGOs play a vital role in promoting WASH in India. They collaborate with government bodies and other stakeholders to advocate for policy changes and secure funding for WASH initiatives, helping to bridge gaps and improve public health outcomes across the country.

With this endeavour in mind, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra,

New Delhi, and Utkarsh Ek Pahal, Patna jointly organized a three-day residential training on WASH for All: Building a Healthy Tomorrow from 4-6 October 2023 at Patna.

The event witnessed the presence of distinguished guests and domain experts including Shri Ram Kripal Yadav, Hon. M.P., Mrs. Pinki Yadav, Hon. Counselor, Patna, Dr. Jivan Kumar, Project Officer at Bihar State Disaster Management, Patna, and Dr. Shrawan Kumar. Mr. Ajit Kumar Rai, Sr. Officer – Sustainability & Development, VYK was also present on the occasion.

Participants were thoroughly educated on the importance of maintaining hygiene and other critical aspects of WASH.

The training was attended by a total of 65 participants.



Training session in progress



Seminar on Empowering Women: A Safe and Secure Future

05th October 2023

Women around the world continue to face pervasive challenges related to gender inequality, violence, and a lack of empowerment. The scenario is no different in India where women face numerous challenges despite significant progress over the years. Cultural norms and traditional gender roles often limit women's access to education, employment, and decision-

making opportunities. Overcoming these challenges requires a concerted effort from government, civil society, and communities to promote gender equality, provide education and economic opportunities, and enforce laws protecting women's rights. Only when women living in comfort, enjoying a safe and secure life, can we talk about a conducive and progressed

society. The participation of women on every front including social, economic, and political is immensely important.

To engage and involve them, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra in collaboration with Prem Youth Foundation, Patna organized a daylong seminar titled Empowering Women: A Safe and Secure Future on 5 October 2023 in Arvind Mahila College, Patna. The aim of the seminar was to provide a platform for meaningful dialogue, exchange of knowledge, and collaborative

initiatives.

Distinguished speakers and esteemed guests including Prof. (Dr.) Lalan Kumar, Prof. Sadhana Thakur, Prof. Geeta Kumari, and Ms. Ankita Kumari, S.I., shared their thoughts and ideas. Prof. Prem Kumar, President, Prem Youth Foundation and Mr. Ajit Kumar Rai, Sr. Officer –Sustainability & Development, VYK, also addressed the participants.

More than 250 students attended the event.



Ms. Ankita Kumari, S.I. addressing the gathering



Training session going on

Capacity Building Workshop for NGO Partners: Strengthening Community Partnership

06th-07th October 2023

An estimated 197.3 million people have mental disorders in India, and majority of the population has either nil or limited access to mental health services. Community Mental Health Services are not based in hospital settings but need close working links with Mental Health Establishment or Institute to bridge the treatment gap. NGOs in the mental health field are the community care providers. Usually, they are involved as a service provider, performing the role of advocacy and helping the public sector to implement government policies. Therefore, capacity building of NGO professionals is essential for a comprehensive, prevention-oriented approach to mental health.

Keeping this in mind, IHBAS and Vishwa Yuvak Kendra collaboratively organized the Capacity Building Workshop for NGO Partners: Strengthening

Community Partnership from 6-7 October 2023, in the Mini Auditorium, IHBAS, Delhi.

The primary objective of this event was to fortify the capacity of these organizations to build and sustain community partnerships, with particular emphasis on mental health and social work initiatives. The workshop featured keynote addresses by, among others, Dr. Dhamija, Director, IHBAS, Dr. Om Prakash, Deputy Medical Superintendent, IHBAS, Dr. Deepak, Head, Department of Psychiatry, IHBAS and Dr. Himanshu, IHBAS. Mr. Uday Shankar Singh, Chief Executive Officer, VYK and Mr. Anand Kumar, Programme Officer, VYK also addressed the participants. Renowned experts in the fields of mental health and social work, showcased the latest research findings and best practices. Interactive

panel discussions fostered collaboration, allowing participants to share experiences and success stories, leading to the establishment of potential partnerships for future projects.

The workshop held in the Delhi National Capital Region (NCR) was a significant gathering of nearly 70 participants, including 65 non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and various stakeholders.



During the inaugural session



During the felicitation session



Group photo of the participants

4 months e-Certificate Course on Climate Literacy: from Learning to Action

08th July–28th October 2023

Environmental degradation, weather extremes, natural disasters, food and water insecurity, sea levels rising, forests burning, economic disruption, and conflict are all being fuelled by rising temperatures. It is clear that every region of the world is prone to the disastrous effects of climate change. Yet on average,

people are unaware of the causes and consequences of climate change. In daily life, the concept of “climate literacy” continues to be insufficiently present. Indian schools still lack a systematic approach to teaching climate literacy programs on global warming, climate change, the significance of sustainable development,

and the pressing need to bring in strategies to effectively address the consequences of climate change. The greatest threat to humanity at the moment is climate change, which is rapidly reaching a point of no return. Education about climate change is essential for refocusing general teaching and learning on the current climate issue, on which there is a strong and widespread consensus.

With this purview, VYK, in collaboration with Mewar Institute of Management, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh, organised a free online four months climate literacy certificate course to make people understand and address the impacts of climate change by equipping them with the knowledge, skills, values, and attitudes required to serve as agents of change.

The 4-month e-Certificate course on Climate Literacy: from Learning to Action was launched on 8 July, 2023, and culminated on 28 October 2023, with each session running for two hours in the evening every Saturday from 5.00 pm to 7.00 pm. The sessions were conceptualized to provide clear, concise, and current information to allow individuals without any scientific background to learn more about climate change and build a tomorrow with sustainable communities that will learn from their mistakes and work together to create this new sustainable society.

It was targeted towards students/working professionals, and individuals, with a working knowledge of English and Hindi and a minimum of 12th Standard Education as prerequisites. The course involved significant expenses for the development and

implementation of the program. However, considering the importance of the topic and the objective of training to make people climate literate, the course fee was waived. The sessions were facilitated by a set of subject matter experts of national and international repute. Ajit Kumar Rai, Sr. Officer, Sustainability & Development and Ms. Namrata Ajay, Programme Associate-Communication, VYK, oversaw the course implementation and offered the necessary coaching and mentoring with the support of Mewar Institute team.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

- To develop an understanding of how climate works
- To gain insight into the basic science of climate change and its impact at the local and global level
- To interpret the connections between climate change and other pressing issues
- To equip learners with mitigation and adaptation strategies to combat climate change at the individual, community, and societal levels

LEARNING OUTCOMES

At the successful completion of the course, learners were:

- Acquainted with climate and climate change.
- Made aware of each individual's role in preserving the environment.
- Trained in environmental sensitivity and learned to make informed choices.
- Capacitated to respond to incidents of climate change.

Course Session Details

Session Date	Theme	Resource Person
8 July, 2023	Inaugural Session	Guest of Honour - Padma Bhushan Dr. Anil Prakash Joshi , Founder of HESCO Keynote Speaker - Ms. Gayatri Raghwa , Environment Education Consultant, UNEP
15 July, 2023	Basics of Climate System	Dr. Anand Sharma Former Additional Director General, Meteorological Centre, India Meteorological Department
22 July, 2023	Weather, Climate & Climate Change	Dr. Anand Sharma Former Additional Director General, Meteorological Centre, India Meteorological Department
29 July, 2023	Climate Change and its Causes	Dr. Usha Mina Professor, School of Environmental Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University
5 August, 2023	Climate Change and its Impact	Dr. Usha Mina Professor, School of Environmental Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University
12 August, 2023	Earth's Energy Budget & the Greenhouse Effect	Dr. S. Mukherjee Professor, School of Environmental Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University
19 August, 2023	Energy Use & Carbon Emissions	Dr. S. Mukherjee Professor, School of Environmental Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University
26 August, 2023	Climate Change Impact on Human Societies	Dr. Neera Agnimitra Professor and Former Head, Department of Social Work, University of Delhi
2 September, 2023	Mitigation and Adaptation & Mitigation by Sector	Dr. N.C. Gupta University School of Environment Management, Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University, Delhi
9 September, 2023	Climate Change Mitigation Strategies	Dr. N.C. Gupta University School of Environment Management, Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University, Delhi

16 September, 2023	Climate Change Adaptation Strategies	Dr. Kumar Manish Professor (Asst.), Jindal School of Environment & Sustainability, O.P. Jindal Global University
23 September, 2023	Role of International & National Environmental Agencies	Special Address: Padmashree Popatrao Baguji Pawar , Sarpanch, Hiware Bazar, Ahmednagar, Maharashtra Dr. Jitendra Nagar Professor (Asst) of Environment, Dr. Bhim Rao Ambedkar College, Delhi University
30 September, 2023	International Climate Agreements & National Environmental Policies	Special Address: Laxman Singh , Founder of Gram Vikas Navyuvak Mandal Lapodiya, Rajasthan Dr. Jitendra Nagar Professor (Asst) of Environment, Dr. Bhim Rao Ambedkar College, Delhi University
7 October, 2023	Role and Engagement of Various Stakeholders in Combating Climate Change	Ms. Nirma Bohra National Consultant on Climate Change & Environmental Sustainability, UNICEF India Country Office
14 October, 2023	Natural Farming: Living Life Sustainably	Mr. Kan Singh Nirwan Eco Farmer - Jor ki Dhani, Sikar, Rajasthan
21 October, 2023	Climate Warriors: Stories of Success	Padmashri Sabarmatee Co-founder, Sambhav Ms. Poonam Bir Kasturi , Founder & Compostwali - Dailydump
28 October, 2023	Valedictory Session	Keynote Speaker - Prof. A P Dimri Director, Indian Institute of Geomagnetism Guest of Honour - Padma Shri Shyam Sunder Paliwal Former Sarpanch, Piplantri village, Rajasthan Guest of Honour - Mr. Rajendra Singh Founder, Tarun Bharat Sangh

It was heartening to note that more than 200 students regularly attended the programme and benefited from the training course. Most of the participants requested the organising team to conduct similar training courses on contextual topics, which would be highly beneficial for them.



Inaugural Guest of Honour - Padma Bhushan Dr. Anil Prakash Joshi, Founder of HESCO



Inaugural Keynote Speaker - Ms. Gayatri Raghwa, Environment Education Consultant, UNEP



Valedictory Guest of Honour - Padma Shri Shyam Sunder Paliwal, Former Sarpanch, Piplantri Village, Rajasthan



Dr. Usha Mina, Professor, School of Environmental Sciences, JNU addressing the participants



Dr. Neera Agnimitra, Professor and Former Head, Department of Social Work, University of Delhi, during the session



Special Address: Mr. Kan Singh Nirwan, Eco Farmer - Jor ki Dhani, Sikar, Rajasthan



Climate Warrior session: Ms. Poonam Bir Kasturi, Founder & Compostwala, Dailydump



Special Address: Padmashree Popatrao Baguji Pawar, Sarpanch, Hiware Bazar, Ahmednagar, Maharashtra

Seminar on Role of Youth in Promotion of Millets

16th October 2023

Millets are a group of small-seeded, hardy, and nutritious grains that have been a staple food in many parts of the world for centuries. They are known for their resilience to harsh growing conditions, low water requirements, and high nutritional value. There has been a renewed global interest in millets in recent years due to their health benefits, sustainable farming practices, and potential to combat food security challenges.

The youth is a crucial demographic that plays a significant role in promoting millets. Young people can drive awareness campaigns about the health benefits and environmental advantages of millets through social media, workshops, and community programs. By adopting and advocating for millet-based diets, they can influence consumption patterns and support local farmers. Furthermore, youth involvement in innovative agricultural practices and startups can enhance millet production and distribution, making these grains more accessible.

Considering the above aspects, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra organised a seminar on Role of Youth in Promotion of Millets on 16 October 2023 in its campus.

Prof. Moni Madaswamy, Professor Emeritus & Chairman, CAIRS, Former Director General, NIC was the Chief Guest on the occasion. Eminent speakers like Dr. Neelam Patel, Senior Advisor, Niti Ayog, Dr. Neetika Chhabra, TERI Fellow, Shri Manish Misra, Founder, The Subtle Noise, Ms. Pallavi Upadhyaya, Co-Founder and MD of Sakala Nutrition, Dr. Manzoor Dar, Principal Scientist, ICRISAT, Dr. Sumer Pal Singh, Principal Scientist ICAR-IARI, Ms. Rita Bhatia, Public Health Nutritionist, Mr. Rajeev Pandey, Co-Founder, SHODH, Dr. Sujeet Ranjan, Tata Trusts, Ms. Velentina Brahma, Secretary, Media Y20 India Secretariat, Dr. Neelu Srivastava, Community Medicine Practitioner and Mr. Ajay Ojha, F&B F&B Specialist discussed the significance of millet in the context of modern agriculture and nutrition and emphasize the essential part that the youth can play in promoting and sustaining millet production and consumption. The seminar provided a platform for knowledge sharing, fostering partnerships, and creating awareness about the potential benefits of millets in addressing contemporary global challenges.

Nearly 190 participants participated in the event.



Glimpses of the event

Training Programme on Role of Voluntary Organisations in Rural Leadership Development

27th-29th October 2023

Rural areas across the globe have long grappled with a multitude of unique challenges, including limited access to essential services, economic disparities, and social inequalities. In such contexts, effective leadership is critical to address these issues, drive sustainable development, and empower local communities to take control of their destinies. Voluntary organizations have emerged as pivotal actors in nurturing and promoting rural leadership development.

Vishwa Yuvak Kendra and Vardan Foundation jointly organized a three-day workshop on the Role of Voluntary Organisations in Rural Leadership Development from 27-29 October 2023 at Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh.

The workshop was inaugurated by Dr. Janak Pandey, former Vice Chancellor, Central University, Bihar. Chief Trustee of Vardan Foundation, Mr. C.S. Pran and Mr. Ajit Kumar Rai, Sr. Officer – Sustainability & Development, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra also addressed the participants on the theme. Besides address by eminent resource persons, participants did participatory analysis and group discussion on the various sub-themes.

On the last day of the workshop, a joint action plan was made for leadership development work and a resolution was also taken to take this work forward. Nearly 74 representatives of Voluntary Organizations participated in this workshop.



Training session going on



Estmreed speakers sharing their thoughts & ideas

Seminar on Digitalization and Cyber Security

03rd November 2023

In the era of rapid digitalization where businesses and organizations are increasingly leveraging technology to streamline operations, enhance efficiency, and reach wider audiences, the growing threat landscape of cyber-attacks poses a significant challenge. As industries embrace digital transformation, the vulnerabilities associated with interconnected systems, cloud computing, and IoT devices become

more pronounced, exposing sensitive data and critical infrastructure to potential breaches.

