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# **ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT 2016**

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Empowering Youth, Strengthening Involvement

17K+ 

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**AT A GLANCE**

- ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP
- SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS (SRHR)
- ECONOMIC INITIATION AND INNOVATION
- ENVIRONMENT SUSTAINABILITY
- GLOBAL INFORMATION ACCESS

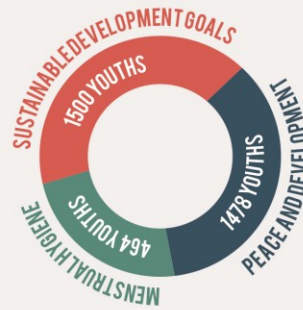
**RESEARCH & SURVEY**

**210**  
LEADERS

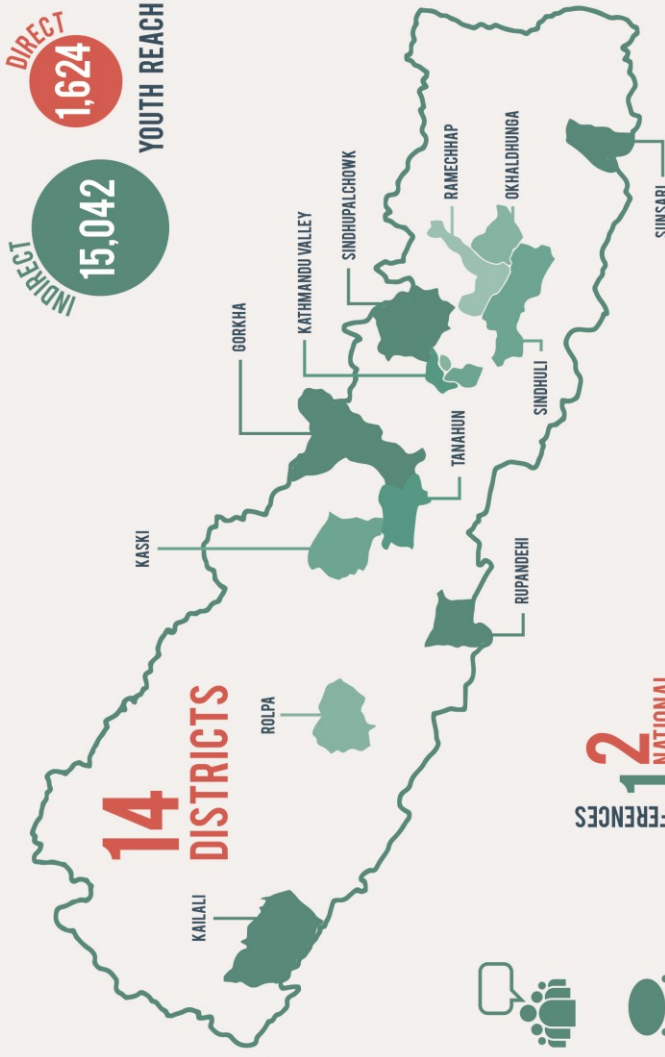
**959**  
LEARNERS

**11K+**  
AWARE

**455**  
PEER EDUCATED



**10** COMMUNITY PROJECTS 



**15,042**  
INDIRECT  
YOUTH REACH

**1,624**  
DIRECT  
YOUTH REACH

**12** NATIONAL REGIONAL CONFERENCES

**50+** COLLABORATIONS



**PARTNERS**



Active Citizenship

Prarambha (Initiation)

A two day non-residential program targeted towards the youths between the ages of 18-27. It's an effort towards a common platform for youth innovation and engagement. Participants undergo a series of steps whereby the ideas are explored, organized and implemented, concurrently empowering and motivating youths. Its primary aim is to provide a clicking point whereby the participants can identify the way ahead.

Three Prarambha's were run throughout the year with a total of 67 participants. The details of these sessions are as follows:

- October 1-5, 2015: Pharmacy and Public Health students, from CIST College (Central Institute of Science and Technology), Sangam Chowk, Baneshwor.
- January 28-29, 2016: Social Work students of Golden Gate International College, Battisputali.
- June 6-7, 2016: Social Work students of Shantwona Memorial Multiple College, Baneshwor.



### Pahichan (Identify)



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Rural youth targeted non-residential program primarily designed to produce skilled, self-motivated and empowered chain of local leadership. This program is carried out in the rural areas of Nepal and in coordination with the local youth clubs and local organizations. Every rural area is its target place and any rural youth falls under the targeted group of this program. Pahichan follow the three basic principles of exploring the local leadership, empowering the local leaders and establishing social networks.

Two Pahichans were run throughout the year in two districts with a total of 50 participants. The details of these sessions are as follows:

- February 13-14, 2016: Youths of Dhunwankot VDC, Gorkha.
- April 24-25, 2016: Youths of 7 different VDCs in Man Pakadi VDC, Rupandehi.

