



युवा कार्यक्रम एवं खेल मंत्रालय
MINISTRY OF
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA



1st Edition

Yuva Newsletter



My Bharat Billboard



Total Volunteers

2.13Cr+



Total Events Organised

14000+



Total ELPs Conducted

23500+



Total Roundtables

95+



Total NGOs Onboarded

5500+



Total Youth Clubs tie ups

18000+



Total Partners

64000+

In the Viksit Bharat Young Leaders Dialogue 2026, several innovative ideas were shared with our Prime Minister, which have inspired many of the proposals in the Union Budget 2026.

Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman
Union Finance Minister

At a Glance

01

Viksit Bharat Young Leaders Dialogue

50 lakh+
young minds

One national dialogue. A collective vision for Viksit Bharat.

02

MY Bharat Budget Quest

Turning Budget talk into youth talk;

10 lakh+
voices strong.

03

Viksit Bharat Yuva Connect

30,000+
youth

303 campuses

conversations driving action for Bharat.

04

Shivaji Padyatra 2026

Satara reverberated with

12,000+
people

honouring the glory of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj.

Inside This Issue

01	Viksit Bharat Young Leaders Dialogue 2026	01
02	Sardar@150 Unity March	02
03	Nasha Mukta for Viksit Bharat	03
04	National Snapshot	04
	4.1 MY Bharat Budget Quest 2026	04
	4.2 Viksit Bharat Yuva Connect Program	04
	4.3 MYBharat MYVote	
05	Events in Focus	05 - 06
	5.1 Inter-State Youth Exchange Programme	05
	5.2 February on Spotlight	05
	5.3 Shivaji Padyatra Maharashtra	06
	5.4 Viksit Bharat Yuva Connect Puducherry	06
06	MY Bharat Podcast	07
07	Shaheed Diwas Padyatra	07
08	Sundays on Cycle	08
09	Glimpses	09
10	MY Bharat Offerings	10
11	Upwards & Onwards	11

Viksit Bharat Young Leaders Dialogue 2026

The second edition of the Viksit Bharat Young Leaders Dialogue 2026, organised by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, was held from 9–12 January 2026 at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi, in alignment with Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's Viksit Bharat@2047 vision. The Dialogue transformed youth ideas into actionable policy conversations and leadership pathways for a developed India.

Highlighting its impact, Hon'ble Finance Minister Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman described the Union Budget as a "Yuva Shakti-driven Budget," inspired by the innovative ideas shared during the Dialogue.

3,000
youth leaders
at the national platform

Welcomed
**international
youth delegates**

under the Know India
Programme and from
BIMSTEC nations.

Nationwide Impact



50 lakh+
quiz attempts nationwide

2 lakh+

essay submissions via
the MY Bharat portal

National Youth Day
Milestone

The Dialogue stands as a significant national achievement in strengthening youth participation, leadership development, and policy engagement across India.





Sardar@150 UNITY MARCH

“The unity of India is not merely a historical achievement, it is a living responsibility,” said the Vice President of India C.P Radhakrishnan while addressing youth at the **Statue of Unity** during the culmination of the **Sardar@150 Unity March**. Referring to the ideals of **Vallabhbhai Patel**, he urged young citizens to uphold integrity, discipline, and national commitment.

The **National Padyatra**, organised by the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports through **MY Bharat**, was inaugurated in **Karamsad** by Gujarat Chief Minister **Bhupendra Patel**, marking the beginning of the **150+ kilometre march to Ekta Nagar**. Throughout the initiative, **Union Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya** emphasised that unity must be practised through action.

Featured
150 thematic stops
highlighting Sardar Patel's life and values.

Participants walked in khadi and planted
799 trees
under 'Sardar Upvan'.

15 lakh+ citizens joined
780 district padyatras
nationwide.

Overall,
18 lakh+ youths
were mobilised through related activities.

Nasha Mukta Yuva For Viksit Bharat

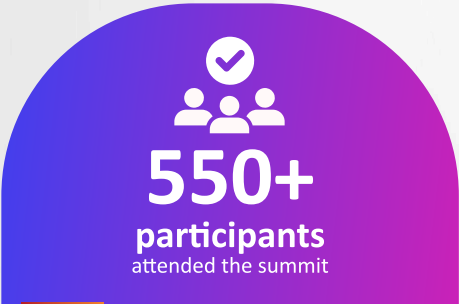


The vision of a **Drug-Free India by 2047** guided the **Nasha Mukta Bharat Youth Summit**, bringing together youth leaders, spiritual organisations, policymakers, and creators on a shared platform to strengthen the national movement for a drug-free India.

