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Foreword

It is with immense pride and heartfelt gratitude that I pen this foreword for the Global Youth Festival 2025 (2-7 October 2025) a celebration of unity, service, and the indomitable spirit of youth. Held at Sant Nirankari Bhawan, Panipat, this six-day festival was not merely an event—it was a living testament to the transformative power of collective purpose and Gandhian values.

From the sacred Sarva Dharma Prarthana at dawn to the vibrant cultural nights under the stars, each moment of the festival echoed our shared commitment to “Unity in Diversity – Peace as a Way of Life.” The presence of youth from every corner of India and abroad, representing diverse faiths, languages, and cultures, reaffirmed our belief that peace is not a distant ideal—it is a practice, nurtured through dialogue, service, and mutual respect.

I witnessed with deep admiration how young delegates embraced Shramsanskars, engaged in intercultural exchanges, and reflected on the teachings of Mahatma Gandhi and Dr. S.N. Subbarao. Their sincerity, discipline, and creativity reminded us that the future of our nation rests in capable, compassionate hands.

This report captures the essence of those unforgettable days—days filled with learning, laughter, introspection, and inspiration. It documents not just activities and addresses, but the awakening of a generation determined to lead with empathy and courage.

I extend my heartfelt thanks to the organizing committee, volunteers, team leaders, and every participant who contributed to the success of this festival. May the spirit of Panipat, with its legacy of sacrifice and unity, continue to guide us as we build a more peaceful and inclusive world.

Let this report serve as a beacon for future endeavours, and may the seeds sown here blossom into lifelong commitments to truth, non-violence, and service.

With blessings and hope,

Shri Ran Singh Parmar

Secretary

National Youth Project

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(Eminent Gandhian and Inspiration of Youths and Founder of National Youth Project)

Day 1 Report – October 2, 2025



Figure 1 Youth Assembly

Morning Session: A Sacred Beginning

The inaugural day of the Global Youth Festival 2025 commenced with a serene and spiritually uplifting **Youth Song** at 5:30 AM. Led by Shri Ran Singh Parmar and Shri Madhu Soodan Das, the prayer brought together youth from across India in a collective invocation of peace, unity, and brotherhood.

Following the youth song, the participants gathered for an energizing **Yoga and Meditation session** at 7:30 AM, conducted by Chethan from Maharashtra and Madhu Soodan Das. The session focused on breathing techniques, mindfulness, and physical postures that rejuvenated the body and

centered the mind. The sight of hundreds of youth practicing Surya Namaskar in unison under the morning sky was a powerful visual of discipline and collective energy.



Figure 2 Yoga session

At 8:30 AM, the **Flag Hoisting Ceremony** marked the formal opening of the festival. The tricolor was hoisted with

pride by Shri Narendra Bhai Wadgaonkar, Shri Karayil Sukumaran, and Shri Ran Singh Parmar, accompanied by team leaders and dignitaries from the National Youth Project and Gandhi Global Family. The national anthem echoed across the venue, instilling a sense of patriotic fervour and shared purpose.



Figure 3 Flag salutation

The highlight of the morning was the **keynote address by Shri Ram Mohan Rai**, General Secretary of Gandhi Global Family. Speaking on the historical and cultural significance of Panipat, he reminded the youth of the city's legacy of

sacrifice, struggle, and service. He reflected on the three historic battles fought in Panipat and emphasized how these events symbolize courage, endurance, and the resilience of the Indian spirit. Shri Rai urged the youth to draw inspiration from Panipat's pluralistic heritage—its temples, dargahs, and gurudwaras—and to carry forward the message of unity and peace.

Afternoon Session: Gandhi Jayanti Commemoration

The afternoon session, held from 3:30 to 5:00 PM, was dedicated to the celebration of **Gandhi Jayanti**, marking the birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi. Chaired by Dr. Ram Mohan Rai, the session brought together distinguished guests, youth leaders, and social activists in a reflective and inspiring gathering.

Youth representatives from **different states**—including Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, Delhi, Odisha, Assam, Jammu & Kashmir, Gujarat, and Punjab—shared their



Figure 4 Youth leaders from different states

personal reflections on Gandhian values and their relevance in today's world. Each speaker highlighted a unique aspect of Gandhi's philosophy—truth, non-violence, simplicity, and universal brotherhood—and connected it to contemporary challenges such as climate change, social inequality, and communal harmony.

The session emphasized that Gandhi Jayanti is not merely a day of remembrance but a **call to action**. Participants were encouraged to take personal responsibility for peacebuilding, environmental sustainability, and cultural understanding. The festival's theme, "Unity in Diversity – Peace as a Way of

Life," was echoed in every speech, reinforcing the idea that youth are not just future leaders but present agents of change.

Quoting Gandhiji's timeless message, "An eye for an eye will leave the whole world blind," the speakers urged their peers to embrace dialogue over division, compassion over conflict, and service over self-interest. The session concluded with a collective pledge by the youth to uphold Gandhian values in their daily lives and to become torchbearers of peace, unity, and sustainable development.

Day 1 of the Global Youth Festival 2025 laid a strong foundation for the days ahead. Through spiritual reflection, physical discipline, patriotic celebration, and intellectual engagement, the participants were immersed in the spirit of Gandhiji's legacy and the transformative power of youth unity. Panipat, with its rich historical and cultural tapestry, served not just as a venue but as a living classroom for values that transcend time and borders.



Figure 5 Guest speaker during the camp

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Morning Session: Spiritual Unity and Civic Responsibility

The second day of the Global Youth Festival 2025 began with a deeply

moving **Youth Song** from 6:00 to 6:30 AM. Youth delegates from diverse faiths gathered in reverence, offering group song from different states. The session was led with grace and devotion, and appeal to youth to serve the nation.