The success of the Pahichans in these districts resulted in the graduates running leadership initiatives in their communities. The details of these initiatives are as follows:

- February 27, 2016: Pahichan graduates of Dhunwankot VDC, Gorkha conducted a Cleanliness program in different villages of Dhunwankot VDC. The team comprised of about 15 energetic youths who showed their leadership in proper collection and disposal of waste materials like plastics, polythene, garbage, trash and other waste materials.
- May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016: The Rupandehi Pahichan graduates conducted a Life skill training program with 23 young participants of average age 18 years old, where they oriented the participants regarding critical thinking, creative thinking decision making, effective communication and more through various interactive games and group activities.



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YUWA Manthan is a discussion program whereby the youths gather with an expert to discuss in the issues affecting youths. The main aim behind it is to provide platform for youths to speak their ideas and voices and to create a place for their engagement.

Three YUWA Manthans occurred throughout the year covering a range of interesting issues. The details of these discussions are as follows:

- January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016: YUWA Manthan with Musician Marcus Leslie Dengate took place at YUWA office, where 40 youths gathered. Most of them were of music enthusiasts and got an opportunity to know more about music, specially Jazz, soft pop, R&B and more. The youths got an opportunity to get inspired by the story and works of Mr. Dengate and his contributions he has made to various genres of music. Hailing from Sydney, Australia, Mr. Dengate started his music career from the piano before shifting to the bass and has also worked with Kathmandu Jazz Conservatory (KJC).
- April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016: YUWA Manthan with Saurav Mehta, an Indian Social entrepreneur and co-founder of DB2MAP, took place with 25 enthusiastic youths from different educational backgrounds. Mr. Mehta presented Map gallery, GIS layers, Statistic data, Map simulation, Map based application and survey mobile App which helps UN Agencies, Government and I/NGOs to bring out the real stories and facts.
- July 6<sup>th</sup> 2016: Yuwa Manthan with Himlal Mahat, president of Youth Partnership for Development and Peace Nepal (YSP-Nepal), took place at YUWA with 22 participants from different organizations. Mr. Mahat has been working in peace building, development and promotion of entrepreneurship for 10 years in Ramechhap district, with involvement in volunteerism, different social movements and development programs as a youth activist. He led an engaging discussion about the resource that is the youth of Nepal and how youths can commence engagement with social and business initiatives.



### **Booketing Project**

The Booketing Project is an initiative whereby YUWA collects donations and books in order

to support schools and libraries. Four successful initiatives were run through the Booketing Project throughout the year. The details are as follows:

- October 17, 2016: On the occasion of Vijaya Dashami 2072, a conventional get together program “Changa Chait” was conducted by YUWA. The program started off with the introduction session of the YUWA members present in the program, followed by several games of cards, from which some amount of the winning fund was allocated for the Booketing project. A total of NRS 360 was collected.
- March 8, 2016: Marking the International Women’s Day, YUWA screened one of the popular Nepali movie of 2014, “Jhola” followed by a short discussion on Sati culture, along with this year’s International Women’s Day theme “Pledge for Parity” and some burning issues on Gender Based Violence and related issues.
- March 18, 2016: Colors for Change, a fundraising event which was organized by YUWA and Urban Youth for Rural Children (UYRC) in order to support the children of Bal Prakash Secondary School, Panauti. The major attractions of the event were: Soul Tickers performance, Dohori, Puppet dance, stalls and Ghumante's Photo Exhibition. A total of NRS. 1,70,450 was collected from the fundraising event.
- June 3, 2016: YUWA’s intern, Ms. Suruchi Pant conducted a documentary screening program of “Angalo” at Reliance School, Baneshwor, where she raised ample of books for the booketing project. The documentary dealt with a child living with HIV and the stigmas and discrimination related to HIV in our communities. The books collected are for a community library of Ikudole, Lalitpur





Team Building, Leadership and Networking Workshops (TLN) provide training to youth on leadership, creative thinking and networking. Seven TLN workshops were run throughout the year with over 158 youths in attendance. They occurred as follows:

- April 1, 2016: Executive members of Nobel Public Health Dynamic Club (NPHDC) at Nobel College, Sinamangal.
- May 11, 2016: 22 Public Health Students of National Open College Public Health Students Society (NOCPHSS) of National Open College (NOC), Sanepa.
- May 13, 2016: In collaboration with Sherpa For Change (SFC) at Boudha.
- June 18, 2016: Sherpa youths of Everest Region at Mendo Café, Mahankal in collaboration with Sherpa Education Culture, Sherwi Yondhan Tshokpa.

The successful TLN workshops resulted in graduates conducting their own TLN sessions according to the below:

- April 1, 2016: After successful completion of TLN, the executive members of Nobel Public Health Dynamic Club (NPHDC) themselves facilitated a workshop of TLN to 20 of the club's general members at Nobel College, Sinamangal.
- May 24, 2016: TLN graduates of National Open College Public Health Student's Society (NOCPHSS), National Open College (NOC), conducted a workshop of same module to the Public Health students of NOC.
- June 2, 2016: The TLN graduates of Sherpa For Change (SFC) conducted a workshop of same modal with the students of Tourism at NATHM college, Ravi Bhawan.



