

# National Youth Civic Service

Announced in the budget speech 2018/2019, the **National Youth Civic Service** Programme has been launched, on a pilot basis, in February 2019 and implemented in 10 Youth Centres around Mauritius. The NYCS is a highly dynamic and creative initiative which aims at empowering young people aged 17 to 25 years so as to develop a confident, intelligent, active and resilient and daring youth community, while further promoting a spirit of citizenship, and social entity. The pilot project was completed in June 2019 with 294 young people. The second edition was organized during the period October to December 2019 (12 weeks) and 194 young people completed same.

The **guiding principles** of the programme are inter-alia to:

- Prepare young people for life
- Enable them Take ownership of their learning
- Foster an inclusive spirit
- Learning through service
- Promote / Develop employability skills
- Building social capital
- Develop networking and partnership

Basically, the **methodology** used includes:

- Interactive thematic sessions
- Group work
- Presentation
- 'Theatre interactive'
- Lectures
- Friendly competitions
- Field visits
- Community projects
- Residential camps
- Sports and recreational activities
- Mock interviews

The NYCS programme comprises nine **modules**:

## Modules: 9 Steps Quick Outline

