

KASHMIRI YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAMME

Coorg Public School and PU College, Gonikoppal
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"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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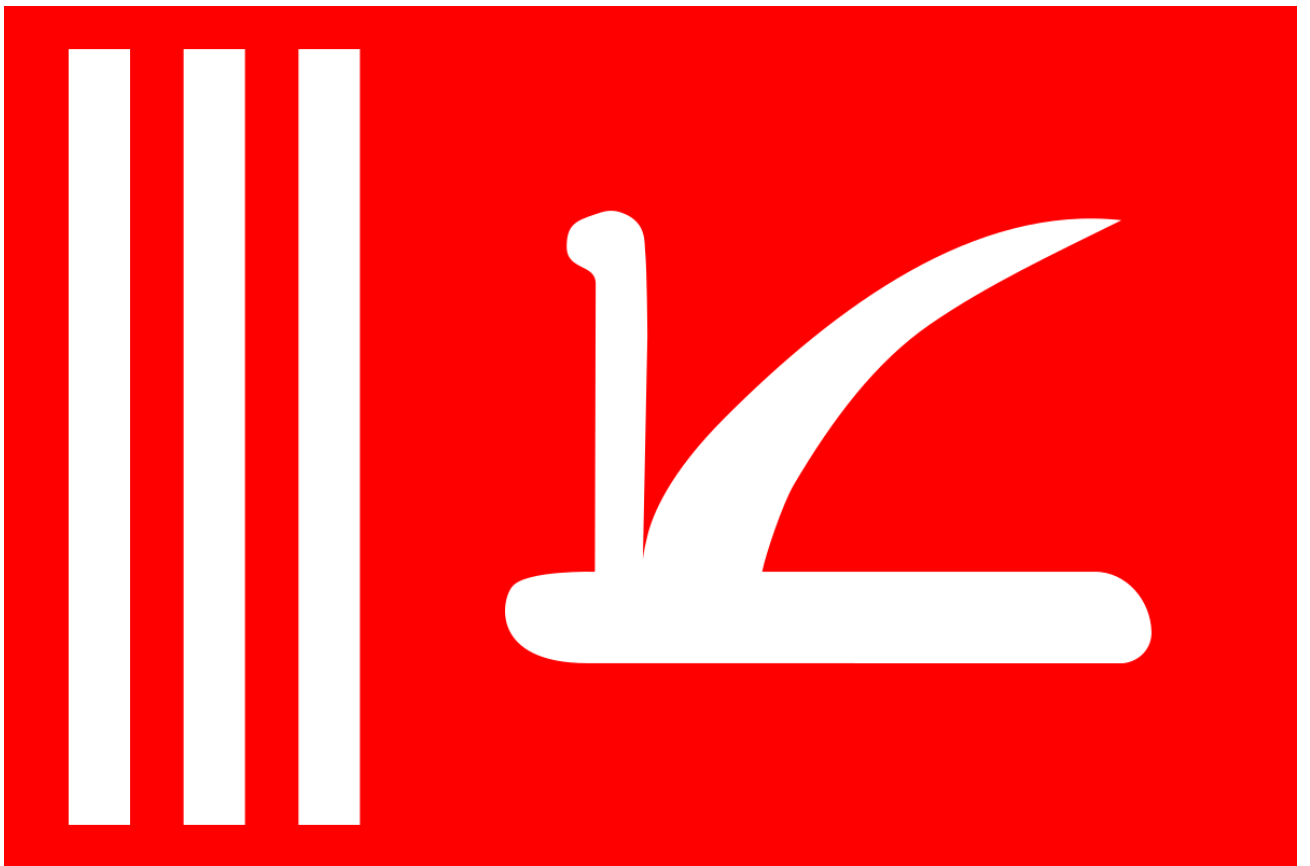
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Ministry of Home Affairs

Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan, Karnataka

Kodagu District Youth Federation, Karnataka

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NYKS programme thus aims to fight the feeling of desperation, anger and helplessness is largely prevalent among them.

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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.

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PRESIDED BY: Shri. A.S. Ponnanna, Hon'ble MLA
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Kashmiri Youth Exchange Programme Culminates with Valedictory Function at Coorg Public School, Gonikoppal

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Honorable Governor Thaawar Chand Gehlot Addresses Valedictory Ceremony of Kashmiri Youth Exchange Programme

The six-day Kashmiri Youth Exchange Programme, organized by the Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan in collaboration with Kodagu District Youth Federation and Coorg Public School and PU College, culminated with a grand valedictory function held at the Coorg Public School Auditorium in Gonikoppal, Kodagu District, Karnataka.

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