To address these pressing challenges and foster a comprehensive understanding of the intersection between digitalization and cybersecurity, a seminar was meticulously organized by Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, New Delhi, in collaboration with Bhagat Phool Singh Mahila Vishwavidyalaya (BPSMV), Khanpur Kalan,

Sonepat, Haryana on 3 November 2023 in BPSMV campus.

The seminar was designed to be a multifaceted learning experience. Prof. Sudesh, Vice Chancellor, BPSMV inaugurated the seminar and Ms. Swati Nitin Gupta, Cyber Security Evangelist was the technical resource person. Along with the faculty of BPSMV, Ms. Mukta Bhardwaj, Programme Officer and Ms. Namrata

Ajay, Programme Associate-Communication also addressed the gathering. Participants had the unique opportunity to engage in enlightening addresses, panel discussions, and interactive Q&A sessions.

Nearly 348 students attended the seminar and got benefited from it.



Prof. Sudesh addressing the participants



Guests and speakers being felicitated by team members

Exposure Visit of MSW Students from Gulbarga University

04th November 2023

Exposure visits provide students with real-world experiences beyond the confines of their classrooms, allowing them to connect theoretical knowledge with practical applications. By engaging with diverse environments and cultures, students gain a broader perspective and develop critical thinking skills. Exposure visits also foster curiosity and creativity, as students encounter new ideas and innovations. Ultimately, exposure visits enrich students' educational journey, making learning more dynamic and impactful.

Vishwa Yuvak Kendra had the privilege of hosting a

group of 42 postgraduate students and faculty from Dept. of Studies and Research in Social Work from Gulbarga University, Kalaburagi, Karnataka led by Dr. Shantkumar S. Chidri, Dr. Yallalinga Kalnoor and Ms. Surekha Patil on 4 November 2023 in its campus.

The visit was an enriching experience for both the students and team VYK. Students engaged in insightful discussions about crucial topics like Skill Development and Social Work, Job Prospects after Social Work Program (MSW) in India: Challenges and Opportunities, Importance of Strategic Communications for Professional Social Workers, etc.



Students interacting with VYK Team



Group photo of the participants

Training Programme on Youth Leadership: Unlocking Potential

06th-08th November 2023

Youth Leadership refers to the involvement and engagement of young individuals in positions of influence and responsibility within their communities, organisations and societies. It involves young people taking on leadership roles, making decisions and actively contributing to positive change. It is a critical component of building strong and sustainable communities and societies.

To provide young individuals with the knowledge, skills, and inspiration needed to become competent and visionary leaders in their communities and beyond, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra organised a 3-day residential training programme on Capacity Building for Youth Leadership: Unlocking Potential from 6-8 November, 2023. The objective of the programme was to empower young individuals with leadership skills, self-confidence and the ability to take initiative in various domains, including community development, social change, and professional environment., besides encouraging active participation in community initiatives, promoting civic responsibility and a sense of ownership.

Shri T.K. Mishra, Founding Director, School of Happiness inaugurated the training wherein Dr. A.K. Merchant, General Secretary, Temple of Understanding was the guest of honour.

Motivational speaker Dr. Suneel Keswani, Life Coach Mr. Govind Mishra, Motivational Speaker Mr. Vikas Jain and Ms. Cheena Mishra, Co-Founder, Leaders Avenue, addressed various aspects of the programme theme.

The programme aimed to and was successful in cultivating a holistic approach to leadership development by incorporating interactive workshops, insightful panel discussions, and hands-on activities. Participants engaged in sessions covering a diverse range of topics, such as effective communication, conflict resolution, project management, and ethical leadership.

Around 29 NGO representatives from 7 Indian states participated in the training.



Glimpses of the event

Workshop on Programme on Climate Change and Global Warming

09th-10th November, 2023

It is a well established fact that without serious adaptation, climate change is likely to push millions further into poverty and limit the opportunities for sustainable development and for people to escape from poverty.

With the objectives of understanding climate change effects and the role NGOs can play in adaption of climate change mitigation, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra in partnership with ASSIST initiated a two-day state level thematic programme on Climate Change and Global Warming at ASSIST Training Centre in Palnadu District, Andhra Pradesh on 9-10 November, 2023.

The workshop commenced with an inauguration by the Chief Guest, Mr. Shaik Rafani, Chairperson, Chilakaluripet Municipality. Mr. J Ranga Rao,

Operational Director, ASSIST and Mr. Manjunath K., Programme Officer, VYK were also present on the occasion with other dignitaries.

Technical resource persons engaged in discussions on various key aspects related to climate change and global warming covering effects of climate change, green house effects, SDGs for climate action and climate change, water paradigm, solid waste management techniques, benefits from local water cycle restoration etc.

The participants' group presentations were a highlight, showcasing their commitment to climate resilience. The workshop witnessed active participation from over 72 representatives.



Glimpses from the programme

Seminar on the Role of Youth in Nation-Building 22nd November 2023

It is a well recognized fact that by empowering the youth with the right education, resources, and support, societies can harness their potential to drive innovation, create employment opportunities, and address pressing social issues, ultimately shaping a brighter future for the nation.

Considering the important role that the youth can play in the nation building process, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, in partnership with Ved Mata Gayatri Jan Kalyan Samiti and Govt. College Shillai organised a seminar on the theme Role of Youth in Nation Building on 22 November, 2023 in the premises of Govt. College Shillai, Sirmaur Dist., Himachal Pradesh.

The event commenced with an inauguration by the Chief Guest, Mr. Suresh Kumar Singha, SDM Shillai. The occasion was graced by Prof. Kamlesh Kumar Sharma, Assistant Professor, Govt. College Shillai, Mr. Manjunath K., Programme Officer, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, Mr. Rakesh Sharma, General Secretary, Mr. Punit Jhamta, CEO from Ved Mata Gayatri Jan Kalyan Samiti and other dignitaries.

Dr. Anil Kumar Sharma, State Coordinator- HP, Institute of Entrepreneurship Development, Uttar Pradesh was the technical resource person.

The seminar was attended by 332 students from various parts of Himachal Pradesh.



Glimpses from the seminar

Seminar on Role of Youth in Environmental Conservation

23rd November 2023

Youth are central in achieving a more sustainable and healthier planet by demonstrating their willingness and capacity to address environmental and climatic challenges through innovative ideas. They can also bring fresh perspectives, enthusiasm, and innovative ideas to tackle environmental challenges. By harnessing their creativity and passion, youth play a vital role in ensuring a healthier, more sustainable future for our planet.

Considering this aspect, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, in partnership with Ved Mata Gayatri Jan Kalyan Samiti and Govt. College Nerwa organised a seminar on the theme Role of Youth in Environmental Conservation on 23 November, 2023 in the premises of Govt.

College Nerwa, Shimla Dist., Himachal Pradesh.

The event commenced with inauguration by the Chief Guest, Dr. H.L. Sharma, Principal, Govt. College Nerwa. Mr. Manjunath K., Programme Officer, VYK, Mr. Punit Jhamta and Mr. Rakesh Sharma from Ved Mata Gayatri Jan Kalyan Samiti and Dr. Vikas Suman, Prof. D.S. Shashtri, Prof. Varun Sood from Govt. College Nerwa were also present on this occasion.

Mr. Gian Chand Raita, Former Advisor, Himachal Pradesh Private Education Institutions Regulatory Commission, Shimla was the technical resource person. The seminar was attended by 320 students from various parts of Himachal Pradesh.



Glimpses of the event

Heritage Fest 2023

23rd-29th November 2023

The role of youth in nation-building is pivotal, as they represent the future and have the potential to bring about significant change. Young people possess energy, creativity, and a fresh outlook that can drive innovation and progress. By engaging in political processes and assuming leadership roles, young individuals can help shape policies and governance that reflect the aspirations of a new generation. Their active involvement in various sectors ensures the continuous growth and development of a nation, fostering a more inclusive and dynamic society.

Yuvak Vikash Kendra (YVK), a reputed NGO based in Tripura organised Heritage Fest 2023 from 23-29 November, 2023, at Agartala, Tripura. The objective of this event was to provide a much needed cultural

exposure to the youth of various states and make them aware of the heritage and culture of different parts of the country. The fest also envisaged to promote the idea of national integration and cultural exchange among youth from all parts of the country and abroad also. Vishwa Yuvak Kendra supported YVK in this endeavour.

The programme began with inauguration by Hon. Tripura Chief Minister Prof. (Dr.) Manik Saha. Eminent dignitaries including Hon. Ministers Shri Tinku Roy, Shri Sudhanshu Das, Shri Bikash Debarma and Shri Ram Prasad Paul also graced the event with their august presence. Shri Uday Shankar Singh, CEO, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra was also present on the occasion.

Numerous events like peace rally, language exchange classes, social discussions, community games, shramdaan etc. were organised during the event besides cultural events from various regions. The cultural events were the highlight of the entire camp with performances from different parts of the

country and also from abroad.

The event saw a participation of more than 200 youth from 24 states of India and 31 youth from neighbouring countries like Bhutan, Nepal, Bangladesh and Indonesia.



Glimpses from the event

Seminar on Unlocking Potential: International Day of Persons with Disability

01st December 2023

In today's diverse and dynamic world, fostering inclusivity and empowering every individual is imperative for a truly progressive society. One segment of our population that has often faced challenges in realizing their full potential is persons with disabilities. Despite significant strides in awareness and legislation, persons with disabilities continue to encounter obstacles in various aspects of life, including education, employment, healthcare, and social inclusion.

In this context, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra in collaboration with Spark Minda Foundation and the Institute of Human Behaviour and Allied Sciences (IHBAS) embarked on a seminar titled Unlocking Potential: International Day of Persons with Disabilities on 1 December 2023 in VYK campus with the primary objective of celebrating diversity and promoting inclusivity.

The seminar was a multifaceted event, designed

to encompass a series of insightful sessions aimed at fostering dialogue, knowledge exchange, and collaborative problem-solving.

The proceedings began with the inaugural session wherein Mr. Ranvir Singh, Officer – Sustainability & Development, VYK provided the event overview. Guest of Honour, Dr. Om Prakash, Deputy Medical Superintendent, IHBAS, provided valuable insights into the realm of mental health. Mr. Navin Gulia, a former Army Officer, recounted his remarkable life journey, narrating the transformation from being a perceived weak student to achieving world records in adventure sports. Chief Guest of the event Mr. George Abraham, CEO of Score Foundation, shared a personal narrative that highlighted his aspirations and the unexpected twist in his life journey.

Mr. Praveen Karn, Group Head-CSR, Spark Minda Foundation moderated the first panel discussion wherein Mr. Rajesh Trivedi, President, Association of

Rehabilitation Professionals and Parents, Mr. Rakesh Kaushik, Director, Rajasthan Mahila Kalyan Mandal and Dr. Jahanara Gajendragad, Professor and Head, PSW-IHBAS shared their observations on the various aspects of the theme.

Secretary and Chief Functionary, Rajasthan Mahila Kalyan Mandal, Dr. Shish Ram Sharma, former Executive Director, Bal Sahyog and Mr. Apoorv Om, Founder, Apoorv Om Artist and Ambassador for the FIT India Movement shared their views.

Ms. Anita Chauhan, National President, ISTD was the moderator of the second panel discussion where Dr. Himanshu Singh, PSW-IHBAS, Ms. Kshama Kaushik,

A total of 186 participants attended the event and got benefited from the same.



Glimpses of the event



During the panel discussion

Training of Trainers Programmes on Participatory Training Methodology and Experiential Learning

14th December 2023 to 16th December 2023 & 01st February 2024 to 04th February 2024

India, renowned for its extensive rural landscape, is home to a significant population residing in villages. According to the Indian Economic Survey 2020-21, agriculture employs over 50% of the Indian workforce and contributes 20.2% to the nation's GDP.

of pesticides, there is a pressing need to educate farmers and the youth about sustainable and natural agriculture practices.

Despite the advancements and facilities available in the market, many Indian farmers still lack access to modern agricultural technology. With an increasing focus on natural farming due to the harmful effects

To address the pressing need for education on sustainable agriculture, Bajaj Foundation and Vishwa Yuvak Kendra collaboratively organized two Training of Trainers (ToT) programmes on Participatory Training Methodology and Experiential Learning. The first programme took place from December 14–

16, 2023, in Sikar, Rajasthan, and the second was held from February 1–4, 2024, in Wardha, Maharashtra.

The primary goal of these programmes was to raise awareness among youth and farmers about natural agricultural practices. By focusing on participatory training and experiential learning, the programs aimed to equip participants with practical knowledge and skills essential for implementing and promoting sustainable farming techniques.

These sessions provided hands-on experience and real-world applications of natural farming methods, emphasizing the importance of reducing dependency on chemical pesticides and fertilizers. Participants engaged in interactive activities, group discussions, and practical demonstrations, which facilitated a deeper understanding of sustainable agricultural practices.

The training methodology encouraged active participation and collaboration, fostering a supportive

learning environment where attendees could share their experiences and insights. This approach helped build a network of informed individuals capable of advocating for and implementing natural farming practices within their communities.

The three-day residential training programmes were led by Dr. Harish Vasishth, Executive Director, Credibility Alliance, who conducted sessions on various topics, emphasizing the significance of natural farming practices. The batches saw active participation from nearly 60 individuals per batch, who engaged in discussions and activities designed to enhance their understanding and implementation of sustainable agricultural techniques.

These initiatives aimed to empower farmers with the knowledge and skills required to adopt natural farming methods, ultimately contributing to healthier ecosystems and more resilient agricultural communities in India.



Glimpses from the First Batch



Glimpses from the Second Batch

Job Fair for PwDs

16th December, 2023

A job fair serves as a nexus for employers and job seekers, fostering recruitment and networking opportunities. Particularly crucial for individuals with disabilities (PwDs), these events promote inclusivity and equal employment.

In collaboration with Rajasthan Mahila Kalyan Mandal, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra organized a PwD job fair on 16 December, 2023, at Adwait - Centre for Excellence in Education and Therapy, Ajmer, Rajasthan.

