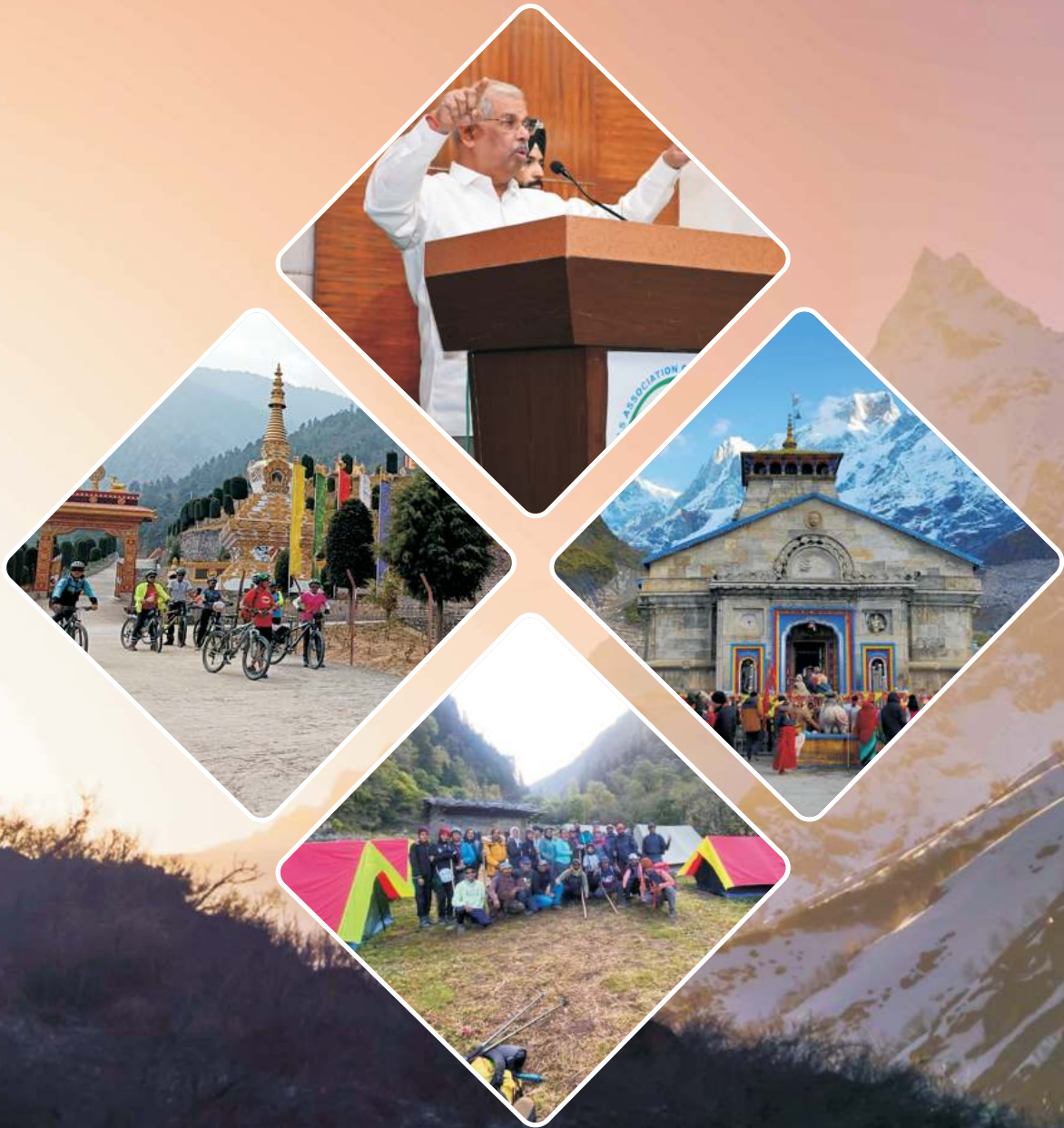




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Overview

Youth Hostels Association of India is a membership based Not-For-Profit organization with maximum surplus invested towards the growth and development of Youth Hostels. The first Youth Hostel came into existence in Germany in the year 1912 with an idea to create a network across the country of budget-based accommodation for youth by Richard Schirrmann. The inauguration of the International Youth Hostel Federation (IYHF) was an outcome of the first International Youth Hostel Federation Conference which was held at Amsterdam in 1932.

Since the movement started in Germany in the second decade of last century, there was very little opportunity for young people of limited means to travel at will, see and enjoy the beautiful places in their own country and the world around. YHAI is an Associate Member of the Hostelling International, U.K., earlier known as the International Youth Hostel Federation (IYHF), a premier international Not-for-Profit organization promoting the Youth Hostelling movement, with a widespread network in 70 countries worldwide with more than 3300 unique hostels.

YHAI offers an ideal meeting place for people of varied nationalities, religion, color and backgrounds. YHAI also conducts various mission based activities including, trekking cum training, adventure sports activities, awareness rallies and youth forums. Besides participating in its activities, members are also benefitted by attractive discounts on the membership card of YHAI, not only this, they are entitled to avail the facilities of Youth Hostels, spread in almost 70 countries around the globe and it also helps them to minimize their budget during international travel.

Vision & Mission

Vision

To become a centre of safe, affordable and clean accommodation for young people during their travel, to encourage youth travelling in India and education & understanding through personal experience.

Mission

Our Mission is to enable and promote Travel, Tourism, Adventure spirit, National Integration and Education & Health by providing hostels of good standards to millions of youth of limited means during their travel at an affordable rates on a sustainable basis and by organizing adventure and educational events and to develop understanding among youth about social & developmental issues.

Chief Executive Officer's Report

Membership of Youth Hostels Association of India is a unique product which gives access to more than 60 Youth Hostels in India and more than 3300 Youth Hostels with a widespread network in 70 countries. It also allows its members to participate in its economical adventure trekking and other programmes.

Reasons to be a Member

- Are you planning your holidays with your family and/or relatives?
- Are you thinking of going out with your friends on an excursion or Trekking program or just a fun trip?
- Do you want to travel across the country to understand its diversity Culture, and the way of life?
- Is your school is planning to organize a tour program for its students?
- Do you want to add to your education and understanding through Personal experience?
- Are you traveling abroad & looking for budget accommodation for a safe, Clean and comfortable stay?

YHAI offers the following multiple benefits on its membership cards:

- Avail budget/discounted accommodation in Youth Hostels at more than 25 locations in India and more than 3300 youth hostels worldwide.
- YHAI membership card is an International card and valid in 89 countries around the globe.
- Participate in economical Adventure and Trekking programmes organized by YHAI.
- Get over 40,000+ discounts all over the world through YHAI + IYTC Co-Branded Membership.
- Discounts provided at different outlets in India.
- Discounts in accommodation, offered by different State Tourism guest houses all over India.

Overview of Membership

Membership Fee

Membership charges during the year 2022-23 are given below:

Membership	Charges (Including GST)
Junior Membership	INR 100/-
Annual Membership	INR 200/-
Two Year Membership	INR 350/-
Life Time Membership	INR 3000/-
Two Year Family Membership	INR 900/-

Institutional Membership (school)	Charges (Including GST)
Annual membership	INR 1000/-
Five years Membership	INR 4000/-

Institutional Membership (College)	Charges (Including GST)
Annual membership	INR 2000/-
Five years Membership	INR 8000/-

Members Enrolled

Members Enrolled during year 2022-23 are as follows:

S. No.	Membership Type	Members Enrolled
1	Junior Membership	4205
2	Annual Membership	11712
3	2 Year Membership	5124
4	Life Time Membership	4437
5	Institutional Membership	24
	Total	25502

YHAI Owned Hostels Occupancy (Oct-2022 to Sept 2023)

International Youth Hostel New Delhi

S. No.	Month	Beds Occupied
1	Oct-22	3058
2	Nov-22	3783
3	Dec-22	3162
4	Jan-23	7079
5	Feb-23	3656
6	Mar-23	4869
7	Apr-23	2451
8	May-23	2365
9	Jun-23	2239
10	Jul-23	2632
11	Aug-23	2406
12	Sep-23	1526
	Total	39226

International Youth Hostel New Delhi

S. No.	Month	Beds Occupied
1	Oct-22	1945
2	Nov-22	1159
3	Dec-22	1286
4	Jan-23	1192
5	Feb-23	1094
6	Mar-23	1502
7	Apr-23	1520
8	May-23	1684
9	Jun-23	1044
10	Jul-23	1144
11	Aug-23	1328
12	Sep-23	1609
	Total	16507



International Youth Hostel Leh-Ladakh

S. No.	Month	Beds Occupied
1	Oct-22	198
2	Nov-22	32
3	Dec-22	Closed
4	Jan-23	Closed
5	Feb-23	Closed
6	Mar-23	Closed
7	Apr-23	Closed
8	May-23	836
9	Jun-23	400
10	Jul-23	285
11	Aug-23	238
12	Sep-23	214
	Total	2203

International Youth Hostel Darjeeling

S. No.	Month	Beds Occupied
1	Oct-22	452
2	Nov-22	86
3	Dec-22	197
4	Jan-23	96
5	Feb-23	18
6	Mar-23	99
7	Apr-23	325
8	May-23	258
9	Jun-23	233
10	Jul-23	62
11	Aug-23	34
12	Sep-23	118
	Total	2036



Overview of National Adventure Programmes

Sr. No.	Program Name	Start Date	End Date	Postponed Booking	New Registration	Total Booking
1	National Family Adventure cum Training Camp Leh - 2022	07-05-22	04-10-22	33	151	184
2	National Individual Adventure cum Training Camp Leh -2022	07-05-22	04-10-22	28	94	122
3	National Char Dham Trekking cum Training Expedition 2022	14-05-22	14-10-22	17	241	258
4	Leh Couple Adventure Motorbiking cum Training Expedition 2022	24-08-22	03-10-22	11	119	130
5	National Himalayan Trekking Cum Training Expedition Chopta-Chandrashila 2022	10-10-22	20-10-22	8	62	70
6	National Individual Adventure Cum Training Camp North East India 2022	04-11-22	31-01-23	7	83	90
7	National Himalayan Sandakphu Phalut Gurdum Winter Trekking cum Training Expedition 2022	10-12-22	25-12-22	12	242	254
8	National Himalayan Winter Brahmatal Trekking Cum Training Expedition 2022-23	20-12-22	31-12-22	21	156	177
9	National Himalayan Dalhousie Snow Trekking Cum Training Expedition 2022-23	18-12-22	31-12-22	34	438	472
10	National Himalayan Kedarkantha Winter Trekking Cum Training Expedition 2022	14-12-22	01-01-23	83	489	572
11	National Family Camping Cum Training Expedition Srinagar Oct - Nov 2022	25-10-22	14-11-22	2	14	16
12	National Nainital Ranikhet Almora Mountain Cycling Cum Training Expedition 2023	09-02-23	21-02-23	1	11	12
13	National Mountain Cycling cum Training Expedition Jim Corbett 2023	12-01-23	26-01-23	7	83	90
14	National Himalayan Trekking cum Training Expedition Ali Bugyal - Bedni Bugyal : 2023	16-03-23	30-03-23	0	2	2
15	National Himalayan Winter Snow Trekking cum Training Expedition: Naya Tapru -2023	14-02-23	25-02-23	7	79	86



