



ICYO- Youth Information

(E-Newsletter from network of youth organizations in India)

ICYO - Platform of Youth Organizations in India.
ICYO - India's largest network of urban and rural youth.

World Conference on Youth 2014 take-off

The World Conference on Youth 2014 was inaugurated on 6th May 2014 at Colombo in Sri Lanka. This is the first global youth conference organized in Asia and hosted by the Government of Sri Lanka.



"The needs and demands of youth are one of my top priorities," said UN Envoy on Youth Ahmad Alhendawi on behalf of the Secretary-General at the conference. "I encourage you to continue to raise your voices loud and clear so that they are heard not just at the conference, but in your communities around the world."

In his own remarks, Alhendawi pointed out the daunting challenges young people are facing: That 40 percent of the unemployed globally are youth that nearly 70 million adolescents are out of school that 1.5 billion people – the majority of whom youth – are still living in conflicts or in fragile situations and that 41 percent of all new HIV infections occur in young people. The Secretary-General's Envoy also stressed that if current trends continue in the next decade, over 142 million girls will be married before their 18th birthday.



In the words delivered by His Excellency the President of the United Nations General Assembly, Ambassador John W. Ashe, "The Rio+20 Outcome Document The Future We Want emphasizes the need for young people to actively participate in decision-making processes. As the Member States of the United Nations begin formulating a successor arrangement to the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), we need to ensure that this new framework is sufficiently sensitive to the needs of the young."

About 1000 youth are attending this four day conference , which is going on from 6-10 May 2014.

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Indian Committee of Youth Organizations (ICYO) is a registered non-profit, non-governmental network organization, committed in developing areas of mutual cooperation and understanding among different youth voluntary agencies, youth groups, clubs and individuals working in the field of youth welfare in India. ICYO functions as an umbrella organization of youth NGOs in India. It's family consists of over 550 organizations spread in 124 districts of 26 states from different corners of India.

Our goal:

To improve and extend the youth work and services through Youth Organizations;

To enhance and demonstrate youth work in the society;

To promote effective youth programme;

To organize network of civil society organizations working towards the development of youth work;

To organize seminars, conferences, workshops, trainings;

To maintain international relation with organizations promoting young people in their programme and activities

Affiliation:

Consultative (Roster) Status with ECOSOC, United Nations;

Consultative Status with Commission on Sustainable Development;

Full Member of World Assembly of Youth (WAY);

Full member of Asian Youth Council (AYC);

Working relation with Foundation for Leadership Initiatives (FLI).