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Pre-1984 - The Subject “SPORTS” was part of the erstwhile Department of Tourism, Sports and Culture, having a combined Directorate of Culture and Sports.

May’1984 - An independent Directorate of Sports was created vide Resolution No – 4517 Dt. 7-5-1984.

1991 - A separate ‘Tourism’ Department was created. The subject “Youth Services”, earlier being dealt in the Education Department, was transferred to Sports & Culture Department and the Department was renamed as Sports, Culture and Youth Services Department.

1995 - A dedicated Department in the name of Department of Sports and Youth Services was created with Directorate of Sports & Youth Services working under it. (GA Department Notification No – 29049/Gen, dtd. 30-12-1995). A separate ‘Culture’ Department was also created.

2012 - The Directorate of Sports & Youth Services was integrated with the Sports & Youth Services Department w.e.f 1st April’12 vide Government in GA Department Resolution No – 4970/Gen, Dtd. 27-2-2012.

Post-April’12 - Since April’2012, the integrated Sports & YS Department is functioning in Plot No - C-1, Nayapalli, Bhubaneswar – 751012, the premises of the erstwhile Directorate of Sports & Youth Services.
DISTRICT SPORTS OFFICES

For implementation of different schemes of the Department for promotion of Sports and Games as well as youth welfare activities at the grass-root level starting from village to district, District Sports Offices have been established in each district of the State under direct control of Collector & DM of respective districts. One District Sports Officer has been posted in each District.

SPORTS HOSTEL

15 Sports Hostels are functioning by the State Government in 14 districts of the State in the disciplines of Athletics, Archery, Basketball, Football, Gymnastics, Hockey, Kabaddi, Swimming, Volleyball, Wrestling & Weightlifting.

The total sanctioned strength of sports hostel is 1000 (Boys-759 & Girls-241).

Facilities provided: Stipend @ Rs.125/- per head per day for age group below 18 years and Rs.150/- per head per day for age category of 18 or 18+, sports uniforms, sports equipments, kits, bedding materials, medicines, admission fees in Educational Institutions, Toiletry expenses @ Rs.150 per month for each girl inmate, to & fro journey expenses to attend competitions wherever necessary.

Selection Process: For admission of talents into sports hostels, selection of talents are made through series of scouting process starting from Block to State Level by group of Coaches. Talents are selected at State Level Talent Scouting through various batteries of tests ability, physical structure & fitness, etc. The scope of admission into Sports Hostels in different sports disciplines is given against the vacancies out of the merit list every year.

Facilities in sports hostels(s)-

1. Free Lodging & Boarding
2. Admission in to local Educational Institution for regular education
3. Free Medical facilities
4. Provision of playing kits/equipments/gears
5. Regular Coaching by trained Coaches
# SPORTS DISCIPLINES AND SANCTIONED STRENGTH IN THE STATE SPORTS HOSTELS

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PHYSICAL EDUCATION COLLEGE (S)

Two Government Colleges of Physical Education i.e one at Bhubaneswar and the other at Kulundi, Sambalpur are functioning under the Administrative control of Sports & YS Department. Apart from this, two private Physical Education Colleges are functioning at Tigiria and Baliapal. Sports & YS Department is the Prescribed Authority in respect of these two private colleges. The courses offered in these four Colleges are here under:-

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Pass out students of these colleges become eligible for the job of PETs in educational institutions & get employment both under Government and non-government sectors.

ODISHA COUNCIL OF SPORTS

A grantee autonomous organisation functioning since 1957 & duly registered under Society Registration Act in 1970-71 headed by the Hon’ble Minister, Sports & YS of Odisha as its Chairman, Commissioner-cum-Secretary, Sports & YS Department as Vice-Chairman and Director, Sports as ex-officio Secretary. The Council has 21 Members. The AFA-cum-Under Secretary to Government, Sports & YS Department is functioning as Special Officer of Odisha Council of Sports.

The Council has engaged 29 trained Coaches who are imparting Coaching in various disciplines in 30 Districts of Odisha and also functioning as Incharge District Sports Officer in some districts.