The Job Fair started with a special inauguration ceremony featuring Chief Guest Mr. Kishore Kumar, Joint Director of the Rajasthan Government Education Department. The event was graced by the presence of distinguished individuals such as Mr. Kailash

Chayal, Asst. Commandant CRPF, Shri Uday Shankar Singh, Chief Executive Officer, Officer, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, Mr. Ranvir Singh, Officer Sustainability & Development, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, Dr. Kuldeep Sharma, Dr. Gayatri Dargad, Mr. Suganchand Gehlot. District Industries Association President, Mr. Atul Jain, Secretary, Mr. Sunil Kumar, Apeksha City, Mr. Sanjay Sharma, Rico Vice President, Mr. Gopesh Jain, Employee Exchange Department, Mr. Parag Mandalay, Ajmer Broadcasting, Ms. Kshama R Kaushik, Secretary & Chief Functionary, RMKM and Mr. Rakesh Kaushik, Director, RMKM.

The PwD Job Fair organized by Vishwa Yuvak Kendra in collaboration with Rajasthan Mahila Kalyan Mandal was a resounding success. The collaborative efforts resulted in a transformative event that provided equal

employment opportunities for 400 PwDs. The event saw active participation from 50 employers, resulting in the identification of 240 PwD individuals for

potential employment. Impressively, 120 participants received on-the-spot shortlisting, showcasing the immediate impact of the fair on the lives of PwDs.



Glimpses of the event

Training Programme on Climate Change and Global Warming

18th-19th December, 2023

With the objectives of understanding climate change effects and the role environment NGOs can play in the adaption of climate change mitigation, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra in partnership with Vikasana Institute for Rural and Urban Development initiated two days state level thematic workshop on Climate Change and Global Warming at Mandya, Karnataka on 18-19 December, 2023.

The workshop commenced with an inauguration by the Chief Guest, Mr. P Ravikumar, MLA, Mandya Assembly Constituency. The occasion was graced by Mr. Maheshchandraguru, Director, Vikasana, Mr. Manjunath K., Programme Officer, VYK and other dignitaries. Mr. Darshan Puttannaiah, MLA from Melukote Assembly Constituency motivated the participants with his special address.

Dr. Hema Chandra P.N., Assistant Professor, Maharani College Mysuru, Mr. Annaiah IFS (Retd.), APCCE,

Forest Dept., Karnataka, Mr. Raghavendra H.G, Programme Manager- Foundation for Ecological Security (FES), Mr. D.S. Manjunath from D.N.S Consultancy, Dr. Shankara K. Prasad, Founder & Managing Trustee, Sampoorana Swaraj Foundation, Ms. Balvinder Kaur, Founder & Director, IMAadhyam, Dr. M.P. Varsha, Managing Director, Credit-I, Mr. M.V.N. Rao and Mr. Ramkrishnegowda were the technical resource persons who spoke on various key aspects of the theme.

During the valedictory function, Dr. H.L. Nagaraj, Additional Deputy Commissioner, Mandya, Mr. T Timme Gowda, IAS (Retd.), Secretary, Krishik Sarvodaya Foundation, Dr. S.T. Ramachandra, General Manager (Retd.), CANARA Bank, among other dignitaries, inspired the civil society representatives to unite for a more sustainable planet. The workshop witnessed active participation from over 147 representatives.



Glimpses of the proceedings

Seminar on SDGs and Youth

20th December 2023

Youth are a major force for sustainable development and key agents for social change and are driving the Decade of Action for the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) forward. Engaging young people in the pursuit of SDGs not only ensures the longevity of these goals but also fosters a sense of ownership and commitment among future generations. By empowering youth with education, skills, and opportunities, they can be enabled to contribute meaningfully to issues such as poverty alleviation, quality education, gender equality, climate action, and more.

Considering the importance of the topic, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra in partnership with Vikasana Institute for Rural and Development, and PES College of Engineering jointly organized a seminar on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and Youth on the campus of PES College of Engineering in Mandya

on 20 December 2023.

Dr. B. Dinesh Prabhu, Professor & Dean (Academics), Automobile Engineering, PES College of Engineering inaugurated the seminar. Mr. Maheshchandraguru, Director, Vikasana Institute for Rural and Urban Development, Mr. Manjunath K., Programme Officer, VYK and other dignitaries were present on the occasion.

The resource persons, Dr. Shankara Prasad, Founder & Managing Director, Sampoorana Swaraj Foundation, Dr. Vijay S Hugar, Faculty, Dept. of Community Medicine, Adichunchanagiri Institute of Medical Sciences and Prof. Jagadish, Professor (Retd.), University of Mysuru shared insights on the theme.

The event witnessed the participation of more than 200 students from engineering and management streams.



Glimpses from the seminar

Training Programme Agro Entrepreneurship Development

19th-21st December, 2023

Madhya Pradesh faces a multitude of challenges in its agricultural sector, hindering the socioeconomic development of the region. Traditional farming practices, coupled with limited access to modern technologies, financial resources, and market opportunities, contribute to low agricultural productivity and income instability in the farming community. Climate variability further exacerbates these challenges, posing a threat to food security and the overall well-being of the local population.

In line with this pressing need for agricultural development, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, in collaboration with Bread for Tribal Village, Jhabua, and Paryavaran Shiksha Evam Sanrakshan Samiti (PSSS), Bhopal, organized a three-day training program on Agro Entrepreneurship Development on 19-21 December 2023 at Bhopal. The primary objective of this programme was to equip participants with a comprehensive understanding of agro-entrepreneurship opportunities and challenges prevalent in the agricultural landscape of Jhabua district.

Mr. Krishna Singh Bamaniya, Secretary, BREAD initiated the proceedings. Mr. Ajit Kumar Rai, Sr. Officer - Sustainability and Development, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, briefed about VYK and the objectives of the programme. Mr. Anand Patel, Chief Functionary, PSSS facilitated the workshop and was the key moderator of the technical sessions.

Mr. Dharmendra Choudary, Chairman, Sarvoluxe Innovations Pvt. Ltd., Mr. Anand Patel, Dr. Vivek Poddar, Madhav Ashram, Mr. Deepak Malviya, Nabkishan, NABARD, Dr. Shubham K. Kulshresta, HOD, Dept. of Horticulture, RTNU University and Mr. Dharendra Arya, SOCHARA spoke on various aspects of the theme.

Throughout the programme, participants not only gained practical insights into sustainable farming practices, market dynamics, and financial management but cultivated a spirit of innovation and adaptability. A total of 40 participants attended the training programme.



Group photo of the participants



Active involvement of the participants

Inter Agency Meet 2023: Strengthening Social Work Practice through Collaboration

21st December, 2023

In the development learning arena, field work plays a vital role in boosting the professional competence of the students. Due to its very practical nature, it is called the heart and soul of social work education and training. It helps the students integrate the pedagogical framework into practice. The tools, techniques, skills, and methods that are learned by the students in the theory classes are implemented in the field allotted to them to complement the knowledge system they devised within the process of learning.

Keeping its significance in mind, the Department of Social Work, University of Delhi, and Vishwa Yuvak Kendra organized an Inter-Agency Meet on 21 December, 2023 at the VYK campus, where all the field agencies associated with the Department gathered to deliberate on contemporary issues and challenges faced during fieldwork implementation and devise a futuristic model that can be used to understand and address these issues.

The Inter Agency Meet commenced with the lighting

of the lamp by dignitaries from the Department of Social Work, University of Delhi, and Vishwa Yuvak Kendra.

Ms. Mukta Bhardwaj, Programme Officer, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, welcomed all the dignitaries, agency supervisors, CSR professionals, and students. Prof. Archana Kaushik, Director, Fieldwork, Delhi School of Social Work, talked about the programme's purpose. Dr. Sanjoy Roy, HOD, DSSW, delivered special address and highlighted the importance of such meets. In his keynote address, Mr. Uday Shankar Singh, CEO, VYK, called NGO representatives as torch bearers as they lead others to work towards a shared goal of humanity. Professor Pamela Singla, DSSW, set the context of fieldwork in the realm of social work. Technical sessions were also held where subject experts shared their views on the theme.

Around 54 representatives from NGO, academia, corporations, and students participated in the event and exchanged views.



Glimpses of the event

Seminar on Role of Youth in Environmental Protection

22nd December, 2023

The global environmental landscape is facing unprecedented challenges, with issues such as climate change, deforestation, pollution, and biodiversity loss posing significant threats to ecosystems and human well-being. Despite increasing awareness,

there is noticeable gap in engaging and mobilizing the youth population in effective environmental protection initiatives. This lack of active participation not only hampers the progress toward achieving environmental sustainability but also deprives the

youth of the opportunity to contribute meaningfully to the preservation of their future.

To address these challenges, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, in collaboration with Bread for Tribal Village, Jhabua, and Paryavaran Shiksha Evam Sanrakshan Samiti, Bhopal organized a day-long seminar at Sehore, Madhya Pradesh on 22 December 2023 to engage and inspire college students to actively participate in environmental conservation efforts. The workshop provided a platform for learning, collaboration and

skill building with the ultimate goal of fostering a sense of responsibility and empowerment among college students towards environmental sustainability.

The workshop proved to be a success in achieving its objectives. It empowered the youth with knowledge and motivation to actively contribute to the protection and preservation of the environment.

One hundred and fifty students actively attended the seminar and got benefited.



Group photo of the participants



Active involvement of the participants

VYK Family Day Celebration

30th December, 2023

Family Day is an annual event, bringing together members of the Vishwa Yuvak Kendra (VYK) team to celebrate their collective achievements and foster a sense of unity and camaraderie. The day is dedicated to appreciating the efforts and contributions of the staff, who have worked tirelessly throughout the year to support the organization's mission of empowering youth and promoting sustainable development. The occasion also provided an opportunity for family members to meet and greet each other after a long gap. The event showcased VYK's commitment to

nurturing a supportive and inclusive environment where every member feels valued and motivated to contribute to the organization's vision.

Family Day 2023 was celebrated on 30 December 2023 in the VYK campus. The VYK Team and their family members gathered and enjoyed a day filled with fun and enjoyment. The celebration was marked by various activities, including cultural performances, games, and interactive sessions, aimed at strengthening the bonds within the VYK family.



Glimpses from the event

Training Programme on NGO Governance and Management

03rd-04th January, 2024

Governance and management training play a crucial role in enhancing the effectiveness, sustainability, and impact of civil society organizations (CSOs). Governance training helps organizations stay compliant, reducing legal risks and ensuring accountability to donors, beneficiaries, and the public.

Considering the importance of the theme, VYK and Gramin Vikas Mandal organized a two-day workshop titled NGO Governance and Management for NGOs of Haryana in Charkhi Dadri on 3-4 January, 2024.

The inaugural session of the workshop began with the lighting of a lamp in the presence of Dr. R.N. Yadav, Environmental Expert and Former Principal, Janta Postgraduate College, Charkhi Dadri, Mr. M.P. Sharma, Former Director, Nehru Yuva Kendra, Mr. Ramkishan Sheoran, Chairman, Adarsh Education

Society, Mr. Rajendra Kumar, President, Gramin Vikas Mandal and Ms. Mukta Bhardwaj, Programme Officer, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra.

The technical session of the workshop began with a discussion on the sub themes, which were followed by sessions on various forms of organizations, their functioning, vision, mission, objectives, and sessions on project formulation, evaluation, follow-up, financial management, human resource management, FCRA etc. Information on fund raising and resource mobilization was shared with the participants followed by roles and strategy for effective leadership.

Around 84 representatives of different NGOs from various districts of Haryana participated in the two-day workshop, while one participant came from Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh.



Glimpses from the workshop

Workshop on Bridging Impact: Corporate Social Responsibilities and NGOs

04th-06th January, 2024

In recent years, there has been a growing acknowledgment of the interconnectedness between corporate actions, social responsibility, and the vital role of Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) in addressing pressing social and environmental challenges.

However, despite increasing awareness of CSR and the proliferation of NGO initiatives worldwide, there persists a noticeable gap in effective collaboration between corporations and NGOs. To address this challenge, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, New Delhi in collaboration with Yuvak Vikas Trust organized a three-day workshop from 4-6 January 2024 at Ahmedabad.

The programme was inaugurated by Dr. Vidyutbhai Joshi, Director, Institute of Equality and Development, Gujarat Vidyapeeth in the presence of Dr. Mandabehn Parikh, Managing Trustee, Yuvak Vikas Trust, Mr. Ajit Kumar Rai, Senior Officer – Sustainability and Development, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra and other dignitaries.

Different aspects of CSR were deeply discussed wherein experts from various fields were invited to shared their views and experiences amongst the participants.

More than 60 participants attended the workshop.



Glimpses from the workshop

Seminar on Empowering Tomorrow: Nurturing Leadership and Personality Development in Youth

08th January, 2024

Youth are the future of any nation. They play a pivotal role in the growth and development of the country. It is the duty of the society to guide them in right direction so that they can prove themselves as an asset and contribute their part in the social development.

To make the youth aware of their roles and responsibilities, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra in association with Yuvak Vikas Trust and L.D. Arts College, Ahmedabad organised a one-day seminar on Building a Stronger Tomorrow: Nurturing Leadership and Personality Development in Youth on 8 January, 2024, at the college campus.

The seminar was inaugurated with lighting of lamp

by Dr. Mahipatsinhji Chavda, Principal, L.D. Arts College, Shri Mayank Upadhyay, Trustee, Yuvak Vikas Trust and Mr. Ajit Kumar Rai, Senior Officer, Sustainability and Development, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra.

Renowned subject experts spoke on various aspects of the theme including leadership, personality development, importance of developing leadership trait in youth etc.

More than 120 students of National Service Scheme of different departments of college participated in the programme.



Glimpses from the seminar



National Youth Festival

11th-12th January, 2024

National Youth Day is celebrated on January 12th each year to commemorate the birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda, one of the country's greatest spiritual leaders and youth icons. Through National Youth Day, the country pays tribute to Swami Vivekananda's timeless message of youth empowerment and nation-building, inspiring the youth to strive for excellence and contribute meaningfully to the development of the nation.

Vishwa Yuvak Kendra (VYK) observed National Youth Day on 11-12 January 2024 with the primary aim of sensitizing the youth from various NGOs, CSOs, and

Colleges about the philosophies, principles, and ideas of Swami Vivekananda.

Padma Vibhushan Dr. Karan Singh, Former Member of Rajya Sabha was the Chief Guest of the inaugural session. Apart from VYK team members, dignitaries like Swami Sarvalokanand Ji, Secretary, Ramakrishna Mission, Delhi, and Ms. Lipika Verma, Vice President-Reward & Performance, Innovation and Thoughts Leadership, Schneider Electric were also present on the occasion.