Overview of National Adventure Programmes

16	National Family Adventure Camp - Nainital Jim Corbett 2023	10-01-23	30-01-23	5	37	42
17	National Sela Pass Guwahati - Tawang MTB Cycling & Training Expedition 2023	12-03-23	22-03-23	23	6	29
18	National Himalayan Trekking Cum Training Expedition Chopta-Chandrashila 2023	20-03-23	31-03-23	15	63	78
19	National Snow Skiing Cum Training Program: Auli: 2023	20-01-23	18-02-23	11	126	137
20	National Mountain Biking Cum Training Expedition Tirthan Valley Jalori Pass 2023	07-05-23	17-05-23	4	68	72
21	National Himalayan Trekking cum Training Expedition Sar Pass 2023	20-04-23	31-05-23	187	1042	1229
22	National Family Camping Cum Training Expedition Srinagar May-2023	25-04-23	18-06-23	42	174	216
23	National Himalayan Trekking Cum Training & Nature Study Expedition Dalhousie 2023	21-04-23	11-05-23	3	245	248
24	National Himalayan Nature Study Cum Trekking Cum Training Expedition 15 Miles 2023	01-05-23	15-05-23	2	251	253
25	National Himalayan Trekking Cum Training Expedition Chanderkhani Pass 2023	01-05-23	15-05-23	55	308	363
26	National Family Adventure Cum Training Camp Kullu 2023	24-04-23	18-05-23	7	118	125
27	National Family Camping Cum Training Expedition Lonavala 2023	15-04-23	15-06-23	2	30	32
28	National Individual Adventure Cum Training Camp North East India 2023	01-04-23	17-04-23	1	5	6
29	National Mountain Cycling Cum Training Expedition Manali Leh Khardung La 2023	28-06-23	10-07-23	17	66	83
30	Mysore & Coorg Tour & Sight Seeing	20-01-23	28-04-23	0	19	19
31	Kasol-Grahan Village Weekend Trek	20-01-23	28-04-23	0	16	16



Overview of National Adventure Programmes

32	Dalhousie Trekking cum Training & Adventure Activities	20-01-23	28-04-23	0	11	11
33	Trekking Programme at Nainital	20-01-23	28-04-23	0	1	1
34	Lonavla Trekking & Sight Seeing	20-01-23	28-04-23	0	2	2
35	National Golden Triangle program 2023	20-01-23	23-05-23	4	7	11
36	Ayodhya-Kashi Darshan 2023	07-05-23	23-05-23	2	16	18
37	National Himalayan Trekking cum Training Expedition: Dev Kyara-2023	01-05-23	20-05-23	17	169	186
38	Umling La Pass - World's highest motor able pass Cycling Expedition 2023	13-07-23	13-07-23	4	52	56
39	The Beauty of Eastern India: Darjeeling & Sikkim Individual Tour: 2023	13-05-23	31-05-23	7	92	99
40	National Mountain Cycling cum Training Expedition Leh Lamayuru 2023	29-07-23	07-08-23	1	15	16
41	National Individual Adventure Cum Training Camp Srinagar - 2023	25-05-23	06-06-23	0	10	10
42	Leh Khardungla-Pangong Lake National Adventure Motorbiking Cum Training Expedition-2023	10-06-23	14-08-23	7	26	33
43	National Leh Explore Adventure Cum Training Camp -2023	01-05-23	25-09-23	11	108	119
44	National Himalayan Valley of Flower Trekking Cum Training Expedition-2023	27-07-23	25-08-23	106	790	896
45	National Himalayan Trekking Cum Training Expedition Hampta Pass & Chandertal 2023	16-08-23	25-08-23	40	243	283
46	National Himalayan Trekking Cum Training Expedition Kashmir Great Lakes 2023	06-07-23	31-08-23	105	560	665
Total Bookings					7889	

National President's Visits

1	National President attended National Executive Meeting at International Youth Hostel, New Delhi.	26 th August, 2023
2	National President attended the Platinum Jubilee Celebration of YHAI as a Chief Guest at Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh in Dasapalla Vedika Auditorium.	07 th November, 2023



National Chairman's Visit

1	Visited Mangaluru Unit and Udupi Unit along with Shri Ravi Kumar, State Vice President. Office Bearers of the Unit facilitated the National Chairman. National Chairman apprised the Unit members about YHAI activities and also requested to organise maximum programme on the eve of Platinum Jubilee of YHA India.	23 rd July, 2023
2	National Chairman attended the inauguration function of Beluvai Unit of Karnataka State Branch. He apprised the members about YHAI activities.	24 th July, 2023
3	National Chairman attended the Platinum Jubilee Celebration of YHAI at Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh in Dasapalla Vedika Auditorium. He has given a PPT presentation on YHAI activities to the members.	07 th November, 2023



Organisation of Cultural Programme for the participants of Ministry of Culture

On the request of the Ministry of Culture, YHAI organised a program in border area i.e. at Jaisalmer, Rajasthan (India Pakistan Border area) for participants of the Ministry of Culture to celebrate “Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav” from 15th to 19th December, 2022 in which 15 participants took part. The purpose of this program is to promote mutual cooperation and brotherhood as well as cultural exchange, and also to promote tourism in the areas adjacent to the border. Such type of programme instils the confidence among the people that our government and the army are capable enough in keeping our borders safe and secure.

The programme was organised successfully and enjoyed by the it participants.



Virtual Cultural Program organized to celebrate Republic Day by CPC Members

To celebrate the Republic Day, Cultural Promotion Committee of YHAI organized Cultural Program virtually on 29th January, 2023. Almost 100 participants from all over India joined. Ms Samita Bhowmick, Retd. Joint Secretary, Lok Sabha Secretariat and Secretary, Delhi State Branch elaborated the journey of Free India. After the speech, CPC Members performed Singing, Musical & Dance performances to make the event memorable.



International Women's Day celebration by CPC members Virtually

YHAI celebrated International Women's Day on 12th March, 2023 virtually. This program was organized by CPC members. Four Women were invited to speak about Gender Equality, Women's Health and Innovation and Technology for gender equality etc. They enlightened and encouraged to all the participants and made the program successful.



International Yoga Day Celebration by CPC members

We celebrated International Yoga Day on 21st June, 2023 virtually. This program was organized by CPC members, 16 States participated & they performed different Asanas of Yoga and also explained the importance of each Asana & how this can make the one's life healthy & peaceful. A large number of participants joined the same.





Platinum Jubilee Celebrations of YHAI at Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh

Platinum Jubilee was celebrated of YHAI on 07th Nov, 2023 at Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh. Shri Rajendra Vishwanath Arlekar Ji, Hon'ble Governor of Bihar State and National President, YHAI graced this occasion by his distinguished presence as a Chief Guest. Shri S Venkat Narayanan, National Chairman also attended the meeting and apprised the members about YHAI activities.

The meeting was organised by Andhra Pradesh State Branch and Orissa, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Pondicherry, Telangana states also attended the meeting. Apart from it, 200 youth who are in Youth Exchange program and 100 YHAI members also attended the meeting.



Environment Day Celebrations

Youth Hostels Association of India organized various activities to celebrate World Environment Day on 5 June 2023. All the State Branches with the support of their Units celebrated the special day by creating awareness about the Environment Protection for us and by organising special drives of Plantation in their States. Apart from this, some of our State Branches celebrated the day by organising Children Painting and Art Program, Information Drive of reducing Plastic Usage, Painting and Elocution Competition, Cycle Rallies, Cleanliness programs, training program on Solid Waste management to beat plastic pollution, Bird Conservation Camp and many more.



Election of State Branches

Chhattisgarh State Branch

The election of Chhattisgarh State Branch was held on 18th December, 2022. The following members were elected in the meeting:

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|----|-----------------------|---|----------------------|
| 1. | State President | : | Shri Sunil Vishnoi |
| 2. | State Vice-Presidents | : | Shri Satish Shukla |
| | | : | Shri Hukumchand Jain |
| | | : | Shri Shailesh Shukla |
| 3. | State Chairman | : | Shri Sandeep Seth |
| 4. | State Treasurer | : | Shri Varun Mutha |

Shri K. Subramanyam was nominated as State Secretary of Chhattisgarh State Branch.

Tripura State Branch

The election of Tripura State Branch was held on 12th February, 2023. The following members were elected in the meeting:

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|----|-----------------------|---|-------------------------|
| 1. | State President | : | Shri Sachin Kalai |
| 2. | State Vice-Presidents | : | Shri Dipak kr. Singha |
| | | | Shri Bir Bikram Ghosh |
| | | | Shri Shibendu Deb Barma |
| 3. | State Chairman | : | Shri Bibhuti Deb Barma |
| 4. | State Treasurer | : | Shri SanjoySen |

Sri Sentu Deb Barma has been nominated as the Secretary of the Tripura State Branch

Gujarat State Branch

The election of Gujarat State Branch was held on 8th January, 2023. The following members were elected in the meeting:

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|----|-----------------------|---|---------------------------|
| 1. | State President | : | Shri HarshadBabulal Joshi |
| 2. | State Vice Presidents | : | Shri AkshayHirabhai Patel |
| | | | Shri Rajesh K. Dave |
| | | | Shri KetanAnilbhai Mehta |
| 3. | Chairman | : | Shri Rashmikanth Chhipa |
| 4. | Treasurer | : | Shri M.U. Zaveri |

Shri Bhupatsinh Zala was nominated as State Secretary of the State Branch.



Uttarakhand State Branch

The election of Uttarakhand State Branch was held on 5th February, 2023. The following members were elected in the meeting:

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|----|-----------------------|---|--|
| 1. | State President | : | Shri Shashi Raja |
| 2. | State Vice Presidents | : | Dr. Girija Pandey
Dr. Harbir Singh Randhawa |
| 3. | Chairman | : | Dr. Devendra Bhasin |
| 4. | Treasurer | : | Dr. Ravi Sharn Dixit |

Shri Mohd. Usman Khan was nominated as State Secretary of the State Branch.

Andhra Pradesh State Branch

The election of Andhra Pradesh State Branch was held on 13th August, 2023. The following members were elected in the meeting:

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|----|-----------------------|---|---|
| 1. | State President | : | Dr.VVJ Soma Raju |
| 2. | State Vice Presidents | : | Dr.K. Kondaiah
Shri Abdul Khaliq
Shri RVVN Jagapathi Raju |
| 3. | Chairman | : | Ch. Ravi Paul |
| 4. | Treasurer | : | Shri E. Srinivasa Rao |

Shri Md. Mazhar Ibrahim and Shri Dr. KSPN Varma were nominated as State Secretary and State Organising Secretary respectively of the State Branch.

Telangana State Branch

The election of Telangana State Branch was held on 27th August, 2023. The following members were elected in the meeting:

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|----|-----------------------|---|---|
| 1. | State President | : | Shri Arekapudi Gandhi |
| 2. | State Vice-Presidents | : | Shri S Purushotam
Shri Srikanth Babu Bandu
Shri Vinod Kumar Cuttari |
| 3. | State Chairman | : | Shri SB Venkat Yadav |
| 4. | State Treasurer | : | Shri Krishna Kishor M |

Shri Rama Subramanya Bhavani Sankar B was nominated as State Secretary of Telangana State Branch and Shri Koti Surya Prakash Y was nominated as Organising Secretary of Telangana State Branch.



Rajasthan State Branch

The election of Rajasthan State Branch was held on 03rd September, 2023. The following members were elected in the meeting:

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|----|-----------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| 1. | State President | : | Shri Prakaram Singh Rathore |
| 2. | State Vice-Presidents | : | Shri Azad Singh |
| | | : | Shri Hasana Ram |
| | | : | Shri Dolat Singh Rathore |
| 3. | State Chairman | : | Shri Ratan Singh Bhati |
| 4. | State Treasurer | : | Shri Mool Singh Rathore |

Shri Ghanshyam Khatri was nominated as State Secretary of Rajasthan State Branch and Shri Yashveer Singh Rathore was nominated as Organising Secretary of Rajasthan State Branch.

Uttar Pradesh State Branch

The election of Uttar Pradesh State Branch was held on 24th September, 2023. The following members were elected in the meeting:

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|----|-----------------------|---|-------------------------|
| 1. | State President | : | Shri Kuldeep Lakhtakiya |
| 2. | State Vice-Presidents | : | Shri Anoop Malhotra |
| | | : | Dr. Himabindu Naik |
| | | : | Shri Ashutosh Agarwal |
| 3. | State Chairman | : | Shri J P Sharma |
| 4. | State Treasurer | : | Shri Ravi Prakash Singh |

Shri Vijay Bhushan Jaiswal was nominated as State Secretary of Uttar Pradesh State Branch.