STATE YOUTH WELFARE BOARD

A grantee autonomous organization, functioning since 1957 & duly registered under Society Registration Act in 1976, headed by Hon’ble Chief Minister, Odisha as Chairman of the Board. Hon’ble Minister, Sports & YS as Working Chairman and the Commissioner-cum-Secretary as Vice-Chairman, Director, Sports & Youth Services as ex-officio Secretary and Under Secretary to Government, Sports & YS Department as Jt. Secretary of the Board. The Board has 32 members.

Besides normal activities like conferment of STATE YOUTH AWARDS, BIJU PATNAIK BRAVERY AWARD, regular State & National level Adventure programmes like Rafting, Coastal Trekking, Jungle Trekking, Para Sailing, etc. are undertaken by the Board regularly. Financial assistance is extended to Youth Clubs and Educational Institutions for organization of Youth related programmes and Youth Exchange as well as Excursion to different places of the Country. Currently the entire youth welfare activities of the State Government are being carried out by the SYWB with the funding of Sports & Youth Services Department.
TSU - A Technical Support Unit (TSU) in partnership with UNFPA for implementation of policy direction of Odisha State Youth Policy 2013 has been functioning since with 50:50 financial support by UNFPA and State Government. The Unit is comprised of Team Leader, Monitoring and Evaluation Specialist, Education and Life Skill Specialist, Accounts and HR Officer, PO-Documentation Specialist, Youth Development Specialist.

BIJU PATNAIK SWIMMING POOL COMPLEX

An international standard Swimming Pool complex has been commissioned by the Sports & YS Department in Kalinga Stadium Sports Complex since 2006 having following facilities.

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A Management Committee has been constituted & registered under Societies Registration Act 1860 for regular smooth management and maintenance of the Swimming Pool Complex with Hon’ble Minister, Sports & YS as Chairman. Different tariff rates have been fixed for monthly and annual membership for Swimming practice as well as use of multigym. by the intending user(s).
SPORTS WING

DEVELOPMENT OF SPORTS RELATED INFRASTRUCTURE UNDER THE STATE

State Level & District Level Sports Infrastructure

Kalinga Stadium Sports Complex and JN indoor Stadium, Cuttack are two premiere State Level Sporting Infrastructure managed by Department of Sports & Youth Services. Kalinga Stadium Sports Complex spread over an area of around 50 Ac. has a main stadium with synthetic athletic track having a seating capacity of 50,000 persons. JN Indoor Stadium at Cuttack is centrally Air-Conditioned with a seating capacity of 5000 persons. The Indoor Stadium has facility for organization of Basketball, Volleyball, Gymnastics, Table-Tennis, Badminton etc.

Scheme of Block Level Mini Stadium

With a view to promoting sports and sports infrastructure facilities at the block level, “Construction of Mini Stadium at Block Level” has been introduced. Development of a Mini Stadium at the block level has been estimated at Rs.25.00 lakhs by pooling Rs.10.00 lakhs from the Sports & Youth Services Department and Rs.10.00 lakhs from Panchayat Raj Department by way of dove-tailing funds out of different schemes. Balance amount of Rs.5.00 lakhs is to be contributed from the MPLAD/MLALAD Fund. Basing on proposals received from Collectors, Rs. 4.90 Crores was sanctioned against 22 Districts for construction of ‘Block Level Mini Stadium’ @ Rs.10 lakhs for each project as the State support for the project. The Collectors were to converge additional Rs. 10 lakhs from MGNREGA, BRGF etc. and Rs.5 lakhs from the LAD funds of the Hon’ble MPs/MLAs who have committed the amount for the project. Convergence of funds from different sources has proved to be an impediment in starting the projects. It was decided to do away with the stipulation of converging Rs. 10 lakhs from MGNREGA, BRGF etc. by the District Administration by enhancing the contribution of the Department of Sports & YS to Rs. 20 lakhs for each project. Remaining amount of Rs. 5 lakhs will be supported from LAD funds of Hon’ble MPs/MLAs proposing the project. The priority of items of work to be taken up within the budget of Rs. 25 lakhs will be as under:

a. Playfield development including grass turfing with boundary wall and gate.
b. Watering facility.
c. Provision of drainage and check soil erosion measures.