Honourable Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's message, read during the inaugural session, called upon young citizens to actively support the mission.



The session was attended by **Union Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya, Dr. Virendra Kumar, Shri Nityanand Rai,** and **Smt. Raksha Khadse,** among other dignitaries.



National Snapshot

MY Bharat Budget Quest 2026

- A nationwide initiative to strengthen youth engagement with India's economic priorities and the Union Budget 2026–27.
- Recognised as a “Yuva Shakti-driven Budget.”
- Conducted as a national online quiz with 12 lakh+ youth participants from across India.
- 1.6 lakh participants were shortlisted for the Essay Round.
- 48,000 essays were received during the one-week Essay Round window.
- Top performers will earn a virtual interaction with the Hon'ble Prime Minister.



Viksit Bharat Yuva Connect Program

connects youth with India's Viksit Bharat@2047 vision.

Led by the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports via MY Bharat, it was implemented across 303 institutions in 18 States/UTs, engaging 30,000+ participants guided by 303 Youth Icons through Yuva Samvad sessions showcasing India's growth and key achievements over the past 11 years under the leadership of PM Narendra Modi.

MY Bharat My Vote

transformed National Voters' Day 2026 into a nationwide youth-led movement. Implemented across 30 States and 259 districts, it engaged 1,29,461 participants covering 3,80,509 km via Padayatras and cycle rides, through 289 programmes and 1,051 activities, honouring 12,438 new voters and inspiring 45,327 first-time voters.

