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**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports**  
**Department of Youth Affairs**  
**NSS Section**

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi  
Dated the 29<sup>th</sup> December, 2023

To,

1. All the Regional Director of NSS.
2. The State NSS Officer (SNO), NSS of all the States/ UTs.

**Subject: Participation of NSS Volunteers in the 13th Annual National Conclave of Bharatiya Chhatra Sansad (Indian Students' Parliament) – "Inspiring Youth: Strengthening Democracy" scheduled from 10th to 12th January 2024 at MIT World Peace University, Pune – reg.**


Sir/Madam,

I would like to mention that the Bharatiya Chhatra Sansad Foundation and MIT School of Government, Pune have been bringing together students from across the Country in an annual conclave called Bharatiya Chhatra Sansad (Indian Students' Parliament). Twelve (12) such annual events have already been organized with great success. The 13<sup>th</sup> Bharatiya Chhatra Sansad is being organized for three days from 10<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> January 2024 at MIT World Peace University, Pune. The basic objective of organizing this conclave is to effectively involve the youth in the democratic process of the country. The event is supported by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India, Ministry of Higher & Technical Education, Maharashtra, AIU, AICTE. It also gets support/participation from international agencies like UN, UNESCO, SAARC, Inter-Parliamentary Union, and the Commonwealth.

2. This is a non-partisan and apolitical event, where deliberations are held on issues of contemporary significance. During the last 12 years, several eminent personalities have addressed the conclave like: Late Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, Late Shri Pranab Mukherjee, Smt. Pratibha Patil etc. In addition to these, several eminent personalities like H.E. Aung San Suu Kyi, Irina Bokova, Malala Yousafzai, and Sunita Williams etc., addressed the conclave through pre-recorded video messages.

3. During the 13th Bharatiya Chhatra Sansad, scheduled to be held from 10 to 12 January 2024, deliberations will take place on a number of important subjects like (i) Youth Leadership in Politics – Rhetoric or Reality (ii) Yugaantar – Youth in Transition (iii) Democracy 2.0 – How AI and Social Media are changing the game (iv) Power of Folklore in our culture (v) Data, Diversity and Democracy – Cast Census Dilemma (vi) As we Land on Moon, are Women Safe on Land. A number of eminent speakers are expected to speak on the occasion. The details of the Programme can be seen on the website [www.bharatiyachhatrasansad.org](http://www.bharatiyachhatrasansad.org).

4. Indian Students' Parliament plays a significant role in reshaping the perspective of young individuals and reinforcing their reverence for democracy and its establishments. Likewise, the National Service Scheme (NSS) has the goal of nurturing the character and persona of young students while instilling a sense of national perspective among them. Engaging in the Indian Students' Parliament can strongly contribute to advancing the objectives of the NSS.

  
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5. The Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports has developed MY BHARAT Portal: Youth Leadership and Social Engagement Platform which is a digital platform to provide a space for young people to develop their leadership skills, connect with like-minded peers and mentors, and engage with social cause in their communities and beyond, to participate in experiential learning activities to improve their understanding of work in real-life situations. The portal is being developed as a part of Roadmap with the following objectives:

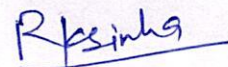
- Provide a platform for young people to develop their leadership skills and engage with social cause.
- Provide youth an opportunity to avail of experiential learning in private and public sector organisations.
- Foster a sense of community and connection among young people.
- Provide a platform to allow young people to connect with mentors for counselling.
- Provide a platform to allow young people to participate and organise events on different themes whether cultural, sports, social causes, competitions etc.

6. In view of the above, it is requested that you may kindly take necessary steps to encourage the participation of NSS volunteers in the forthcoming Indian Students' Parliament in January, 2024. Directorate of NSS, New Delhi may provide hyperlink on the NSS website to [www.bhartiyachhatrasansad.org](http://www.bhartiyachhatrasansad.org) so that the details can be seen by the concerned NSS volunteers.

7. This letter may also be circulated to all the Heads/Principals of Universities and other educational institutions having NSS units to facilitate participation of students in the event. These institutions may also be requested to provide link from their websites to [www.bhartiyachhatrasansad.org](http://www.bhartiyachhatrasansad.org).

8. The students can register online through the website [www.bhartiyachhatrasansad.org](http://www.bhartiyachhatrasansad.org) and for more information or clarification about the registration process and formalities the organizers of Indian Student Parliament, may be contacted on **8888815421/22/23** or on email [info@bhartiyachhatrasansad.org](mailto:info@bhartiyachhatrasansad.org). Their website can also be referred for detailed information.

Yours faithfully,



(Ravi Kumar Sinha)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

**Copy to:**

1. The Secretaries in-charge dealing with NSS (all States/ UTs) (through SNOs of the States/ UTs) - for kind information and appropriate action.
2. The Director, Directorates of NSS, New Delhi.
3. The Vice-Chancellors of all the Universities having NSS - for kind information and appropriate action.
4. Shri A.B. Shinde, Regional Director of Regional Directorate of NSS Pune with the request to coordinate with the Bharatiya Chhatra Sansad Foundation and set up counter for registration of participants on MyBharat portal w.r.t para 5 above during the event.
5. Shri Rahul V. Karad, Founder and Convener, Bharatiya Chhatra Sansad Foundation, S. No.124, Paud Road, Kothrud, Pune-411038 — with the request to provide logistic support to Regional Directorate of NSS Pune for registration of participants on MyBharat portal w.r.t para 5 above during the event.

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