INTERNATIONAL YOUTH DAY 2023
aligned to the United Nations International Youth Day theme

GREEN SKILLS FOR YOUTH: TOWARDS A SUSTAINABLE WORLD

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11th August 2023
(Friday)
03:00 PM onwards
(IST)

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BACKGROUND

**International Youth Day** is observed annually on **August 12th**. It is meant as an opportunity for governments and others to draw attention to youth issues worldwide. During IYD, concerts, workshops, cultural events, and meetings involving national and local government officials and youth organizations take place around the world.

The year 2023 theme for International Youth Day is **“Green Skills for Youth: Towards a Sustainable World”**

Today, the world is embarking on a green transition. The shift towards an environmentally sustainable and climate-friendly world is critical not only for responding to the global climate crisis but also for achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

A successful transition towards a greener world will depend on the development of green skills in the population. Green skills are “knowledge, abilities, values and attitudes needed to live in, develop and support a sustainable and resource-efficient society”.

These include technical knowledge and skills that enable the effective use of green technologies and processes in occupational settings, as well as transversal skills that draw on a range of knowledge, values and attitudes to facilitate environmentally sustainable decisions in work and in life. Due to their interdisciplinary nature, the essence of green skills is sometimes expressed, partly if not wholly, through other associated terms such as “skills for the future” and “skills for green jobs”. While green skills are relevant for people of all ages, they have heightened importance for younger people, who can contribute to the green transition for a longer period of time.


VIRTUAL PROGRAM/ DIALOGUE ON INTERNATIONAL YOUTH DAY 2023

For commemorating **International Youth Day 2023**, the Virtual Centre of Excellence for Social Welfare Administration (VCoE-SWA), under the aegis of **Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP)** is organizing a virtual dialogue/ program on **11th August, 2023** (Friday) from **3 pm onwards** (IST) in partnership with **Chitkara College of Education; Chitkara School of Psychology and Counselling, Chitkara University; and Indian Pollution Control Association (IPCA)**, aligned to the UN International Youth Day 2023 theme on **“Green Skills for Youth: Towards a Sustainable World”**, with an opportunity to contribute to the development of green skills in youth for green transition, renew the social contract between Governments, their people and within societies, so as to rebuild trust and embrace a shared and comprehensive vision of green world on the road to support a sustainable and resource-efficient society.
ASSOCIATION OF PROFESSIONAL SOCIAL WORKERS AND DEVELOPMENT PRACTITIONERS (APSWDP)

Association of Professional Social Workers & Development Practitioners (APSWDP) is a registered not for profit professional membership-based organization of professional social workers and development practitioners working in various social welfare domain across the country. APSWDP has been conferred Special Consultative Status with Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) and affiliation with the Department of Global Communication (DGC) of United Nations since 2019. APSWDP works closely on social issues like poverty, livelihood, health, environment, education, water & sanitation, unemployment, disease control program, urbanization, youth issues of de-addiction, and have covered the whole gamut of government, development agencies, and academic institutions.

CHITKARA COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, CHITKARA UNIVERSITY

Established in the year 2003, Chitkara College of Education is approved by National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE), Jaipur, and duly recognised by the Punjab State Government. We aim to provide an an exemplary stepping stone to the budding teachers’ future success through a concrete grounding in requisite skills and knowledge, which is channelized towards striving for teaching excellence and creating exceptional leaders to transform the educational realm.

CHITKARA SCHOOL OF PSYCHOLOGY AND COUNSELLING

Chitkara School of Psychology and Counselling offers a rich learning learning environment where you can explore multifarious career options, develop practical expertise and become a leader in the profession. Besides providing the students with a sound theoretical base, huge thrust is placed on hands-on experience facilitated through internships, field studies and experiential learning. Our industry-informed curriculum, up-to-date Psychology labs and an exceptionally qualified faculty, ensure our students are a coveted asset to the industry.

Indian Pollution Control Association (IPCA)

Indian Pollution Control Association (IPCA) is a not-for-profit organization conceived in 2001 by a group of environmentally conscious individuals who firmly believed at promoting environmentally sustainable practices at individual, community, institutional and industrial level. IPCA is registered under the Society Registration Act, XXI of 1860 and also registered under 80G and 12A act of Income Tax. IPCA is an ISO 9001:2015, ISO 14001:2015 & ISO 45001:2018 certified organization and pioneer in preparing and executing EPR Action Plan for Plastic Waste Management (PWM). IPCA has rich experience in formulating and executing community engagement program as well as developing infrastructure for effective management of waste and air.
KEY OBJECTIVES

The *key objectives* of the virtual program/dialogue are:

- Build a new “green” economy by instilling new green skills in Youth, the drivers of Change.
- Create a positive “green” future in the long term, by building human systems to work with and in support of the rest of nature, rather than against it.
- Focus on skills to embody nature-centric thinking in the society, to design a future that’s healthy, fair and safe.
- Establish network amongst the participants who are devoted to work with an objective of transforming global understanding of the climate emergency and partnerships, to promote sustainable solutions for shaping the future of our communities, towns and cities.
- Promote information sharing and exchange at the local and global level to work in cohesion effectively with nature-first thinkers networks working on spreading awareness among communities on Climate Change and Solutions for Sustainable Development.

MODE OF COMMUNICATION

The mode of communication for the virtual program/dialogue is English. However, the participants from regional background are also encouraged to join the conversation in their respective vernacular. APSWDP does not discriminate on the grounds of language. We believe in participation from across the lines. Our volunteers will felicitate the participants in case if they are not comfortable with the language.

TARGET AUDIENCE

- Academician
- Social Activist
- Development Practitioner
- Business Consultant
- Legal Practitioner
- Researcher
- Health Program Manager
- Corporate Social Responsibility
- Entrepreneur
- Government
- Student
- Others

JOIN THE VIRTUAL PROGRAM/DIALOGUE

Join with Google Meet: meet.google.com/kzp-xubq-qtn

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