The inaugural session was followed by a technical session wherein Dr. Suneel Keswani, Motivational

Speaker and Prof. (Dr.) Jayanti Dutta, Rtd. Prof. DU & Renowned Clinical Psychologist spoke about Swami Vivekananda's thoughts and ideals.

The occasion was also enriched with various types of activities including debate competitions, flower pot painting competition and painting competition skilfully executed by enthusiastic participants. Dignitaries including Prof. (Dr.) T.K. Mishra, Founding Director of the School of Happiness, Prof. (Dr.) Tanya Gupta, Dean of the School of Education at K R Mangalam University, Mr. Prayag Shukla, Poet & Art Critic, Ms. Aarti Uppal, Artist & Art Curator, and Mr. Praveen Upadhye, Founder of Gallery Pioneer were invited as guests.

Day two of the event was listed for captivating cultural performances, featuring participants from diverse backgrounds such as NGOs, colleges, and communities. From spirited dance performances to

melodious song renditions, the cultural showcase became a melting pot of traditions and contemporary expressions. The participants' dedication and enthusiasm infused the event with a vibrant energy.

Padma Shri Dr. J.S. Rajput, Former Director of NCERT, who joined the event as Chief Guest of the Valedictory session, shared valuable insights into the evolution of the education system in India. This was followed by one of the most eagerly anticipated segments of the day, a Kavi Sammelan wherein prominent poets presented their poems and enthralled the audience. The valedictory session culminated the proceedings wherein Mr. Sanjay Rai, National Youth Project, presented prizes and certificates to the participants.

More than 200 youth from various NGOs, CSOs, and institutions participated in the event.



Glimpses of various sessions



Group photograph

Training Programme on Localisation of Sustainable Development Goals

17th–19th January, 2024

The 2030 United Nations Agenda for Sustainable Development marked a significant milestone in global efforts to address socio-economic, environmental and governance challenges. Central to this agenda are the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), a set of 17 interconnected objectives designed to guide global development efforts towards a more prosperous, equitable, and sustainable future for all. Localizing the SDGs involves aligning national policies, strategies, and action plans with the overarching objectives of the global agenda while considering local needs, circumstances, and resources.

To address this issue, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, in collaboration with Sankalp Sewa Sansthan and Ruchi Foundation organised a programme on Localisation of Sustainable Development Goals from 17-19 January 2024 at Khajuraho, Madhya Pradesh.

The programme was inaugurated by Mr. Anurag Pandey, Member, Child Right Commission, Mr. Shyam Gautam, DPM, SRLM, Mr. Jitendra Kumar

Pandey, Manager, Piramal Foundation and Mr. Ajit Kumar Rai, Senior Officer – Sustainability and Development, VYK.

Prominent speakers like Mr. Kamlesh Upadhyay, Atal Bhujal Programme, Ms. Afsarjahan, Women Rights Commission, Mr. Om Prakash Tiwari, Sankalp Sevi Sansthan and Mr. Sandesh from Sankalp Foundation highlighted the importance of community-driven efforts in realizing the SDGs, encouraging attendees to actively participate in and contribute to local development projects. The programme featured interactive sessions, lecture, and panel discussions, allowing participants to actively engage with the subject matter. Participants were encouraged to formulate plans and projects that could be implemented at the community level to contribute to the SDGs.

Around 70 participants from 22 districts of Madhya Pradesh attended the programme. The event served as a platform for engaging in discussions, insights, and strategies to foster the implementation of SDGs at the grassroots level.



Glimpses of the event

Workshop on Sustainable Agriculture for Sustainable Development

30th January–01st February, 2024

Historically, intensive agricultural practices, including heavy use of synthetic fertilizers, pesticides, and monoculture cropping, have led to soil degradation, water pollution, loss of biodiversity, and rural poverty. Sustainable agriculture plays a pivotal role in achieving sustainable development goals by ensuring food security, environmental conservation, and economic growth.

Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, in partnership with Samagra Sewa Sansthan and Kheti Foundation, successfully conducted a comprehensive three-day programme on Sustainable Agriculture for Sustainable Development from 30 January to 1 February, 2024 at Banda, Uttar Pradesh.

Padma Shri Umashankar Pandey, a renowned figure in the field of Water conservation and natural farming, Shri Prem Bhai, a progressive farmer known for his innovative farming techniques, and Mr. Ajit Kumar Rai, Sr. Officer – Sustainability & Development, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra graced the occasion. The dignitaries emphasized the crucial role of sustainable agriculture in ensuring the long-term well-being of farmers and the environment.

Throughout the programme, several expert speakers shared their profound knowledge and experiences on sustainable agriculture. Various topics were covered, including organic farming, water conservation, agroforestry, and the integration of modern technology in farming practices. The participants gained valuable insights from the speakers, who highlighted the importance of adopting sustainable practices to address the challenges faced by the agricultural sector. A field visit was organized to provide participants with practical exposure to sustainable farming methods. Participants had the opportunity to interact with local farmers who have successfully adopted sustainable practices, gaining first-hand knowledge and inspiration.

The three-day programme was a resounding success, fostering knowledge exchange and promoting the adoption of eco-friendly farming practices. The programme provided valuable insights and practical knowledge on sustainable agricultural practices to around 70 participants from various Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) and Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs).



Glimpses from the programme

Seminar on Role of Youth in Achieving Sustainable Development Goals

02nd February, 2024

In recent years, there has been growing recognition of the unique role that young people play in advancing sustainable development goals. As we navigate complex global challenges, the involvement of youth in sustainable development initiatives has become increasingly vital.

Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, in collaboration with Samagra Sewa Ashram and Saraswati Vidya Mandir, organized a thought-provoking seminar focusing on the Role of Youth in Achieving Sustainable Development Goals on 2 February, 2024 at Banda, Uttar Pradesh. The event aimed to inspire and engage young minds in discussions surrounding sustainable development and their pivotal role in shaping a more sustainable future.

The programme commenced with inauguration ceremony graced by esteemed personalities. Dr. B. Prajapati, a prominent academic figure, Padma

Shri Umashankar Pandey, and Mr. Ajit Kumar Rai, Sr. Officer – Sustainability & Development, VYK inaugurated the event. Several distinguished guest speakers shared their insights and experiences, enriching the program with diverse perspectives on youth involvement in sustainable development. The speakers delved into topics such as environmental conservation, social responsibility, and community engagement.

The programme was a resounding success which proved to be instrumental in creating a platform for meaningful dialogue and exchange of ideas. The event concluded with encouraging the youth to be catalysts for positive change in the pursuit of a more sustainable and equitable future.

Around 280 students actively participated in the seminar and got benefited from it.



Glimpses of the event

General Entrepreneur Development Training for PwD Youth in Doormat and Floormat Production

05th-09th February, 2024

Entrepreneurship development empowers People with Disabilities (PwDs) to break through barriers and achieve economic independence. By fostering entrepreneurial skills and opportunities tailored to their abilities, individuals with disabilities can unleash their creativity, innovate solutions, and contribute meaningfully to the economy. Through accessible training, funding initiatives, and mentorship programmes, entrepreneurship not only enhances financial stability but also promotes inclusivity and shifts societal perceptions, paving the way for a more equitable future.

With the objective of promoting livelihood opportunities among PwDs, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra and IRDRP organized a General Entrepreneur Development Training for PwDs based on their educational qualifications and willingness to start a business on their own. The technical support was provided by Rural Self Employment Training Institute, Chengalpattu and the activities were carried out from 3-9 February 2024 at the Community Center, Tiruporur, Chengalpattu District.

Dr. Irudayasamy from IRDRP and Ms. Nithiya and Ms. Stella from CARITAS India spoke to the participants informing them the importance of entrepreneurship. The RSETI curriculum was also introduced to them and they were briefed about various banks, Government agencies and private institutions that supports the business to startups. Mr. Sathish Kumar, Tiruporur Block E-Sevai Center shared his life experience as a PwD entrepreneur while Mrs. Savithiri, Village Administrative Officer talked about schemes and the challenges in getting the schemes. Mrs. Vasantha, Cluster Educator CARITAS India spoke on business plans through group discussion. Ms. Kalaiarasi, having Low Vision and working in Cognizant explained her journey in life. Ms. Sasikala handled a session on Community Based Rehabilitation in the perspective of WHO CBR Matrix.

A total of 35 PwD participants attended the training and got benefited.



Participants in rapt attention



Glimpses of the training

#Aahvaan: NGO-CSR Conclave

06th-07th February, 2024

Nearly a decade has passed since Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) became mandatory in India, highlighting the increasing importance of corporations in addressing social and environmental challenges. While CSR has evolved from mere philanthropy to a strategic initiative aiming for long-term value in both business and society, there is still ample opportunity for concentrated and coordinated efforts to enhance societal well-being.

Working alone as a single entity (either CSR or NGO) yields lesser benefits than when working together as a partner. Corporations come with essential financial resources and technical expertise, while NGOs possess extensive community experience; together, they play a crucial role in addressing social issues. As a result of the focus that corporate organizations give to research, they are often at the forefront of innovation. Collaboration between NGOs and corporates can

also help both parties to better understand the needs and perspectives of different stakeholders, leading to an informed decision making and formulation of an effective action plan.

Recognising the importance of creating a conducive platform that serves as a link for bringing together CSR professionals, NGO representatives, government officials, and other stakeholders, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra organized a two-day mega event on 6-7 February 2024, entitled Aahvaan: NGO-CSR Conclave 2024, where all stakeholders came together to explore and address the challenges inherent in collaborative efforts for noble causes. The main objective of the conclave was to facilitate open discussions and strengthen partnerships, amplifying the impact of collective endeavours in addressing societal issues.

Mr. Bharat Lal, Secretary General, National Human

Rights Commission was the Chief Guest of the event, while Ms. Gayatri Subramaniam, Director, ICSRB and Mr. Niraj Kumar Lal, Head-CSR, Arvind Ltd. were the guests of honour. Mr. Haribhai Mori, Trustee, Indian Youth Centres Trust and President – CSR, Bajaj Group and Mr. Uday Shankar Singh, Chief Executive Officer, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra were also present on the occasion.

For enhancing the learning experience of the participants, four panel discussions were held.

In the first panel discussion on Stakeholders' Engagement with Reference to Emergence of CSR which was moderated by Dr. Sujeet Ranjan, Associate Director, Nutrition, Tata Trusts, Ms. Gayatri Subramaniam, Director, ICSRB, Mr. Vivek Prakash, Vice President, CSR, Jubilant -Mr. Sushant Verma, Asia Regional Director, Trickle Up and Mr. Pradeep Singh, Head of Monitoring and Impact, HDFC Bank CSR shared their views.

In the second panel discussion on Strategic CSR: Integrating SDGs, Mr. Vishal Bhardwaj, Group Head-CSR, Indorama Corporation, Mr. Haribhai Mori, President-CSR, Bajaj Group and Ms. Anupam Nidhi, Group-Head CSR, Hindustan Zinc Ltd. expressed their opinions. The session was moderated by Mr. Niraj Kumar Lal, Head-CSR, Arvind Ltd.

The third panel discussion was held on Strategic Implementation of CSR Projects: Role of NGOs. Eminent panellists included Ms. Charu Kapoor, Country Director, NIIT Foundation, Mr. Joydeep Sen, Associated Director, PwC and Mr. Tara Chand, Head-CSR, OakNorth spoke about the various facets of the theme. Mr. Praveen Karn, Group Head-CSR, Spark Minda Foundation moderated the session.

The last panel discussion was on Partnership and Collaborations: Emerging Trends and Challenges Ahead. Mr. Harsh Jaitli, CEO, VANI was the moderator and Ms. Shilpa Jaiswal, Head-CSR, JKCement and Mr. Prabhat Sinha, Director-Govt. & Public Affairs, Boehringer Ingelheim and Mr. Rajendran KP, CEO, SACH were the panellists.

Dr. Harish Vasishth, Executive Director, Credibility Alliance shared the learnings and key findings. Dr. Rajesh Tandon, Founder President of PRIA was the Chief Guest during the valedictory session.

The participants highly appreciated the unique initiative of VYK which provided an opportunity to the development and corporate sector to meet and exchange ideas. Nearly 185 participants attended the event and got benefited from it.







Glimpses of the event

Seminar on Remembering the Great Personality of India: Sarojini Naidu

13th February, 2024

India's history is full of renowned personalities who have contributed their lives to India's freedom struggle and aimed towards India's development. One such multifaceted personality, Dr. Sarojini Naidu, was an integral part of India's freedom struggle. Often referred to as the "Nightingale of India," she was not only a distinguished poet but also a prominent political leader and a fervent advocate for social reforms. Her role in shaping the socio-political landscape of India remains a testament to the power of intellect, conviction, and unwavering dedication to establishing a just and free society.

Recognizing the immense role that Sarojini Naidu

played in India's freedom struggle and promoting literary and social reform in the country, VYK organized a seminar Remembering the Great Personality of India: Sarojini Naidu on 13 February, 2024. The seminar aimed to engage a diverse range of participants, including young individuals, scholars, researchers, educators, and members of non-governmental organizations and community-based organizations.

Prof. (Rtd.) Nisha Bala Tyagi, former Deputy Director, Gandhi Bhavan, Delhi University, and Mr. Anil Nauriya, Advocate, Supreme Court of India were the guests of honour on the occasion. The dignitaries

highlighted the contributions of Sarojini Naidu in India's freedom struggle.

Prominent speakers, Mrs. Shivani Singh, Department of Political Science, Dayal Singh College, Delhi University and Mr. Rahul Ramagundam, Jamia Milia

Islamia highlighted the various societal contributions of Sarojini Naidu.

The programme succeeded in making around 115 youth and NGO representatives acquainted with the valour and contributions of Sarojini Naidu.



Glimpses from the seminar

Training Programme on NGO Management and Resource Mobilisation

19th-23rd February, 2024

NGOs are committed to and value the spirit of service to society. Due to their autonomous nature, NGOs and CSOs often enjoy a high degree of public trust and can play a major role in airing the concerns of society and stakeholders. So as to make them capable of discharging their responsibilities to society in an effective manner, it is necessary to enhance their capacity for functioning.

Considering the importance of the capacity enhancement of an NGO, VYK organized a five-day residential training on NGO management and resource mobilization at the VYK campus in New Delhi, India, from 19-23 February, 2024. The specific objective of the course was to enhance the knowledge, awareness, and basic skills of participants regarding NGO governance, management, resource mobilization, and sustainability.