Tamil Nadu State Branch

The election of Tamil Nadu State Branch was held on 24th September, 2023. The following members were elected in the meeting:

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|----|-----------------------|---|-------------------------|
| 1. | State President | : | Shri Panchabekesan |
| 2. | State Vice-Presidents | : | Smt. Girija Seshadri |
| | | : | Dr A Raja |
| | | : | Shri Subam Ganesan |
| 3. | State Chairman | : | Shri S Venkat Narayanan |
| 4. | State Treasurer | : | Shri Jeevanandam |

Shri Vivekanandan was nominated as State Secretary of Tamil Nadu State Branch.



Goa State Branch

The election of Goa State Branch was held on 01st October, 2023. The following members were elected in the meeting:

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|----|-----------------------|---|----------------------------|
| 1. | State President | : | Shri Sidharth Kuncalienker |
| 2. | State Vice-Presidents | : | Shri Ashok Gadag |
| | | : | Shri Laxmidas Mangeshkar |
| | | : | Shri Rajesh Keni |
| 3. | State Chairman | : | Shri Rohidas Naik |
| 4. | State Treasurer | : | Shri Kaustubh Natekar |

Ms Roopa Nair was nominated as State Secretary of Goa State Branch and Shri Pravin Sabnis was Nominated as Organising Secretary of Goa State Branch.

Odisha State Branch

The election of Odisha State Branch was held on 29th October, 2023. The following members were elected in the meeting:

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|----|-----------------------|---|----------------------------|
| 1. | State President | : | Dr. Satyajit Mohanty |
| 2. | State Vice-Presidents | : | Dr. Rudra Narayan Pattnaik |
| | | : | Dr. Kamala Kanta Panigrahi |
| | | : | Shri Narayan Pati |
| 3. | State Chairman | : | Shri Padmanabh Dave |
| 4. | State Treasurer | : | Shri Vivek Saraf |

Shri Prahallad Ch. Pattanaik was nominated as State Secretary of Odisha State Branch.



Purchase land in Himachal Pradesh

As YHAI is organising maximum adventure programmes in Kullu-Manali area of Himachal Pradesh, it had been decided to purchase its own land in Sumarupa, Jari, Near Kasol in Kullu area for the construction of “**YHAI Sumarupa International Youth Hostel and Camp Site**”. It is an ideal place to make it as the base camp of many trekking programmes and it is easily approachable by road.

The Registry of the said land in the name of YHAI was executive on 6th March, 2023. The cost of the land including registration and other legal expenses, was Rs.56,242,010/- including Stamp Duty, Registration Fee, Service Charges and Web Camera Charges, and further Rs.3.5 crores will be required to develop the camp site and construction of a small International Youth Hostel there to provide budgeted facilities to our Youth Hostellers.

It is pertinent to inform you that non-resident of Himachal Pradesh cannot purchase land in that State. With the guidance and support of Shri Rajendra V. Arlekar, National President, YHAI who was also Hon'ble Governor of Himachal Pradesh at that time, YHAI got the permission to purchase the land under Section 118 of HP Tenancy and Land Reforms Act, 1972.

Due to Covid-19, YHAI had to cancel its all summer adventure programmes in 2020 and 2021 and in other programmes also there was less participation. Though the administrative expenses of YHAI were not reduced and a surplus amount was spent to meet the expenses.

Keeping in view of the above, at present YHAI is having shortage of funds to meet construction expenses. But still YHAI again started with great enthusiasm and decided to create a Youth Hostel and Camping Site at Sumarupa, Jari, Near Kasol Kullu of Himachal Pradesh for its Youth Hostellers' benefit with its own funds and from the contribution of their esteemed members who always supported it for strengthening the YH movement.

Therefore, YHAI decided to create a fund named “**YHAI Sumarupa International Youth Hostel and Camp Site Development Fund**” so that a Camp site and International Youth Hostel could be developed there. YHAI appealed to all the Youth Hostellers to contribute a minimum Rs.200/- in this Fund for this noble cause. Members might contribute more as per their wish. This Hostel would provide opportunities to youth of the country to explore that area at a budgeted expense in coming years.

The donation given to YHAI is exempted u/s 80 (g) of Income Tax Act.

YHAI is providing a receipt to every individual who contributes in this fund directly and through State Branches and Units. Further, their contribution with name would be informed to all through social media of YHAI. Members who are contributing Rs.1 lacs or more, their names would be displayed at International Youth Hostel, Sumarupa permanently so that their contribution would be remembered for many years.

The National Office issued receipt books to its State Branches and Units for the purpose.

All were requested to contribute minimum Rs.200/- for the purpose.





Participation in TedX VIT, Pune

YHAI participated in Tedx VIT College event to promote YHAI amongst the youth & students. VIT Pune is one of the renowned colleges of Pune which had hosted the event where 7 speakers presented their thoughts for emerging ideas in the current situation of technology.

Around 400 Students participated. We have installed a YHAI canopy with Standee & Banners to promote YHAI. Several youth visited the YHAI Stall and were pleased to know about YHAI and its activities.

It was a great platform to promote YHAI and its activities among the youth.



State Branches and their Activities

BIHAR STATE BRANCH

Bihar State Branch distributed Mats, Fruits, Biscuits among the childrens of Angan Wadi Kendra at Purnea on 12.7.2023 where State Secretary Mr. A.K. Bose





Bihar State Branch received the cyclists at Danapur, Patna on 22.9.23 who are touring various parts of India on cycle for National Integrity



National Vice President & State Chairman Mr.K.N.Bharat, State Secretary Mr. A.K. Bose and Chairperson, Amrapali Mahila Unit met with National President & Honorable Governor of Bihar Mr. Rajendra Vishwanath Arlekar at Purnea on 19.3.23

Bihar State Branch organised debate and dance competition for school students on 23.8.23 at Purnea where 19 students participated



State Executive/Council meeting held at Ara in the auditorium of Sambhawna Awasiya Uchh Vidyalaya on 6.8.2023

KATIHAR UNIT



On the occasion of World Environment Day, 5th June, 2023, Unit organised Speech competition among the school students of Holy Cross Public School, Katihar. 11 students participated



Rangoli competition organised by the unit on 15.8.2023 on the occasion of Independence Day wherein 11 students participated

On the occasion of Teachers Day ,5th September,2023, 7 teachers of various schools of Katihar were honored and certificates and one sapling plant were given to them.



ARARIA ADHOC UNIT



A meeting of new members of unit held on 27.9.2023 .17 members were present. Mr. M.I. Hasan, Convener of Unit welcome the members and apprised about the YHA movement.

MADHEPURA UNIT



On the occasion of World Environment Day,5th June,2023 ,unit planted 101 sapling plant in the premises of Kiran Public School. Unit Chairman Subhash Chand and Secretary Prabhat Kumar Bharti were present.

PATLIPUTRA UNIT



Dandiya Night organised on 27.10.22 by the Unit and 37 girls participated. 2 top performer were awarded by Sri Sudhir Madhukar, State Vice President. On this occasion Unit Secretary Dr. Namrata Anand was also present.

Music competition organized by the unit on 15.8.2023 and 13 participants were awarded with certificate.



On the occasion of World Environment Day, 5th June, 2023 unit planted 111 plants near Ganga River at Patna. 17 members were present on this occasion.

On the occasion of Environment day, 5th June, 2023 Unit organised a debate competition in Purnea High School, Rambagh wherein 10 students were participated and all the participants, also planted 51 trees in the campus of School.



Due to heavy cold wave, on 23.01.2023 Unit arranged Fire wood at 7 places for the street hawkers and rickshaw pullers. One such type of fire woods arranged at Purnea Court Railway Station where hundreds of passengers are waiting for night train.



On the occasion of Independence Day (15.8.23) unit organised a dance program at Bhatta Bangla Middle School. 28 students of the school participated and awarded by Purnea Unit. Prizes were sponsored by Usha Educational Trust.

A meeting of unit held on 25.6.2023 at Shree Motors Campus regarding the donation for Sumarupa Project. Unit Chairman Sri Sidharth Pratap apprised the members regarding the appeal of National Chairman Mr. S.Venkat Narayanan for donation of dream project "SUMARUPA". He told members that unit should collect atleast Rs. one lac for the project. Unit donated Rs.101000/- and sent to National Office.



SHAHABAD UNIT

On the occasion of World Environment Day, 5th June, 2023 unit planted 201 plants at Ara. Unit Chairman Rama Kant Sinha was present on this occasion.



Unit organized a tour of Dwaraka and Somnath on 22.11.2022. 18 members participated in this program.

Unit organised a family tour of Rajgir under the leadership of Dr. Chaitanya Prakash on 22.12.2022 wherein 10 members participated.



BHAGALPUR UNIT



On the occasion of Children's Day on 14th November, 2022 the Unit organised a 100 mts. race competition for boys and girls at Ram Krishna Ashram Middle School, Bhagalpur. 13 boys and girls participated and prizes were given to participants.

On 5th June, 2023 unit planted 4 litchi tree in the campus of Sri Shyamacharam Yogashram, Barari where Unit Vice President Chandra Sekhar Pandey & Sri Shankaranand Jha and Secretary Shailesh Gupta were present.



CHATTISGARH STATE BRANCH

YHAI CG State with Korba and Bilaspur Unit jointly Organised 3D2N Nature Study Cum Training Program to commemorate the Platinum Jubilee Year of YHA India. 37 Students and Staff of CPWS, Bilaspur.



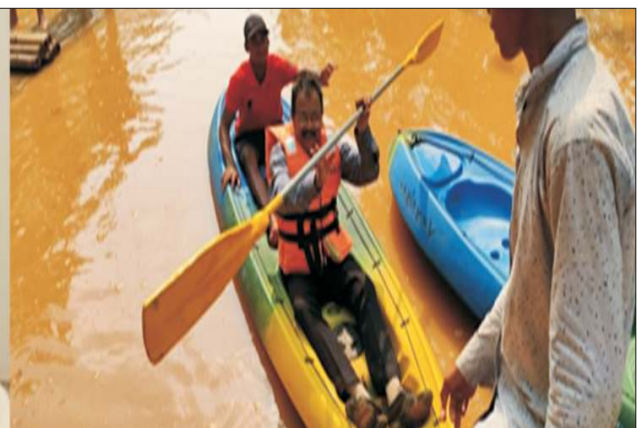
YHAI CG State Organized an interaction session with the Students of Career World Public School, Bilaspur. The session was organized on 14th October at the school Campus. In order to promote YHAI and its activities the session was organized with students and Staff.



An evening with Padmshree , IITian, 74 years of Age , Founder of SPICMACAY, Dr L K Pateria with Students and Staff for Interaction and Involvement of YHAI CG State Branch in Social work.



YHAI CG State participated in Jagdalpur Units meet with CG State members to motivate the team and also did Kayaking and Bamboo Rafting.



CG State jointly with Korba unit organized a Cheer Leader Meet today for our Senior Member Mohal Lal Sahu and Mrs. Renuka. Executive Director of DSPM State Electric Board & PATRON of Korba Unit Shri BD Baghel and Mrs Sonia Baghel were special guest. Program was held at CSEB Senior Club Korba.



Cultural Program Committee Member YHAI CG State Ms. Priyam Khare, on call from National Office informed that National Office requested to give an Instrumental presentation video on Republic Day Celebration 2023. The program was conducted ONLINE on 29th Jan Sunday



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Triennial elections of CG State 2022-2025 conducted successfully today at Hotel Aditya, Raipur. Shri Sooryanarayana sir was the National observer deputed by N.O. Election officer was Mr. Subodh Dewangan



BHILAI UNIT

Exciting trekking in Bhotali Bhujari and Betal Rani Valley on 12.02.2023

Organized one day trekking cum training in Khairagarh Chhuikhadan area, Bhotali Bhujari forest area and Betal Rani valley. About 65 men, women and children of all age groups participated in this exciting trek organized in the dense forest mountain of Chhattisgarh Madhya Pradesh border area, 100 km away from Durg Bhilai.