At 7:30 AM, the **Flag Hoisting Ceremony** was conducted with patriotic fervour. The flag guard duty was performed by **Devishree Vaishnavi**, a youth delegate from Andhra Pradesh, whose disciplined and dignified presence inspired all. As the tricolour rose against the morning sky, the national anthem echoed through the venue, reaffirming the collective commitment to peace, unity, and service.

The morning's keynote address was delivered by **Shri Sanjay Bhatt**, Former Member of Parliament and a respected advocate of Gandhian thought. In his speech, Shri Bhatt emphasized that **Gandhi was the only leader who**



Figure 6 Youth leader addressing to youth



Figure 7 Former Chief Minister Shri Gulam Nabi Azad addressing the camp

experimented with Truth, Satyagraha, and Non-violence to liberate the nation. He reminded the youth that there are no shortcuts in life—true wisdom and leadership come from practicing these values consistently. His words resonated deeply, setting a tone of responsibility and introspection for the day ahead.

Following the address, participants engaged in **Shramanskar activities** from 8:00 to 9:00 AM. These acts of voluntary service included cleaning the camp premises, organizing facilities, and assisting in logistical arrangements. The session reinforced the Gandhian principle of dignity of labour and collective responsibility. Youth volunteers worked side by side, demonstrating that no task is too small when done with sincerity and purpose.

Inaugural Ceremony & Dialogue: A Vision for Youth-Led Change

The formal **Inaugural Ceremony** of the Global Youth Festival 2025 was held from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM in the main hall, attended by youth leaders, volunteers, and distinguished guests. The event was presided over by **Shri Gulam Nabi Azad**, a senior statesman and farmer chief minister of Jammu & Kashmir.

In his **inaugural address**, Shri Azad congratulated the National Youth Project and Gandhi Global Family for organizing a platform that brings together youth from across India and abroad. He emphasized that **youth are the builders of the nation**, and their energy must be channelled toward peace, harmony, and sustainable development. Drawing from Gandhian values, he urged participants to embrace non-violence, simplicity, and truth as guiding principles in addressing modern challenges such as climate change, inequality, and social fragmentation.



Figure 9 Mr. Ran Singh Parmar, Secretary National Youth Project, New Delhi addressing youth

The afternoon session featured an **interactive dialogue** between Shri Azad and youth delegates. Participants posed thoughtful questions on leadership, justice, communal harmony, globalization, and the role of youth in shaping India's future. Shri Azad

responded with clarity and warmth, encouraging the youth to practice Gandhian ideals not just in words but in daily actions. He stressed that **real change begins when values are lived, not just spoken.**



Figure 8 Senior activist in All religious prayer sabha

The session culminated in a vibrant **cultural performance titled "Bharat Ki Santan"**, choreographed and presented by youth delegates under the guidance of Karayil Sukumaran, Narendra Bhai Wadgaonkar, Madhu Soodan Das, Dr. Ran Singh Parmar, and Vinay.

Through song, dance, and dramatic storytelling, the performance celebrated India's unity in diversity and paid tribute to its freedom fighters and reformers. The audience responded with a standing ovation, moved by the spirit of sacrifice and solidarity portrayed on stage.

Day 2 of the Global Youth Festival 2025 was a powerful blend of spiritual reflection, civic engagement, and cultural celebration. From the morning prayers to the interactive dialogue and artistic expressions, the day reinforced the festival's mission: to empower youth as torchbearers of peace, unity, and sustainable progress. The presence and wisdom of leaders like Shri Gulam Nabi Azad and Shri Sanjay Bhatt provided inspiration, while the active participation of youth delegates showcased the promise of a compassionate and courageous generation ready to lead.



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सशक्त युवाओं से ही समावेशी-शांतिपूर्ण विश्व का निर्माण संभव: स्पर्श वर्मा

● महात्मा गांधी की

जयंती पर सात दिवसीय 'ग्लोबल यूथ फेरिट्रिवल' का भव्य शुभारंभ

पार्नीपत्र (सच कहूँ न्यूज़). महात्मा गांधी की जयंती के अवसर पर सत निरंकारी भवन, असंध रोड में गांधी ग्लोबल फैमिली, सत निरंकारी मिशन और नैशनल यूथ प्रोजेक्ट के संयुक्त तत्वावधान में ग्लोबल यूथ फेरिट्रिवल का भव्य शुभारंभ हुआ। यह सात दिवसीय महात्मव 2 से 7 अक्टूबर तक चलेगा और विश्व शांति, राष्ट्रीय एकता एवं सांप्रदायिक सीहार्द के सदैश को फैलाने के लिए समर्पित है।

देश-विदेश से लगभग 400



युवा प्रतिनिधियों ने इस आयोजन में भाग लिया। उत्सव का शुभारंभ गांधी जी के "जय जगत" मंत्र और अंहिसा व सत्य के आदर्शों से प्रेरित संकल्पों के साथ हुआ। सभी प्रतिभावितों ने "देश की एकता, भाईचारा" का संकल्प दोहराया। आयोजकों ने कहा कि महात्मव का

सुबह संसद सदस्य संजय भट्टिया

द्वारा निरंगा फेरिट्रिवल किया जाएगा। मुख्य समारोह में वार्ष नेता एवं पूर्व केंद्रीय मंत्री गुलाम नवी आजाद, गांधी ग्लोबल फैमिली के अध्यक्ष और संत निरंकारी मिशन के सचिव जगिंदर सुखिया उपस्थित रहेंगे। उन्हें विचार युवाओं को शांति, सीहार्द और भाईचारे के मार्ग पर चलने के लिए प्रेरित करेंगे।