Mr. Mathew Cherian, Board Chairperson, CARE India, was the Chief Guest on the occasion. Mr. Uday Shankar Singh, CEO, VYK, Mr. Rajat Thomas and Mr.

Anand Kumar, Programme Officers, VYK also shared their views with the audience.

The technical sessions were handled by Mr. Sandeep Sharma, Executive Director, Financial Management Service Foundation, Ms. Puja Biswas, Head of Partnership and Communication, INDIAdonates. Mr. Anthony Chettri, LEAD, Organizational & Programme Sustainability, IGSSS, Ms. Gayatri Subramaniam, Director, Association for Women in Business, CA Anjani Kumar Sharma, Co-Founder and Director, Southern Accountability & Governance (SAGA) Pvt. Ltd., Ms. Shikha Srivastava, Lead, Organization and Programme, Sustainability and Resource Mobilization, IGSSS, Mr. Akash Mathur, Chief Development Officer, SOS Children's Villages of India, Mr. Harsh Jaitli, CEO, Voluntary Action Network India (VANI) and CA (Dr.) Subhagit Sahoo, Founder & Principal Partner, S. Sahoo & Co. Chartered Accountants.

The valedictory ceremony began Chief Guest, Dr. Indu Prakash Singh, Tedx, and Motivational Speaker

sharing his thoughts with the gathering. Certificates were distributed to the participants on successful completion of the training programme.

Fifty nine participants from across the country attended the training and got benefited from it.



Glimpses of the event

Training Programme on Corporate Social Responsibility and Engaging NGOs for Impactful Change

27th–28th February, 2024

The role of the voluntary sector has been remarkably contributory to the social and economic development of our country. With the recent advent of the corporates joining hands with the NGO sector in social development through their mandate of Corporate Social Responsibility. Though NGOs provide the best training to candidates, employees and introduce additional manpower to execute different projects, they have the necessary skills, expertise and reach, determination, and personnel to implement efforts for social change. Still, due to a lack of information, approach, and limitation of resources many grassroots NGOs are left behind from the ambit of availing CSR funds.

With this perspective in mind, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra in collaboration with CREATE organised a two-day State Level workshop from 27-28 February 2024 at Hotel Babian Inn, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh.

The workshop was inaugurated by Dr. Ajit Nigam,

Former Addl. Secretary, Indian Railways, Govt. of India, and Sr. Professor at National Academy of Indian Railways. Mr. Dayanand Tandon, CEO, CREATE and Mr. Ajit Kumar Rai, Sr. Officer - Sustainability and Development, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra were also present on the occasion.

Topics like Introducing Corporate Social Responsibility – Policy and Practice, CSR Development in India, benefits for embracing CSR Activities, Obtaining and Strategizing CSR Funds, CSR Funds for NGOs: Eligibility and Challenges, Current CSR Scenario in UP were discussed during the programme. The sessions were facilitated by Dr. Ajit Nigam, Former Addl. Secretary, Indian Railways, Govt. of India, Dr. Sachi Rai, Asst. Professor, Dept. of Economics, Lucknow University and Mr. Binod Sinha, Social Development Consultant. Around 74 Participants from 40 NGOs participated in the training programme.



Glimpses of the event

Seminar on Empowering Youth for Achieving Sustainable Development Goals

29th February, 2024

The United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) outline a comprehensive agenda to address global challenges, including poverty, inequality, climate change, and environmental degradation, among others. Achieving these goals requires concerted efforts from governments, organizations, and individuals worldwide. Central to this endeavor is the empowerment of youth, who hold the potential to drive positive change.

Vishwa Yuvak Kendra in collaboration with, CREATE and the Department of Social Work, University of Lucknow hosted a seminar Empowering Youth for Achieving Sustainable Development Goals on 29 February, 2024. The main objective of the programme was to engage and inspire youth to contribute to sustainable development.

The programme commenced with a warm welcome

by Prof. Rakesh Dwiwedi, HOD, Dept. of Social Work. Mr. Ajit Kumar Rai, Senior Officer - Sustainability and Development, VYK, provided insights into the theme and objectives of the program, setting the stage for a comprehensive exploration of sustainable development.

Mr. Binod Sinha, Social Development Consultant, took the stage to present an insightful overview of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and evaluated the performance of the Uttar Pradesh government in this critical aspect. Mr. Dayanand Tandon, CEO, CREATE in his address, shared compelling case studies related to health and education. The question-answer session that followed allowed for an interactive exchange of ideas. Nearly 200 participants attended the seminar and got benefited.



Glimpses from the seminar

Seminar on International Women’s Day: Invest in Women

05th March, 2024

International Women’s Day (IWD) is a global observance celebrated annually on March 8. The day commemorates the social, economic, cultural, and political achievements of women while also serving as a call to action for gender equality and women’s rights. Each year, the UN designates a theme for International Women’s Day, highlighting specific areas of focus related to women’s rights and empowerment. It serves as a reminder of the progress that has been made toward gender equality while also highlighting the ongoing challenges and the work that still needs to be done to achieve full gender parity.

Vishwa Yuvak Kendra celebrated International Women’s Day 2024 with great enthusiasm and passion. Dr. Shobhana Radhakrishna, Chief Functionary of the Gandhian Forum for Ethical Corporate Governance, SCOPE, was the Chief Guest on the occasion while

Ms. Shraddha Chickerur, PhD, UN Women and Dr. Neelam Patel, Sr. Advisor, Niti Ayog, were the guests of honour.

An expert panel discussion was organised during the seminar wherein Ms. Shilpi Shrey, Deputy General Manager-Human Resources, Bharti Foundation, Ms. Pooja Sharma, Skinkanti Ayurveda and Ms. Charu Ahuja, Founder, Mii Generis shared their views with the gathering. Mesmerising cultural performances by Manzil Mystics Group and North East Group offered a glimpse into the vibrant cultural tapestry of the country and enthralled the audiences. Participants were awarded certificates of participation at the end of the programme.

Two hundred and twenty four participants attended the seminar and got benefited from it.



Glimpses of the event

International Women’s Day Campaign

22nd-28th February, 2024

The Women’s Day Celebration at Vishwa Yuvak Kendra transcended the confines of seminar halls and extended its reach to the grassroots level through a collaborative campaign involving 33 NGO organizations. This partnership brought together a diverse array of stakeholders committed to spreading awareness and advocating for gender equality and women’s empowerment.

Through a multifaceted approach, the campaign leveraged a variety of activities to engage and educate communities on the importance of International

Women’s Day. Seminars provided platforms for in-depth discussions and knowledge sharing, rallies, filled with fervor and solidarity, took to the streets amplifying the message of gender equality and demanding action for women’s rights. In addition to traditional forms of advocacy, creative expressions such as poster making, paintings, film screenings, and puppet shows were utilized to engage diverse audiences and foster meaningful dialogue. The impact of the campaign was felt far and wide, with nearly 20,000 people actively participating and contributing to its success.



Glimpses from the campaign

National Integration Camp

16th-20th March, 2024

National integration is crucial for the stability, prosperity, and overall development of a country. Many factors, including differences relating to culture, geography, religion and language often causes strife and discontent among people. Despite a shared culture of so many years, religious and linguistic diversities have often generated tensions and conflicts amongst different communities which sometimes threaten the unity of our nation.

To counter the divisive forces all efforts should be made to put the youth of the country on the frontline.

By involving youth in activities which strive to promote unity and acceptance of other cultures, the society is likely to have a better success in the fight against divisive forces. If an opportunity is provided to youth to interact and share their views and experiences with other young men and women from different geographical, religious, linguistic, cultural background of the country, it would enable them to understand and enjoy the rich pluralistic diversities and also appreciate the underlying current of oneness and unity in these diversities.

With this objective in mind, Prem Youth Foundation (PYF), Patna organized a National Integration Camp for youth from 16-20 March 2024 in Fatuha, Patna,

Bihar. This endeavor of Prem Youth Foundation was supported by Vishwa Yuvak Kendra (VYK). The main objective of the Camp was to assemble a large gathering of youth from across the country, irrespective of their region, religion, caste, culture and tradition and promote a spirit of unity, nationalism and brotherhood.

The programme was inaugurated by Shri Nand Kishore Yadav, speaker of the Bihar Legislative Assembly. Eminent dignitaries like Brajesh Muni, Trustee, Kabir Math, Social Activist and Camp Coordinator, Shri Shishupal Yadav, CA Sanjay Jha were also present on the occasion, along with Prof. Prem Kumar, President, PYF and Uday Shankar Singh, CEO, VYK. All the speakers highlighted the importance of promoting national integration and peace among the youth and pointed out to the spirit of camaraderie and unity among the Indian people, in spite of the vast differences of caste, creed, language and culture between them. The speakers exhorted the youth to work hard to promote peace in society and to spread the message of love and brotherhood.

The event was attended by nearly 300 enthusiastic youth from across 14 states of the country.



Glimpses from the camp





Projects

Project Sashakt 2023

India's demographic transition is poised at a crucial juncture – presenting either a monumental opportunity or a significant concern depending on how its vast workforce is utilized. The growth and sustainability of any nation depend on skills and knowledge, yet, unfortunately, India lags behind in providing skill training compared to other countries. To increase India's national and international competitiveness, technical and vocational education must form the foundation for skill education in the country.

The skill gap is a major concern in India, with many graduates and job seekers lacking the necessary skills to meet the demands of the job market. Skill development can help bridge this gap and make individuals job-ready. Skill development can also encourage entrepreneurship and self-employment by providing individuals with the necessary skills to start and run their businesses. NGOs play a vital role in skill development, especially in marginalized and rural communities, where government initiatives and private sector involvement are limited. However,

many NGOs may not have a complete understanding of the various aspects of skill development, such as the current policies, schemes, best practices and the overall skill ecosystem. Therefore, there is a need to train NGO representatives on understanding skill development to enable them to design and implement effective training programs.

Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, with the support of Bosch India Foundation, took the initiative to provide quality training to NGO representatives on various aspects of skill development programs. The modules were designed to equip NGO representatives, especially those working on skill development and entrepreneurship promotion, with the necessary skills and knowledge to implement skill development programs effectively at the grassroots level. It was envisaged that by doing so, they would be able to provide training and placement opportunities for youth, enabling them to generate their livelihoods and become self-sustainable.

Module 1: Ecosystem of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship in India

11th-15th September, 2023

The first module was Ecosystem of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship in India, which started on 11 September 2023, and completed on 15 September 2023, with the participation of 54 participants from 13 states of India. The training commenced with the inaugural session. Ms. Mukta Bhardwaj, Programme Officer, VYK, invited the Hon. Chief Guest, Mr. Ratan Agrawal, Head HR-R&D, Hero MotoCorp Ltd., Ms. Sakina Baker, Head Bosch Ltd. and Bosch India Foundation (who joined virtually), Mr. Uday Shankar Singh, Chief Executive Officer, VYK, and Ms. Sweety, Sr. Officer (Training & Certification), Bosch CSR Team, and the VYK Team for the lighting of the lamp

to officially inaugurate the training.

Technical sessions were taken by Mr. Kaifee Anwar, Vice President of Medhavi Skills University, Mr. Shikher Saxena, Head-Business Operations, MEPSC, Mr. Vikash Lal, Vice President-Operations, Generation India Foundation, Mr. Sunil Sharma, Chief Programme Officer, F-Tec, Ms. Gayatri Subramaniam, Director, Association of Women in Business, Ms. Sweety, Sr. Officer (Training & Certification), Bosch CSR Team, Ms. Aparna, AGM-project and CSR, AISECT, and Mr. H. P. Singh, Director of Chhote Vyapar ki Pathshala.



Glimpses of Module 1

Module 2: Skill Development: The Process

09th-13th October, 2023

Sashakt-2023, Module 2, was the second part of the training programme after the completion of Module 1 where participants built upon what they learnt in the first part to improve their skills. Module 2 training began on 9 October 2023 and culminated on 13 October 2023. Ms. Sakina Baker, Head CSR, Bosch Ltd. and Bosch India Foundation was the guest of honour on the occasion.

Mr. Sujoy Carl Canton, Ms. Harpreet Kaur, renowned experts in TVET & Public Policy, Mr. Punit Sharma, Senior Corporate Trainer from PNB Metlife, Mr. Srikant Bhagat, Project Head for e-Governance at Dantaya Advisors Pvt. Ltd., Ms. Hardeep Jaswal, Craft Instructor from ITI Arabki Sarai, Ms. Sunaina Khanna, Director, Methods Apparel Consultancy India Pvt.

Ltd., Ms. Priyanka Anand, Founder and Managing Director, Blantic Human Resource Solutions LLP, Dr. Harish Vashisht, Executive Director, Credibility Alliance, Mr. Ankit Kumar, Senior Manager, Pipal Tree Ventures Pvt. Ltd., Mr. Satyendra Kumar Tiwari, Coordinator Vocational Education, Haryana School Shiksha Pariyojana Parishad and Mr. Asim Inam, Business Development Head North, Wagons Learning Pvt. Ltd. were the technical resource persons during Module 2.

Mr. Ranjit Madan, Former CEO & Governing Board member of Life Sciences Sector Skill Development Council (LSSSDC) was the Chief Guest of the Valedictory Session. Certificates were issued to the participants who successfully completed the course.



Glimpses of Module 2

Blanket Distribution Drive

29th December 2023 - 07th January 2024

Delhi winters are recognized by thick fog and haze which cuts off sunlight, reducing visibility and bringing bone-chilling cold to the city. Late November or early December marks the arrival of winter. The average minimum temperatures gradually drop below 10°C. Though the winters are not bitterly cold on most days, at times the temperatures falls to 3-4 degrees. Winters are always challenging for the homeless, especially for kids. A warm blanket in the harsh winter months can save a child's life, it can spread warmth to lakhs of homeless people. Most of them are poor homeless people as they do not have any means to protect themselves from the cold. In winter, dozens of homeless people die from exposure to the elements. While some shelters do provide blankets, they are often in short supply and cannot meet the demand. As a result, many homeless people are forced to sleep without blankets, putting themselves at risk

of hypothermia and frostbite. The effects are more pronounced owing to climate change, with a greater impact on the vulnerable and backward sections of society.