Youth hostels organized Nari Shakti Samman and family Holi meet on 12.03.2023

Organized Nari Shakti Samman and family Holi Milan on the day of Rang Panchami on the occasion of International Women's Day and Holikotsav. The chief guest of this dignified event organized in a private auspicious courtyard of New Adarsh Nagar Durg was the first chairperson of Chhattisgarh State Hair style Welfare Board and famous Chollywood film actress Ms. Mona Sen.



Awareness Campaign on 12.09.2023

Nature conservation public awareness campaign was conducted by Youth Hostels Association of India Bhilai unit in collaboration with Government Danveer Tularam Postgraduate College, Utai. This campaign was organized by the college. It was completed by the girl students of CC unit.



Hindi Diwas - Language is the basis of all existence on 14.09.2023

Hindi Diwas was organized under the joint aegis of Youth Hostels Association of India Bhilai unit and Hindi Department of Government Danveer Tularam Post Graduate College, Uta. On this occasion, 20 participants wrote essays and emphasized on the Hindi language and its interrelationship with other languages and their collective development through their views.



Organized One Day Bike Ride & Adventure cum Trekking Expedition Under The Slogan Platinum Jubilee of YHA India on 08.10.2023

Organized One day Bike Ride & Adventure cum Trekking Expedition on 8th Oct 2023 under the slogan Platinum Jubilee Year of YHA India. Youth hostellers enjoyed exciting adventure trekking in Sarai Patera and fascinating natural beauty and water sports in Thadha-pani Waterfall. In this bike adventure cum trekking organized with the aim of environmental protection and 100 percent voting awareness, the participants covered a total distance of 300 km in one day.



Diwali Celebration on 11.11.2023

On the occasion of Deepotsav, Bhilai unit discharged its social responsibility by distributing crackers, sweets and oil lamps among the children in the labor colony near Bhilai Nagar Railway Station area.



DHAMTARI UNIT

Dhamtari Unit Chhattisgarh State Branch organised as per tradition, on the occasion of Sharad Purnima, visited Lolar Dai Temple on 28 October 2023. Temple is situated in the jungle, 20 km away from Dhamtari,



Dhamtari Unit Chhattisgarh State Branch organised 1 day trek to Gautam Rishi and Khallari temple on 18th November during the holy festival of Navratri.

YHAI Dhamtari Unit CG State organized 1 day trekking & training program for the school Teachers. One day program was organized on 1st Oct Sunday to Narsingh Nath Temple Waterfall and Patora Dam in which around 35 teachers and their families participated.



Organized one day trekking and training program to Shishupal on 20.08.2023 under the Slogan Platinum Jubilee Year of YHA India. Shishupal is around 250KM from Dhamtari. 50 members

Organized a program of flag hoisting under the aegis of the District Drug Dealers Association. In which the Vice President of the organization Shri Manish Chandrakar, Chairman Yogesh Gupta, Satram Vasani, Rahul Gupta, Raj Kiran and other members participated.



Chairman Yogesh Gupta said that under the leadership of EPC Subodh Mahawar, a free camp for Pollution under Control Certificate (PUC) was organized for all types of vehicles on 12.07.2023. A quiz related to environmental awareness was also held in this camp. This was a widely appreciated program

Celebrated 9th YOGA Day with ZUMBA on 21.06.23

On the occasion of yoga day a Yoga Program organized by Dhamtari unit 70 members participated. Dhamtari CPC member Ms. Parminder Gill along with Unit President Hukum Chand Jain and Chairman Yogesh Gupta ji streamlined the program.





The office bearers of the Dhamtari unit of YHAI paid a courtesy visit to the Divisional Forest Officer, Dhamtari. Chairman Yogesh Gupta informed the Forest Officer about the form prepared by the organization in which measures have been given to protect wild elephants

Organised One day trekking cum training program in Shringi Rishi Parvat Sihawa on 20.12.2022

Adventure program constituted of crossing the mountain by rope, campfire, tea breakfast, lunch and dinner. State Team congratulate Yogesh Gupta ji Chairman Dhamtari and Ramesh ji APC CG State for successfully organizing the program





YHAI Dhamtari unit CG State organized a cleanliness rally to commemorate the birthday of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi. In which the members of Youth Hostel Dhamtari unit were present in large numbers.

Organized a bike trekking and training program and plantation at Panwai Dam. In which fruit plants were planted and scattered in the wooded area among various types of fruits



JAGDALPUR ADOC UNIT

A felicitation program in Honor of HISTORY CREATED by 7-year-old Shravani Dubey on 09.06.2023

A little angel of the Jagdalpur city has created a new history in the Himalayan Trekking and Expedition campaign. This little doll Shravani Dubey has done such a wonderful thing, which makes elders sweat. Shravani climbed a mountain of thirteen and a half thousand feet height in a trekking campaign and took the title of becoming the first girl of Chhattisgarh and Madhya Pradesh to climb such a height. Shravani accompanied her father to participate in the Himalayan Trekking cum Expedition organized by the Youth Hostel Association of India at DEV KYARA in Uttar Kashi district of Uttarakhand.



Jointly with CG State Branch organized a sapling plantation in a protected park on 05.06.2023



World Environment Day. Around 20-member team was present. Saplings of Guava, Neem, Amla, Almond etc. were planted on the occasion

YHAI Jagdalpur Unit Participated in DALPAT SAGAR Clean Drive Program.



Organized Meeting with CG State members to motivate the team and also did Kayaking and Bamboo Rafting 24.05.23





Every year in Jagdalpur on the eve of Kartik Purnima Lamps (DIYAs) are enlighten on the bank of Dalpat Sagar. This year also 1.81 Lakh Diya's are lit. Unit collected fund from its members and donated 21000 Diya's and One Tin of Oil for the same.



40 members of Palakol unit had a two daysprogram of Jagdalpur trekking, training cum environmental protection program. They also visited places like Chitrakot, Balaji temple, Danteshwari temple, Tirathgarh etc.



KORBA UNIT

Youth Hostel Korba Unit celebrated Diwali Milan on 19.11.2023 by Honoring Senior Citizens

Youth Hostel Korba Unit celebrated Diwali Milan on 19.11.2023 by honoring senior citizens. YHAI members of Nehru Nagar Korba organised a Diwali Milan Samaroh today at nehru Nagar. The main motto of the Milan Samaroh was to honour the senior citizen. Senior Citizens were honoured with Shawals and Shreefal. The program was organised by female members of YHAI Poonam, Kalpana, Shivani, Ritika.



YHAI Korba unit CG State under the Slogan Platinum Jubilee Year of YHA India participated in the Swachh Bharat Mission 01.10.23



YHAI Korba unit CG State under the Slogan Platinum Jubilee Year of YHA India participated in the Swachh Bharat Mission. Yhai korba unit got privileged as they received the letter from Municipal corporation to participate in SWATCH BHARAT MISSION to be held on 1st Oct. Satish Shukla, President Korba unit took the responsibility and coordinated the team for the joint program. One hour of clean drive was conducted by the team.

Saplings plantation program on the occasion of 77th Independence Day 15.08.23

Many saplings were planted in Nandbag and nearby areas of Balco. Participants were Korba President Satish Shukla, Mr. Rahul Gupta, Mr. Shailendra Namdeo, Mrs. Seema Shukla along with State Chairman Sandeep Seth.



Organized a sapling plantation at CSEB park jointly with Sanskar Bharti Korba on 04.06.23

Korba unit jointly with Sanskar Bharti Korba CG organized a sapling plantation at CSEB park on the eve of World Environment Day in June 2023. Members took an oath to protect and nurture the environment which was given by the Chief Guest Shri BD Baghel Patron Korba Unit and Executive Director of DSPM power plant. Saplings of Neem, Laxmitaru etc. were planted on the occasion. The saplings were planted in the protected area where watering will not be a problem on daily basis.



Organized a Cheer Leader Meet 30.04.23

Organized a Cheer Leader Meet today for our Senior Member Mohal Lal Sahu and Mrs. Renuka. Executive Director of DSPM State Electric Board & PATRON of Korba Unit Shri BD Baghel and Mrs. Sonia Baghel were special guest. Program was held at CSEB Senior Club Korba. Program started with memories of 25 years of Mr M L Sahu in YHAI, followed by Cake cutting ceremony, Karaoke songs, Group Photography followed by dinner. ML Sahu ji was awarded with life time award at the ceremony. Program was organized under the leadership of Shri Satish Shukla, Sandeep Seth, Manoj Mishra and Atul Gupta. Members who helped in coordination were Mrs. Reena Mishra, Mr. PL Mirendra, Shailendra Namdeo and other members of YHAI. Many members along with Senior members Mrs. Suman Seth, Mrs. Sharma, Shyam, Vijesh, Nilu were present in the program. Around 70 members were present in the program.



YHAI Korba Unit CG State organized a Health Check up camp for the villagers and YHAI members at Saroda Dadar, Chilpi Ghati on 6th November 2022

Dr. Nishant Agrawal, State Executive member of YHAI Chhattisgarh State Branch actively helped in organizing the program. He conducted the health camp for all the YHAI members and poor villagers FREE of COST. During the health checkup Blood Pressure, Sugar, Fever etc, was checked by him. He also distributed medicines to the poor villagers. Around 60 persons took the advantage of the Medical Camp. (Dr. Nishant informed YHAI that he will always try to conduct such camp when ever where ever he gets a chance.



RAIGARH UNIT

YHAI Raigarh Unit CG State with its Institutional Member O.P. Jindal School had an interaction program with Dr. Kiran Seth, Padmashree, IITian and founder of SPICMACAY (Society for Promotion of Indian Classical Music and Culture Among the Youth) on 15.09.2023.

Organized joint plantation program with Students of O P Jindal School (Institutional Member of YHAI) on the occasion of World Environment Day 06.06.2023.

Saplings of fruit and flowers were planted by the team. Unit Chairman Ajay Jaiswal, Treasurer Subash Panda, Secretary Shaiju Abraham and Member Mahendra Dansena were present. Students were given responsibility to water the plants daily in morning and evening hours by Chairman. The program for organized under the leadership of Ajay Jaiswal and Subash Panda. State President Sunil Vishnoi, Chairman Sandeep Seth, Secretary K Subramanyam and other members congratulated the team for the noble work.



Drawing and Painting Competition on 20.11.22

Organized an Inter School drawing & painting competition on World Childrens Day 20.11.2022 at Ramkrishna Vivekananda Mission, Raigarh. Around 80 School students participated in the program. The competition was categorized into 4 different categories age wise, and further sub categorized on the Topic a) Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav b) Environment and c) Awareness to avoid Single Use Plastic. The results will be declared soon after the judgment. The program was conducted under the supervision of



Unit Vice President Shri Babua Das. Chairman Shri Ajay Jaiswal and Treasurer Shri Subash Panda streamlined the whole program and were well supported by Vice President Shri Prashant Mishra and Secretary Shaiju Abraham. Unit President Shri Sanjay Debnath informed that many more such programs will be conducted in future. State Chairman Shri Sandeep Seth congratulated the whole team for the successful completion of the program.

Warm Welcome of Shri Mr. Chandan Samazder by Unit & O P Jindal School Raigarh on 18.11.22

Warmly welcomed Mr. Chandan Samazder (Life Member of YHAI CG State), a 62 years man with a mission, who was on a 4500 KM cycle tour from Bilaspur to Nepal with the motto of Indo-Nepal friendship trip. As a concluding part of his long travel, he reached Raigarh yesterday. Raigarh Unit Members Sanjay Debnath, Ajay Jaiswal, Shaiju Abraham, Subash Panda, Laxman Dubey, Ashwini Sahu and many other YHAI members along with small kids welcomed him. Students of O.P. Jindal School (Institutional Member of YHAI) had an interactive session with him followed by the certificate distribution and musical programme. State Chairman Sandeep Seth has extended his best wishes to Mr. Chandan on the successful culmination of his journey.