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- YUWA conducted a special screening of the very popular Singha Durbar television series on December 4th, 2015. The program was conducted in coordination with Mr. Pravat Gurung, Project Coordinator, Leadership and Governance, Search For Common Grounds (SFCG) Nepal.
- December 23, 2015: the first anniversary of Presentation Stuffs was celebrated at YUWA along with some members of YUWA family. Various members from the Presentation Stuffs family delivered presentations on the ways that individuals can improve their presentation skills. There were a total of 35 members in attendance.
- January 26, 2016: YUWA conducted an Open Poem Competition in the Auditorium of Thames International College, Kathmandu, where 20 passionate young presented their emotions, feelings, opinions and creativeness in the form of poem.
- February 20, 2016: Writing is a Choice, a workshop on writing was conducted at YUWA. Mr. Umes Shrestha, Co-founder of Presentation Stuffs facilitated the workshop to 15 writing enthusiasts where the goal of the workshop was to inspire the participants to write by sharing with them the science and art of writing.
- February 29, 2016: YUWA partnered with Edushala Pvt. Ltd as they delivered The Career Camp, a 7-day residential training program funded by US Embassy Nepal. The camp is designed to provide practical career-search and career-building skills. YUWA delivered sessions on Team building, Leadership, Communication and Networking to about 125 students.
- March 8, 2016: More than 100 men marched through the city to express their commitment in ending violence against women and girls. More than 15 youth organizations joined hands to hold the “Men’s March: Men Against Violence Against Women and Girls” on the occasion of the 106<sup>th</sup> International Women’s Day.



- March 12, 2016: Marking the International women’s day and its theme for 2016, “Pledge for Parity”, Mr. Umes Shrestha, the co-founder of Presentation

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Stuffs partnered with YUWA and Urban Girl for Writing is a Choice- For female writers at YUWA. The goal of the workshop was to inspire the participants to write by sharing with them the science and art of writing. The workshop was full of activities and interesting methodologies. About 20 female participants were present in the program.

- March 22, 2016: Holi Camp 2016 was organised by YUWA and Urban Youth for Rural Children (UYRC) at Bal Prakash Secondary School, Roshi, Panauti. With the fund collected from our joint event "Colors for Change", the team members cleaned the school premise, carpeted the rooms, decorated the classrooms and also donated sports materials, along with played with colors and celebrated Holi after serving for the school.
- April 10, 2016: YUWA in collaboration with Nobel Public Health Dynamic Club conducted a workshop on Concept note writing for the public health students of Nobel College, Sinamangal. Through this, 20 enthusiastic participants got an opportunity to learn about strategies of Fundraising, where professionalism, building up a program and applying for funds were discussed.
- April 21, 2016: Insight is a program designed for SLC students and their guardians. YUWA conducted an icebreaking session for the 30 students who had recently appeared in the SLC examinations in a program called Edu-Insight. The session was full of fun filled games where the students got to know each other more.

## SRHR and HIV & AIDS

### Youth Leads in Emergency

Youth Leads in Emergency was a post-earthquake initiative of UNFP and Restless Development, whom YUWA partnered with to deliver programs aimed at providing life skills and SRHR training. These programs included a weekly radio program and workshop sessions.



Group photos after the session during Youth Leads in Emergency project

YUWA Aawaz was a weekly radio program aired on Ujyalo FM 90 MHz, on Wednesdays, every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> week of a month at 8:30 pm. The program is done in partnership with UNFPA. Six episodes occurred on a range of topics:

- Mental Health of Young people in post-disaster situation: October 7, 2015
- Teenage Pregnancy: October 21, 2015
- Family Planning: November 4, 2015
- Emergency Contraception: November 18, 2015
- 16 Days of Activism against Gender Based Violence: December 2, 2015
- Achievements and Challenges of Youths Leads in Emergencies Project: December 16, 2015

On 1st November 2015, Youth leads volunteers from YUWA, Jayram Nepali and Pralhad Sunuwar carried out a one hour session on 'presentation' among youth residing in Boudha camp. Furthermore, on 29th and 30th November 2015, Youth leads volunteers from YUWA, Jayram Nepali conducted sessions on 'Team building' and 'Accountability' among the students of Guheswori Higher Secondary School, Sinamangal.

Mr. Dilip Kumar Hajara, Youth Leads Volunteer, conducted sessions on 'Idea Generation' at Vennus English School, Sinamangal, on 27<sup>th</sup> November 2015.



### Reaching Out Young Minds (ROYM)

Reaching out Young Minds (ROYM) is a one-day workshop conducted by YUWA in partnership with MTV Staying Alive Foundation on the issues of HIV and AIDS. Three workshops were run throughout the year with 92 participants.

- February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2016: Students of Central Higher Secondary School for the Deaf, Naxal.



ROYM @ Central H.S. School for Deaf, Naxal

- February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016: Youths of Nepal Mega College, Babarmahal.



ROYM @ Nepal Mega College, Babarmahal



- May 30th, 2016: Youths of Jorpati Leo Club, Jorpati



ROYM @ Jorpati leo Club

### HIV Micro Project

The HIV Micro Project raises awareness of HIV and Aids issues in Nepal by providing knowledge related to HIV and AIDS including symptoms, preventive measures, stigma and discrimination. The program also covers SRHR and LGBTI issues. Five HIV Micro Project were carried out, which were led in local area through our program graduates or local focal person. Over 127 youths attended the program throughout the year.