There was a budget provision of Rs. 2.5 crores for the Mini-Stadium scheme for 2014-15 out of 49 projects approved in 2013-14, 25 projects were sanctioned with additional amount of Rs. 10.00 lakhs each. Now Rs. 4.00 crore is available under the unit provided in the Supplementary Budget. Remaining 24 projects of 2013-14 has been proposed to be sanctioned with. 10 lakhs for each. For the remaining amount of Rs. 1.6 crore, 16 fresh projects have been proposed to be sanctioned with Rs. 10.00 lakh each. Balance amount
of Rs. 10.00 lakhs may be sanctioned in 2015-16. These include projects that are recommended by Collectors or where site for the Mini-Stadium has been identified with consent of Hon’ble MLA/MP for contributing Rs. 5.00 lakh out of their LAD fund.

It has been proposed to cover 40-50 Blocks during 2015-16. All the 314 Blocks are intended to be covered.

Construction of Swimming Pool Complex & Gym-cum-Indoor Hall at District Headquarters

Except for Bolangir, none of the District Headquarters has Swimming Pool Complex. Similarly Indoor Hall available at District Headquarters at Sundergarh, Keonjhar, Mayurbhanj, Sambalpur, Kalahandi, Puri, Dhenkanal, Phulbani, Boudh & Gajapati Districts. It is intended to cover the remaining Districts in building Swimming Pool Complex and GIHs.

It has been decided for construction of Swimming Pool Complex at District Headquarters. All the Collectors (except Sambalpur & Balangir) were requested to identify 2 Ac. of land belonging to Sports & YS Department or any other Government Department (to be subsequently alienated in favour of Sports & YS Department). IDCO has submitted model plan, lay-out and estimate for construction of swimming pool complex at each district headquarters as per the decision for construction of a single swimming pool with 50M X 25M X (1.20-1.35)M dimension instead of two pools. The estimated cost for each swimming pool complex will be Rs. 3,50,36,500/-. Approval has been accorded for construction of Swimming Pool at district headquarters of Kandhamal, Boudh, Mayurbhanj, Dhenkanal, Nayagarh, Jajpur, Ganjam, Subarnapur, Angul & Cuttack in the first phase. Approval has been accorded for renovation of existing Swimming Pool Complex at Sambalpur by IDCO.

Urban Sports Infrastructure Schemes

Three projects have been sanctioned under the Scheme of USIS by Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India. The sanctioned projects are Synthetic Hockey Surface, Synthetic Football Surface and Multi-purpose Indoor Hall at Kalinga Stadium Sports Complex. An amount of Rs.5 Crores was sanctioned for the Synthetic Hockey Surface in 2011-12. An amount of Rs.4.5 Crores has been sanctioned for Synthetic Football Field, out of which Rs.3.5 Crores was released in 2012-13. Due to non-availability of international size Football field the amount of Rs. 3.5 crore released as first instalment for the project has been refunded to Government of India. Similarly out of Rs. 6 Crores sanctioned for Multi-purpose Indoor Hall, Rs.1.8 Crores was released in 2012-13. Since East Coast Rly. Has recently built a Multipurpose Indoor Hall with a cost of around Rs. 15.00 crore, construction of another such Indoor Hall at Bhubaneswar will be a wastage of Government resources. As such the project has been dropped and it has been decided to refund the grant to Government of India. Instead it has been proposed to construct an Indoor Sports Climbing facility at Kalinga Stadium conforming to the norms of International Federation for Sports Climbing. EOI has already been issued in this regard seeking proposals from firms having expertise in commissioning Sports Climbing facility.
Development of Playfield in Urban Areas

It has been proposed for development of playfield in Urban Areas where open spaces are getting scarce. It has been planned to spend Rs. 50 Crores in the next 5 years @ Rs.10 Crores per year. To start with major playfields in 5 Municipal Corporation of the State as Bhubaneswar, Cuttack, Berhampur, Sambalpur & Rourkela will be taken up for development in the first phase.

RAJIV GANDHI KHEL ABHIYAN (RGKA)

PYKKA Scheme has been revised as RGKA (Rajiv Gandhi Khel Abhiyan from the year 2014-15. Under PYKKA Scheme 155 nos. of Block Level playfields (PYKKA Centre) & 3115 nos. of Gram Panchayat Level play fields (PYKKA Centres) have been created/established as up to 2012-13 in the state. As per RGKA guidelines communicated vide-Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Notification No.-8-3/MYAS/PYKKA/2012, dated-29/04/2014 the following are the components.