अंतरराष्ट्रीय स्वरूप और

सारकृतिक कार्यक्रम

उत्सव में भारत के 28 राज्यों और बांग्लादेश, इंडोनेशिया, नेपाल जैसे देशों के युवा शामिल हैं। सांस्कृतिक कार्यक्रमों में लोक नृत्य, गीत-संगीत, पारंपरिक नाट्य प्रस्तुतियां और प्रदर्शनियां होंगी, जो "विविधता में एकता" का संदेश फैलाएंगी।

समान सम्मान और

कार्यशालाएं

लगभग 50 गांधीवादी और सामाजिक कार्यकर्ताओं को उनके समाजसेवी योगदान के लिए सम्मानित किया जाएगा। कार्यशालाओं और इंटरएक्टिव सत्रों के माध्यम से युवाओं को गांधीवादी विचारों को जीवन में अपनाने के लिए प्रेरित किया जाएगा।

संदेश और आपील

गांधी ग्लोबल फैमिली के प्रवक्ता स्पर्श वर्मा ने कहा कि युवाओं को सशक्त बनाकर ही एक समावेशी और शांतिपूर्ण विश्व का निर्माण संभव है। सभी ने उत्सव की सफलता की कामना करते हुए "जय जगत" का उद्घोष किया।



Figure 10 Delegates from Indonesia with Indian participants

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A Day of Academic Engagement and

welcome address, Prof. Manooja



Figure 11 Participants of the Global Youth Festivals during the program in Geeta University

Cultural Inspiration

The third day of the Global Youth Festival 2025 marked a significant shift in focus—from spiritual reflection and service to intellectual empowerment and leadership development. Delegates from across India and abroad visited **Geeta University, Panipat**, for the much-anticipated **Education & Leadership Summit**, a platform designed to inspire youth to become educators, policymakers, and changemakers of tomorrow.

The delegates were warmly received by **Prof. Manoj Manooja**, Vice Chancellor of Geeta University, who extended heartfelt greetings and introduced the university's mission and vision. In his

emphasized the institution's commitment to **academic excellence, innovation, and social responsibility**. He highlighted the university's contributions in five key areas:

- **Academic Excellence:** Offering diverse programs aligned with industry and societal needs.
- **Research & Innovation:** Encouraging inquiry-based learning and real-world problem solving.

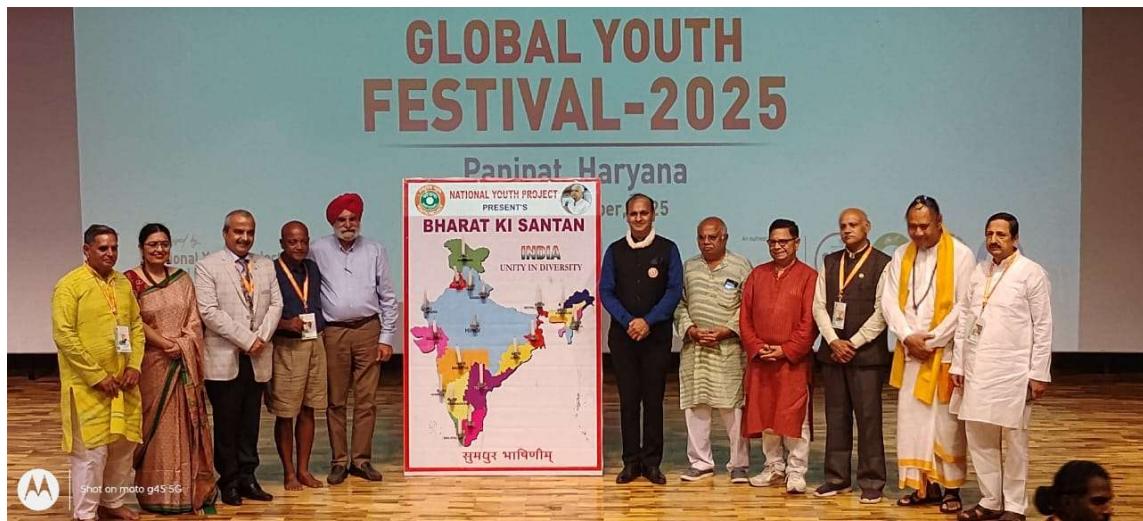


Figure 12 Senior NYP leaders and guest at Geeta University Program

- **Social Responsibility:** Conducting outreach programs and awareness drives for community welfare.
- **Skill Development:** Organizing workshops to enhance employability and entrepreneurship.
- **Cultural Enrichment:** Promoting holistic growth through arts, sports, and intercultural events.

Prof. Manooja's words resonated with the youth, reminding them that education is not just about acquiring degrees—it is about cultivating character, compassion, and a sense of service.

His address set the tone for a day filled with learning, dialogue, and cultural

Cultural Performance & Leadership Reflections

The highlight of the summit was the soul-stirring cultural presentation titled **“Bharat Ki Santan”**, choreographed and performed by the youth delegates of the Global Youth Festival. Under the guidance of **Karayil Sukumaran, Narendra Bhai Wadgaonkar, Madhu Soodan Das, Dr. Ran Singh Parmar, and Vinay**, the performance portrayed India's unity in diversity through music, dance, and dramatic storytelling.



Figure 13 Bharat Ki Santan Program

celebration.

The presentation celebrated the legacy of freedom fighters, reformers, and spiritual leaders who shaped India's destiny. It was a vibrant tribute to the values of courage, sacrifice, and national integration. The audience—including university students, faculty, and dignitaries—responded with a **standing ovation**, moved by the depth and energy of the performance.

Following the cultural segment, **Dr. Ankush Bansal**, Vice Chancellor of Geeta University, delivered an inspiring address. He praised the youth for their creativity and commitment, stating:

“The message of Bharat Jodo is not just a slogan—it is an enduring inspiration. Education must build bridges between communities and foster a peaceful, progressive society.”

