

**RELEASE OF RESOURCE MANUAL AND REVIEW ON EMPOWERMENT OF  
ADOLESCENTS (YUVA 1 & 2) IN TELANGANA STATE**

**Purpose:** Equipped with good life skills, the young will be able to overcome high risk behavior & cope up better with challenges in life. Knowledgeable, empowered and healthy youth are poised to make healthy choices in life and create a positive and progressive impact

Date: 12/01/2019

Venue: Hotel Plaza

Time: 10 AM to 12 PM

Chief Guest: Mr. Jagadesshwar, Principal Secretary, WCD&SC Department, Telangana

Guests of Honour: Smt. Viziendira Boyi IAS, Director, WD&CW Department and Dr. Hima Bindu, President- Paediatric Association of Telangana State (PATS)

**Participants:** Doctors from PATS, State Child Protection Unit, District Child Protection Unit, representatives of NGOs, WD&CW Dept., representatives of Health Dept., and representatives of Education Dept.

Department of Women Development and Child Welfare, Government of Telangana launched Adolescent Empowerment Programme in the month of November 2018 in technical collaboration with Paediatric Association of Telangana State. The programme was launched by Shri. M. Jagadeeshwar, IAS, Principal Secretary, Department of WCD&SC, Government of Telangana, Smt. Viziendira Boyi IAS, Director, Women Development & Child Welfare Department and Dr. Hima Bindu, President- Paediatric Association of Telangana State (PATS) in the presence of members of PATS, District Child Protection Officers, members of other civil society organizations.

In this regard, two modules have been developed by the State Resource Centre, YUVA, Niloufer Hospital for adolescents aged 10-19 years for educating and empowering adolescents in schools and colleges. This module will be released on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at Hotel Plaza from 10 AM to 12 PM.

This module intends to create awareness on Importance of Nutrition, Concerns related to body and mind during Teenage, Sexual & reproductive health with its important implications on health of young people. It also addresses managing Psychological disturbances in this vulnerable age group, Prevention of High - Risk Behaviour with Life Skills, Medico-legal issues, Empowering young in handling media. Gender Sensitivity and Equity and the role of young men and women in creating a change.

The programme is being implementation by Women Development and Child Welfare with the technical lead of Paediatric Association of Telangana State wherein every adolescent in every school and college will be sensitized on the issues of the adolescents in the present. The member of PATS of the each district will visit one school or college every month in collaboration with District Child Protection and District Education Officer and conduct sensitization programme. The goal is to sensitize and empower all adolescents in the State of Telangana.