

## **YWCA OF INDIA**

### **NATIONAL CONVENTION 2018**

#### **YOUTH ACTION PLAN AND RESOLUTION**

##### **Region specific key issues identified:**

- Northern Region: Child Sexual Abuse
- Eastern Region: Domestic Violence
- Western Region: Domestic Violence
- South Western Region: Moral Policing
- South Eastern Region: Gender Inequality

##### **Action Plan based on the three quadrennium themes:**

###### **PREVENTION**

- Awareness for men/women (especially families)
- Educational and economic development programs
- Awareness for children on good touch, bad touch
- Legal rights awareness and advocacy
- Creating awareness through social media
- Educating women on their identity, beliefs and convictions
- Youth forums within YDEEPA to discuss issues
- Gender sensitisation trainings

###### **IMPLEMENTATION**

- Educate the educators
- Community vigilance groups (CVG) or women's union/wing to address issues of violence
- Network with govt. (DPO in – charge, police station, legal cell)
- Create online platforms for 'safe' discussion on issues
- Training public authorities
- Start a blog and write about issues and express different perspectives
- Create a bridge between legal issues and ywca
- Creative use of social media and spread awareness
- Social media to voice out opinion for creating consensus on any issue of inequality
- Mainstream gender agenda into every aspect of youth-oriented programs
- Conduct survey/questionnaire/statistics on inequality to gain a deeper understanding on issues from the people

###### **REHABILITATION**

- Counselling centres
- Leadership and capacity building trainings
- Networking and partnership with govt. Depts. And NGOs
- Engage in income generation for self-sustainable programs

- Create referral services
- Shelter homes (for short stay)
- Follow – up with victims of violence
- Economic empowerment
- Build sustainability of efforts
- Community engagement shelter homes (for short stay)

## **RESOLUTION**

### **We the young women volunteers of the YWCA resolve:**

- To have youth centred programs (30% Of the annual ywca programs should be youth centric)
- To observe an international youth day each year by conducting awareness building programs
- Regional youth conferences every year
- Resolve to strengthen the YDEEPA wing to impact and empower thousands of young women and reach the 2035 goal
- Gender inclusive forums for discussion on gender issues for solutions
- Youth budget allocated specifically for youth programs only, every year
- Employment of youth secretaries to ensure youth programs are conducted on relevant issues and monitored
- Ensure active local govt. Involvement on youth issues for awareness building and advocacy
- Encourage membership of young women from rural communities
- Ensure awareness for young people on sexual and reproductive health and rights
- Specifically, to reach the un 90 – 90 – 90 goal of prevention and rehabilitation of persons with HIV/AIDS and eradicate the stigma