DELHI STATE BRANCH

Dayara Bugyal Trekking Cum Training Expedition October 2022

Dayara Bugyal Trekking cum Training Expedition was organized by Delhi State Branch in October 2022; Total 35 members participated in one group from different parts of the country. The Programme, which was for 06 Days/05 Nights, was very successful.



Cultural Programme December 2022.

Cultural Programme was organized by CPC, Delhi State Branch on the eve of National Executive and Council Meeting of YHAI on 03rd December 2022.



Munsiyari Khaliya Top Trekking Cum Training Expedition April 2023

Munsiyari Khaliya Top Trekking cum Training Expedition was organized by Delhi State Branch in April 2023; Total 155 members participated from different parts of the country. Participants enjoyed the full snow during the Programme, which was for 07 Days/06 Nights, was very successful.



Dodital Darwa Pass Trekking Cum Training Expedition May 2023

Dodital Darwa Top Trekking cum Training Expedition was organized by Delhi State Branch in May 2023. On request, we organized this programme for family members, Total 34 members from Nasik joined this programme and they enjoyed fully and Programme was very successful.



Bhrigu Lake Trekking Cum Training Expedition June 2023

Bhrigu lake Trekking cum Training Expedition was organized by Delhi State Branch in June 2023 with 101 participants in all, coming from different parts of the country. The Programme, which was for 06 Days/05 Nights, was very successful and thoroughly enjoyed by the participants.



World Environment Day June 2023

On the occasion of the World Environment Day, which is celebrated every year on 5 June, YHAI Delhi State Branch organized a tree plantation programme at YHAI Office Premises. Five plants were planted by our office bearers and guests. Shri Hemant Pandey, TV Actor was also present during programme and he also planted a tree at YHAI Premises. Office Bearers of YHAI, Delhi State Branch and CEO YHAI informed him about Youth Hostels activities, he was very happy to be a part of this programme, later; Two years Individual membership was presented to him as an honour by the National Office.



Adi Kailash Om Parvat May-June, 2023

Adi Kailash OM Parvat Expedition was organized by Delhi State Branch; a total of around 100 members participated reported in four batches from different parts of the country. **Shri Manoj Johri**, National Treasurer, YHAI also participated with his wife as a participants in the third batch. Indeed the Programme was very successful.





Manimahesh Trekking Cum Training Expedition August 2023

Manimahesh Kailash Yatra was organized by Delhi State Branch in month of August 2023. Total 11 members in a single group participated in this programme.



Independence Day Celebration- August 2023

Delhi State branch celebrated the Independence Day at the YHAI premises in Chanakyapuri. The event commenced with an aura of patriotism as the tricolor was hoisted with dignity and pride. Gracing the occasion were dignitaries including Shri K.L. Sharma, President, DSB who had the honor of hoisting the flag along with Miss Samita Bhowmick Secretary, and O.S.D. Shri Walia Ji. Children from Sanjay Camp, a slum colony in the Chanakyapuri area, were also invited to participate in flag hoisting ceremony and Drawing Competition.



Founders Day Celebration August 2023

A cultural programme was organized by Delhi State Branch on the occasion of Founders Day on 26 August 2023 in recreation hall of YHAI.





Dodital Darwa Pass Trekking Cum Training Expedition September 2023

Dodital Darwa Pass trek was organized by Delhi State Branch total 53 members participated and enjoyed fullest.



YHAI GUJARAT STATE

Workshop on Role of YHAI in Wildlife Conservation on 02-10-2022

On the occasion of Wildlife Protection Week from 2nd 8th Oct, 2022, YHAI Gujarat State Branch organised a Workshop on 2nd Oct, 2022 about the Role of YHAI in protection of Wildlife in collaboration with the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ahmedabad Rural, Forest Department, Government of Gujarat. The Wildlife Protection Week was celebrated in Gujarat State from 2nd 8th Oct, 2022 by the Forest department. The workshop was organised by the State Environment Protection Committee of Gujarat State Branch and Ahmedabad main Unit. 36 State and Unit officials participated in this workshop.

YHAI is associated with the environment protection and Save Wildlife projects and related activities and such programs are organized regularly at National, State and Unit level to create the awareness in the society.

Shree Udaybhai Vora IFS (Retd) Ex- Principal Conservator of Forest of Gujarat State and Co- Chairman of National Environment Protection Committee of YHAI who is also a life member of YHAI for a long time, was the Coordinator of this workshop. He explained to the members about saving the Ecology and Environment, Wildlife Protection, to maintain the Forests clean, Bird watching and Bird sanctuaries, Tree plantation and many other topics in detail during the workshop.

Dr. T. Karuppasamy I.F.S., the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Social Forestry, Ahmedabad, remained present during the entire seminar and explained in detail about the Wildlife Protection and to save the environment and our role in this regard. The Gujarat State branch thanked Shree Udaybhai Vora Sir and D.C.F. Dr. T. Karuppasamy and mementoes presented to both of them. The State Branch also thanked the Staff of Forest department for providing all the help for this workshop.

Shree Yashpalsinh Jhala the President of Ahmedabad Main Unit, State E.P.C. Convener Sh. Vinodbhai Ukani and State Secretary Sh. B. R. Zala coordinated the arrangements of the workshop.

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Dalhousie Family Gathering Oct-Nov, 2022

YHAI Gujarat State Branch organised a 6 day and 5 nights Family gathering Program during the Deepavali vacation 2022 in collaboration with the Government Youth Hostel Dalhousie (H.P.) from 22nd Oct to 11th Nov, 2022 in 4 batches exclusively for the YHAI members of Gujarat State branch. Total 231 members participated in this Program. All the arrangements were made by the Manager, Dalhousie Government Youth Hostel and staff. The participants visited the famous places of Dalhousie, Khajjiar, Chamba, Kalatop etc. Many of them also experienced the adventure activities of Rock Climbing and rappelling. Sh. Mukeshbhai Padsala, State Vice President and Sh. B. R. Zala, State Secretary were the Co-Ordinators.



Clean Dalhousie Campaign

In this family gathering, some nature lovers from the Bilimora and Bapunagar Units of YHAI were the participants. During the camp, they observed lots of garbage thrown by tourists in the city area of Dalhousie and realized the urgent requirement of cleaning. They put the matter in front of the Manager of Youth Hostel Mr. Devinder Sharma. He took a call appreciating the idea. With the help of the Municipal Council and local Nature Club, a clean-up drive was arranged on 5th Nov, 2022. After observing the outsiders cleaning their city, local people also joined the clean-up drive. Including participants of family gathering, around 50 persons joined the cleaning campaign and around 30 kg of garbage waste collected. The whole event was conducted under the guidance of Mr. Devinder Sharma of Youth Hostel, Dalhousie, Mr. Deepak Malvia and Mr. Manoj Soni of YHAI Bilimora Unit, Mr. Mukesh Padsala, State Vice President of Gujarat State Branch and local person Mr. Ankush. The event showed the concern of YHAI towards nature and its conservation. The participants from YHAI Bilimora and Bapunagar Unit gave a clear message of 'United India', 'Clean India' and 'Green India'.



Marine National Park Beyt Dwarka

A state level Marine National Park Program was organised by the YHAI Gujarat State Branch and Okha Unit from in the month of November and December 2023 in two batches at Beyt Dwarka. In this Program, a total 47 members participated from different states. They watched and experienced the rare Marine Life and real colourful Corals in Marine National Park, enjoyed their stay at very clean sandy Beach, enjoyed the Boat safari in the Sea of Beyt Dwarka. They visited the famous holy temple of Dwarkadhish and a Blue Flag Beach Shivrajpur.

Shree Ratansingh Bhati, the ex-State Secretary of Rajasthan State Branch of YHAI was the guest of honour for this Program. He appreciated the arrangement of the Program. Sh. Jayeshbhai Ramavat, the Chairman of Okha Unit was the Field Director.



Gir Forest Trekking, Training and family Camping Program

Gujarat State Branch and Junagadh Unit organised a National level Gir Forest Trekking Program and a Family camping Program from 20th to 25th December 2022 at Junagadh. Total 74 members participated in this Program. They trekked in the Gir Forest area, on a Sea Beach of Aadri and climbed to Mount Girnar. Families visited the Sasan Gir forest area and Asiatic Lion sanctuary. They visited the holy Somnath Temple and Dwarkadhish Temple and Shivrajpur Blue Flag Beach. The participants were from Bihar, Delhi, Goa, Gujarat, Karnataka, Kerala, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu and West Bengal. It was a successful Program and appreciated by the participants.

Sh. Ketanbhai Mehta, the State Vice President and Secretary of Junagadh Unit was the Field Director.





Dalhousie Family Gathering April and August, 2023

YHAI Gujarat State Branch organised a 6 day and 5 nights Family gathering Programs at Dalhousie Youth Hostel from 14th to 19th April, 2023 with 24 members and then from 12th to 17th Aug, 2023 with 81 members in collaboration with the Government Youth Hostel Dalhousie (H.P.) for the YHAI members of Gujarat State branch. Participants visited the famous places of Dalhousie, Khajjiar, Chamba, Kalatop etc. Many of them also experienced the adventure activities of Rock Climbing and rappelling. Shree A. G. Parmar, State Organising Secretary and Shree B. R. Zala, State Secretary were the Co-ordinators.

Tapovan Trekking Program 2023

YHAI Gujarat State Branch organised a Tapovan Trekking cum Training Expedition in Uttarakhand from 11th June to 20th June, 2023. A total of 25 members participated in this high-altitude Trekking Expedition. Shree Amarshibhai Dharajia, the State APC Chairman rendered services as the Program In-charge.



Monsoon Masti in Dangs, Trekking and Training Program, August 2023

A State level 'Monsoon Masti in Dangs' Program was organised in two batches consecutive 3rd time from 12th to 19th Aug, 2023 by the YHAI Gujarat State Branch and Bilimora Unit in the dense forest and number of waterfalls in Dang Forest of Gujarat State. Total **197** members from different States participated in this Program. Maximum participants were from Maharashtra.

The National Vice President Sh. J. K. Srivastava attended the Program as a Chief guest and **Sh. Sushil Chikara**, the State Treasurer of Delhi State Branch was invited as the guest in first batch of the Program. Sh. Mihirbhai Raval, the Chairman of Bilimora Unit was the Field Director.





Youth Hostel week celebration, August 2023

To celebrate the international Founders Day of Youth Hostelling on 26th August, the YHAI Gujarat State Branch of YHAI celebrated "YOUTH HOSTEL WEEK" from 20th to 28th August, 2023 (9-Days).

All the Units were requested to organise minimum one program or event daily during the celebration week. **16 Units** participated in celebration and organised total **93 Programs** in this Youth Hostel Week 2023. Wherein a record **4753 members participated**. It was the most successful Program of the Gujarat State Branch of YHAI. The State President Sh. Harshadbhai Joshi was the Co-ordinator of this event.

S. No.	Name of Unit	Total No. Of Programs organised	Total No. of Members Participated
1	Anand	6	104
2	Bhavnagar	12	638
3	Bilimora	7	148
4	Dhoraji	7	715
5	Gandhinagar	1	26
6	Jamnagar	5	5
7	Junagadh	9	261 + 1000 National Flag distributed
8	Palanpur	12	1073 + 25 Kit distributed
9	Palitana	7	195
10	Porbandar	2	48
11	Rajkot	8	444
12	Sabarmati	1	62
13	Sanand	4	256
14	Surat	1	125
15	Vadodara	3	90
16	Wanakbori	8	147
	Total	93	4753

Gir Forest Exploration and Trekking cum Training Program, September, 2023

A State level Gir Exploration, Trekking and Training Program was organised from 21st to 24th Sep, 2023 (one batch) by the Gujarat State Branch and Junagadh Unit. Total **34** Members from different State branches joined this Program. Sh. Harshadbhai Rank, the Chairman of Junagadh Unit and Sh. Mukeshbhai Desai, President of Junagadh Unit were the Field Directors.