Dalmia Bharat Foundation and Vishwa Yuvak Kendra came together to carry on a blanket distribution drive to spread warmth among the less privileged people of the society. By donating blankets to the poor, we can prevent many such deaths. A simple blanket can be a lifeline for the homeless during cold nights. Blankets are essential, especially during the colder months, to keep everyone warm and comfortable. These donations can brighten the day for the unprivileged and help them to achieve their desires or wants respectfully. For these individuals, even the smallest act of kindness can make a significant impact on their lives. Several deaths are reported yearly due to the harsh winters of

Delhi as the roadside sleepers do not have any means to protect themselves from the cold.

By executing this drive Dalmia Bharat Foundation and Vishwa Yuvak Kendra embarked on a mission

to bring warmth and hope to those who face the harsh realities of winter every day. Like last year, they distributed warm blankets and winter clothes to those in need.

S.No.	Date	Partners	Quantity
1	Friday, 29 December 2023	All India Inst. Of Medical Sciences (AIIMS)	100
2	Friday, 29 December 2023	Safdarjung Hospital	100
3	Sunday, 31 December 2023	Vikaspuri	100
4	Monday, 1 January 2024	Jeewan Deep Khushth Ashram(Leprosy Colony, R.K. Puram)	100
5	Tuesday, 2 January 2024	Harijan Sevak Sangh	100
6	Wednesday, 3 January 2024	Milestone	100
7	Thursday, 4 January 2024	IHBAS Hospital, Delhi	100
8	Friday, 5 January 2024	India is Calling Youth	150
9	Saturday, 6 January 2024	Dayal Bagh, Faridabad	100
10	Sunday, 7 January 2024	Mehrauli	100
11	Sunday, 7 January 2024	Streets & Various Places	150
	Total		1200

This initiative taken by Dalmia Bharat Foundation and Vishwa Yuvak Kendra to reduce the sufferings of marginalised and vulnerable groups and instances of loss of lives that are reported yearly due to the harsh winters of Delhi was highly appreciated by the needy.

The distribution of blankets aimed at providing warmth and comfort to those in need, particularly during cold weather. Most of the beneficiaries were

poor homeless people as they did not have any means to protect themselves from the cold.

Five NGO partners helped in distributing blankets at eight locations reaching to 1200 beneficiaries. Overall, such teamwork and collaboration can have a significant positive impact on the communities receiving assistance.



Glimpses of the blanket distribution drive

Project Care Giver-2023

Healthcare stands as a critical pillar of societal welfare, primarily facilitated by medical professionals such as doctors, nurses, and various other healthcare practitioners. However, a significant portion of healthcare assistance, particularly for individuals grappling with chronic illnesses or disabilities, necessitates continual care and support beyond the clinical setting. Often, this indispensable care comes from informal caregivers, typically family members, who provide assistance from the comfort of their homes, constituting what is known as “informal care.” This form of care serves as the backbone of long-term care provisions.

The contributions of informal caregivers, though profound, often remain overlooked, except by those directly benefiting from their devoted service. Undertaking informal caregiving responsibilities, especially for those requiring aid in their daily routines, demands an immense amount of time, dedication, and resilience.

Despite the indispensable nature of informal caregiving, the efforts of these caregivers frequently remain underrecognized and undervalued. This may entail access to training programs, educational initiatives, respite care services, financial assistance, and other forms of support aimed at fostering optimal care provision while safeguarding their own well-being.

The advent of the COVID-19 pandemic has served to underscore the indispensable role of caregivers within the Indian context. Against this backdrop, the imperative for a comprehensive initiative such as the Caregiver Project became abundantly clear. The

project sought to address the burgeoning demand for professional caregivers tasked with supporting the elderly and differently abled individuals across India. The Caregiver Project, an ambitious endeavor led by Bosch India, represented a concerted effort to empower individuals to assume the role of caregivers for the elderly and differently-abled members of society.

In collaboration with Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, the project sought to implement its comprehensive programme across 15 states within India. Through the establishment of 100 Training centres strategically positioned throughout the country, the Caregiver Project aimed to equip participants with the requisite skills and knowledge essential for effective caregiving.

The objective of the programme was to produce and supply competent caregivers equipped with the requisite knowledge, skills, and attitudes essential for addressing the burgeoning demand for such human resources within the country. The programme aimed to equip caregivers with the proficiency to offer care for common human diseases, deliver nutritional services, respond adeptly to workplace emergencies necessitating medical attention, administer first aid, ensure hygienic care services, monitor client well-being, and execute maternal and child care services effectively.

Considering the placement record, it is evident that the project achieved its objective of fulfilling the skilling needs of rural/urban youth.

Nearly 2010 candidates benefited from this project.



Glimpses of the Caregiver Project

**Integrated Community Development
Programme**



Awareness Campaign on Government Schemes for BPL Families

20th April, 2023

Government schemes can be defined as a plan, designs, or programmes formulated by the government for the welfare of the people. Government launches various schemes from time to time having a specific objective. The majority of these government schemes are designed to help the economically deprived, rural, or vulnerable people in society.

Government of India has launched several schemes for the benefit of those living below the poverty line (BPL). These schemes aim to improve the quality of life of the poor and marginalized sections of society, provide them with basic amenities, and empower them to become self-sufficient.

Vishwa Yuvak Kendra organized an Awareness campaign on the Government Scheme for BPL families at Swami Vivekanand camp on 20 April 2023. The campaign aimed to equip the community

residents with the necessary information to access the various schemes, utilise the same and improve their standard of living.

Through the event, community residents gained insights into various government schemes, including the Sukanya Samridhi Yojana, Janani Suraksha Yojana, Ladli Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Jan-Dhan Yojana (PMJDY), PM Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana, and Pradhan Mantri MUDRA Yojana (PMMY). The campaign ensured that participants were well-informed about the opportunities available to them for their personal and financial betterment

Student interns, under the supervision of Mr. Rakesh Singh, Programme Officer, VYK, implemented the programme. The campaign witnessed an enthusiastic response with more than 40 enthusiastic participants attending the same.



Glimpses of the event

World Menstrual Hygiene Day

24th-28th May, 2023

Menstruation, a fundamental part of a woman's reproductive system, is a natural and normal fact of life that occurs in the reproductive cycle of females.

World Menstrual Hygiene Day (WMHD) is an annual global advocacy day observed on May 28, aiming to raise awareness about menstrual hygiene and promote comprehensive education. WMHD plays a crucial role in encouraging open and informed conversations about menstruation, challenging societal taboos, and dispelling myths.

Considering the relevance of the topic, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, in collaboration with Freshwater Action Network South Asia (FANSA) and partner NGOs, organized a diverse range of campaigns from 24-28 May 2023 to commemorate World Menstrual Hygiene Day.

The partner NGOs, comprising of SHODH, Milestone, Stand Sustainable Foundation, Alamb, Amba Foundation, Voluntary Health Association, Delhi, Samajik Badlav Trust and India is Calling Youth, showcased exemplary dedication not only in mobilization but also in conceptualization, planning, and execution of the campaign.

The programme witnessed the enthusiastic participation by nearly 1300 women and girls. The success of the programme was possible because of the coordinated efforts of the partner organisations, who shared a common objective of promoting menstrual hygiene awareness and the active engagement of the community. The programme encompassed a series of impactful activities, including an engaging awareness campaign and the distribution of essential Menstrual Hygiene Products.



Glimpses of the event

Environment Awareness Programme

15th & 22nd June, 2023

Environmental awareness has become increasingly important due to the growing concerns about climate change and the depletion of natural resources. Environmental awareness helps people understand the consequences of their choices, such as excessive consumption, waste generation, and pollution, and encourages them to make more sustainable decisions.

Environmental preservation is crucial for the well-being and survival of both present and future generations. Environmental preservation is of paramount importance as it safeguards biodiversity, maintains ecological balance, regulates climate, and ensures the availability of natural resources. By recognizing and acting upon the importance of environmental preservation, we can create a

sustainable and harmonious coexistence with the planet.

Vishwa Yuvak Kendra organized one-day awareness camps on environmental consciousness at the Shankar Camp and Ravidas Camp on 15 June and 22 June 2023 respectively. The programmes sought to enlighten the young minds residing in the colony about the utmost significance of environmental conservation and the adoption of sustainable practices.

The camp embarked on an enchanting note, igniting the atmosphere with delightful ice-breaking activities like “Missing the word,” “Chinese whisper,” etc., aimed

at getting the participants opened. The participants were introduced to fundamental concepts surrounding the environment and pollution. Subsequently, they were enlightened about sustainable practices that contribute to the conservation of our surroundings.

Following the informative sessions, VYK interns engaged the community youth in Bottle Plant Drive and Live Art Painting, inspiring creativity and reinforcing the importance of our ecological well-being. While the Shankar Camp programme was attended by 70 spirited adolescent girls and women, Ravidas Camp activity was attended by 67 adolescents.



Glimpses of the event

Awareness Programme on Prevention of Child Sexual Abuse

13th July, 2023

Child sexual abuse is a disturbing reality that affects millions of children worldwide. India is home to over 19% of the world's children or 42% (more than one-third) of India's total population. Among them, approx. 50% of these children are in need of protection and care.

As per the latest NCRB data, in 2020, a total of 28.9% of the total child population faced some kind of crime against them but only 65.6% of the total crime committed is reported. In India, only 3% of child sexual abuse related offenses were reported to the police. It happens because of the social stigma associated with such abuse; the criminal justice system consistently fails to adequately address the needs of children who have experienced sexual assault. Given the shame and associated sociocultural stigma, particularly if the abuse occurs in the setting of the family, it is not surprising that child sexual abuse is significantly underreported.

Knowledge about good touch and bad touch can serve as a preventive measure against child sexual abuse. When children are aware of what constitutes inappropriate touch, they are more likely to disclose incidents of abuse to a trusted adult, allowing for early

intervention and prevention of further harm.

Taking into account the importance of the theme, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra along with India is Calling Youth, organized an awareness camp for the prevention of child sexual abuse at Kusumpur Pahadi on 13 July 2023 with a view to teach children the difference between good and bad touch and to provide them with age-appropriate information about what constitutes appropriate and inappropriate physical contact. The camp also strived to encourage open communication between children and trusted adults, such as parents, teachers, and caregivers.

Student interns, along with VYK officials Mr. Alok Vats and Mr. Rakesh Singh, accompanied by Ms. Sunita from India is Calling Youth facilitated the camp.

The awareness camp proved to be an informative event for the children. By instilling the importance of open communication, the camp aimed to create a safe environment where children feel empowered to protect themselves and seek assistance when needed. The camp saw a participation of approximately 50 children.



Glimpses of the event

Specialised Health Camp (Reproductive Tract Infections)

20th & 27th July, 2023

Reproductive Tract Infections (RTIs) in females are a significant public health concern worldwide affecting women of all ages, socioeconomic backgrounds, and geographical locations. These infections can lead to severe health consequences if left untreated, making awareness, prevention, and early detection essential aspects of women's healthcare.

The prevalence of RTIs is alarmingly high, with millions of cases reported annually. Factors such as poor hygiene practices, lack of access to healthcare, early sexual activity, multiple sexual partners, and unprotected intercourse contribute to the increased vulnerability of women to these infections. If left unaddressed, RTIs can lead to infertility, ectopic pregnancies, chronic pelvic pain, miscarriages, premature births, and an increased risk of acquiring and transmitting sexually transmitted infections (STIs).

With the objective of making people aware about RTIs, VYK initiated two specialised health camps – one in Bhaiya Ram Camp and one in Vivekanand Camp on 20 and 27 July 2023 respectively. The awareness camps aimed to educate women and communities about RTIs, their prevention, early detection, and the importance of seeking timely medical care. It will emphasize breaking stigmas surrounding women's

reproductive health, encouraging open conversations, and providing access to accurate information. By empowering women with knowledge, the camp sought to promote better reproductive health practices, ultimately leading to improved overall well-being.

Dr. Prabhajot Kaur, a dedicated and experienced medical practitioner, led the health camp. She saw each patient, conducting thorough consultations to diagnose and assessed their specific concerns. She also briefed the volunteers on Reproductive Tract Infections, treatment and how the prescribed medications were to be used. This equipped the volunteers with essential knowledge, enabling them to effectively support the patients during the camp.

By spreading awareness and providing access to healthcare services, the camps contributed significantly to promoting better reproductive health practices among the participants. The event served as a stepping stone towards building a healthier and more informed community.

While 72 women and girls participated in the programme at Bhaiya Ram Camp, 77 women and girls attended the programme at Vivekanand Camp.



Glimpses of the event

Awareness Camp on WASH & Menstrual Hygiene Management

28th July, 2023

Water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) form the foundation of public health and well-being, impacting various aspects of human life. Accessible and clean sanitation facilities are fundamental for the effective management of menstrual hygiene. When women and girls have access to safe and private spaces, they can manage their periods with dignity, comfort, and confidence. By providing adolescents with the knowledge and tools to dispose of pads responsibly, we can instil responsible behaviour from a young age, contributing to cleaner water bodies, reduced pollution, and improved menstrual hygiene management.

Vishwa Yuvak Kendra in collaboration with India is Calling Youth and FANSA organized a WASH and menstrual hygiene awareness camp on 28 July 2023 in Sarvodaya Vidyalaya Senior Secondary School, Vasant Vihar, New Delhi. VYK Team, led by Mr. Rakesh Singh, Programme Officer and Mr. Alok Vats, Officer – IT & EDP coordinated the event with the

support of student interns. Ms. Sunita, Director, India is Calling Youth was also present on the occasion. The camp aimed to educate children about menstrual hygiene, WASH practices, and proper disposal of sanitary products.

Technical Expert Dr. Mali Devi Sawariya, Associate Professor, Aditi Mahavidyalaya, University of Delhi, educated students about menstruation and the anatomy of the female reproductive system describing the role of each organ. This helped students understand the scientific basis for menstruation and further discredit misconceptions surrounding it. She also addressed specific myths and taboos surrounding ‘periods.’

Approximately 200 participants participated in the event. The students greatly appreciated the endeavours of the VYK Team and requested them to organize similar activities in future also.



Glimpses of the event

Waste Management Awareness Programme

09th August, 2023

Rapid urbanization, population growth, and the pervasive culture of consumerism have collectively birthed an ever-mounting waste crisis. Conventional waste management techniques struggle to keep pace with the sheer volume of waste generated, often leading to landfills overflowing with reusable waste, resulting in deleterious environmental consequences. The urgent need to address this crisis necessitates novel strategies that transcend the limitations of traditional waste disposal.

