**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% 0f the annual ywca programs should be youth centric)
* To observe un 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