KERALA STATE BRANCH

Bird Conservation Camp Thattekkad Bird Sanctuary Idukki Wildlife Division

A bird conservation camp was conducted on June 10 and 11, 2023 at Thattekkad Bird Sanctuary. Shri S Venkat Narayanan, National Chairman of Youth Hostels Association of India inaugurated the camp. 45 delegates participated in the camp.



Agastyamala Trekking 2023

"Agastyamala Trekking and Training 2023" was organized for five days from April 28, 2023 under State Committee. Members from different states participated in the trek.



MALAPPURAM UNIT

Swachh Seva Cleanliness Shramadhan Program

Malappuram Unit organized Swachh Seva cleaning activities on 1st October, 23. More than 100 members from various centers of the district participated in the drive & collected plastic waste at Mini Ooty area, near Vengara.



YHAI Malappuram Unit Organised Village Walk Program As A Part Of Golden Jubilee Celebration Of Youth Hostelling In India

YHAI Malappuram Unit organized one day village walk programme on 23 Aug, 2023, enjoying the serene beauty and greenery of Keezhur Village in neighboring Palakkad District. The distance covered was more than 9 Kms. 40 participants including women and children participated.



Planting of bamboo saplings in Tirur Thunjan Memorial Govt. College



As part of Environment Day celebration, YHAI Malappuram Unit planted several bamboo saplings in the campus of Government College Tirur.

World Environment Day Celebrations

YHAI Malappuram Unit organised two major programs as part of the environmental Day celebrations 2023. The major initiative by Unit was to collect plastic garbage leftover the surfaces of Tirur River. The cleaning campaign was inaugurated by the Tirur Sub Collector Sri Sachin Kumar Yadav, IAS. M.



International Day of the Girl Child Observed

YHAI Malappuram Unit observed International Day of Girl Child. As part of the Day Celebration YHAI Officials including State Chairman Sri M. Aboo Backer gathered at Kerala School for the blind students at Vallikkapatta, Mankada near Malappuram.



KANNUR UNIT

Kannur Unit organized Environment Day celebration at UP School, Ariyil, Kannur. Adv. Mohammad Jafar K. inaugurated the Environment Day program. After the inauguration unit conducted awareness class against plastic pollution. Prominent Environmentalist Sri. PC Zacaria, Dr. Vivekandan MV (ICAR) Rtd. Adv. Vasantha Kumar Mr. Muhammad Shafi, YHAI Unit Secretary were the speakers.



Under the Kannur Unit, Natural bio diversity study program was organized and the camp was held at Alakkot, Madaipara.



Palukachimala Trekking



Trekking to Palukachimala in Kannur was organized on 26 & 27 November, 2022.

FEROK UNIT

On June 5, 2023, YHAI Ferok Unit organized trees plantation programme in the premises of Guruvayoorappan College, Kozhikode as part of the Environment Day celebrations.

IDUKKI UNIT



YHAI Idukki Unit celebrated World Environment Day

MG UNIVERSITY UNIT

Environment day celebration of Mahatma Gandhi University YHAI unit inaugurated by Controller of Examination Mr Sreejith C.M. They distributed sapling also.



KOLLAM UNIT



YHAI Kollam Unit celebrated World Environment Day with various programs. Smt. Sreeja Municipal Chairperson Paravoor Kollam, Sri Nedungolam Raghu, Sri Vadakkevila Sasi, Sri Prabodh Kandachira and others participated in the Tree Plantation program held at Nedungolam Government Hospital.

International Day of the Girl Child

YHAI Kollam Unit celebrated International Day of Girl Child at Paravoor Kottappuram Lower Primary School.



VARKALA UNIT

YHAI Varkala Unit celebrated World Environment Day.



Parambikkulam Nature Study Camp



25 members participated in a nature study camp at Parambikulam Tiger National Park under the YHAI Varkala Unit.

THIRUVANANTHAPURAM UNIT

Freedom Fighter Vakkam Moulavi Memorial Speech and Anti-Drugs Campaign

Under the auspices of the Thiruvananthapuram Unit, the Youth Hostels Association organized a campaign to create awareness among students and youth against the increasing use of drugs. Shri VM Sudheeran, former State Health Minister and Assembly Speaker, inaugurated the campaign. He also delivered a memorial speech about Vakkom Mohammed Abdul Khader Moulavi (28 December 1873–31 October 1932), popularly known as Vakkom Moulavi, who was a social reformer, teacher, prolific writer, Muslim scholar, journalist, freedom fighter and newspaper proprietor in Travancore, a princely state of the present-day Kerala. YHAI Trivandrum unit organized a Memorial Speech in Trivandrum Press Club Hall.





MAHARASHTRA STATE BRANCH

S. No	NAME OF THE PROGRAMS	NAME OF THE ORGANISER	DATE - FROM /TO	REGION	VISITING POINT/REMARK
1	Amboli Monsoon Program 2022	YHAI Maharashtra State Branch	16-18 Oct, 2022	Sahyadri Kokan	Amboli Ghat, Amboli Waterfall, Hiranyakeshi Temple, Nangartas waterfall, Mahadevgad Point, Baba waterfall, Chaukul Plateau ,Ex Amboli
2	Heritage Walk 2022	YHAI Maharashtra State Branch	18-Dec, 2022	Lonavala	Bhaje Balgram, Bhaje Caves, Lohagad, different Cultural Activities Of Maharashtra Culture
3	Lonavala Camping And Heritage Tour	YHAI Maharashtra State Branch & Pimpri Chinchwad Unit	26-29 Dec, 2022	Lonavala	Karla Akavira Temple - Caves, Bhaje Caves, Lohagad Fort, Pawana Damp, Bedse Caves, Aamby Valley, Nandgav Balgram, Lonawala/ Khandala Different Points, Wax Museum, Narayandham Temple.
4	Lonawala Camping And Heritage Tour	YHAI Maharashtra State Branch & Pimpri Chinchwad Unit	2- 5 Jan, 2023	Lonavala	Karla Ekavira Temple - Caves, Bhaje Caves, Lohagad Fort, Pawana Damp, Bedse Caves, Aamby Valley, Nandgav Balgram, Lonawala/ Khandala Deffrent Points, Wax Museum, Narayandham Temple.
5	Mahabaleshwar Heritage Tour	YHAI Maharashtra State Branch & Satara- Mahabaleshwar Unit	5-8 Jan, 2023	Mahabal eshwar	Ganapati Mandir wai, Krushna Ghat, Panchgani Tribal Museum, Munavale - Shivsagar Koyana Dam, Shembdi Math, Vasota Darshan, Mahabaleshwar Ponints, Pratapgad, Strawberry Garden
6	Toranmal Hill Station and Kathi Holi Festival 2023	YHAI Maharashtra State Branch & Nandurbar Unit	4-8 March, 2023	Satpuda	Hill Station Toranmal, Narmada River ghat, Prati-kashi-Prakasha, Holi Festival Kathi



7	Lonavala Pawana Camping 2023	YHAI Maharashtra State Branch	17-20 April, 2023	Lonavala	Karla ekavira Temple - Caves, Bhaje Caves, Lohagad Fort, Pawana Damp, Bedse Caves, Aamby Valley, Nandgaon Balgram, Lonawala/ Khandala Different Points, Wax Museum, Narayandham Temple.
8	Lonavala Pawana Camping 2023	YHAI Maharashtra State Branch	25-28 May, 2023	Lonavala	Karla ekavira Temple - Caves, Bhaje Caves, Lohagad Fort, Pawana Dam, Bedse Caves, Aamby Valley, Nandgav Balgram, Lonawala/ Khandala Different Points, Wax Museum, Narayandham Temple.
9	Lonavala Pawana Camping 2023	YHAI Maharashtra State Branch	5-8 June, 2023	Lonavala	Karla ekavira Temple - Caves, Bhaje Caves, Lohagad Fort, Pawana Dam, Bedse Caves, Aamby Valley, Nandgaon Balgram, Lonawala/ Khandala Different Points, Wax Museum, Narayandham Temple.
10	Mahabaleshwar Heritage Camping 2023	YHAI Maharashtra State Branch	15-18 May, 2023	Mahabaleshwar	Program Postpond
11	Matheran Mansoon Masti 2023	YHAI Maharashtra State Branch & Vasai unit	7-9 Aug, 2023	Matheran	Different 20 Points in Matheran Hill Station.
12	Mahabaleshwar Mansoon Bhramanti 2023	YHAI Maharashtra State Branch & Satara Mahabaleshwar Unit	4-7 Sep, 2023	Mahabaleshwar	Ganapati Mandir wai, Krushna Ghat, Panchgani Tribal Museum, Munavale - Shivsagar Koyana Damp, Shembdi Math, Vasota Darshan, Mahabaleshwar Points, Pratapgad, Strawberry Garden, Rivarse waterfalls, Thoseghar Waterfall, Ling-Mala Waterfall And Kas-Pathar

MEGHALAYA STATE BRANCH

On 22nd October 2022 one day local trekking expedition was organized by East Khasi Hills district Adhoc Unit and Mairang Adhoc Unit. More than 120 participants took part in the programme.



From 28th October 2022 to 9th November 2022 5th **Meghalaya Trekking and Caving Expedition 2022** was organized by YHAI Meghalaya State Branch. More than 110 participants took part in the expedition.



In the month of February 2023 (4th February 2023 to 15th February 2023) 2nd **Explore Mesmerizing Meghalaya Trekking and Caving Expedition** was held by YHAI Meghalaya State Branch. A total of 60 participants took part in the Expedition.



In the month of August 2023 (12th August 2023) a tree plantation drive was organized by YHAI Meghalaya State Branch



Celebration of 114th Founders Day of Youth Hostelling was organized by YHAI Meghalaya State Branch was held at Govt. Youth Hostel, Shillong



A one day Local Trekking Expedition was organized by East Khasi Hills District Unit on 23rd September 2023. More than 70 participants participated in the expedition.



ODISHA STATE BRANCH

YHAI Rourkela unit under the Odisha State Branch has always been organizing various socio-cultural activities throughout the year for all the age groups.

The 3rd Basant Mallick Memorial River Bank Trekking and Training Program was organized where 115 youth participated in the program from different Organization/Institute



YHAI rally from Rourkela to Debrigarh flagged off on **23rd December** by Hon'ble MLA Rourkela & Chairman Sundergarh District Planning Committee Sri Sarada Prasad Nayak for astounding success of World Cup Hockey & wild life protection /Clean & Green/Road Safety etc. 62 participants participated in the program

National Youth day celebration at YHAI Rourkela



TAMIL NADU STATE BRANCH**Chennai - Pondicherry - Chennai Cycling Program**

Our Tamil Nadu State Branch had organized 2 groups of Cycling Program between Chennai and Pondicherry on November 2022. Also It organized 2 groups of Cycling Program between Pondicherry and Chennai simultaneously. Our National Chairman Mr. S. Venkat Narayanan inaugurated this Cycling Program in presence of Secretary Mr. Vivekanandan. President Mr. Panchabikesan had given Felicitation address on this occasion. Treasurer Jeevanandam, Baskar, Subramani, Koothan Manohar, Suboth Srivastav, Radhakrishnan and all State Council Members had attended the occasion. Pondicherry State Branch all YHAI Faculties Including Chairman Ezhilan had welcome all at Pondicherry Youth Hostels. Around 100 Participants had participated in this Cycling Program.

**Nilgris Trekking**

Our State Branch had organized Trekking Program at Nilgris Hills on December 2022. Around 60 Participants from Military Engineering Service Officers from MCR HRD Institute had attended in this Trek. Trekking Route - Ooty - Parsans Valley - Portimund - Pandiyar - Naduvattam - Mudumalai - Sholur - Ooty. Nilgris Collector had inaugurated this Trekking Program. Shankar, Koothan Manohar, Radhakrishnan, Suboth, Arun Dixit, Ravikumar, Murali Krishnan, Jaikrishnan, Rajagopal had done Camp Leader Services excellently. Felicitation Function held at Hotel Tamizhagham, Ooty. DFO, SP, Chairman Mr. S. Venkat Narayanan were the Chief Guests.



