

# MISSION RESPONSIBLE

## Establishing **Quality Standards** for **Youth Work** across the **World**

### Preliminary Research

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#### Country: NEPAL

**1. How do you define youth work based on your experience?**

According to the respondents, youth work involves organized trainings and knowledge exchange related, for example, to Sexual Reproductive Health Rights, new technologies, self-development and youth empowerment, combined with creative and energetic capacity building activities. Youth work includes the activities for youth, where youth on governmental level corresponds to people that are 16-40 years old and on organizational level corresponds to people that are 16-29 years old. Usually these are people with fewer opportunities that need to get skills and knowledge to becoming personally and professionally more developed.

**2. Is there an official definition for youth work in your country?**

NO

**3. Is youth work an officially recognised profession in your country?**

NO. However, there are youth departments in the industries and also, the Nepal youth council.

**4. What is the "job description" of a youth worker? What do they do?**

Youth workers serve the youth rights, fostering participation and skills development, empowerment and knowledge for the youth. This is done using formal and non-formal education, vocational trainings, workshops etc. Youth workers usually are quite active and positive personalities that try with their creative methods to solve problems related to youth. They have skills of project development, coordination and management.

**5. How can one become a youth worker? Is there special training or education for youth workers in your country/ region/ local community and who provides it?**

Anyone with leadership and communication skills, as well as knowledge related to youth issues can be a youth worker. Usually, you become youth worker by experience. There are public and private youth programs, for example, SDG related trainings and health related trainings on national, regional and local level. However, there is no official education program to become a youth worker.

**6. Who works with youth, except teachers, in your country/ region/ local community?**

Social workers, doctors, engineers, politicians, activists (youth, human rights), volunteers

Social organizations and Social institutions: NGOs, INGOs, Government agencies and UN agencies

**7. What do youth workers offer to young people through their work?**

Training programs (workshops, seminars, consultations) for youth empowerment, professional and personal skills development (capacity building sessions)

Information on new technologies

Information on social issues related to youth development & rights

Raise awareness and educate on socio-political aspects

Leadership skills

**8. Is there a difference between a youth worker and a volunteer working with youngsters in your organisation/ community/ country/ region?**

Youth workers: age limitation, getting paid, flexible way of work

Volunteers: no age limit, other restrictions on the structure-process

**9. Does your organisation cooperate with other youth organisations currently?**

*Applying the median*

-With how many from your country? Please, give a number: **37**

-With how many from your local community? Please, give a number: **17**

-With how many internationally? Please, give a number: **7**

**10. Please, explain the background and the national, regional and local needs that make youth work important/necessary in your country/ region/ local community?**

Important national issues: Sexual Reproductive Health Rights, Global Developments, Economic Development, Youth Empowerment and active participation, SDGs (eg. elimination of poverty and food security), cultural diversity

Need for alternative educational methods to solve for the high rates of non-educated people & proper infrastructure and youth facilities. Fight against brain drain: Vocational training, professional opportunities through education and trainings

For the development the nation youth worker are need in you national, regional and local need based different training and SDG related seminar. Educational program for uneducated people of our country and alleviation of the poverty and food Nutrition and our country cultural diversity.

**11. Is there a strategy for youth in your country?**

[www.youthpolicy.org/national/Nepal\\_2010\\_National\\_Youth\\_Policy.pdf](http://www.youthpolicy.org/national/Nepal_2010_National_Youth_Policy.pdf)

Social and political participation/mobilization, democratic values and respect to human rights, against brain drain – youth entrepreneurship and modernization, SDGs education, health awareness, art – sports – entertainment education, special group priorities, partnerships, institutional arrangements (gov. – non gov.), monitoring & evaluation.