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| 1.  | Creation of Sports facilities | a. Outdoor identified sports discipline  
    b. indoor identified sports discipline | 1.60 crore | 50% from MENRGEA for outdoor sports field  
For rest NLCPR/ ACA/ BRGF/ RGKA |
| 2.  | Acquisition Grant (Sports equipment & sports furniture) | All block sports complex | 15 lakh (equipment)  
1.5 lakh (furniture) | 100% Central Share |
| 3.  | Operational Grant | All blocks sports complex | Rs. 3,500/- each for sports coach & Rs. 2,500/- each for two sports trainers | 100% Central Share |
| 4.  | Training Expenses | All Block Sports Complex (for sports coach & sports trainers) | | 100% Central Share |

During 2014-15 target has been set for construction of 30 Block Level Sports Complexes @ 1 for each district at identified places of the districts as indicated in Annexure-1. Subsequently, this target will be doubled from the next year & will cover all the 314 blocks of the state by 2018-19.

Conduct of Annual Sports Competitions:

a. Rural Sports Competition – 100 % Central Assistance for Block, District & State Level Competition @ Rs. 20,000/- per Block, Rs. 40,000/- per discipline & Rs. 2,00,000/- per discipline respectively.

b. Women Sports Competition - 100 % Central Assistance for District & State Level Competition @ Rs. 20,000/- per discipline & Rs. 1,00,000/- per discipline respectively.
C. Competitions for Left Wing Extremism Affected areas - 100 % Central Assistance for Block, District & State Level Competition @ Rs. 20,000/- per Block, Rs. 40,000/- per discipline & Rs. 2,00,000/- per discipline respectively, to be financed by Planning Commission separately.

BIJU PATNAIK SPORTS AWARD

The state’s highest sports award, entitled as Biju Patnaik Sports Award are given every year in 4 categories. The quantum of Cash Award is as mentioned below:-

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CASH AWARD

Meritorious sportspersons are conferred with Cash Award annually considering their level of performance/achievements at National and International level. A committee headed by Secretary of Sports & YS Department select & recommend the quantum of Cash Award to be given to the Outstanding sports persons of the State.

Besides Cash incentives, with a view to encourage the promising sports persons of the State, Department of Sports & Youth Services, Government of Odisha felicitates the medal holders on their successful return from National and International Competitions. As per the latest decision of Government, Cash Award for achievement in International Event/Championship shall be the doubled amount provided by Government of India w.e.f Commonwealth Games 2014.

ALLOTMENT OF RESIDENTIAL PLOT TO OUTSTANDING SPORTSPERSONS OF THE STATE

A Policy decision has been taken to allot residential plot to outstanding sports persons of the State for their creditable performance in the field of Sports & Games at International level. Notable beneficiaries are Padmashree Dilip Tirkey, Padmashree Ignace Tirkey, Olympian Lajrus Barla, Former Captain Indian Women Football team Ms. Sradhanjali Samantaray, Former Indian Hockey Captain Prabodh Tirkey, Olympian Athlete Anuradha Biswal, Commonwealth Gold Medalist Weight Lifter K. Ravi Kumar, etc.

PENSION TO INDIGENT SPORTSPERSONS

To provide financial support to the sportspersons/Paika Akhada persons, who are living in indigent condition, Government in Sports & Youth Services Department has launched Sportspersons Pension scheme under which presently 163 such persons are availing monthly pension @ Rs. 2000/-
SPORTSPERSONS IDENTITY CARD

Sportsperson’s Identity Cards are issued in favour of outstanding sportspersons of the State in recognition of their participation in Sr. National Championship organized by recognized National Federation/Association in order to avail benefit of 1% job reservation in Government, Public/Private Sector Undertakings.

WEIGHTAGE TO SPORTSPERSON

Sports & Youth Services Department issue Weight Certificate to Sportspersons reading in Schools & Colleges in recognition of their participation in Sports Competitions/Championships organized by recognized Sports Federations/Associations for availing weightage for admission into educational institutions for pursuing studies purpose.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO SPORTSPERSONS TO PURSUE SPORTS COACHING COURSE CONDUCTED BY SAI NS NIS, PATIALA AS A PART OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME IMPROVE THEIR EMPLOYABILITY

Under this scheme financial assistance are given to sports persons of the state for undergoing short term & conducted by SAI NS NIS, Patiala (6th Week Certificate course/NIS Diploma course etc.) This has been implemented from the year 2014-15.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO SPORTSPERSONS FOR INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPATION

Applications from individual sports persons seeking financial assistance for their participation in International Competitions & these are considered at Government level for grant of assistance.