Dr. Bansal emphasized that universities must go beyond academics to cultivate **empathy, responsibility, and creativity**. He announced Geeta University's intent to host more such initiatives that promote **national unity, social harmony, and sustainable development**.

The summit was further enriched by the presence of **Shri Ram Mohan Rai**, General Secretary of Gandhi Global Family, and **Prof. Jag Mohan Singh**, nephew of Shaheed Bhagat Singh. Their reflections on Gandhian leadership and youth empowerment added depth and historical context to the day's proceedings.

The event concluded with regional cultural performances by participants from various states, showcasing India's rich artistic heritage and reinforcing the festival's theme—**Unity in Diversity**.

*Day 3 of the Global Youth Festival 2025 was a celebration of knowledge, culture, and leadership. It reaffirmed the belief that **education is the foundation of peace and progress**, and that youth, when empowered with values and vision, can become architects of a just and harmonious society.*



Figure 14 "Bhinna Bhasha Bhinna Vesh" Bharat apna ek Desh

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Figure 15 Yoga Session

Morning Session: Unity Through Prayer and Yoga

The fourth day of the Global Youth Festival 2025 began with a tranquil and spiritually enriching **Sarva Dharma Prarthana**, led by **Madhu Soodhan Bhai** and senior volunteers. Youth delegates from across India gathered at dawn to offer prayers from multiple faiths—Hindu, Muslim, Christian, Sikh, and Buddhist—creating a powerful atmosphere of peace and togetherness. The session reminded all participants that despite differences in belief, the essence of every religion is love, service, and harmony.

Following the prayer, the participants engaged in a rejuvenating **Yoga and Physical Wellness session**, also guided by Madhu Soodan Bhai. The session focused on breathing techniques, flexibility, and mindfulness, helping youth reconnect with their inner calm and physical strength. The collective practice of Surya Namaskar and

meditation under the morning sky symbolized discipline, unity, and the balance between body and soul—core values of Gandhian philosophy.

The energy generated during these sessions set a peaceful and focused tone for the day, reinforcing the festival's commitment to holistic youth



Figure 16 Flag Salutation

development.

Intercultural Bonding and Tribute to a Visionary



Figure 17 Guest during the camp

The forenoon session featured **language exchange activities and group exercises** designed to promote intercultural understanding. Youth from different linguistic backgrounds—Hindi, Tamil, Malayalam, Telugu, Marathi, Bengali, and more—learned basic greetings and cultural expressions from one another. These interactions fostered friendship, respect, and curiosity, breaking down barriers and building bridges of unity.

Group exercises encouraged teamwork, leadership, and mutual respect. Delegates shared stories from their regions, participated in ice-breaking games, and reflected on the importance of cooperation in a diverse society. The session beautifully demonstrated that **diversity is not a challenge—it is a strength** when embraced with openness and empathy.

In the afternoon, a **tribute session was held in honour of Dr. S.N. Subbarao**, the legendary founder of the National Youth Project. Senior leaders and long-time associates shared personal anecdotes and reflections on his life and vision. Dr. Subbarao's belief in action-oriented patriotism and youth-led service was highlighted as a timeless model for nation-building.

Speakers emphasized that Dr. Subbarao saw youth not as passive learners but as active contributors to peace and progress. His legacy of humility, simplicity, and selfless service continues to inspire generations. Many



Figure 18 Lunch together-Play Together

participants expressed how the camp had transformed their outlook on

Evening Satsang, one of the most cherished parts of the festival.



Figure 19 Lunch Time

leadership and responsibility.

Evening Satsang and Cultural Celebration



Figure 20 Interaction of two culture- Indonesia and India

As the sun set, the camp transitioned into a deeply spiritual space with the

Participants gathered to sing bhajans, share reflections, and listen to stories from mentors and spiritual guides. The Satsang, meaning “being in the company of truth,” created a sacred atmosphere of introspection and unity.

Devotional songs, readings from various faiths, and moments of silence helped participants internalize the values of **non-violence, compassion, and equality**. Youth spoke about forgiveness, inner peace, and the power of kindness in daily life. The Satsang became a turning point for many, awakening a deeper sense of purpose and spiritual connection.

The day concluded with a vibrant **Cultural Night**, where youth from different states presented folk dances, skits, and musical performances. Highlights included:

- Energetic **Punjabi Bhangra** that filled the air with joy.
- Graceful **Assamese and Manipuri dances** showcasing eastern traditions.
- A powerful **street play** by Rajasthan and Maharashtra delegates on youth empowerment.
- A collective singing of “**Vaishnava Jan To**” and “**We Shall Overcome**”, symbolizing global solidarity and Gandhian ideals.



Figure 21 Media interview

The performances celebrated India's rich cultural tapestry and reinforced the message that **unity through diversity is the heartbeat of the nation**.

Day 4 of the Global Youth Festival 2025 was a profound blend of spirituality, cultural exchange, and emotional growth. From morning yoga to evening bhajans, every moment nurtured the soul and strengthened the bonds of humanity. The day reminded all participants that peace begins within—and when shared, it becomes a force that can transform the world.



Figure 22 Senior members of NYP

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Figure 23 Lunch in a que

Morning Session: Shram Daan at Sant Nirankari Mission

The fifth day of the Global Youth Festival 2025 began with a powerful act of collective service—**Shram Daan** at the upcoming **Sant Nirankari Mission Satsang Venue**, spread across an impressive 700 acres. This initiative was held in connection with the **78th Anniversary of the Sant Nirankari Mission**, and it brought together youth delegates, volunteers, and devotees in a spirit of humility and unity.

Participants engaged in various preparatory tasks for the grand congregation expected to host over 15 crore visitors. Activities included ground leveling, sanitation setup, water facility installation, and temporary shelter construction. The youth worked shoulder to shoulder with seasoned volunteers, learning firsthand the values

of discipline, teamwork, and spiritual dedication.