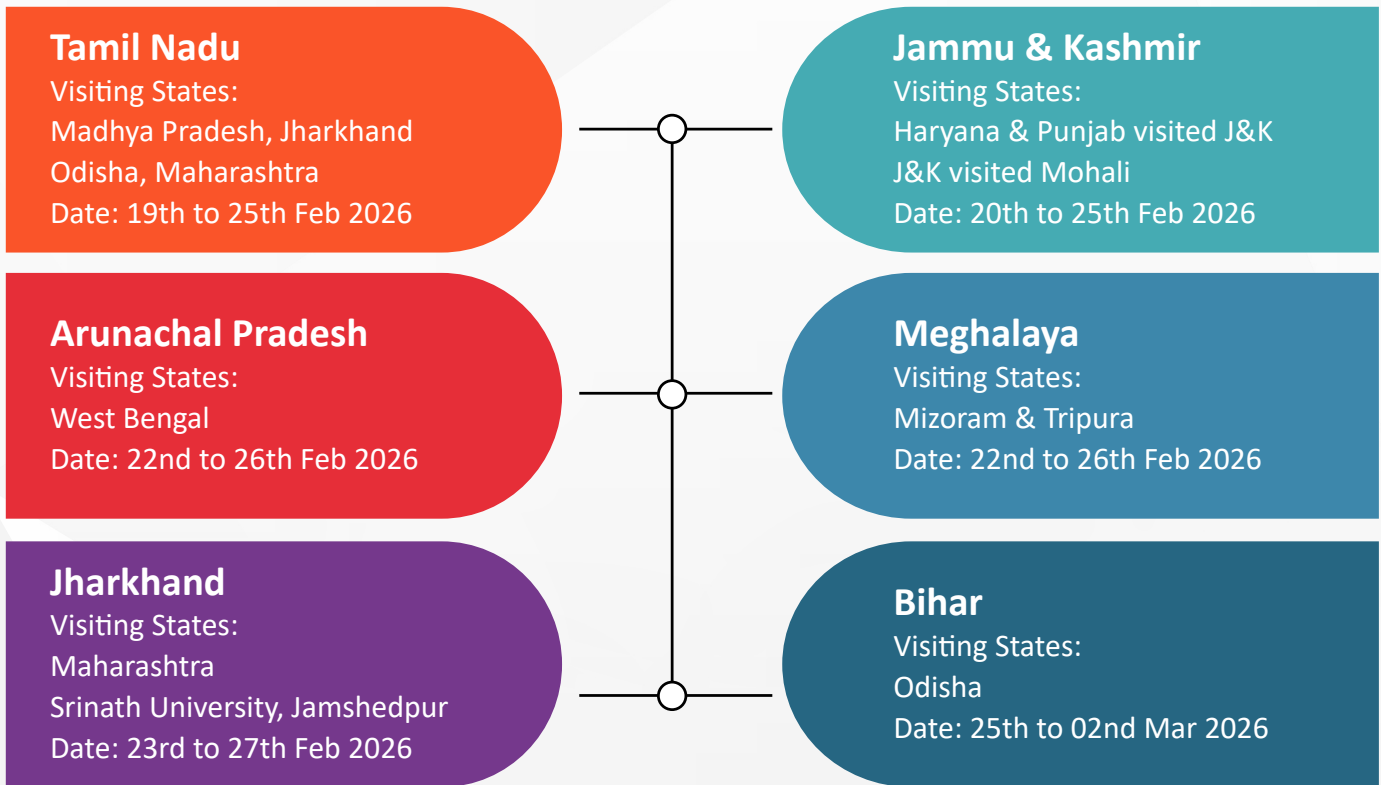


Events in Focus

Inter-State Youth Exchange Programme

The Inter State Youth Exchange Programme is one of the flagship events of MY Bharat which bolsters cultural understanding and national unity among young people across Bharat. The programme has conducted **71+ events**, mobilizing a total of **24,000+ youth** aligning with the vision of **“Ek Bharat Shresth Bharat.”**

February on Spotlight



A total of **37 participants** from each state took part in the Inter-State Youth Exchange Programme.



Tamil Nadu



Arunachal Pradesh



Meghalaya



Jharkhand



Bihar



Jammu & Kashmir

Events in Focus

Shivaji Padyatra Maharashtra

On **19 February 2026**, marking the birth anniversary of **Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj**, Satara's historic streets resonated with pride during the **Jai Shivaji Jai Bharat Mega Padyatra**. The event was graced by **Union MoS Smt. Raksha Nikhil Khadse** and **Maharashtra Cabinet Minister Shri Shambhuraj Desai**.



12,000+
youth participated

Viksit Bharat Yuva Connect Puducherry

Puducherry set a record by conducting **80 Viksit Bharat Yuva Connect** sessions in just **10 days**, engaging **17,300+ youth** across campuses with **80 Youth Icons**, achieving one of the fastest and most extensive grassroots youth outreach drives in the region.

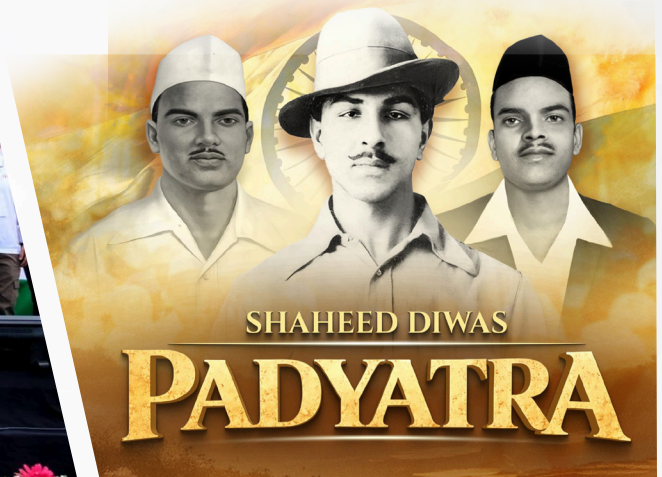


MY Bharat Podcast

MY Bharat launched its **podcast series** with **Episode 1, The Dream That Refused to Quit**, featuring **UPSC CSE AIR-1 Dr. Anuj Agnihotri**. The episode traces his journey from AIIMS Jodhpur to **securing AIR-1**, highlighting **resilience, discipline, self-belief, and perseverance**. Blending personal experiences with practical insights, it encourages young people to pursue their aspirations with purpose and contribute meaningfully to **nation-building**.



Shaheed Diwas Padyatra



On the occasion of **Shaheed Diwas** on **23rd March 2026**, **Faridabad** emerged as a focus point of the **nationwide Padyatra** under the theme **“MY Bharat, My Responsibility,”** with nearly **10,000 youth** participating. The march, flagged off from K.L. Mehta Dayanand College and concluded at Shaheed Bhagat Singh Chowk. The event was graced by the presence of **Hon'ble MoS Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports Shri Raksha Khadseji** and **Hon'ble Sports Minister of Haryana Shri Gaurav Gautam**. It honoured Indian freedom fighters **Bhagat Singh, Rajguru, and Sukhdev Thapar** while inspiring youth towards the vision of **Viksit Bharat 2047**.



Sundays on Cycle

Marking its 62nd edition, **Sundays on Cycle** continues to promote the vision that a **healthy nation begins with healthy citizens**, a message consistently emphasised by **PM Narendra Modi** through the **Fit India movement**.

