## Tiranga Yatra Program- Yaad Karo Qurbani

## (Celebration of 70<sup>th</sup> year of Aazadi)

- In order to commemorate the 70<sup>th</sup> year of India's Independence and remember the sacrifices made for the freedom of our great Nation, NYKS organized a very large number of Tiranga Yatras i.e. **113** as against the **target of 100**, covering **all States and UTs** with **maximum number of youth** participating in the Yatra.
- In Delhi, it was not only the largest ever program on the Theme of Tiranga but also it traversed in a manner, which provided Historical and Cultural connect between Old Delhi and New Delhi.
- The Yatra Route in Delhi Yatra was flagged off by Shri Vijay Goel, Hon'ble Minister of State (Independent Charge) Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India from Red Fort and traversed through Town Hall, Nai Sadak, Houz Qazi Chowk, Ajmeri Gate Monuments, Hamdard Chowk, Minto Road and culminated at Central Park, Connaught Place.
- In Delhi, Tiranga Yatra was dominated by the participation of about 4,000 youth from all walks of life whereas the people of other age groups also took part with equal enthusiasm.
- The enthusiasm of youth was further enhanced with the motivational address by Shri Vijay Goel, Hon'ble Minister of State (Independent Charge), Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India. During the occasion Shri Virender Sehwag, Star Cricketer; Ms. Ritu Beri, Fashion Designer and other dignitaries were present.
- Delhi Yatra attracted variety of Electronic and Press Media, which resulted into maximum coverage of the event thereby not only generated a strong patriotic fervor and motivation as well as greater knowledge and respect for the Tri Color in Delhi but also across India.
- All the 70 Flagship Schemes of Government of India were propagated among youth through this Yatra.
- Youth were also oriented about Indian National Flag history, meaning of Tiranga, how to pay respect, Code and Terms of National Flag.
- Truly, the Tiranga Yatra refreshed the memories and further aroused the patriotic feelings of youth across India when they participated in **Declamation Contest on Nation Building and Patriotism.**

- Never before in the History was such a program and campaign organized in far flung areas, territories and Islands e.g. Car Nicobar, Pot Blair, Kavarati, Lakshdweep, Tawang, Tamenglong, Thoubal, Lunglei and Dimapur.
- Overall, the Tiranga Yatra covered about **475 Km in India** and on an average at each place it traversed 4.5 km.
- Following theme based activities were also conducted, which created awareness and motivated youth and others who attended the programs.
  - Talk on recent initiatives of Government of India
  - Cultural programme, One Act Play on the theme of Freedom struggle
  - Film on Freedom Movement
  - Discussions on the lives of freedom fighters, martyrs and inspiration drawn
  - Felicitation Kith and kin of Martyrs, Freedom Fighters and ex-servicemen who have been conferred with gallantry /bravery awards
- Five to six activities were organized at each of the venues which were attended by 69,640 female and male youth who directly received and disseminated the messages of the program through a variety of activities.
- VIPs and Officials attended Programs and graced different activities undertaken during Tiranga Yatra Programme.
  - 03 Hon'ble Chief Ministers (Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra and Haryana)
  - 02 Hon'ble Central Ministers
  - 06 Hon'ble Ministers of State Governments
  - 11 Hon'ble Members of Parliament
  - 02 Hon'ble Speakers, State Legislative Assemblies
  - 13 Mayors/Dy. Mayors
  - 37 Hon'ble MLAs/MLCs
  - Secretary (Youth Affairs), Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports
  - Director General, NYKS
  - Executive Director, NYKS
  - 17 DM/DCs