



From the desk of National President

Dear Friends,

Warm New Year Greetings!

As the remarkable 2014 swiftly drew to a close, the social media is still abuzz with New Year messages constantly sending me into retrospective mode and at the same time motivating me to plan ahead.

The whole country is going through a progressive transformation towards a younger profile with the new generation and younger state of mind with the older generations. Capturing the hopes of an aspiring nation for a better tomorrow is fascinating one. Matching steps with the needs of society and nation, we have already identified the theme for coming two years as "Nayi Peedhi, Nayi Soch" – reinforcing the willingness of the organization to pass on the baton at right time to the young and capable. On basis of field experience obtained from the Parivartan Yatra, youth empowerment has been identified as the focus for BJS. Connecting with youth across nation, understanding their mindset, addressing their concerns and bringing them in mainstream social contribution are the objective behind this theme.

I begin the first edition of BJS e-bulletin 2015 celebrating the National Youth Day. 12th January, marking the birthday of Swami Vivekananda, has been designated as the National Youth Day. It is an annual celebration of the role of young women and men as essential change-makers to encourage young people into the decision-making process, as well as to raise awareness of the challenges and hardships facing today's youth. It brings forth their issues to the attention of the society and serves as a platform to celebrate the potential of youth as partners in today's global society. The philosophy of Vivekananda and the ideals for which he lived and worked could be a great source of inspiration for the Indian youth.

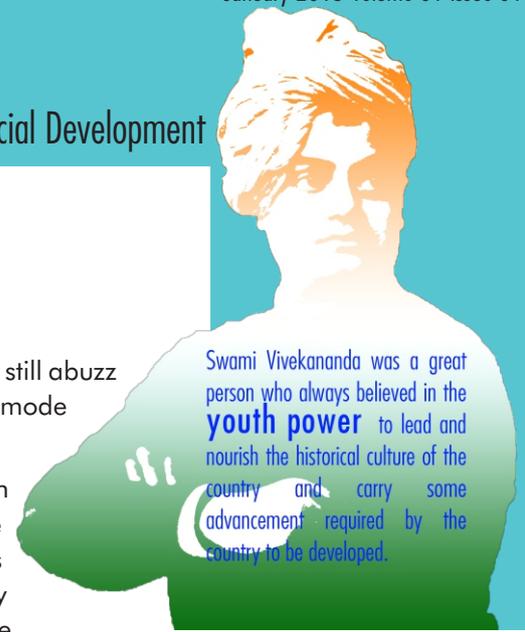
Young people are vested with a great zeal, good amount of creativity, bubbling with ideas and risk taking abilities which contribute to their success and also to the progress of nation. Hence it is quite clear that the ones who can play a transformative role in our society and nation are none but our YOUTH.

Today, liberalization has created a generation of young Indians for whom wealth creation and social and material advancement have become the fundamental markers of a good life, a mindset at odds with the ambitions of their parents and grand-parents. The scenario of education, business and even the aspirations of youth have become cross-boundary. We are drawing positive inspirations from the western world. At this stage when the community is donning a new avatar, the social platforms must fulfill the new expectations, needs and goals of the community members. I believe that we must aid the process of securing a globalized education and professional and business training for youngsters. It is equally important to give them a supportive family atmosphere and the parents must update themselves to be in sync with the thought process of their young children.

BJS works to encompass all the needs of youth through its programs, workshops, solutions and camps. The BJS Youth Cell is still in its nascent stage, but it is definitely a sign of strong youth involvement in all the present and future endeavours of BJS at various locations where the organisation has registered its presence. We have to ensure youth involvement in our social initiatives and give them leadership on all fronts.

In order to address the real socio-economic and personal concerns of today's youth we need to work hand-in-hand with them. Instead of preaching we must follow the practical approach to guide them. We must lead our youth on the philanthropic path and readily give them the platform. I appeal to the youth to join the social legacy and become a part of the modern yet sensitive society. This alone can be the most deserving tribute to our forever-young-at-heart leader Shri. Shantilalji Muttha and his intense and persistent zeal for nation building.

-Prafulla Parakh
National President, BJS



Swami Vivekananda was a great person who always believed in the **youth power** to lead and nourish the historical culture of the country and carry some advancement required by the country to be developed.