Recognizing the importance of managing waste as a valuable resource, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra organized a waste management awareness program titled Waste to Wonder in Vivekanand Camp, New Delhi on 9 August 2023 in Vivekanand Camp. The program aimed to raise awareness among community members

about the environmental impacts of improper waste disposal and the potential for waste to be transformed into valuable resources.

Through initiatives like Waste to Wonder, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra and its partners are working towards a more sustainable and environmentally responsible future. This program not only addressed the waste crisis but also fostered economic empowerment and a sense of purpose within the community, ultimately contributing to a cleaner, greener, and more prosperous society.

Thirty three young residents of the community were made aware of effectively turning waste into useful products.



Glimpses of the event

Awareness Programme on Swachha Bharat Abhiyan

19th October 2023

Cleanliness is an essential aspect of human life and societal progress. Clean surroundings directly impact public health by reducing the prevalence of diseases. Adequate sanitation and hygiene practices prevent the spread of infections and contribute to healthier lives. Maintaining clean surroundings is integral to environmental conservation.

Government of India launched Swachh Bharat Abhiyan on October 2, 2014, to improve public health and environmental conditions, especially in rural areas. The campaign had a significant impact on improving sanitation facilities and awareness in the country and it is continuing to do so.

Vishwa Yuvak Kendra organized an awareness

programme on Swachh Bharat Abhiyan on 19 October 2023 to spread awareness among community about environmental issues like poor waste management. A drawing competition was held with the theme of Swachh Bharat Abhiyan. The children of Ravidas Camp were enthusiastic to participate and produced creative art. They were provided with colours, pencils, chart papers and other accessories for implementing their ideas. The program was efficiently driven by the interns. Through storytelling the children were explained how health is intricately linked to the cleanliness of the environment.

There were about 85 girls and child participants who were present.



Group photo of the participants



Participants during the activities

Awareness Programme on Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao

27th October, 2023

Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao, a government initiative aims at addressing the declining child sex ratio and promote gender equality. This scheme focuses on preventing gender-biased sex-selective elimination, ensuring the survival and protection of the girl child, and promoting her education and participation. By encouraging communities to value and nurture their daughters, Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao seeks to create a more inclusive and balanced society where girls have

equal opportunities to thrive and contribute to the nation's progress. The initiative includes awareness campaigns, stricter enforcement of laws against prenatal sex determination, and improved access to education and health services for girls.

Vishwa Yuvak Kendra organised an awareness programme on 27 October 2023 on Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao under the guidance of Mr. Rakesh Singh,

Programme Officer, VYK and the interns from Jesus and Mary College. The event took place in the heart of the Shankar Camp, Moti Bagh. Children actively engaged in interactive discussions, sharing their personal experiences and insights on gender-related issues. Drawings were created by children as part of the Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao initiative. Apart from

these, poem recital and story narration were also organised. The event fostered a sense of community involvement, with participants actively discussing and addressing gender-related issues.

Seventy seven adolescent girls and women participated.



Participants displaying the posters during the activities



Participants being explained during the session

Awareness Programme on Health and Personal Hygiene

21st November, 2023

Personal hygiene is the applications that people perform, to protect their health and keep their life healthy. Personal hygiene is the behaviors that must be practiced in daily life, starting from morning to sleep time to protect our health. To protect health, the body, hair, mouth and teeth must be cleaned regularly and clothes must be washed frequently. Personal hygiene is intimately involved with health. It is known that germs easily grow in unclean bodies and cause illnesses. The number of germs can easily increase to 17 million in just 8 hours.

The food we eat, the way we keep our body clean and physical exercises, all play a greater role in maintaining good health of the body. Many diseases develop due to a lack of cleanliness. Parasites, worms, scabies, sores, tooth decay, diarrhea and dysentery are caused by lack of personal hygiene. All these diseases can be prevented by practising cleanliness.

To emphasize this, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra in collaboration with FANSA India and Milestone conducted an awareness programme at Gole Market, New Delhi.

The participants were briefed about the importance of personal hygiene and its various components which included oral care, bathing, handwashing, hair care, nail filing, etc. The participants were also taught the importance of proper handwashing. All the participants were provided with personal hygiene kit as a token of personal hygiene awareness among the participants after the program.

The Personal Hygiene and Sanitation Awareness Campaign in the Bhaiya Ram camp saw active participation by 80 participants, mostly adolescents and women. The campaign induced a visible change in hygiene practices and instilled a sense of collective responsibility among the Bhaiya Ram community.



Active participation of the participants during the session



Kho Kho Competition

24th November, 2023

Kho Kho is a sport that has been played in India for centuries and has now gained popularity in other parts of the world as well. It is a team sport that requires two teams, each consisting of 12 players. The game is played on a rectangular field, which is divided into two halves. One team is designated as the chasing team, while the other is the defending team. The objective of the game is for the chasing team to tag as many players of the defending team as possible, while the defending team tries to avoid being tagged. Kho Kho is a team sport that promotes teamwork and coordination. Players need to work together to tag the opposing team's players and avoid being tagged themselves. Kho Kho can be enjoyed by people of all ages and abilities, making it an excellent choice for anyone looking to improve their fitness and overall well-being.

Given these benefits, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra conducted a Kho Kho competition in Vivekananda Camp, Chanakyapuri on 24 November 2023.

The competition was a great success since all the children and adolescents actively participated in the event, got an opportunity to interact with each other and learnt about importance of cooperation and team spirit. The event also emphasized inclusivity by bringing together diverse community members, fostering a sense of belonging.

One hundred and fifty participants in 10 groups actively participated in the programme.



Group photo of the participants



Active participation of the participants during game

Awareness Programme on Health and Personal Hygiene

28th November, 2023

Personal hygiene and sanitation play a pivotal role in maintaining individual health and well-being. By adhering to good hygiene practices, individuals not only safeguard themselves from various illnesses but also contribute to the overall public health. Personal hygiene extends beyond hand hygiene to encompass practices such as dental care, proper grooming, and the regular cleaning of one's body. Inadequate hygiene and sanitation can lead to the contamination of water sources, contributing to the transmission of diseases like cholera and dysentery. As such, promoting personal hygiene and sanitation is not just an individual responsibility but a collective effort that has far-reaching implications for public health and community well-being.

To emphasize this, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra conducted an awareness programme highlighting the need for good hygienic practices among the inmates of the Bhaiya Ram Camp, New Delhi, on 28 November 2023.

The main objective of the campaign was to sensitise adolescents/youth in the camp about personal health and hygiene.

The participants were briefed about the importance of personal hygiene and its various components which included oral care, bathing, handwashing, hair care, nail filing, etc. The participants were also taught the importance of proper handwashing. All the participants were provided with personal hygiene kit as a token of personal hygiene awareness among the participants after the program.

The Personal Hygiene and Sanitation Awareness Campaign in the Bhaiya Ram camp saw active participation by 160 participants, mostly adolescents and women. The campaign induced a visible change in hygiene practices and instilled a sense of collective responsibility among the Bhaiya Ram community.



Active participation of the participants during the session

Awareness Programme on Menstrual Hygiene Management(MHM)

21st December, 2023

Menstruation is an essential component of women's lives. Menstruation is a natural, normal biological process experienced by adolescent girls and women starting from menarche to menopause. On any given day, more than 800 million women between the ages

of 15 and 49 are menstruating around the world. Even though lots of people go through it, talking about periods is still seen as something secretive and embarrassing. Because of this, many people don't talk openly about it, not even with their families or friends.

This silence makes it hard to have conversations about periods, whether it's with just one person, a family, or a whole community. The myths and beliefs are passed on from one generation to the other.

Menstrual hygiene management (MHM) is crucial for the health, dignity, and well-being of individuals who menstruate. It encompasses practices, facilities, and resources required for proper menstrual health. Access to clean and safe menstrual products is fundamental. Recognising its importance, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, in collaboration with FANSA India and Milestone organized an awareness session on 19 December 2023 in Aram Bagh, Karol Bagh to raise awareness on different components of menstruation.

The session commenced by dispelling myths about menstrual hygiene management (MHM) and replacing them with accurate information. Participants were provided with correct knowledge regarding menstrual health, debunking misconceptions and addressing common misunderstandings. Following this, various home remedies for managing menstrual health were discussed. Participants learned about different natural methods to ease discomfort during periods, emphasizing safe and practical approaches to maintain hygiene and comfort.

Around 70 adolescent girls and women participated in the programme.



Active participation of the participants



Group photo of the participants

Awareness Programme on Health and Hygiene

28th December, 2023

Hygiene involves maintaining cleanliness to promote good health, preventing the spread of diseases. The relationship between hygiene and health is inseparable. In our contemporary world, marked by increasing pollution and emerging diseases, the imperative of good health and hygiene cannot be overstated. Health encompasses overall well-being, considering not only physical fitness but also mental and social aspects. Physical fitness denotes a state of

health without diseases, while mental health signifies psychological well-being and cognitive health, free from mental illnesses. Social well-being involves the ability to form and sustain meaningful relationships.

Having a sound body and mind constitutes good health. Hygiene is closely linked to health, emphasising practices like cleanliness, maintaining a clean environment, and adopting nutritious diets, all crucial

for human well-being. Personal and social hygiene act as safeguards against illnesses, contributing to the development of a resilient immune system. Ultimately, achieving good health requires a combination of overall well-being and proper hygiene practices.

Taking this into consideration, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra organised an awareness campaign on health and hygiene on 28 December 2023 in Hanuman Majdoor Camp, R.K. Puram, New Delhi. Intuitive

methods like role play, quiz, interactive discussions etc. were conducted with the participants to reinforce the importance of good hygienic practices which ultimately lead to good health.

Nearly 125 participants attended the awareness programme and gained insights into the far-reaching impacts of personal and environmental hygiene on health.



Active participation of the participants



Awareness on Safe Drinking Water and Health

19th January, 2024

Slum areas lack proper infrastructure and unchecked water pollution. About 30% of Delhi's population lives in informal settlements, which are historically lacking in access to water and sanitation infrastructure.

Clean water is fundamental to human health and well-being. UN's Sustainable Development Goal # 6.1 is to provide all households with safe quality and adequate quantity of water by 2030. Providing access to safe drinking water for all is one of the most complex contemporary issues to solve, especially in a country like India is. It is riddled with technological, environmental, and socio-politico-economic challenges.

To make the residents aware of importance of having safe and potable water, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra organised a Safe Drinking Water and Health Awareness Camp with the support of FANSA India, on 19 January 2024 at Vivekanand Camp.

Mr. Rakesh Singh, Programme Officer, briefed everyone about the importance of clean drinking water. Student interns discussed the safety measures and precautions one must take to keep water clean and safe.

A total of 52 people participated in the awareness camp.



Glimpses from the awareness camp

Awareness Programme on Life Skill Education and Personality Development

15th February, 2024

Life skills enable a person to navigate a range of life contexts with a sense of personal confidence, social conscience, and professional competence. Too many children struggle with transitioning from the comfort of school into the real world due to having difficulties dealing with its pressures or lacking the basic skills necessary for success. The urban slum communities are affected by deep-rooted social, political, and economic problems such as alcoholism, unhygienic environment, domestic violence, communalism, gambling, child abuse, extreme poverty etc. Slum youth could not connect with the economy because of a lack of skills and education. Skill is one of the

essential tools to improve productivity, income, and access to employment opportunities.

To address these challenges, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra conducted an awareness programme on Life Skill Education and Personality Development in Kusumpur Pahari, New Delhi on 15 February 2024. The programme aimed to build life skills, and self-confidence among the community. It provided opportunities for people living in the community to realize one's potential through practical experiences. Nearly 45 participants attended the programme.



Active participation of the participants

Special Health Camp (Dental Health Camp)

28th February, 2024

World Health Organisation (WHO) estimates that globally, nearly 3.5 billion people (approximately 50% of the population) suffer from one or the other form of oral disease. The global burden of oral diseases exceeds the combined global burden of the next five most prevalent non-communicable diseases by almost a billion cases. According to WHO, over 95% of adults in India have dental caries, and over 50% of adults have periodontal disease. All dental problems can be avoided if we take good care of our teeth and go for regular visits to our dentist to ensure that problems are cured at the right time.

Vishwa Yuvak Kendra organized a special Oral and dental care health camp on 28 February 2024 at

Vivekanand Camp with the objective of sensitising the people of the community about dental care and oral hygiene. Dr Manisha from Smile Dental Care gave her valuable time overseeing the camp. Student interns mobilized the community for the camp.

The health camp emphasised providing community patients with accessible dental check-ups and oral and dental hygiene counselling, besides highlighting that regular dental check-ups, along with proper oral hygiene practices, were key components of maintaining optimal oral health.

A total of 82 people benefited from this camp.



Glimpses from the Health Camp

Special Health Camp (Ortho Health Camp)

20th & 22nd March, 2024

In India, orthopedic problems are a significant health concern, affecting a substantial portion of the population. The Indian Orthopaedic Association estimates that over 15% of the Indian population suffers from orthopedic ailments, with this number expected to rise due to demographic shifts and lifestyle changes. Orthopaedic conditions disproportionately affect lower-income populations due to limited access to healthcare, inadequate infrastructure, and socioeconomic factors. Timely medical intervention is crucial for managing such disorders, given their impact on the musculoskeletal system and overall mobility. India's surge in orthopedic cases can be attributed to factors like increased life expectancy, sedentary lifestyles, and rising obesity rates. Despite the disabling nature of joint ailments, many individuals tend to overlook or delay seeking medical attention for them.

To address these, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra organized

Special Health Camps (ortho) on 20 and 22 March 2024 at Bhaiya Ram Camp and Vivekanand Camp, respectively with the objective of detecting orthopedic issues by offering comprehensive screening services, providing medical consultation, and educating the community on preventive measures to reduce the occurrence of orthopedic conditions and injuries.

Specialist Dr. Ravi Prakash carefully attended to the patients and provided them guidance and counselling for improving bone health and bone strength. Attendees were empowered with knowledge about orthopedic conditions and preventive measures. Through concerted efforts in raising awareness and facilitating healthcare services, the camps played a pivotal role in fostering improved orthopedic health practices among attendees.

Around 150 men and women combinedly participated in the camps and got benefited.



Glimpses from the Health Camp



Facilities @ VYK

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Ensnconced in the highly secure diplomatic enclave of New Delhi, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra is a full-fledged campus within itself and comprises of accommodation facilities, conference/ seminar facilities, cafeteria, library, lush lawns etc. The Kendra provides all the necessary support services like Wi-Fi, satellite TV, photocopy, sound system and other audiovisual equipment, backed by professionally qualified and experienced support staff. The campus also has space for showcasing artwork/craft exhibits.

