

## International Youth Day with theme of Safe Spaces for Youth August 12, 2018



International Youth Day with theme of Safe Spaces for Youth was observed at Atal Seva Kender, Netawalgarh with collaboration of Nehru Yuva Kender, Chittorgarh, 52 Youth from Eral and Netwalgarh were participated. Gopal Lal Vaishnav, Communication In-charge, Nehru Yuva Kender Chittorgarh told Nehru Yuva Kendras were established in the year 1972 with the objective of providing rural youth avenues to take part in the process of nation building as well providing opportunities for the development of their personality and skills, in addition there are currently 1.8 billion young people between the ages of 10 and 24 in the world. But 1 in 10 of the world's children live in conflict zones and 24 million of them are out of school. Political instability, labour market challenges and limited space for political and civic participation have led to increasing isolation of youth in societies.

Madan Giri Goswami spoke that first designated International Youth Day by the UN General Assembly in 1999, and serves as an annual celebration of the role of young women and men as essential partners in change, and an opportunity to raise awareness of challenges and problems facing the youth. Shahrugh Mansuri Vice President spoke that Youth need safe spaces where they can come together, engage in activities related to their diverse needs and interests, participate in decision making processes and freely express themselves.



Mohan Meghwal said there are many types of spaces, Safe spaces such as civic spaces enable youth to engage in governance issues; public spaces afford youth the opportunity to participate in sports activities in the community; digital spaces help youth interact with everyone; and well planned physical spaces can help accommodate the needs of diverse youth especially those vulnerable to marginalization or violence.