

# **KASHMIRI YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAMME**

**Coorg Public School and PU College, Gonikoppal**  
**The school designated as United Nations school in India**



**26-31 December 2023**

## **Organised by:**

Govt. of India-Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports-  
Ministry of Home Affairs

Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan, Karnataka

Kodagu District Youth Federation, Karnataka

Coorg Public School and PU College, Gonikoppal

## **Introduction**

Kashmiriyat, Jamhooriyat aur Insaniyat' (social consciousness and cultural values of the Kashmiri people, democracy, and humanity), he said, "I will like to follow these three mantras which are the pillars of development of Kashmir. Sufi tradition has emerged from this land and this tradition has taught us oneness and strength of

# unity". (Shri Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister of India)

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<p><b>Organisers</b></p>  <p>सत्यमेव जयते</p> <p>GOVT. OF INDIA-MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS &amp; SPORTS-MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS</p> <p>NEHRU YUVA KENDRA SANGATHAN, KARNATAKA</p> <p>KODAGU DISTRICT YOUTH FEDERATION</p> <p>COORG PUBLIC SCHOOL, GONIKOPPAL</p>	<p><b>A Warm Welcome</b></p> <p>Introduction:</p> <p>The Youth are vibrant and major human resources for strengthening democracy and development, and thus key agents for social and economic transformation of a country. There is a need for larger Youth involvement and participation in the socio-economic, cultural and political environment of the country and its development process.</p> <p>The role and responsibility of the youth in Kashmir Valley is tremendous. They are the pride of the nation and considered as the real assets. They have innovative ideas and opinions. They have the capacities and capabilities of bringing positive changes in the working system of the State. However, in the present scenario, what they need is right direction that helps them to identify their strength and understand the vision they hold for the State of Jammu and Kashmir and their motherland – the India.</p>	<p><b>Aims &amp; Objectives:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To orient and sensitize participants to act as proponents of national unity, integrity and peace among the young people in Kashmir Valley.</li> <li>• To provide opportunities to the participants to visit different places of cultural, industrial, historical, religious and educational interest in the country.</li> <li>• To help the participants develop an appreciative knowledge so that they understand their surroundings, misconceptions, gaps and situations as that are prevailing in Kashmir Valley.</li> <li>• To share the information on tourism, cuisine, culture and handicrafts and other products of Kashmir Valley.</li> <li>• To provide opportunity to understand, appreciate and compare each other understandings on socio-cultural, religious-political, economic as well as environmental situation.</li> <li>• To provide information and knowledge on constitution of India, duties and responsibility of citizen, National Integration, Patriotism and Nation Development.</li> <li>• To expose Kashmiri youth to the technological and industrial advancement that have taken place in different states of the country with focus on various developmental activities, skill development, educational &amp; employment opportunities available there.</li> </ul>
     <p>The school designated as United Nations School in India</p> <p><b>26-31 DECEMBER</b></p>	<p>The fragile socio-political landscape, affected by continuing violent conflict and instability, has created a deep sense of uncertainty amongst the local population, particularly the youth. Kashmiri youth have grown up in this adverse environment and have faced tremendous stress. NYKS programme thus aims to fight the feeling of desperation, anger and helplessness is largely prevalent among them.</p> <p>Kashmir Valley is facing multifarious problems due to sponsored terrorism and the youth sways away owing to a variety of reasons. A major reason behind youth getting involved in radical activities is the lack of access to various opportunities for their overall development.</p> <p>What has now become increasingly important is to provide safe spaces to youth, mobilize, organize and channelize their energies towards their mainstreaming and partnership in Nation Building activities.</p> <p>Government is taking several important measures for development process and peace initiatives in Kashmir Region.</p>	
<p><b>2023</b></p>	<p><b>The National UN Volunteers-India</b></p>	<p>1/2</p>
<p><b>INAUGURAL FUNCTION</b></p>		

Date: 26th December 2033

Time: 3.00 pm

Venue: Coorg Public School Auditorium  
Gonikoppal, Kodagu Dist., Karnataka

INAUGURATION BY: Shri. B. Nagendra, Hon'ble  
Minister for Youth Empowerment & Sports and  
Tribal Welfare, Govt. of Karnataka

PRESIDED BY: Shri. A.S. Ponnanna, Hon'ble MLA  
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**VALEDICTORY FUNCTION**

Date: 31st December 2023  
Time: 3-00 pm

VALEDICTORY ADDRESS BY : Shri.  
Thawar Chand Gehlot - Hon'ble Governor of  
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# Kashmiri Youths Visit Coorg Institute of Technology

Kashmiri Youth Exchange Programme sponsored by Govt Of India at Coorg Public School and PU College, Gonikoppal, South Kodagu, Karnataka

### **Day: 3 Visit to Coorg Institute of technology, Ponnampet**

A group of 120 youths from Kashmir visited the Coorg Institute of Technology (CIT) on Monday as part of the Kashmiri Youth Exchange Programme sponsored by the Government of India.

The programme, organised by the Nehru Yuva Kendra, Kodagu Youth Federation and Coorg Public School and PU College, Gonikoppal, aims to foster cultural exchange and national integration among the youths from different regions of the country.

The Kashmiri youths, who arrived in Coorg on Saturday, were welcomed by the local students and teachers at the school. They participated in various activities such as sports, cultural programmes, and interactive sessions.

They visited the CIT campus in Ponnampet, where they interacted with the faculty and students of the engineering college. They also witnessed the various facilities and projects of the institute, such as the solar power plant, the robotics lab, and the innovation centre.

The principal of CIT addressed the visiting youths and praised their enthusiasm and curiosity. He said that the institute was happy to host them and share its knowledge and experience. He also expressed his hope that the visit would inspire them to pursue higher education and careers in science and technology.

The secretary general of the National UN Volunteers-India, Dr. M. Ramachandran, Principal of COPS, who was also present at the event, appreciated the organisers and the participants of the programme. He said that such initiatives were crucial for promoting peace and harmony among the diverse communities of India. He also

encouraged the youths to become active citizens and contribute to the development of the nation.

The Kashmiri youths expressed their gratitude and happiness for the opportunity to visit Coorg and CIT. They said that they learned a lot from the programme and enjoyed the hospitality and culture of the people of Coorg. They also said that they made new friends and felt a sense of belonging to the larger Indian family.

The programme will conclude on Wednesday, with a valedictory function and a cultural show. The Kashmiri youths will then return to their home state with fond memories and new perspectives.

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# Day 3 Report



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