Youth Day 12th January

Essential Focus for GenNext

Youth Connectivity

BJS Youth Cell



Trade and business have always oriented human existence towards progress. Our ancestors had neither formal education nor technology at hand, but they had guts to take on real life experiences and learn from. Finding success was downright challenging. It is our ancestors who didn't stay put in localities where they initially colonized but spread their traditions and mercantile networks far and wide. Despite various limitations, their trade practices were impeccable which earned them profit and success that doubled over the years. It was their risk taking ability combined with huge hard work that helped them build their businesses.

There is much inspiration to be drawn from our ancestors who made it big, without the assistance of any support services they met their material aspirations and generated opportunities for generations to come. The youth today have access to higher education, technology and globalized opportunities. As times have changed, everyone has realized that education is the key driver of economic progress and social well-being. We have demographic advantage in our youth provided they make right choices and avail higher education. In today's world 'Knowledge is Capital'.

We have youngsters, today, who have the right credentials. The irony is that many of them limit the use of their education and hi-tech skills to jobs and professional activities clearly not wanting to leave their comfort zones. Clinging to familiarity can keep us from accomplishing things that are achievable. Young boys and girls are increasingly surrendering themselves to the common notions of job security and easy living at an age when they could explore, take risks and mark their entry in the business world. There is latent potential among young people. Most of them fail to realize that knowledge and technology could give them a broader vision and exposure to harvest their true potential; and transform their ideas into reality. They need to believe in their potential and dream big.

Economic growth depends a lot on new businesses, which creates employment opportunities. Those who are already in businesses, with the use of high-end technology and innovative strategies, can dramatically transform their 'old' businesses. The youth with their conscious attempts to learn continuously, take risks, make right type of choices and make timely decisions could expand the existing businesses. Those who are in job, after gaining relevant work experience, can either join their family business to take it to the next level or create their own ventures driving the growth.

To have the youngest population in the world is an advantage that is going to stay with us for many years. Motivating this young population into becoming a productive and entrepreneurial force that will drive the engine of our economic development is imperative. On a broader perspective the youth need to break the shell and explore the opportunities available in the global markets. The vital focus for young boys and girls should be higher education, right choice of career and implementation of their skills in the global business environment. This is the time for dreaming big and achieving bigger. Think Big, Dream Big and Achieve Big must be the mantra for the educated youth.



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DREAM BIG

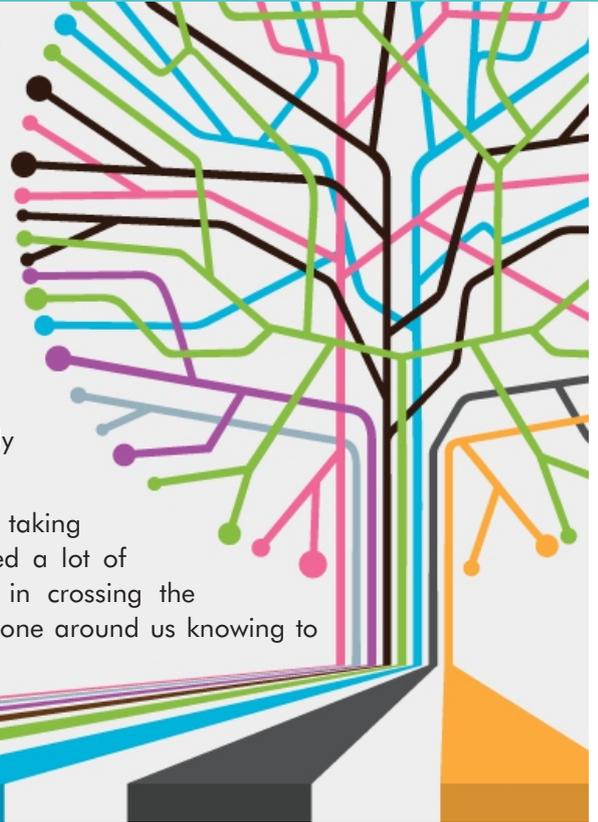
&
ACHIEVE BIG
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Let's dream today: Connecting the virtual to the real

The happiness of life lies in being connected. Connected to self, connected to family and friends, connected to studies or work, connected to nature, or connected to society are few of the many manifestations of being connected for happiness. Alienation is at the core of existential crisis of this era that leads to gross unhappiness, isolation and depression. And we would wonder why this alienation, when each individual is connected 24X7 through all the gazettes in hand.