Shram Daan was not merely physical labour—it was a living lesson in **Gandhian service**, where dignity of labour and selfless contribution were celebrated. As one participant expressed, “We came here to serve, but in serving others, we discovered the true purpose of leadership and life.” The experience reinforced the belief that



Figure 24 Indonesian Padam Shri Awardee Indra Udayana as a camp participant honoured by the Geeta University

service is worship, and that transformation begins with action rooted in compassion.

Midday Visit: Siddhi Shree Devi Mandir – A Journey into India’s Spiritual Heritage

Following the morning’s service, the youth delegates visited the revered



Figure 25 Mr. Ran Singh Parmar, Secretary of NYP and Mr. Ram Mohan Rai, secretary of Gandhi Global Family discussing together

Siddhi Shree Devi Mandir, one of Panipat’s oldest and most spiritually significant temples. Believed to date back to the early Vedic period, the temple is dedicated to **Goddess Siddhi**



Figure 26 Tea Time in the camp

Devi, a symbol of divine wisdom and strength.

The visit offered participants a moment of **introspection and cultural immersion**. Surrounded by intricate carvings, sacred chants, and the fragrance of incense, the youth reflected on India’s ancient spiritual roots. Local historians and temple priests shared stories of sages who meditated at the site and the temple’s resilience through centuries of war and reconstruction.

The delegates offered prayers for **peace, harmony, and unity among the world’s youth**, recognizing that spirituality and modern aspirations can coexist. The temple stood as a reminder of India’s timeless message of “**Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam**”—the world is one family.

Afternoon Visit: Bu Ali Shah Qalandar Dargah – Embracing Sufi Harmony

In the afternoon, the youth delegation visited the **Dargah of Hazrat Bu Ali Shah Qalandar**, a renowned Sufi shrine in Panipat. The Dargah, known for its

message of **universal brotherhood and spiritual inclusivity**, has welcomed devotees of all faiths for centuries.

As the youth entered the Dargah complex, they were greeted by the soulful rhythms of **Sufi qawwalis** and the scent of rose petals. Guides narrated the life of Hazrat Bu Ali Shah Qalandar—his

renunciation of worldly pleasures, his pursuit of truth, and his dedication to serving humanity. His teachings emphasized **love, humility, and**

experience for many. A special prayer for **global peace and interfaith solidarity** was offered by the youth, who also interacted with local devotees. The

Reflections and Impact

*Day 5 of the Global Youth Festival 2025 was a profound journey through **service, spirituality, and cultural unity**. From the expansive grounds of the Sant Nirankari Mission to the sacred spaces of Siddhi Shree Devi Mandir and Bu Ali Shah Qalandar Dargah, the youth experienced the **power of humility, heritage, and harmony**.*

*These visits reminded participants that **true leadership begins with service**, and that spiritual awareness can guide social transformation. The day's activities strengthened the bonds of interfaith understanding and inspired youth to become ambassadors of peace in their communities.*

compassion, values that deeply resonated with the festival's theme. The visit became an emotional and spiritual

Dargah served as a **living classroom of harmony**, showing that devotion transcends all divisions.



Figure 27 Mr. Karayil Sukumaran, Treasurer of National Youth Project

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Figure 28 Shramdan (Donation of manual labour) during the camp4

A Sacred Start: Sarva Dharma Prarthana

The final day of the Global Youth Festival 2025 began with a serene and deeply symbolic **Sarva Dharma Prarthana**, bringing together prayers from Hindu, Muslim, Christian, Sikh, Buddhist, and other traditions. This multi-faith invocation was more than a ritual—it was a living embodiment of the festival's theme, "Unity in Diversity – Peace as a Way of Life." Youth delegates stood side by side, reciting sacred verses and offering prayers for global peace, mutual respect, and shared humanity.

The atmosphere was filled with reverence and reflection, as participants absorbed the spiritual energy of the moment. The prayer session reminded everyone that peace begins within and that true

unity is built on understanding and compassion across all boundaries.

Reflections: Voices of Transformation

Following the prayer, the main hall hosted a powerful session of **participant reflections**, where youth from different states and countries shared their personal journeys throughout the festival. These testimonies were



Figure 29 Several senior leaders of National Youth Project honoured by Bhai Ji Seva Ratna Samman, on of them Mr. Shital Jain

heartfelt and inspiring, highlighting how the six-day experience had transformed their perspectives on leadership, service, and social responsibility.

here with questions. I leave with clarity, courage, and a community."

These reflections were not just emotional—they were a testament to the festival's success in nurturing **youth as agents of change**, ready to lead with



Figure 30 Morning Youth song

Some spoke of how Shramanskar activities taught them the dignity of labour. Others reflected on the impact of cultural exchanges, where they discovered the richness of India's diversity. Many shared how sessions on Gandhian values, interfaith harmony, and youth empowerment had awakened a deeper sense of purpose.

A delegate from Assam remarked, "This festival didn't just teach me about peace—it showed me how to live it." Another from Kerala shared, "I came

empathy and conviction.

Recognition: Certificates and Gratitude

The **Certificate Distribution Ceremony** followed, honouring the contributions of every delegate, volunteer, and team leader who made the festival a resounding success. As names were called and certificates handed out, the hall echoed with applause and celebration.

Volunteers who had worked tirelessly behind the scenes—managing logistics, hospitality, food service, and cultural coordination—were recognized for their dedication and humility. Team leaders were applauded for their guidance and coordination across states. Delegates received certificates of participation, symbolizing not just attendance but active engagement and growth.