- January 17, 2016: Students of Shree Ananda Higher Secondary School of Jalbire VDC, Sindhupalchowk.





HIV Micro Project at Shree Ananda H.S. School

- May 11, 2016: Grade 9 and 10 students of Shree Chhatra Higher Secondary School, Bhadaure 8, Okhaldhunga.



Group photo after the HIV Micro project at Shree Chhatra H.S. School, Okhaldhunga

- April 7, 2016: Youths actively showed their participation in documentary screening and discussion program.
- April 9, 2016: Youths of Gwahali were reached through this program who were representing diverse background. Gwahali works with people living with disabilities.
- April 21, 2016: YUWA in collaboration with Leo Club of Pokhara conducted a HIV Micro Project with the students of Shree Pardi Higher Secondary School, Dam-side, Pokhara.

**Red Ribbon Caravan**

From January 31- February 5, 2016 Red Ribbon Caravan (RRC) was carried out in the western region of Kaski and Tanahun. YUWA, in partnership with MTV Staying Alive Foundation, operated the Red Ribbon Caravan to raise awareness of HIV in the regions of Nepal. During the Caravan, a team of around 25 youth performed various arts, music, puppet show, etc to aware local youth in respective districts. Around 3000 youth were reached through this awareness event.



### Khulla Aakash

Khulla Aakash (open sky) is a program is open discussion with youth on all things related to SRHR and HIV & AIDS. Five sessions were undertaken throughout the year.

- December 6, 2015: Khulla Aakash on Gender Based Violence was undertaken to mark the 16 Days of Activism. The program dealt with 16 days of activism, gender based violence, existing situation of gender based violence in Nepal and inequality in the access of education in terms of gender. There were about 20 participants
- March 8, 2016: YALC members conducted Khulla Akash on the topic “Eve Teasing” with the students of Bernhardt Higher Secondary School, Balkhu.
- April 10, 2016: YALC Member conducted Khulla Akash on the topic "Sex and Abortion" with the students of Trinity International College, Kathmandu.
- May 20, 2016: Khulla Aakash on the topic “Will SRHR always be limited within the whisper” was conducted at the premise of Emile Academy with 11 students from Grade 7, 8 and 9. This was conducted by YALC members.
- June 27, 2016: YALC members conducted Khulla Aakash on the topic “Menstruation” was successfully performed at Hilltown Higher Secondary School, Kirtipur where 12 students of Grade 8 and 9.
- July 22, 2016: Khulla Akash on “Leadership and Youths” was conducted at Jugal School located, Kapan by YALC members.





Khulla Akash with students of Trinity International College

### **Youth Activists Leadership Council (YALC)**

Youth Activists Leadership Council (YALC) is a group of youth activists who advocate at the national and international level for improved sexual and reproductive health policies that support reproductive health, family planning services, comprehensive sexuality education and programs that support meaningful youth participation. The YALC ran 15 programs throughout the year, 8 of which were on the topic of comprehensive sex education.

- December 1, 2015: Marking the World AIDS Day, YUWA conducted an interaction program on HIV and AIDS in collaboration with Leo Club of Bagmati, Kathmandu star, Manigal Global, Kathmandu Mount Makalu, Kantipur Kathmandu, Lalitpur Pagoda City, Chyasidegal, Kathmandu Valley, Kathmandu Manaslu, Kathmandu Kirtipur, Kathmandu Eureka and Bhanubhakta at Public Youth Campus, Chettrapati. There was a total of 20 participants in the program.
- March 8, 2016: On the occasion of International Women’s Day, Youth Activist Leadership Council (YALC) organized a speech competition on the topic “Should girls be bound to the kitchen chores?” There were 8 participants for the speech competition, which was judged by Mr. J.B. Fulel, a teacher at Bernhardt Higher Secondary School and Ms. Samata Shrestha, member of YALC 2016. Medhawi Kafle won the speech competition.
- March 8, 2016: To mark the International Women’s Day, with the theme “Pledge for Parity”, YALC 2016 launched a Facebook campaign titled “A Women with Success Story” to honor and acknowledge the outstanding work done by women all over the country. Participants were encouraged to submit one nomination with a description



of her work and her photo. Stories can be found at Facebook page of YUWA and Youth Activist Leadership Council (YALC).