Nilgiris Trekking

Our State Branch had organized Trekking Program at Nilgiris Hills on April 2023. Around 45 Officers from MCR HRD Institute had attended in this Trekking. Trekking Route - Ooty - Parsans Valley - Portimund - Pandiyar - Naduvattam - Mudumalai - Sholur - Ooty. Nilgris Collector had inaugurated this Trekking Program. Baskar, Radhakrishnan, Ravikumar, Murali Krishnan, Vivek Thomas, Raja, Nagarajan, Jaikrishnan, Shankar, Manohar and Rajagopal had carried out Camp Leader Services excellently.



Sikkim Goechala Trekking Program (Maiden Program)

Our Tamil Nadu State Branch had organized Trekking Program at Sikkim Goechala on April and May 2023. Around 100 participants had attended this Program. This Program was inaugurated by State Chairman Mr. S. Venkat Narayanan in presence of State Vice President Dr. A. Raja. Camp Leader Shankar had visited all new Campsites.



Courtralam Trekking Cum Nature Study Camp

Our State Branch had organized Courtralam Trekking cum Nature Camp on July 2023. Around 35 participants had attended. Madurai Unit chairman Manohar had led this Program.



Our State Branch had organized Kodaikanal Mist Nature Camp on August 2023. One group of participants had attended this Program. Camp leader Raja opal had led this Program.

Sikkim Goecha la Winter Trekking Program

Our Tamil Nadu State Branch had organized Winter Trekking Program at Sikkim Goecha la on October 2023. Around 40 participants had attended this Program. This Program was inaugurated by State Vice President Dr. A. Raja. Camp Leader Rajagopal had carried out Camp Leader Services excellently



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Tamilnadu State Branch Triennial Election Meeting

Our Tamil Nadu State Branch Triennial Election Council Meeting had held on September 2023 which was presided by President Panchabekesan. State Secretary Mr. Vivekanandan had submitted Secretary Report. Treasurer Jeevanandam had submitted Last year Accounts Statement. State Chairman Mr. S. Venkat Narayanan thanks to all Camp Leaders who had given their Valuable Services and Time throughout year. Following Team was elected in presence of Pondicherry Chairman Mr. Ezhil.

President	:	Panchabekesan
Chairman	:	S. Venkat Narayanan
Vice Presidents	:	Mrs. Girija Seshadri
	:	Dr. A. Raja
	:	Subam Ganesan
Treasurer	:	Jeevanandam

Mr. Vivekanandan had been selected as State Secretary. Sriram and Denzil had selected as Coopted Members.



Nilgris Trekking Program

Our State Branch had organized Trekking Program at Nilgris Hills on September 2023. Around 35 Officers from MCR HRD Institute had attended in this Trek. Trekking Route - Ooty - Parsans Valley - Portimund - Pandiyar - Naduvattam - Mudumalai - Sholur - Ooty. Nilgris Collector had inaugurated this Trekking Program. Radhakrishnan, Ravikumar, Murali Krishnan, Vivek Thomas, Raja, Jaikrishnan, and Rajagopal had done Camp Leader Services excellently.



WEST BENGAL STATE BRANCH

Dooars (North Bengal) Jungle Camp 2023

Dooars (North Bengal) Jungle camp 2023 was conducted successfully in two groups, twenty one participants reported on 06.02.2023 & 13.02.2023 respectively.

Participants enjoyed the dense & green forest of Chapramari & Medla within Gorumara National park in depth. They visited Gojoldoba, a picturesque tourist destination on Tista River & Murthi, Jhalong, Bindu, Paren, Samsing, Sultanekholo & Rocky Island, this Seven Points are excellent by river plane dotted with small stones, green lofty hills and alpine forest, large orange & tea gardens also. They also visited historical Baxa Fort located in the Baxa tiger reserve by trek & Pokhri Lake & Chota Mahakal Temple. Certificate was distributed to all participants.

Dr. Anita Roy Chowdhury was coordinator of this programme and lead the team with help of Shri Koushik Mitra Thakur and programme was completed with grand success.



Sundarban Adventure Cum Training Camp 2022

UNESCO World Heritage Sundarban Adventure cum Training program 2022-23 was conducted successfully. Three groups were reported on 11th & 18th Dec'22 & 06th Feb'23 at base camp Moulali Youth Centre Kolkata. Total 82 participants were reported from different part of our country.

All participants get clear weather and enjoyed the adventure of dense Sundarban Area. They were lucky to see the wild life of Sundarban, like Crocodile, Snake, & other Aerating Root. Overall the participants enjoyed the program of the fullest.

Mr. Krishnamoy Nayak was coordinator of this programme and lead the team with help of Camp leader Shri Sanjit Kr Shaw and programme was completed with grand success



Old Silk Route

Old Silk Route Trekking cum Training was conducted successfully. Total 77 participants reported in three groups on 02nd, 09th & 16th April 2023.

Participants enjoyed the snow trail of Silk Route and jeep safari very much. Certificate was distributed to all participants.

Mr. Santi Kr Roy was Field Director of this program and Mr. Abhijit Chatterjee was camp leader. They lead the team and program was completed with grand success.



Sandakphu Phalut Gurdum Summer Trekking Program 2023

Sandakphu Phalut Gurdum Trekking summer program 2023 was conducted successfully. Total 74 participants join the programme.

Participants enjoyed the trekking trail of Sandakphu Phalut Gurdum very much & they enjoyed the beauty of Mount Everest, Mount Kanchanjunga & other Mountains. Certificate was distributed to all participants at Rimbick camp.

Mr. Krishnamoy Nayak was Field Director of this program and Mr. Sanjit Kr. Shaw was camp leader. They lead the team and program was completed with grand success.



New Darjeeling (Offbeat) Program 2023

New Darjeeling (Offbeat) 2023 was conducted successfully. Total 22 (Twenty two) participants joined the program in 02 (two) groups on 30th April & 24th September 2023.

Every person enjoyed all offbeat places like Sittong which is the orange village blessed with natural bounty, Tinchuley - the valley of clouds, Rampuria - the forest village & Darjeeling - queen of the hills including Mungpo - (Tagore's Museum), Lamahatta - Eco Park, Takdah Colonial Village. Certificate was distributed to all participants.

Mr. Amit Kr Das was program Coordinator. Mr. Biplab Kr Bhadury & Mr. Ramesh Ghosh was camp leader. They lead the team and program was completed with grand success.



International Kolkata Book Fair -2023

YHAI West Bengal State Branch participated in the prestigious International Kolkata Book fair from 30th January to 12th February'2023 (Stall No-112, near gate No - 1)

ASANSOL UNIT

Basanta Utsab Celebration

A colourful meet organized on 19th March'22 on occasion of Basanta Utsab, member's performed the cultural presentation to celebrate the Holi festival.

Bijoya Sammiloni 2022

Bijaya Sammiloni of the Unit organised on 1st November'2022 at District Library auditorium with cultural function and active participation of the members. All enjoyed the get together meet.



Awareness Bike Rally on 15th August'2023



Unit organised a awareness bike rally on occasion of Independence Day and YHAI Platinum Jubilee Celebration.

Certificate was distributed to all participants.

BASIRHAT UNIT

1. 14 members from YHAI, Basirhat Unit participated in the Old Silk Route Jeep Safari Trekking cum Training National level Programme during February 2022 organised by YHAI West Bengal State Branch.
2. 24 members took part in the High Altitude Trekking Expedition to Pindari Glacier (12300ft) during 26 th May to 5 th June 2022, organised by YHAI Basirhat Unit which was led by Santi Kumar Roy.
3. 9 expert cyclist member participated in the Indo-Bangladesh Cycle Rally during 10 th to 20 th October, 2022 organised by YHAI, Basirhat Unit which was led by Chanchal Biswas.
4. Suman Saha, a mountaineer member, led Buranghati (15000 ft) High Altitude Trekking Expedition with 8 members during 10 th to 23 rd October 2022 organised by YHAI, Basirhat Unit.
5. Mountaineer member Surya Kinkar Chaki conducted a High Altitude Winter Trekking Expedition to Choto Parangachulla Peak (15100 ft) during 28 th October to 8 th November 2022, organised by YHAI, Basirhat Unit. All of them scaled the peak to their credit.



Burdwan Unit

Trek by YHAI Burdwan Unit at Dolyatra

We did a short 3 night - 4 day trek from YHAI Burdwan unit on the occasion of Dol Purnima from Yogighat to Sitong via Durpindara (Upper Sitong) Yogighat Bridge connects Sitong in Kalimpong district with Mongpu, the memorial of Rabindranath Tagore, across the Riag River. located on We left Burdwan on 4/3/23 by North Bengal Express and reached njp station in the morning of 5/3/23, from here by car to Mangpu to Yogighat the next day (6/3/23) having breakfast in the morning to Riag river friend. I trekked to the river for about 3 km on a rocky road and left Yogighat the next morning (7/3/23). I didn't get it. In the afternoon we all started the Bino Dara trek from the homestay to Kiran Daju (homestay owner across the gate), along the way Kiran Daju showed us numerous footprints of bears, leopards and forest chickens. Then, as we passed through the jungle with the bright Dolpurnima moon engrossing our meditation, two armed forest guards in Urdu asked us to go down, and we left the Purnima bright moon mama with a heavy heart, then the next morning Panch Pokri, Namjin. I reached Burdwan on 9/3/23 by taking Kanchan Kanya Express from Siliguri station to Pokri and Ahaldara.



HOWRAH DISTRICT COMMITTEE:

Karnatak excursion

Duration : 4th to 18th Oct', 2022, Team Leaders : Subir Banerjee, Arnab Pachal, Mahananda Dey, No. of Participants : 36



Closing Ceremony of Diamond Jubilee Year Celebration :

Date : 27th November, 2022. Venue : Sarat Sadan 1, Howrah. Felicitation : Members who are brightened our Unit, State Office-Bearers. Cultural Programme : Subhendu Thakur, Calcutta Choir



CALENDAR PUBLISH :

Date : 18th December, 2022. Published by : Hiran Kundu, The President , Venue : Unit Office.

28TH ADVENTURE-CUM-NATURE STUDY CAMP :

Duration : 24th to 30th Dec, 2022. Place : Malibona, Santuri, Purulia (W.B.) No. of Trainees : 51 Camp Commandant : Dr. Prabir Ranjan Sur Field-Director : Madhusudan Biswas, Santanu Mondal Camp In-charge : Rakesh Mullick, Prince Karar

ODISHA EXCURSION :

Duration : 20th to 23rd January, 2023 Team Leaders : Sukumar Hazra, Chandrani Dey Visiting Places : Bhitarkanika Dangmal Dhamara etc. Total Members Present : 38

ANNUAL PICNIC & SPORTS :

Date : 5th February, 2023 Venue : Naikuli, Patihal, Howrah (W.B.) No. of Participants : 68

ANDAMAN EXCURSION :

Date : 15th to 25th March, 2023 Visiting Places : Port Blair, Havlock, Neil Island, Diglipur etc. No. of Participants : 34
Team Leaders : Sukumar Hazra, Mahananda Dey

BENGALI NEW YEAR'S CELEBRATION :

Date : 7th May, 2023 Venue : Bantra Anath Bandhu Samity, Howrah (W.B.) Members Present : 146
[Recitation, dance, music, flute etc. are performed by our Members]

KAMARPUKUR JAIRAMBATI TOUR :

Date : 3rd to 5th June, 2023 Visiting Places : Mayal Ichapur, Kamarpukur, Jairambati etc. No. of Participants : 32
Team Leaders : Chandrani Dey, Dipali Nandy

**HILSA UTSAV**

Date : 6th August, 2023 No. of Participants : 52 Team Leaders : Kanchan Dey, Mahananda Dey, Madhu Malati Banerjee, Partha Hazra

GHATSILA, GALUDIH TOUR :

Date : 12th August to 15th August Visiting Places : Ghatsila, Duarsini, Galudia Barrage, etc. No. of Participants : 52 Team Leaders : Sukumar Hazra, Swapan Jasu, Mahananda Dey

HOOGHLY DISTRICT COMMITTEE

1. Adventure Nature study & rock climbing course conducted at Dholburu hills, Purulia from 4th to 7th January'2023
2. YHAI Hooghly District Committee in collaboration with DCRBV Alumini Association organise a free health checkup camp for the students, guardians and teachers of Durga Charan Rakshit Banga Bidyalay School on 24th January 2023 from 10 am to 3 pm at school premises.
3. On 5th June'23 Environment day was celebrated by the unit at the Chandannagar river many trees and distributed among the members

REGENT PARK UNIT:

Distribution at Canning October 2023

14th October on the day of Mahalaya Y.H.A.I. Regent Park Unit had distributed new set of clothes/wearables, biscuits, snacks and candies to the needful children of Canning at Arun Uday Sangha, Vill - Dakhin Budhakhali, PO - Madhukhali, PS - Canning, Dist.- South 24 Parganas, PIN - 743329.

