

VYK/CC/2013/

September 11, 2013

Subject: **Training Programme on "Panchayati Raj"**  
**From 23 – 25 October 2013.**

Dear Sir/ Madam

Vishwa Yuvak Kendra (International Youth Centre) is a pioneering organisation in the field of youth development. It was established with the active support of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and was inaugurated in 1968 by the then President of India, Dr. Zakir Husain. It organizes workshops, seminars and training programmes for the youth workers of NGOs.

Democracy is considered as one of the best forms of government because it ensures liberty of thought, expression, belief, faith and worship, equality of status and opportunity, fraternity as well as the right to participate in political decision-making. Participation and control of governance by the people of the country is the essence of democracy. Such participation is possible only when the powers of the state are decentralized to the district, block and village levels where all the sections of the people can sit together, discuss their problems and suggest solutions and plan execute as well as monitor the implementation of the programmes. It is called the crux of democratic decentralization.

In a democracy, the decision-makers should use their powers, as far as possible, with the consent and understanding of all concerned. By way of Panchayati Raj, people participate more and more in politics and administration. The key to the success of democracy lies where more and more strength is given to people's elected bodies at the district, block and village levels. At the village level, even the poor people, including the SCs, STs, women and other marginalized sections of the community get a chance to participate in the administration of the village. Thus, Panchayati Raj is a system which ensures people's participation at the lowest levels. It is democracy at the base level. PRIs become a training ground for developing leadership at the primary stage because they become well-versed with the local problems and ways to deal with such problems.

Thus, the PRIs can ensure grass roots democracy in true spirit, provided that all the powers and functions regarding rural development, along with proper resources and staff, are vested in them. This should undoubtedly pave the way for Gram Swarajya in India. In order to give the

basic knowledge of the functions of Panchayati Raj System, Vishwa Yuvak Kendra is going to organize a Training Programme on Panchayati Raj from 23-25 October, 2013.

In this context we request you to depute representatives from your organisation to participate in the programme. You may kindly note the following:

- (1) The participants would be provided free board and lodging at our dormitories (separate for boys and girls) from 22 October afternoon to 26 October, 2013 morning.
- (2) Each confirmed participant would be required to pay Rs 1,000.00 towards registration fee by Demand Draft in favour of Vishwa Yuvak Kendra.
- (3) The programme would commence with registration at 10.00 am on 23 October, 2013.
- (4) Please ensure that the participants' educational qualification is minimum graduation with preferably 2 years experience in the NGO sector.
- (5) Travel expenditure will be borne by the participants
- (6) Age of the participants would not exceed 35 Years.

The participants have to make extra payment as per Kendra rules for food and accommodation availed before 22 October and after 26 October, 2013.

The venue of the training programme will be Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, Circular Road, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi-110021.

In case of any query you may contact the Programme Officers on phone number -011-230113631-35, Extn 209.

The participants are requested to report at the reception of Vishwa Yuvak Kendra by 22 October, 2013.

Please send the completed application form to confirm your participation along with the Demand Draft latest by 10 October, 2013. Please find enclosed herewith the application form.

We look forward to your cooperation,

Thanking You

(Mukul Gupte)  
Chief Controller

Encl: As above

**“Training Programme on Panchayati Raj”**

**23 -25 October, 2013**

**APPLICATION FORM**

**(PLEASE FILL UP THE PARTICULARS IN BLOCK LETTERS)**

1.	Name of the Participant	_____
2.	Age _____ Sex: Male or Female _____	
3.	Educational Qualification	_____
4.	Occupation (with designation)	_____
5.	Name and address of the organization	_____ _____
	PIN: _____ Phone No. _____	
	Fax No. _____	
	E-mail: _____	
6.	Designation	_____
7.	Years of experience	_____
8.	Reason for Participating in Training Programme	_____
9.	Whether participated in Kendra Programme before	_____
10.	DD No. _____ Dated _____ Amount _____	
	(Signature of the sponsoring organization)	(Signature of the Participants)
	(If sponsored by an organization, please attach copy of the letter with the application)	

Please note 1. Only confirmed participants allowed to participate  
2. Send E-mail or use this form while forwarding application