The ceremony was a moment of pride and gratitude, reinforcing the idea that **every role, big or small, contributes to the collective spirit of service and unity.**

Closing Address: Shri Ram Mohan Rai's Message to Youth

The festival concluded with a stirring **valedictory address by Shri Ram Mohan Rai**, General Secretary of the

Gandhi Global Family. His words captured the essence of the entire event:

“The youth of today are not just the leaders of tomorrow—they are the builders of today’s world.”

He urged participants to carry the lessons of the festival into their daily lives—to practice truth, non-violence, and service in their communities. He reminded them that leadership is not about titles, but about action, humility, and courage.

Shri Rai emphasized that the real celebration of the Global Youth Festival lies not in the ceremonies, but in the **commitment to live by its values**. He called upon the youth to become torchbearers of peace, unity, and sustainable development—locally, nationally, and globally.



Figure 31 Speech of Shri Kanwal Jeet Singh Ji, Head of the SEABA International School (Lehar Ganga) Punjab

A New Beginning

As the curtains fell on the Global Youth Festival 2025, the participants did not leave with just certificates—they left with a renewed sense of purpose. The friendships formed, the ideas exchanged, and the values embraced during the festival became seeds of transformation.

Day 6 was not an ending—it was a beginning. A beginning of a movement led by youth, grounded in Gandhian ideals, and driven by the spirit of service and unity.



Figure 32 Mr. Narendra and Mr. Vinay Gupta, camp directors singing group song along with Mr. Ran Singh Parmar

पानीपत में ग्लोबल यूथ फेस्टिवल का समापन



पानीपत/कौशिक : राष्ट्रीय एकता, विश्व शांति और सांप्रदायिक सङ्काव को मजबूत करने के उद्देश्य से आयोजित ग्लोबल यूथ फेस्टिवल का समापन आज यहां धूमधाम से हुआ। युवा प्रतिभागियों ने शहर के ऐतिहासिक और आध्यात्मिक स्थलों का भ्रमण किया। मुख्य बाजार में शांति मार्च निकाला तथा समापन सत्र में महात्मा गांधी के सत्य और अहिंसा के सिद्धांतों पर गहन चर्चा की। यह आयोजन गांधी ग्लोबल फैमिली, संत निरंकारी मिशन तथा नेशनल यूथ प्रोजेक्ट के संयुक्त तत्वावधान में संपन्न हुआ। फेस्टिवल के दूसरे चरण में युवाओं ने पानीपत के प्रसिद्ध ऐतिहासिक स्थलों का दौरा किया। भ्रमण के बाद मुख्य बाजार में एक विशाल रैली का आयोजन किया गया। समापन सत्र में मुख्य अतिथि के रूप में दिल्ली के राजघाट समाधि के सचिव रजनीश कुमार ने युवाओं को संबोधित किया। उन्होंने महात्मा गांधी के जीवन दर्शन पर प्रकाश डालते हुए कहा कि सत्य और अहिंसा आज के दौर में भी विश्व शांति की कुंजी हैं। सत्र के दौरान प्रतिभागियों को भागीदारी प्रमाण पत्र तथा प्रशंसा पत्र प्रदान किए गए। सामान्य सचिव राम मोहन राय ने सभी का आभार व्यक्त किया। इस फेस्टिवल में कॉर्डिनेटर आद्या त्यागी, दिव्या कपूर, पूजा सैनी, स्पर्श वर्मा, श्वेता डावर, अरविंद डावर, मधु यादव, रोजी चावला, सोनिया गर्ग, आरती दूबे, सोनी यादव, श्रुति जैन, डॉली अवस्थी, राजेंद्र छौकर आदि का विशेष सहयोग रहा।

भगत सिंह और गांधी के विचारों को एक साथ अपनाने की जरूरत : प्रो. जगमोहन सिंह

सवेरा न्यूज/विनोद पांचाल

पानीपत, 4 अक्टूबर : नेशनल यूथ प्रोजेक्ट, गांधी ग्लोबल फैमिली और संत निरंकारी मिशन के तत्वावधान में आयोजित छह दिवसीय ग्लोबल यूथ फेस्टिवल के उद्घाटन पर शहीद भगत सिंह के भाजे एवं प्रसिद्ध चिंतक प्रो. जगमोहन सिंह ने युवाओं को संबोधित करते हुए कहा कि शहीद भगत सिंह और महात्मा गांधी एक-दूसरे के पूरक थे। यह भ्रामक प्रचार की महात्मा गांधी ने भगत सिंह की फांसी रुकवाने का कोई प्रयास नहीं किया, पूरी तरह गलत बताते हुए स्पष्ट किया कि वह भगत सिंह स्वयं चाहते तो वे फांसी से बच सकते थे। लेकिन वे अपने जीवन को भारतीय



ग्लोबल यूथ फेस्टिवल में भाग लेते अंतिमण्डण व आयोजक।

(मोहन लाल)

युवाओं के लिए एक महान तम आर्द्ध बनाना चाहते थे ताकि अधिक से अधिक युवा राष्ट्रीय स्वतंत्रता आदोलन में शामिल हो सकें। नेशनल यूथ प्रोजेक्ट के राष्ट्रीय सचिव रन सिंह परमार, ए. सुकुमारन, मधुसूदन सिंह परमार, ए. सुकुमारन, मधुसूदन सिंह चाहते तो वे फांसी से बच सकते थे।

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संत निरंकारी भवन में ग्लोबल युवा महोत्सव आज से

जागरण संस्कृति : पानीपत : यानीपत की घरती पर गांधी जीवंती पर ग्लोबल युवा महोत्सव आज से शुरू होगा।