An estimate of 110 children were served through this program aiming to spread some happiness during the festive season of Durga Puja.

4 members from our unit actively participated in the program and in the coming days our aim will be to stand by the needful every time possible.



World Environment Day 2023

On 5th June, 2023 Y.H.A.I. Regent Park Unit celebrated World Environment Day at Shantinagar Colony near Tollygunge in South Kolkata. The program started with our chief guests planting trees with their own hands and post that more than 150 plants and saplings were distributed to interested people who ensured us to plant them in their residence and locality.

Throughout the program the awareness to keep our nature healthy and green was announced on mic for the local people. The photos are attached below.

Sunderban Heritage Program 2023

Y.H.A.I. Regent Park Unit organised a Sundarban Heritage Program on launch for 2N-3D program from 05/02/23 to 07/02/23.

International Book Fair 2023

On 01/02/2023 unit members including chairman and secretary of Y.H.A.I. Regent Park Unit attended the stall of Y.H.A.I. WB State Branch at International Book Fair.

Cloth Distribution at Canning

On 24th October, 2022 (Monday) Y.H.A.I. Regent Park Unit distributed clothes and wearables to more than 100 children in Canning Dabej Village, G.P. Nikarighata.

Blood Donation Camp

On 18.12.2022 Y.H.A.I. Regent Park Unit organised their yearly Blood Donation Camp at Kulendu Shome Bhavan, Bijoygarh. A total of 70 donors came forward for the noble cause which included 15 female donors.

In presence of all the unit members, the program was again a success.

PANDUA UNIT

Eight (08) members of Pandua Unit participated at Dalhousie National Winter Trekking Expedition in Dec.'22-Jan'23

Celebrated our Republic Day on 26 th . Jan.2023 with the unit members.





HOOGHLY DISTRICT COMMITTEE

YHAI Hooghly District Committee in collaboration with DCRBV Alumini Association is going to organise a free health checkup camp for the students, guardians and teachers of Durga Charan Rakshit Banga Bidyalay School on 24th January 2023 from 10 am to 3 pm at school premises.

RANI RASHMONI WOMENS UNIT

Tree Plantation on Independence Day

Unit organised a tree plantation programme at the premises of Ramkrishna Mission ashram with gracious presence of Maharaj of the ashram and members of the Unit

Rabindra Nazrul Sandhya

Rabindra Nazrul Sandhya organised by the Unit on 28th May'2023 at District Library Hall with cultural performance and active participation of the members

Mental Health Development programme among School students

Unit organised a mental health development programme in collaboration with Lions Club on 19th February'2023 among the student at Manimala Girls High School. Asansol. Renowned Dr. D.P Roy Choudhury & Dr.S Podder take session and described nicely about to grow mental health in teen age.

Programme at Prantik old age home:

On 13th November'2022 The Unit organised a programme to meet the residents of Prantik Old Age home and interact, entertained them by musical arrangements with active participation of the boarders. Its pleasure to listen songs from them and join in dance step with the members, other help also provided to them.



YHAI on Social Media



Facebook: 1,70000+ Likes & 1,06500+ Followers



Instagram: 25800+ followers



YouTube: 4300+ Subscribers



Twitter: 3700 Followers

YHAI Hostels in India

There are 4 International Youth Hostels in India which is owned and managed by YHAI.

Below are the details of International Youth Hostels in India:

INTERNATIONAL YOUTH HOSTEL NEW DELHI 5 Nyaya Marg, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi -110021 Contact Person: Reception Phone:11-26116285; 24101246 Email: hostelbooking@yhaindia.org	INTERNATIONAL YOUTH HOSTEL DARJEELING Opposite New Taxi Stand & Multi Level Parking, Just 300 Mtr. Before of Darjeeling Railway Station on Main Road, Chota Kakjhora, Darjeeling- 734101 Contact : Reception Phone :+91 354 2252001, +91 9754044504 Email: darjeeling@yhaindia.org
INTERNATIONAL YOUTH HOSTEL MYSURU B-1 5th Main, 15th Cross Gokulam II nd Stage Mysuru Karnataka 570 002 Contact Person: Reception Phone : 0 8 2 1 - 2 5 1 1 4 4 2 , 2 5 1 1 5 4 2 , +918105229050, Email: mysore@yhaindia.org	INTERNATIONAL YOUTH HOSTEL LEH (May-Sep) Shukpa house lower tukcha road, near by rizong labrang Leh 194101 Contact Person: Reception Bookings Phone: 011-45999032 Email: onlinehostelbooking@yhaindia.org



YHAI Licensee Youth Hostel

S. No	State	No. of Hostels
1	Andaman & Nicobar	1
2	Gujarat	1
3	Haryana	1
4	Himachal Pradesh	2
5	Jammu & Kashmir	1
6	Karnataka	1
7	Maharashtra	4
8	Odisha	2
9	Rajasthan	2
10	Tamil Nadu	1
11	Uttarakhand	1
12	West Bengal	3

Grand Total

20

Recently added LYH:

- 1 Youth Hostel New Vasantashram: Mumbai, Maharashtra
- 2 Youth Hostel Appy's Nest: Kolkatta, West Bengal



Support from Government Department

No.125/1/2015-16/CCSCSB
Government of India
Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions
Department of Personnel & Training

Lok Nayak Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated 04th December, 2015

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub: Scheme for promotion of Adventure Sports and similar activities amongst Central Government Employees.

The undersigned is directed to enclose herewith a copy of the Scheme for promotion of Adventure Sports and similar activities amongst Central Government Employees with the request that the contents of the Scheme may please be disseminated amongst the employees who are eligible to avail the benefits of the Scheme.

2. The details of the programmes etc. will be circulated/placed on the website of the Department of Personnel & Training separately.


(Abhay Jain)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India.
Tel:24646961

To

Director/Deputy Secretary (Administration) of all
Ministries/Deptt.



No. 28016/3/B9-Estt (A)
Government of India
Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions
(DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING)

New Delhi-110 001 dt. 25 October, 1989

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject : Grant of Special Casual Leave to Government servants participating in Trekking Expeditions.

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Department's O.M. No. 28016/2/84-Estt(A), dated 11-4-1985 which provides for grant of special casual leave to government employees participating in Trekking Expeditions and to say that it has been decided that special casual Leave may also be granted to Government servants who participate in Trekking Expeditions organised by Youth Hostels Association of India as well as Expeditions which have the approval of the Indian Mountaineering Federation.

2. Therefore, the period of absence from duty of Central Government employees participating in Trekking Expeditions may be regulated by grant of special casual leave not exceeding 30 days in one calendar year subject to the following conditions —

- I. (a) That the expedition has the approval of the Indian Mountaineering Federation or is organised by Youth Hostels Association of India; and
- (b) There will be no change in the overall limit of 30 days of special casual leave for an individual Government servant for one calendar year for participating in sporting events of national or international importance.
- II. The period of absence in excess of 30 days should be treated as regular leave of the kind admissible under the leave rules applicable to the persons concerned. For this purpose Government servants may be permitted as a special case, to combine special casual leave with regular leave.

Sd/-
 (K. SARKAR)
 Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of India

To

All Ministries/Departments of the Government of India.
 No. 28016/3/B9-Estt(A), New Delhi, the 25 October, 1989
 Copy with usual number of spare copies, forwarded to :—

1. Comptroller and Auditor General of India, New Delhi.
2. Union Public Service Commission, New Delhi.
3. Central Vigilance Commission, New Delhi.
4. Registrar Supreme Court of India, New Delhi.
5. Central Administrative Tribunal, Principal Bench, New Delhi.
6. Lok Sabha/Rajya Sabha Secretariat.
7. Commissioner for Linguistic Minorities, Allahabad.
8. All Union Territories Administrations.
9. All attached and subordinate offices of the Department of Personnel and Training, Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances and Department of Pension and Pensioner's Welfare.
10. All officers and Sections in the Department of Personnel and Training, Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances and Department of Pension and Pensioner's Welfare.

Sd/-
 (K. SARKAR)
 Deputy Secretary to the Government of India



**LIST OF APPROVED INSTITUTES/ORGANISATIONS FOR SCHEME FOR
PROMOTION OF ADVENTURE SPORTS AND SIMILAR ACTIVITIES
AMONGST GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES AS ON 13.04.2016**

- ✓ 1. Nehru Institute of Mountaineering, Uttarkashi, Uttarakhand.
(Recognized by Ministry of Defence and Government of Uttarakhand)
<http://www.nimindia.net>
- ✓ 2. Atal Bihari Vajpayee Institute of Mountaineering and Allied Sports,
Manali, Himachal Pradesh. (Government of Himachal Pradesh)
<http://www.adventurehimalaya.org>
- ✓ 3. Indian Institute of Skiing & Mountaineering, Department of Tourism,
Gulmarg, Jammu & Kashmir. (Ministry of Tourism)
<http://www.iismgulmarg.in>
- ✓ 4. National Institute of Water Sports, Vasco da Gama, Goa. (Ministry of
Tourism) <http://www.niws.nic.in>
- ✓ 5. Swami Vivekanand Institute of Mountaineering, Mount Abu, Rajasthan.
(Government of Gujarat) <http://www.gujmount.com>
- ✓ 6. Garhwal Mandal Vikas Nigam Ltd, Dehradun, Uttarakhand.
(Government of Uttarakhand) <http://www.gmvnl.com/newgmvnl>
- ✓ 7. Himalayan Mountaineering Institute (HMI), Darjeeling, West Bengal.
<http://www.hmi-darjeeling.com>
- ✓ 8. Jawahar Institute of Mountaineering (JIM), Pahalgam, J&K.
<http://www.jawaharinstitutepahalgam.com>
9. National Institute of Mountaineering & Allied Sports (NIMAS), Dirang,
Arunachal Pradesh.
- ✓ 10. Youth Hostels Association of India (YHAI), Chankyapuri, New Delhi.
<http://www.yhaindia.org>





Financial Summary of Youth Hostels Association of India

YOUTH HOSTELS ASSOCIATION OF INDIA (A Society registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860)			
Consolidated Balance Sheet as at March 31, 2023			
		(Amount in Rupees)	
	Sch	As at 31.03.2023	As at 31.03.2022
FUNDS AND LIABILITIES			
Capital Fund	A	222,580	222,580
Reserve Funds	B	298,806,725	278,149,418
Other Liabilities	C	56,502,838	61,676,097
		<u>355,532,143</u>	<u>340,048,095</u>
ASSETS			
Fixed Assets	D		
Tangible Assets		241,844,450	183,708,933
Inventories	E	872,215	367,792
Cash and Bank Balances	F	97,398,213	143,462,263
Loans and Advances	G	15,092,375	13,160,459
Difference in Opening Balances (pending reconciliation)		324,890	(651,352)
		<u>355,532,143</u>	<u>340,048,095</u>



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