Led by **Union Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya**, it has grown into a **nationwide weekly initiative** across urban, rural, and border regions, with participation crossing

26 Lakh citizens

Public figures such as Young Fit India icon **Sharvari Wagh, Leander Paes, and Pullela Gopi Chand among others** also joined the movement, reinforcing the message of **fitness and active living**.

Voices of The Yuva

The constant support and guidance of **MY Bharat** have truly transformed my journey of service. It has provided meaningful opportunities and created a strong platform where the voices of youth are not only heard but also empowered to lead change. With the cooperation and encouragement of the MY Bharat team, ideas have transformed into action, and passion has evolved into measurable impact. Inspired by the visionary leadership of **Hon'ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi Ji** and the motivating guidance of **Hon'ble Minister Mansukh Mandaviya ji**, I remain deeply committed to encouraging and inspiring young minds to step forward with confidence and responsibility.

..... **Jai Hind**



Sudarson.V

(Puducherry district)

State : Puducherry



Take the next step in your growth journey with MY Bharat

Experiential Learning Program

The Experiential Learning Program enables youth to engage in hands-on projects across key industries and sectors under expert guidance. It helps build practical skills, confidence, and workforce readiness through real-world exposure.

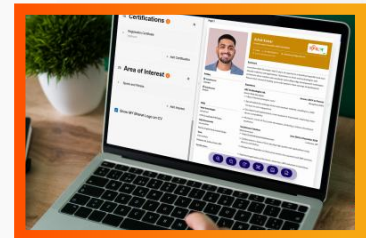


Volunteer for Bharat

The Volunteer for Bharat initiative channels youth participation into national and social causes. It fosters leadership, civic responsibility, and sustained community-driven transformation.

CV Builder

The CV Builder offers a research-backed framework to present academic and professional journeys effectively. It supports youth in creating strong first impressions for employers, institutions, and organizations.



Quiz, Essays & Digital Competition

This feature facilitates large-scale participation through knowledge-based and creative digital formats. It enables assessment of awareness, ideas, and innovation on policy, governance, and national priorities.

Mentorship

The Mentorship ecosystem enables peer-to-peer and expert-led guidance, where youth can mentor one another and benefit from each other's experiences and knowledge, enabling career development and personal growth.



National & State Challenges

MY Bharat also provides a platform for governments to host challenges such as Design for Bharat, Hack for a Social Cause, and Innovation contests. Such challenges mobilize youth talent to co-create solutions for India's real challenges.

Join **MY Bharat!**

Visit mybharat.gov.in or Scan the QR



UPWARDS & ONWARDS

Our young people are at the very heart of India's growth story, and keeping this vast ecosystem connected is more important than ever.

युवा कार्यक्रम एवं खेल मंत्रालय
DEPARTMENT OF
YOUTH AFFAIRS

DR. PALLAVI JAIN GOVIL
Secretary, Department of Youth Affairs & Sports
Government of India

I am absolutely delighted to share the inaugural edition of the MY Bharat Newsletter with you. Our young people are at the very heart of India's growth story, and keeping this vast ecosystem connected is more important than ever. Think of this newsletter as a shared space—a vital channel to stay updated on key programs, celebrate our collective wins, and spotlight the incredible innovations emerging from youth in every corner of the country.

Looking back at my years in service and various interactions with youth, the shift we are seeing right now is truly remarkable. In the past, opportunities for young people often operated in isolation. Today, MY Bharat has changed the game by building a unified, tech-driven platform that connects grassroots ambition directly with national policy. The community we've built is a testament to this— **over 2.13 crore volunteers, 18,000 youth clubs, and 64,000 partners**. But more importantly, we have moved far beyond simple outreach. Through hands-on initiatives like the Experiential Learning Program, structured mentorships, and robust volunteer networks, we are equipping young citizens with real-world skills and clear, actionable paths to leadership. You can feel the momentum of our "Yuva Shakti" translating into real, on-the-ground impact. We saw this firsthand at the recent Viksit Bharat Young Leaders Dialogue 2026, where the brilliant ideas pitched by young minds directly shaped proposals in the Union Budget. Whether it's rallying **over 15 lakh citizens for the Sardar@150 Unity March or engaging millions in the MY Bharat Budget Quest**, our youth are proving every day that they are the active builders of a developed India. I wish this newsletter the very best, and I am confident it will keep our community informed, inspired, and united as we work together toward the vision of Viksit Bharat@2047.