GRANTS TO SPORTS ASSOCIATIONS

Financial assistance are given to State & District level Sports Association every year for their annual sporting activities like conduct of District level selection trial, preparatory coaching and deputation of State team to the respective Nationals. The quantum of assistance is usually determined as per the recommendation of the Departmental Grants Committee.

BIJU PATNAIK MINI-MARATHON

Sports & Youth Services Department as a part of Calendar of sporting activities organizes Biju Patnaik Mini-Marathon in the State Capital Bhubaneswar every year involving all age categories of people numbering about 3000 and Cash Prizes are awarded to the position holders.

OBSERVANCE OF NATIONAL SPORTS DAY

In commemoration of Birth Anniversary of Legendary Hockey wizard Late Dhyan Chand, Sports and Youth Services Department, Government of Odisha observe National Sports Day in the State Capital, Bhubaneswar and in all District Headquarters every year by organizing different sports activities and Seminar/Workshop.
ODISHA SPORTS DEVELOPMENT FUND (OSDF)

“Odisha Sports Development Fund” is functional for the interest of promotion of sports in the State.

The scheme envisages creation of a fund through contribution from Private and Public Sector Undertakings, Industrial Houses, etc., which can be utilized for the promotion of sports in the State.

The fund has been created under Odisha Council of Sports – a body directly under the administrative control of Sports & Youth Services Department – with a separate bank account.

YOUTH WING

INTEGRATED YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

- The Scheme introduced in 2013-14 has a budgetary outlay involving an amount of Rs. 2.07 Crores with 3 different sub-components as ‘Active Citizenship’, ‘National Integration Camps’ and ‘Inter-State Youth Exchange Programme’.
- The Scheme envisages conduct of 60 ‘Active Citizenship’ Camps, 5 NI Camps and 10 ISYEP in a financial year. The implementing agency for “Active Citizenship” Camps is National Service Scheme. This will benefit around 10000 students. During 2013-14, only Rs. 50 lakhs was kept for utilization keeping in view approval of the Scheme in December’2013.
- Apart from minimal reach of the programme in the traditional mode, holding the attention of the participants to the contents of the programme spread over 5-7 days was difficult. Moreover under the existing schemes of Government of India, “Active Citizenship” and “National Integration” Camps are organized by NSS and NYKS.
- In this backdrop, ‘Active Citizenship’ programme has been planned as an Audio-Visual package of 2 hours covering the themes of civic sense, respect to women, empathy for the physically challenged, substance abuse and patriotism. The Scheme aims to cover around 5 lakhs +2/+3 /Engineering College students in a year
- “Active Citizenship” is an important component of directives of Odisha State Youth Policy-2013. Piloting was done through the Technical Support Unit established in partnership with UNFPA for implementation of OSYP-2013. The package is a stream of short films sourced from their original content owners and has been packaged by a professional AV Firm as a movie with on-screen anchors.
- The programme has been conceptualized keeping in view the recent happenings in the society which necessitates sincere attempt in instilling strong moral values among the impressionable minds of the youth which will shape their personality as a responsible citizen.
- First Volume of “Active Citizenship” DVD has been prepared in the meanwhile through a process of appraisal by a panel of advisers having expertise in the field of youth development and related activities.
• The programme was officially launched on 2nd October’2014 on the eve of Gandhi Jayanti at KISS Campus by Hon’ble Minister, Sports & YS. A revised Scheme is under appraisal process of Standing Finance Committee with a budgetary allocation of Rs. 4.00 Crores.

PROMOTION OF ADVENTURE ACTIVITIES

The Scheme provides for

• Adventure programme for youth both inside and outside Odisha:
  Adventure Camp at Manali/ Rishikesk & Dehradun, Adventure Camp inside the State Parasailing Programme, Expedition to Chilika Lake Mouth, Coastal Trekking, Hot-Air Balooning, Water Sports Programme etc. are organized as a part of the programme. Programmes outside the State are organized in association with All India Organizations as National Adventure Foundation, National Adventure Club and other recognized Institutes of Govt. of India and other State Govts. Adventure programme within the State are conducted in association with NCC, INS Chilika, Indian Coast Guard, State Chapters of All India adventure Sports organizations and other state level adventure sports bodies.