इसमें गांधीवादी मूल्यों को बढ़ावा देने के लिए सात अवटुबर तक कार्यक्रमों का आयोजन होगा। गांधी ग्लोबल फैमिली, नेशनल यूथ प्रोजेक्ट और संत निरंकारी मिशन के संयुक्त तत्वावधान में असंच रोड स्प्रिट निरंकारी भवन परिसर में ग्लोबल युवा महोत्सव का आयोजन किया जाएगा। महोत्सव में देश के 22 राज्यों और विदेशों से करीब 400 युवा शिरकत करेंगे। कुछ युवा पहुंच भी चुके हैं।

यह आयोजन युवाओं में गांधीवादी मूल्यों, राष्ट्रीय एकता और वैश्विक भाइचारे को भावना को मजबूत करने का एक महत्वाकांक्षी

कार्यक्रम की रूपरेखा को दिया अंतिम रूप

संयोजक संत निरंकारी मिशन अरविंद छावर, जीयू के कुलपति एसपी बंसल, रोहतक मेडिकल यूनिवर्सिटी के पूर्व पीसी डा. एसएस सागवान, गुरुद्वारा प्रबंधक कमेटी से महान्नजीत सिंह, आर्य पीजी कालेज के प्राचार्य डा. जगदीश गुप्ता, नारी कल्याण समिति के संस्थापक कंचन सागर, मुरिलम एकता समाज संघोजक इरशाद अली, सेंट मेरी स्कूल प्रबंधक फादर कार्लिंग, साहित्यकार रमेश चंद्र पुढाल, बार एसोसिएशन के प्रधान सुरेंद्र कुमार दुबन, पानीपत अर्बन कौ-आपरेटिव बैंक के संस्थापक ओपी शर्मा, हरियाणा पब्लिक स्कूल एसोसिएशन प्रधान विजेंद्र मान शामिल हैं।

प्रयास साबित होगा। राष्ट्रीय युवा योजना के सचिव रणसिंह परमार, मधुसूदन दास, गांधी ग्लोबल फैमिली के महासचिव राममोहन राय और महोत्सव समन्वयक पूजा सेना व स्पष्ट वर्मा ने बताया कि वह कार्यक्रम पूर्व केंद्रीय मंत्री एवं एवं जम्मू-कश्मीर के पूर्व मुख्यमंत्री गुलाम नबी आजाद के नेतृत्व वाली गांधी

ग्लोबल फैमिली, भाई जी सुन्दराचार द्वारा स्थापित नेशनल यूथ प्रोजेक्ट तथा संत निरंकारी मिशन के सहयोग से आयोजित हो रहा है।

स्वरंता संग्रह के बीच के वंशज भी हींगे महोत्सव का हिस्सा : इस महोत्सव में कई प्रमुख हास्तशब्द पहुंचेंगे, जिनमें स्वतंत्रता संग्रह के बीचों के बंशज और सामाजिक

कार्यकर्ता शामिल हैं। इनमें पूर्व केंद्रीय मंत्री गुलाम नबी आजाद, शहीद भगत सिंह के भतीजे ग्रो. जगमोहन सिंह, नेताजी सुभाष चंद्र बोस के भाई के पात्र सौन्य शंकर बोस, पूर्व प्रधानमंत्री लाल बहादुर शास्त्री के पुत्र एवं पूर्व केंद्रीय मंत्री सुनील शास्त्री, पद्मश्री डा. एसपी वर्मा, (जम्मू-कश्मीर), पद्मश्री इंद्र डदबना (बाली, इंडोनेशिया), राष्ट्रीय सेवा योजना के सचिव रन सिंह परमार तथा गांधीवादी और रचनात्मक संगठनों के अन्य प्रतिनिधि प्रमुख हैं।

ग्लोबल युवा महोत्सव के प्रतिभागियों को पानीपत के ऐतिहासिक स्थलों का भ्रमण कराया जाएगा व शहर के बारे में भी जानकारी दी जाएगी। यह महोत्सव न केवल युवाओं को प्रेरित करेगा।

گاندھی جی کے اصول آج بھی انسانیت کے لئے مشعل راہ ہیں: غلام نبی آزاد

پانی پت میں ”گلوبل یوتھ فیسٹیول 2025“ کا افتتاح کیا؛ نوجوانوں کو گاندھی جی کے صداقت، عدم تشدد اور انصاف کے پیغام سے روشناس کرانے کا مقصد

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ترغیب دینا ہے۔ شرکا سے خطاب کرتے



Pre-Arrangements and Planning

Report Prepared by: Sunil ji

The success of the Global Youth Festival 2025 was rooted in the meticulous planning and collaborative spirit of its organizing team. Under the leadership of Shri Karayil Sukumaran, the Organising Committee—comprising Ram Mohan Rai, Ran Singh Parmar, Madhu Soodan Bhai, Subash Mavi, and Narendra Bhai—held strategic meetings at Panipat to ensure every logistical and operational detail was addressed with precision and care.

Committee Coordination

Roles and responsibilities were clearly distributed among committee members and state-level team leaders. Coordination with officials from Gandhi Global Family, Sant Nirankari Mission, and Nirmala Deshpande Sansthan added strength to the planning process. A WhatsApp group and helpline were launched to streamline communication and arrival coordination.

Transportation

Volunteers were deployed at Panipat Railway Station to welcome participants. Shuttle services were arranged to transport delegates safely to the camp venue. Real-time updates and guidance were provided through digital channels to ensure smooth transitions.