- March 10, 2016: YALC in collaboration with Nepal Public Health Student's Society organized a Speech Competition including Poem Recital and Drama at Maharajgunj Medical Campus. Nine students participated for the speech competition on the topic "Pledge for Parity", from Maharajgunj Medical Campus, Maharajgunj Nursing Campus and Manmohan Institute of Health Science. The winners were Harif Ghimire, Rakshya Pandit and Pratima Pandey- first, second and third respectively and all of them were from MMIHS.
- April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016: CSE Peer education session was carried out with student of Shavbhavi School.
- April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016: CSE Peer education session was provided to 15 students of Shivapuri School, Baluwatar.
- May 16, 2016: A talk show was conducted at Capital FM 92.4 MHz on May 16, 2016, as a part of media outreach program of YALC. Two council members of YALC- Ms. Sajja Singh and Ms. Sweta Mahato attended the talk program, which was an hour long. It was on air on May 17<sup>th</sup> at 8 am under the program "Yuwa Sarokar".
- May 20, 2016: The puppet training has been conducted among YALC member and other interested participants to develop puppet handling, using and performing techniques. Puppet trainer Kripa and Khil Bahadur Thapa oriented member and other participant about it. Later on, participant practiced puppet show dividing into 2 teams on topics *HIV and AIDS* and *Wet dreams*.
- May 28, 2016: Marking International menstrual hygiene day, YALC organized media campaign known as Menstruation matters where poll with various question related to menstruation was asked via social media. The respondent were of age group 14-50. Out of 464 respondents, total of 70% were female and 30% were male.
- May 4, 2016: Comprehensive sexuality education (CSE) was provided to the 19 students from the club of New Summit School, Maitidevi through peer education.
- May 20, 2016: CSE was provided to 11 students from a club of Emile Academy, Shantinagar through peer education by YALC members.
- May 23, 2016: CSE was conducted with 12 students of Glen Buds Secondary School, with a total of 12 students from the school's Health Club.
- May 2, 2016: CSE was carried out with the students of Cambridge School.
- June 10, 2016: CSE was provided to 20 students from classes 8, 9 and 10 of Reliance Public School, Kapan.
- June 27, 2016: CSE was conducted amongst 12 students of classes 8, 9 and 10 of Kathmandu Valley School, Chakrapath.
- June 27, 2016: CSE was conducted with 18 students of the student club of Tilingtar higher Secondary School, Dhapasi.
- July 24, 2016: CSE was conducted at Little Blossom School with 18 participants from Grade 8, 9 and 10.
- Another CSE was conducted at Little Blossom School with different school club participants.
- July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016L CSE was conducted with 15 students of Newcastle School, Dhapasi



CSE Peer Education session at Shambhavi School.



Student of Shivapuri School involved in group work during CSE Session.



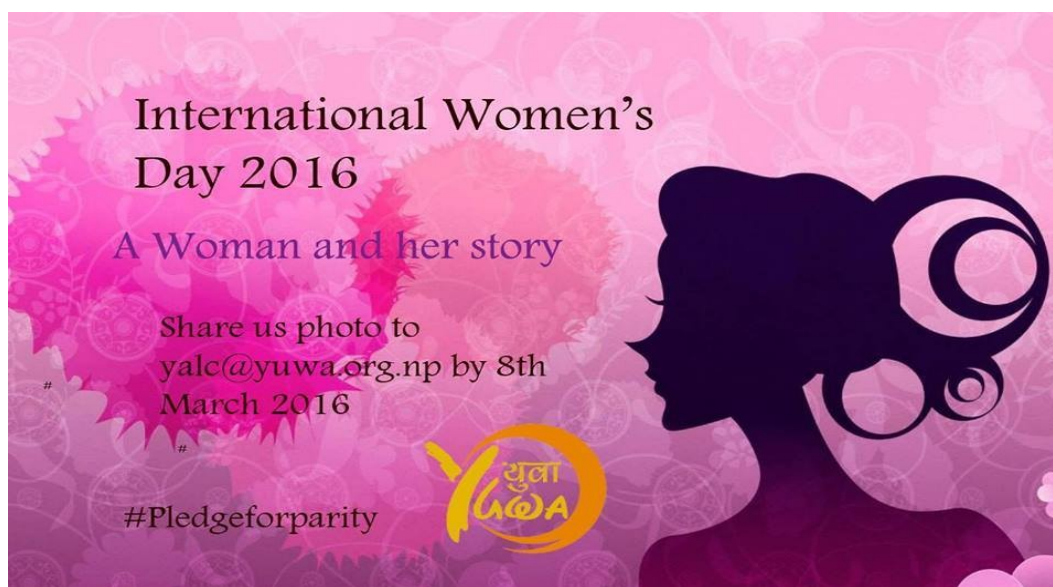
Participant of Speech competition at Bernherdt School, Balkhu.



## 16 days of Activism against Gender Based Violence

Every year the 16 Days Campaign of Activism against Gender Based Violence is celebrated around the world from November 25 – December 10. December 10<sup>th</sup>, the end of the campaign, being International Human Rights Day. This year's theme was "From peace in the home to peace in the world, make education safe for all". This activism was celebrated worldwide with orange, yellow and purple colours. YUWA participated in this campaign in a number of ways.

- YUWA celebrated the 16th day of 16 Days of Activism by beautifying the YUWA House with Purple balloons and Purple lights. The members, interns and volunteers wrote the messages relating to this year's theme of 16 Days of Activism and concluded the activism this year by lighting up the purple lights.
- YUWA showcased a 30 minutes drama at Golden Gate College, Battisputali on 9th December 2015. The drama was performed in front of about 45 participants, where they got to know about gender based violence through an interactive storyline.
- December 7, 2015: In collaboration with Urban Youth For Rural Children (UYRC), conducted a Puppet Show marking the World AIDS Day and 16 Days of Activism in Thames College, Battisputali. The show was about a person living with HIV and the discrimination faced by him in the society. Following the puppet show, a discussion session was held among the participants about the existing stigma and discrimination related to HIV and AIDS and use of media like Puppet show to address such situations. A total of 30 participants were present in the program.



