

Harnessing the Potential of Youth in WEST BENGAL

Background

- Partnership with Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS) to scale and accelerate Young People's Agenda (YPA)
- Leveraging National Youth Volunteers to include child marriage in district workplans
- Linkages to vocational training opportunities, career guidance and referral pathways for adolescents and young people

Key interventions

- Mapping aspirations of adolescents and young people
- Consolidate information on skilling opportunities at the state level
- Linkages to training institutes

Key achievements

- Aspirations of **1,317** adolescents/youth mapped
- 81** participants upgraded for skills training
- 422** participants selected for skill-based jobs

Challenges

- Paucity of training institutes linked to young people's aspirations
- Limited information and awareness on new skills

Way forward

- By 2022, ensure linkages of adolescents and youth to vocational, apprenticeship and employment opportunities
- Awareness generation and promotion of government/non-government schemes on skilling