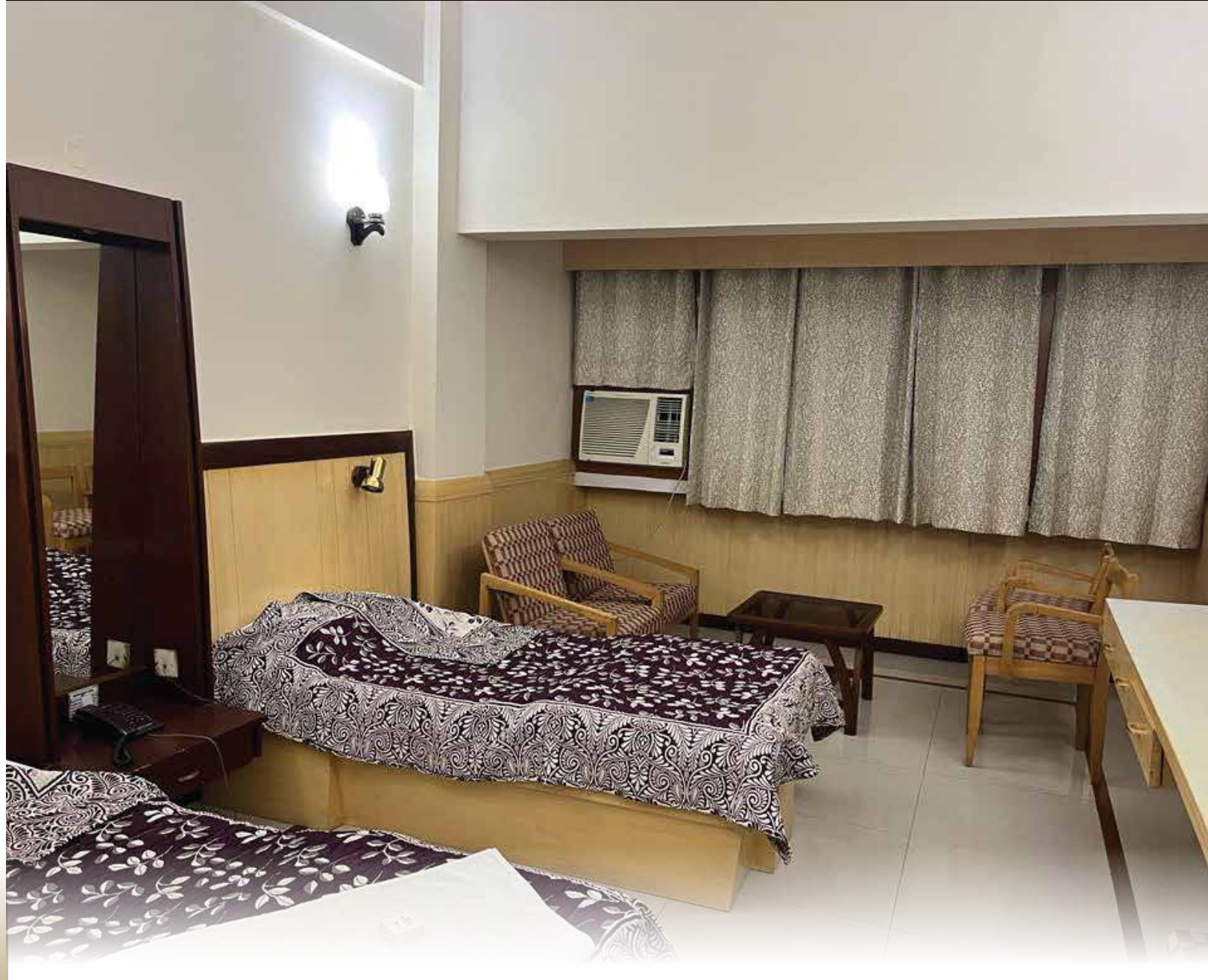
1. Accommodation

In keeping with its mandate, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra extends capacious accommodation amenities with modern conveniences to the trainees, students and NGO partners from within and outside the country. The centrally located Kendra hostel has well-furnished rooms with basic modern amenities.

The Annexe building has dormitory beds (5-6 beds in a room) which are mostly availed by youth groups/young students, NGOs etc. The dormitory accommodation provides a viable, inexpensive accommodation option for NGO representatives and youth workers who are often on a limited budget. Complimentary breakfast is served to all the trainees/members staying in the campus. Being located in the safest neighborhood in the capital region and having excellent commuting facilities to all transport hubs (airport, railway station, bus terminal) makes VYK one of the favorite staying options of the youth from across the country and from outside India.

The VYK campus serves as a nucleus for the promotion of national harmony and international understanding in an ambience of warmth and friendship.





2. Dining Hall

A Dining Hall serves modestly priced food to trainees and members attending conferences / seminars and training courses. Like all its other facilities, the Dining Hall can be used only by institutional members of Vishwa Yuvak Kendra.





3. Auditorium and Conference Hall

Vishwa Yuvak Kendra's campus has state-of-the-art (fully air-conditioned) training halls and a large auditorium. These halls and auditorium are used to conduct activities of in-house programme for grassroots level NGOs on various issues related to social development. No training fees are charged from the participants, except for a very nominal registration fee from the sponsoring NGOs. VYK has venues ideally suited for all kinds of requirements, be it a small board meeting or training workshop, or be it a large gathering with up to 300 persons.

All the facilities, be it accommodation, conference hall or dining hall, are used for our training activities. When not in use for Kendra programmes, these are provided to like-minded member NGOs / individuals at highly subsidized and very nominal tariff.

4. Library

Vishwa Yuvak Kendra Library is equipped to cater to the changing needs of individuals / organizations / institutions and is being developed as a specialized digitally connected resource centre on youth. It has an impressive collection of books in English and in Hindi on various aspects of youth and social work. Besides, subscribing to important journals / magazines on relevant issues, it also receives complimentary publications e.g. newsletter, annual reports and conference proceedings of various ministries, NGOs and international organizations.



5. Art Gallery

As a part of its endeavour to promote art and culture, VYK has launched the VYK Art Gallery at its campus. The gallery is provided to artists including upcoming artists to showcase their work.

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Programme Snapshot

S.N.	Name of the Programme	Date of the Programme	No. of Participants
In-House Programme			
1	Seminar on "Heal your Mind , Heal your Life	26 April 2023	191
2	Seminar on World Environment Day	05 June 2023	144
3	World Environment Day Campaign	5 June 2023 to 5 July 2023	17000
4	FANSA Review Meeting	07 June 2023	37
5	4 months E-certificate Course on Climate Literacy: from Learning to Action	8 July to 28 October 2023	213
6	Joint Staff Development Programme (JSDP)	10 August to 13 August 2023	48
7	Seminar on Promoting Peace and Harmony: A Path to a Better World	21 September 2023	160
8	Seminar on Role of Youth in Promotion of Millets	16 October 2023	187
9	Exposure Visit of MSW Students from Gulbarga University	04 November 2023	42
10	Training Programme on Youth Leadership: Unlocking Potential	06 November 2023 to 08 November 2023	29
11	Seminar on Unlocking Potential: International Day of Persons with Disability	01 December 2023	186
12	Inter Agency Meet 2023: Strengthening Social Work Practice through Collaboration	21 December 2023	54
13	VYK Family Day 2023	30 December 2023	100
14	National Youth Festival	11 January 2024 to 12 January 2024	205
15	#Aahvaan: NGO-CSR Conclave	06 February 2024 to 07 February 2024	185
16	Seminar on Remembering Great Personality of India: Sarojini Naidu	13 February 2024	115
17	Training Programme on NGO Management and Resource Mobilisation	19 February 2024 to 23 February 2024	59
18	Seminar on International Women's Day	05 March 2024	224
19	International Women's Day (Campaign)	21 February 2024 to 28 February 2024	20000
Total			39179

S.N.	Name of the Programme	Date of the Programme	No. of Participants
State-Level Thematic Programme			
1	Training Programme for PwD Youth on Reverse Osmosis (RO) Water Management – as Entrepreneurs	22 May 2023 to 27 May 2023	31
2	National Level Capacity Building Workshop on Promoting Community Centered Approaches for CWIS Implementation in Urban India	30 May 2023 to 31 May 2023	88
3	Workshop on Agro-Entrepreneurship Development	20 June 2023 to 22 June 2023	79
4	Agro-entrepreneurship Development in Natural Farming: Possibilities, Opportunities and Way Forward	24 June 2023 to 25 June 2023	98
5	Training Programme on Agro-Entrepreneurship Development	4 July 2023 to 6 July 2023	80
7	Seminar on Women Safety & Security	05 July 2023 to 06 July 2023	85
9	Workshop on NGO Governance, Management and Sustainability	27 July 2023 to 28 July 2023	136
10	Exposure cum Capacity Building training on Agro Entrepreneurship & Water Resource Management	18 August 2023 to 22 August 2023	116
11	Training on NGO Mangement, Governance and Compliances	24 August 2023 to 26 August 2023	62
12	Training programme on Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)	01 September 2023 to 02 September 2023	84
13	Training Programme on Skill and Entrepreneurship Development	06 September 2023 to 08 September 2023	110
14	Training Programme on Disaster Management	11 September 2023 to 13 September 2023	60
15	Exposure cum Capacity Building Training Programme on Agro Entre. & Water Resource Management	22 September 2023 to 26 September 2023	75
16	Training Programme on WASH for All: Building A Healthy Tommorrow	04 October 2023 to 06 October 2023	65
17	Training Programme on Role of Voluntary Organisation in Rural Leadership Development	27 October 2023 to 29 October 2023	74
18	Workshop on Climate Change and Global Warming	9 November 2023 to 10 November 2023	72
19	Heritage Fest 2023	23 November 2023 to 24 November 2023	200
20	Training of Trainers on Participarory Training Methodology and Experiential Learning	14 December 2023 to 16 December 2023	60
21	Job Fair of PWDs	16 December 2023	100

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State-Level Thematic Programme			
22	Training Programme on Climate Change and Global Warming	18th-19th December, 2023	147
23	Training Programme on Agro Based Entrepreneurship Development	19 December 2023 to 21 December 2023	40
24	Training Programme on NGO Governance and Management	03 January 2024 to 04 January 2024	84
25	Workshop on Bridging Impact: Corporate Social Responsibilities and NGOs	04 January 2024 to 06 January 2024	60
26	Training Programme on Localisation of Sustainable Development Goals (SDG)	17 January 2024 to 19 January 2024	70
27	Workshop on Sustainable Agriculture for Sustainable Development	30 January 2024 to 01 February 2024	78
28	Training of Trainers on Participatory Training Methodology and Experiential Learning	01 February 2024 to 04 February 2024	60
29	General Entrepreneur Development Training for PWD Youth in Doormat and Floormat Production	05 February 2024 to 09 February 2024	35
30	Training Programme on Corporate social Responsibility and Engaging NGOs for impactful change	27 February 2024 to 28 February 2024	74
31	National Integration Camp	16 March 2024 to 20 March 2024	300
Total			2623
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Institutional Promotion Programme			
1	Seminar on Role of Youth in WASH	23 June 2023	672
2	Seminar on" Role of Youth in WASH	07 July 2023	500
3	Seminar on Youth Empowerment and Leadership	25 August 2023	246
4	Seminar on Role of Youth in Entrepreneurship Development	09 September 2023	1000
5	Seminar on Waste Management	14 September 2023	500
6	Seminar on Empowering Women: A Safe and Secure Future	05 October 2023	250

7	Capacity Building Workshop for NGO Partners: Strengthening Community Partnership	06 October 2023 to 07 October 2023	70
8	Seminar on Digitalization and Cyber Security	03 November 2023	348
9	Seminar on the Role of Youth in Nation-Building	22 November 2023	332
10	Seminar on Role of Youth in Environment Conservation	23 November 2023	320
11	Seminar on SDGs and Youth	20 December 2023	200
12	Seminar on Role of Youth in Environmental Protection	22 December 2023	150
13	Seminar on Empowering Tomorrow: Nurturing Leadership and Personality Development in Youth	08 January 2024	120
14	Seminar on Role of Youth in Achieving Sustainable Development Goals	02 February 2024	280
15	Seminar on Empowering Youth for Achieving Sustainable Development Goals	29 February 2024	200
Total			5188
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Projects			
1	Project Sashakt- 2023: Module-1	11 September 2023 to 15 September 2023	54
2	Project Sashakt- 2023: Module-2	09 October 2023 to 13 October 2023	46
3	Project Care Giver-2023	01 August 2023 to 31 March 2024	2010
4	Blanket Distribution	29 December 2023 to 07 January 2024	1200
Total			3310

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Integrated Community Development Programme (ICDP)			
1	Awareness Campaign on Government Schemes for BPL Families	20 April 2023	40
2	World Menstrual Hygiene Day	24 May 2023 to 28 May 2023	1319
3	Environment Awareness Programme	15 June 2023	70
4	Environment Awareness Programme(Street Play)	22 June 2023	67
5	Awareness Programme on Prevention of Child Sexual Abuse	13 July 2023	50
6	Specialised Health Camp (Reproductive Tract Infections)	20 July 2023	72
7	Specialised Health Camp (Reproductive Tract Infections)	27 July 2023	77
8	Awareness Camp on WASH & Menstrual Hygiene Management	28 July 2023	200
9	Waste Management Awareness Programme	09 August 2023	33
10	Poshan Maah	01 September 2023 to 30 September 2023	3304
11	Awareness Programme on Swachha Bharat Abhiyan	19 October 2023	85
12	Awareness Programme on Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao	27 October 2023	77
13	Awareness Programme on Health & Personal Hygiene	21 November 2023	80
14	Kho-Kho	24 November 2023	150
15	Awareness Programme on Health & Personal Hygiene	28 November 2023	160
16	Awareness Programme on Menstrual Health Management	21 December 2023	70
17	Awareness Programme on Health and Hygiene	28 December 2023	125
18	Awareness on Safe Drinking Water and Health	19 January 2024	52
19	Awareness Programme on Life Skill Education and Personality Development	15 February 2024	45

20	Speacial Health Camp (Dental Health Camp)	28 February 2024	82
21	Special Health Camp (Ortho Health Camp)	20 March 2024	78
22	Special Health Camp (Ortho Health Camp)	23 March 2024	61
23	45 Health Camps (OPD)	April 2023 to March 2024	1769
Total			8066



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