## Other activities under SRHR and HIV & AIDS

- April 5, 2016: YUWA, in collaboration with Youth Service Center of Marie Stopes



International located at Putalisadak, successfully conducted a training program on “Youth Career and Contraception”. It was very informative training for youths that provided a platform for them to understand Sexual and Reproductive health issues as well as opportunities to address myths on contraception. 35 youths attended, representing Nobel Public Health Dynamic Club-Nobel College, CIST College, Urban Youths For Rural Children, YUWA members and interns.

- April 7, 2016: YUWA team successfully conducted documentary screening of “Komal” and “Child Security” followed by discussion on safe and unsafe physical touch among the adolescent of Nepal Children Organization, Sifal who are studying in different schools in the valley. 35 youths actively participated in the documentary screening.
- May 2-3, 2016: First National Conference on Adolescent Health and Development in Nepal was held in Kathmandu in the hall of Yak and Yeti Hotel, which brought together delegates from all over the country and dignitaries from all around the globe. Members from YUWA and YALC along with YUWA interns had participated in this two day conference as a volunteers and delegates. The YALC members who volunteered were appointed to respected department such as in registration, hall management, way management, caretaking department and Audio visual.

## Economic Initiation and Innovation

### **Commencing activities**

YUWA envisions to work with youth to foster their economic initiation and promote their innovation to help them become potential entrepreneurs. To give a start up to this thematic area, executive board decided to allocate an amount of funds so that programs can run under this thematic area. Dharma Raj Ghimire and Carolyn Halliday are leading this thematic area with a work plan. Carolyn Halliday is an Australian Volunteer for International Development (AVID) and working as a program development officer at YUWA. Ms. Carolyn Halliday was welcomed YUWA for the very first time on 23rd of Ma, 2016. She is the Volunteer for YUWA until May 2017.

Work has commenced in this thematic area with the formation of the project cycle. The cycle is currently in the exploration phase. Exploration phase will occur with meeting with stakeholders, interviews, a survey and focus group discussions which will help us in problem analysis and comprehensive project design. This will be the base line research before commencing the implementation phase of the project.

### **Project GIFT**

Project "Grassroots Innovation for Transformation"(GIFT), a project previously designed by YUWA but not yet implemented, was analyzed and revised by the team. The project cycle covers four 'Is': Identification, Initiation, Implementation and Innovation; fostering greater participatory approach. Identification phase offers workshops to youths to identify their available local resources and understand pressing issues in their community.

YUWA applied for the Direct Aid program (DAP) for Project GIFT particularly aiming to empower 35 youth from Kathmandu and Ramechhap district with entrepreneurial skills and later providing innovation fund for 10 best ideas. This funding application not successful. YUWA applied for the Global Youth Empowerment Fund for Project GIFT. YUWA successfully won the project after competing with many other projects from different countries.

### **Kathmandu Maker Faire**

YUWA co-partnered with the organizer of Nepal Communitere in the Kathmandu Maker Faire 2016 where innovative makers took part as participants. This gave the opportunity for youth entrepreneurs to build their skills and the capacity of their innovation.



### **Non Resident Nepali Association**

An interactive program took place at FNCCI building, Teku about possible roles of youths in rebuilding Nepal. The program saw a group of panelists of experts where they made vigorous discussions about the reasons of brain drain amongst the youths and the possible measures to enhance and accelerate the trend of reverse migration. Discussions occurred about youth entrepreneurship and its importance in today's world. The program was organized by Non Resident Nepali Association (NRNA) and supported by different organizational entities, including YUWA.

### **Sroth-Code partnership**

February 28th, 2016: "Sroth-Code" is an initiative to empower the people of the country, specially females, in the field of Information Technology by trying reach out the women and men who are interested in coding and also giving them the informative knowledge about, how to actually work in this field. "Sroth-Code" winter camp emphasizes in web designing front end development. This camp is different than other courses given by different institutes, which really intend to teach and make the participants learn about website development. The program occurred at King's College, Babarmahal from 28th February to

28th March, 2016. The workshop will be facilitated by Mr. Udaya Gurung and Mr. Uttam Prasad Adhikari, web designers and the workshop was supported by YUWA.

**Django girls on programming**

July 31, 2016, Lalitpur: The international program on programming "Django girls on programming" was conducted to raise interest of girls and women in coding and programming. Django Girls Kathmandu is one day workshop with the aim of introducing women to the world of programming and to bring more diversity into the IT fields and empower women to pursue jobs in this field without fear or hesitation. There were 22 participant including men indicating men's involvement in women empowerment. The session was facilitated by Santosh Purvey and Shankar Bhattarai from Bits Innovation in collaboration with YUWA.



## Environment and Sustainable Development

The Thematic Area of Environment and Sustainable Development strengthens the youth concern and involvement in the green campaign especially related to climate change, solid waste management and water resources conservation through campaigns and researches.

### Nepal Climate Convergence

November 18 - 19, 2015: The first ever “Nepal Climate Convergence, 2015” took place at SAP Falcha, BabarMahal, Kathmandu. The program saw a total of 57 participants of diverse ethnic groups, place of origin and academic backgrounds. The convergence was basically conducted in order to orient youths from all over Nepal about Climate change, Climate Justice and Conference of Parties 21 (COP21) so that they can share their knowledge to others and take necessary climate related actions in their communities.