THE MIRROR OF KASHMIR

NEWS

Azad Inaugurates Global Youth Festival at Panipat

New Delhi, Oct 3: Former Chief Minister of J&K and Chairman Gandhi Global Family, Chulam Nabi Azad today inaugurated the Global Youth Festival 2025 at Sant Nirankari Bhawan, Panipat. The festival, beginning on Gandhi Jayanti, is aimed at educating and engaging the younger generation on Mahatma Gandhi's eternal values of truth, non-violence and justice. Addressing the gathering, Azad emphasised that Gandhiji's principles remain a guiding light for humanity and must be carried forward by today's youth to build a just, inclusive and peaceful world. He said, "Gandhiji's ideology was one that united people. He never indulged in division or discrimination. Today, it is the responsibility of the young generation to spread this message that there should be no conflict, no violence and no discrimination of any kind, whether based on caste or religion. From Kashmir to Kanyakumari, we are all one, and every community is part of this nation. Gandhiji's India can move forward only when we all work together for our country." The Global Youth Festival



will host a series of discussions, cultural activities and awareness programs designed to inspire young minds to imbibe Gandhian ideals and translate them into action in their personal and social lives. It was organised by Gandhi Global Family, in coordination with Sant Nirankari Mission & National Youth Project. Among others who were present on the occasion were Padma Shri S.P. Verma & Ram Mohan Roy of GGF & others. The event witnessed participation from students, youth leaders, academicians, and members of civil society from across the country, reflecting a collective commitment to strengthening the Gandhian vision of truth and non-violence.

Accommodation & Facilities

Separate lodging arrangements for male and female participants were made, with attention to hygiene, water supply, and sanitation. Security and housekeeping volunteers-maintained cleanliness and order throughout the camp duration.

Food & Water

Nutritious meals were served by dedicated catering teams, with safe drinking water units installed at key locations. Waste management and food distribution were handled efficiently by trained volunteers, ensuring a clean and inclusive dining experience.

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Main Hall & Flag Hoisting

The main hall was equipped with seating, lighting, sound systems, and thematic decorations reflecting the festival's core values—Unity, Peace, and Service. A designated flag hoisting area was prepared with full protocol, including dignitary seating and audio support.

Volunteer Network

Over 100 volunteers from various states were assigned duties across transportation, accommodation, food service, hall management, and ceremonial support. A 24/7 help desk and medical station were established to assist participants and address emergencies.

Through collective effort, foresight, and dedication, the pre-arrangements laid a strong foundation for a festival that welcomed youth from across India and abroad into a space of peace, learning, and cultural unity.



National Youth Project: Mission and Activities

The **National Youth Project (NYP)** was founded in the 1970s by Gandhian thinker and social worker **Dr. S.N. Subba Rao**, affectionately known as *Bhai Ji*. Its aim has been to connect youth with the process of nation-building, instill a spirit of service and moral values, and strengthen social unity and harmony.

Mission

The core mission of NYP is to unite the youth and instill in them the values of patriotism, truth, non-violence, love, and brotherhood. It organizes youth around themes such as communal harmony, caste and gender equality, and environmental protection. It also encourages youth to actively participate in areas like de-addiction, rural development, education, health, disaster management, and sanitation.

Bhai Ji believed, “*Youth are not just the future—they are the present.*” Therefore, NYP has always given youth leadership roles and involved them in meaningful social reform activities.

Key Activities Over Five Decades

1. **National Unity & International Youth Leadership Camps**- Camps were held across Indian states and in Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, USA, Nepal, and Indonesia, bringing together youth from diverse languages, religions, and cultures to foster mutual understanding and brotherhood.
2. **Disaster Management / Spirit of Service** – During natural calamities such as super cyclones, tsunamis, earthquakes, and droughts, relief and rehabilitation efforts were carried out across the country with the help of youth, through service-oriented initiatives and relief camps.
3. **Communal Harmony**- During times of communal tension, NYP facilitated dialogue and peace-building through youth engagement.
4. **Environmental Protection**- Awareness programs were conducted for tree plantation, water conservation, and clean energy. Notably, 1 million trees were planted in Kevadia, Gujarat.
5. **Sadbhavana Rail Yatra (Harmony Train Journey)**- In the 1990s, under Bhai Ji’s leadership, this historic movement spread messages of unity, love, and peace across India in three phases.

Youth Camp Activities

Daily activities in NYP camps include:

- Yoga sessions
- Flag hoisting
- Voluntary labor (Shramdaan)
- Language classes
- Discussions on pressing issues
- Skill-sharing
- Group sports
- City tours and rallies
- Interfaith prayers
- Cultural programs featuring multilingual songs like “*Bharat Ki Santan*”

Impact

Millions of youth have contributed to nation-building through NYP. It has strengthened the culture of brotherhood, non-violence, and love. Its role in promoting education, sanitation, de-addiction, and environmental protection in villages has been widely appreciated. The series of youth camps continues, and NYP is actively running the *Bharat Ki Santan* campaign.

Bhai Ji's Message to Youth

“If you want to make your life meaningful and help build a better Mother India and a better world—congratulations!”

You are welcome to join the **NYP family**, which includes over **200,000 youth (men and women)** across India and abroad.

What It Means to Be a member

We all know that some forces cause harm, but they are few. Many more people want a happy society—but they are scattered and lack a plan. Becoming an NYP member means becoming an active, positive, and honest contributor to society.

How to Begin

- Be assured: others think like you—“We can make the world happier, and we must.”
- Gather like-minded people for a meeting. Choose a time and place—your home, a friend’s house, a field, or under a tree.
- Start the meeting with a song if possible, especially in a community setting.
- Make a list of those who join your NYP unit. Explain that NYP means action. Plan at least **four monthly programs** with members in your village/town/ward:

Day	Activity
First Saturday	Intellectual session, debates, book reviews
Second Sunday	Community work: tree planting, road repair, water conservation
Third Saturday	Interfaith prayer followed by cultural program
Last Saturday	Interfaith Prayers followed by cultural program

- Observe national days: **15 August, 26 January, 12 January (Youth Day), 2 October**. Visit a village (preferably by bicycle) and discuss local issues with villagers.
- Stay in touch with your state NYP centre and register your unit. Selected youth may occasionally attend NYP camps and programs.

“Life becomes joyful and fulfilling when one acts for the benefit of others.”

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