• Financial assistance to youth for undergoing training courses in adventure activities
• Cash Award for outstanding achievement in Adventure activities,
• Financial assistance to organizations engaged in promotion of Adventure activities in Odisha for purchase of adventure sports gears/equipments and/or creation of adventure sports infrastructure.
• There is budget provision of Rs.1.80 Crore per annum.

STATE & DISTRICT YOUTH FESTIVAL

The Government of India in collaboration with one of the States and institutions like the Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS) and the National Service Scheme (NSS) organizes National Youth Festival every year. The idea behind a Youth Festival is to organize a gathering of the youth for fostering the concept of National Integration, spirit of communal harmony and brotherhood. The Sports & Youth Services Department following the Government of India guidelines conducts State level, District level youth festivals in the same line as that of the National Youth Festival to select District Contingent for the State Level Festivals and selection of State Contingent for the National Level Festival.
There is a budget provision of Rs.1.00 Crore per annum

STATE AWARD FOR SOCIAL SERVICE

From 2014-15, Scheme for State Award for Social Service will be conferred on two Individual(s) and One Voluntary Origination with Award value of Rs. 25,000/- each (2 Nos.) for Individual Category and Rs.1,00,000/- for Voluntary Organization -Rs.1,00,000/- (One)
BIJU PATNAIK BRAVERY AWARD

From 2014-15, the awards shall be given annually to any person of any age in or outside Odisha in recognition of his/her spectacular act of bravery and gallantry deeds for the society in Odisha. The award shall comprise of a cash award of Rs.1.00 lakh, one silver medal and a scroll.

OBSERVANCE OF NATIONAL YOUTH DAY/WEEK

Birth Anniversary of Swami Vivekananda is observed as National Youth Day on 12th January. Mass Rally, Seminar on life & works of Swami Vivekananda are organized to mark the occasion.

INTERNSHIP PROGRAMME

• Internship programme launched in 2013-14 under ‘Biju Yuva Sashaktikaran Yojna’ aims at giving exposure to young people in developmental activities and get firsthand knowledge about different welfare schemes and programmes implemented by the Government through various departments.
• National Service Scheme was the Nodal Agency for implementation.
• Under the programme, 5000 Youth (19-25 years) were inducted under 8 departments @ 15 Interns per Block with a provision of Stipend of Rs.1500/- per month for 3 months in 2013-14.
• Due to shortcomings in the implementation of the Scheme, it has been discontinued from 2014-15 after approval of Government. The major shortcomings are as under:
  ❖ The departments were disinterested in utilizing the services of the Interns. With specific IEC strategy in place for each department with dedicated manpower at field level, the utilization of services of Interns for department-specific assignments was not required. The Interns who were usually NSS Volunteers are students and supposed to assist the department as per the job-chart in their free/leisure hours. The concept failed to materialize at the field level due to its inherent contradictions.
  ❖ NSS Regional Office suggested that giving of Stipends to NSS/NYKS Volunteers will start a tendency of expectations of remuneration for different Volunteer-based activities taken up by these organizations. This will in a way goes against the spirit of Volunteerism which these organizations promote among the youth.
  ❖ Moreover Internship as a concept is meant for honing the skills of students either after or during the course of their professional studies. Extending the concept to the ‘Internship Programme’ will no way benefit the students/ non-students who are inducted as Interns. This will neither benefit the youth nor the departments under whom the Interns are inducted.
ASSISTANCE TO YOUTH CLUBS

- The Scheme under ‘Biju Yuva Sashaktikaran Yojna’ provides for one-time assistance to Youth Clubs @ Rs.10,000/- per Club and capacity building @ Rs.2,000/- per Club.

- Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan is the nodal agency for implementation.

- As per budgetary support, 8604 Clubs (6304 – Rural Clubs + 2300-Urban Clubs) are to be given one-time assistance @ Rs.10,000/- each.

- Out of target of 8604 Clubs, NYKS has released Grants to 5625 Clubs so far after selection by District Level Committee chaired by Collectors of respective districts.

- Since it is a one-time assistance meant for only one year, the scheme has been closed.