### People’s Climate March

November 28, 2015: The People’s Climate March, 2015 kicked off from Bhrikuti Mandap and ended at Basantapur. There were about 400 people present in the March from different schools, institutions and organizations. There were also dance performances, musical performance and flashmob during the march.

### This Changes Everything

November 27, 2015: A premiere of the movie “This changes everything” was conducted at King’s College, Bijuli Bazar. The screening was followed by interactive discussions about the movie. A total of 45 participants were present, including well known personalities working in climate scenario.



## Centre for Youth Studies

YUWA's Center for Youth Study (CYS) is an academic initiation of YUWA for the benefit of youths who want to pursue knowledge on youth and its related issues and concerns. It is an autonomous and self-sustaining unit which aims to provide today's youth with necessary resources about being youth and all aspects that complement and refer to their identity.

### Youth Studies

Youth Studies is an interactive and interdisciplinary 6 day course. It was carried out from April 17 – 22. The main contents of the course are youth issues, policies, fundraising, leadership and intergenerational partnerships. There were 14 participants from diverse educational backgrounds who participated in the course.



### Youth and Peacebuilding Research

YUWA partnered with the United Nations Peace Fund for Nepal to undertake a country-level assessment to examine the engagement and inclusion of youth in peacebuilding, as well as partnering with youth towards the promotion of a peaceful and inclusive society for sustainable development in Nepal. The research occurred from June 15- August 15 through the Micro Capital Grant Agreement.

YUWA fulfilled its proposed tasks to meet objective of this research by establishing baseline

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data on the challenges and opportunities, risks and incentives different groups of Nepali youths face when participating in and engaging with decision makers and decision-making processes at all levels.

YUWA, as a project partner, carried out quantitative and qualitative study in six districts: Kailali, Sunsari, Ramechhap, Sindhuli, Rolpa and Kathmandu within the suggested time frame. YUWA worked with three local networks, Youth Initiative, Youth Partnership for Development and Peace (YSP-Nepal), Dalit NGO Federation, across the six target districts to participate in completing the Close-Ended Questionnaire (CEO) and Focus Group Discussion (FGDs).

To undertake the project YUWA gathered a team of 14 Enumerators, 4 local coordinators and 10 enumerators, were recruited led by Project Coordinator, Mr. Kanchan Pd. Kharel.

By completion of the research YUWA had collected a total of 1,280 closed ended questionnaires and had conducted 20 focus group discussions.





## Networking and Relation Building

YUWA was very active in the area of networking and relationship building throughout the year. This resulted in a number of productive relationships and projects. The networking and relationship building opportunities that occurred were with the following organizations and groups:

- ARROW
- CECI
- Cheer Up Nepal
- Constellation, India
- Dolphin consultancy
- Edushala Pvt. Ltd.
- FPAN
- GIZ
- Global Shapers
- Glocal Tean Hero
- Hello Himalayan Homes
- Human Values For Peace and Prosperity (HVPP)
- Integrity Idol
- Karmanya Foundation
- LOOM Nepal
- Lumbini Bank
- Nepal Tourism Board
- NMV Bank
- Raising Stars
- Restless Development
- Scope Global
- Sherpa For change
- South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC)
- Teach for Nepal (TFN)
- The Art of Living
- The Government of Nepal
- The Institute of Development Studies (IDS)
- UNFPA
- UNHRC
- UNRCHCO
- Urban Youths For Rural Children (UYRC)
- VSO
- We Inspire Nepal
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- Y-Peer
- Yuwalaya



# Training and Opportunities

## **Youth-led Organizatins workshop- India**

From February 1-10, 2016, General Member and Program Coordinator of SRHR and HIV and AIDS of YUWA Mr. Khil Bahadur Thapa participated in a workshop on youth-led organizations in South Asia by The Asian-Pacific Resource & Research Centre for Women (ARROW) ,hosted by Talking About Reproductive and Sexual Health Issues (TARSHI) in New Delhi, India from February 2nd to February 9th, 2016 . The workshop aimed to bring together selective youth-led organizations from South Asia including Pakistan, Nepal, India and Bangladesh to participate and bring in their national and regional level experiences of working on issues of women and gender equality along with Comprehensive Sexuality Education (CSE).

## **Asian University for Women International Model United Nations (AUWIMUN)**

Our member, Mr. Jayaram Nepali has been selected to attend the Asian University for Women International Model United Nations (AUWIMUN) 2016 from 24<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2016 in Chittagong, Bangladesh as an Executive Board member for AUWIMUN. The AUWIMUN 2016 conference is a simulation of 5 different Committees with the theme “Thriving towards an Equitable and Inclusive Global Political Economy”. Around 200 students have been invited from universities worldwide- representing international students of different academic backgrounds such as, the social sciences, humanities, as well as scientific and technical faculties, considering the diverse committees of AUWIMUN 2016 and the United Nations.

## **Child Protection Policy workshop**

A workshop on Child Protection Policy was conducted by Scope Global at Hotel Radisson, where different Host Organizations of the AVID (Australian Volunteer for International Development ) program worked upon the action plan for their organization’s Child Protection Policy. Vice President of YUWA, Mr. Sachet Gurung and General Member of YUWA Mr. Bisam Gyawali were represented YUWA at the workshop.

## **Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)**

On May 17, 2016, UNFPA Nepal conducted a program related to Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), specifically Goal number 1, 3, 4 and 5; which are related to Poverty, Education, Health and Gender respectively. 10 members from YUWA, including YALC members were invited along with 10 representatives from Y-PEER Nepal. The sessions were delivered through power point presentations, along with some interactive group activities.

## **Hearing disability and Hard of Hearing (HOH)**

On May 18, 2016, Kathmandu a workshop on Hearing disability and Hard of Hearing (HOH) was conducted by SHRUTI in partnership with Ministry of Women children and social welfare (MoWCS) followed by disaster preparedness training for people with hearing disability by SHRUTI in collaboration with Handicap International (HI). General Members of YUWA, Mr. Khil Bahadur Thapa and Mr. Bisam Gyawali represented YUWA at the workshop held at Alpha House, Baneshwor.

### **Study of United States Institution (SUSI) on New Media and Journalism**

On June 16, 2016, Executive Member Mr. Kshitiz Khanal and General Member Mr. Upakar Pandey left for United States of America to be a part of a Summer Course title “Study of United States Institution (SUSI) on New Media and Journalism”. A month long program, Mr. Khanal will be one of the 6 delegates representing Nepal alongside other nations from all over the world.

### **Youth Issues and Packard Partnership Meeting**

From June 20– 25, 2016 in Malaysia Executive Member Mr. Kamal Gautam and General Member Mr. Khil Bahadur Thapa represented YUWA for the 5-day Regional Workshop on Youth Issues and Packard Partnership Meeting.

### **Asia Pacific Youth Exchange Program (APYE)**

From July 30 to August 13, 2016 in the Philippines, General Member Mr. Bisam Gyawali represented Nepal for the Asia Pacific Youth Exchange Program (APYE) in the theme “Youth and Innovation to Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Mr. Gyawali is one of the four delegates from Nepal.



## **Miscellaneous items**

- On November 8th to 11th, 2015, 3D (Dialogue, Debate and Discussion) workshop related to leadership was conducted by SAATH at Godawari Ashram, Godawari. General member of YUWA, Nubhisha Upreti and intern Marc Lama represented YUWA in this 4 days residential workshop.
- November 11th, 2015: On the auspicious occasion of Laxmi Puja, YUWA Co-founder, Mr. Santosh Bohara along with other YUWA members gathered to celebrate Laxmi Puja at YUWA hall. A total of 12 members were present.
- Marking the International Volunteer’s day, i.e December 5th, a total of 45 volunteers gathered at the YUWA office for the discussion of the event; the making of Human Buddha. The volunteers were oriented about their roles and responsibilities before and during the event and strategies that should be used for the promotion of the event. YUWA is also one of the co- partners of the event. The event is scheduled for 9th, January, 2016.



- On December 17th 2015, an intern's orientation program was conducted in order to know about intern's interest and expectations from YUWA. Series of session were conducted, where the YUWA staffs delivered a brief history of YUWA and the thematic areas YUWA works in. Also, the past YUWA interns shared their experiences to all the present interns at the program. The program ended with the interns presentation on their areas of interest and their possible expectations from YUWA. A total of 8 interns and 1 volunteer were present in the program.
- Jan 20th to Jan 25th, 2016: Two YUWA members, Bisam Gyawali and Dharma Raj Ghimire went to Red Ribbon Caravan (RRC) pre-visit to Tanahun and Kaski. They finalized a total of 10 schools (4 Tanahun and 6 Kaski) in which the RRC was done, along with the booking of hotels and restaurants for meals.
- January 27th, 2016: YUWA members, representatives from US Embassy and Daiyitwaa gathered at YUWA hall for the United States Embassy Youth Council (USYC) project handover program. In this day, YUWA shared its experiences working as an implementing partner of the past USYC. Also, YUWA suggested various ways that Dayitwaa can focus on so that they can lead the project smoothly and effectively. Various references, files and folders related to USYC were given to the Dayitwaa.
- January 12th, 2016: Application call out for YALC was done through social networking sites like facebook, twitter and YUWA's official website. This time, YUWA in collaboration with The Asian-Pacific Resource & Research Centre for Women (ARROW) opened application for Youth Activists Leadership Council (YALC) 2016/17 on Jan 12th, 2016.
- April 13th, 2016, Kathmandu: YUWA's General Member Mr. Pratick Paudel and Mr. Upakar Pandey released their music video for the song "Nayanbandhan" at National College, Baluwatar. Marking the new year's eve 2072, they released their most awaited song Nayanbandhan at their "NayanBandhan's Eve" event. In the event, the band 'Froots' was also featured aside the release.
- May 14th and 15th, 2016, Sindhupalchowk: YUWA Staff Retreat program was held at Sukute Beach Camp, in order to appreciate the continuous dedication of staffs towards their work lately. Along with the staffs, the Executive members and some interns were also invited in the retreat. The retreat was full of fun-filled activities, games and exercises. This retreat helped to familiarize everyone even more better.

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