Today, the young boys and girls are dwelling in a virtually connected world. They have an open communication platform at their fingertips that allows them to connect on a global scale. What is not happening, however, is the meaningful dialogue between the self and the surrounding. In general, the communication is more functional in nature; and in specific, it is largely directed with the purpose of self promotion.

The civilization grew from small hamlets which were self-independent units taking care of all needs internally to a global village of today that has created a lot of interdependencies for co-existence across nations. The difference lies in crossing the boundaries for fulfilling the needs. Till a few decades ago, we had everyone around us knowing to approach a right person for his or her personal or business needs.



The communication used to happen through personally walking down and seeking help, commodities or services. Today, even within one house, communication happens through SMSs and What's App like messenger applications. The products and services are directly accessible from the global manufacturers or vendors on various online platforms.

Mankind with its 5 physiological senses has now an extension in the form of a mobile device that is inseparable from a human body. The alarming is the addiction of the middle age generation which fell victim to the technology based communication. Their children today are the grown up youths for whom impersonal communication over virtual platform has become the reality. And the danger that lies in it is not yet perceived.

Before, we lose the power of words that are spoken and heard while looking at the eyes and facial expressions, before we lose the warmth of touch while helping someone, before we forget the art of face to face dialogues; we need to connect with each other doing away all the virtual means.

The older generation needs specially to take efforts to understand the younger generation, their dilemmas, struggles and the challenges they face. Connecting to their world with sensitive understanding will provide an opportunity to give and take from each other rather than relying on the virtual world. Preaching disconnects youngsters but demonstrating by setting up right examples creates a real impact on younger minds. Emotional connections within family could be restored by bringing about appropriate changes in thinking and behavior. Children will look up to the elders in family and learn to maintain perfect balance between the old beliefs and new trends.

With a greater connection within the family, the youth will find right support in seeking the line of their studies and performance. They will not fail in connecting with their studies and career. The first steps on the path of happiness will be walked through the proper guidance and not virtual lures. Youngsters will have their feet grounded in the reality that surrounds them. Mere "seeing" around and "listening" to friends, families, and neighbors is likely to create a greater sense of awareness than the speedy texting on the keyboards which alienates them from the reality.

Connecting with the real world problems naturally will instill a sense of responsibility to play some role to look for solutions. Modern sensibilities combined with the technology advantage if conditioned by the grounded dialogue with the surrounding reality will create wonders in the coming age. All this might sound like the lines from famous speech by Martin Luther King "I have a dream today..."

But today let's dream together for our youths. If they are connected today, they will have social sensitivity, strong values, inspiration from elders and equality of thoughts which will help them to grow and develop.

Let us begin from creating ideal and happy families first and motivate our youth to be compassionate, sensitive and strong enough to address the social issues.

BJS Youth Cell – A Platform For Our Youth

Youth potential can only lay a strong foundation for a balanced human society. Having started young, Shri. Shantilal Muttha, Founder, BJS created a legacy of three decades with his social work. The organization recently witnessed a change in leadership and the new BJS National President Shri. Prafulla Parakh has identified the theme “Nayi Peedhi, Nayi Soch” for coming two years. This entire buzz around youth and their role in the organization has in background, years and years of extensive research and deep understanding of how societies can be transformed through youth empowerment and involvement. We believe every individual has the potential and it just needs the right resources and channelization to reap the fruits from it.

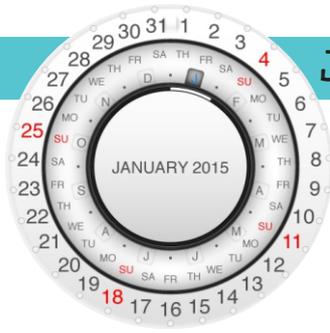
The metamorphosis of youth into global individuals has made it difficult to identify their ever-changing expectations and concerns. Young boys and girls today have technology on their fingertips. These gaps can be bridged only when youth participate actively in this whole process of problem identification and solution. The attitudes of young people towards global economic change are worth considering.

To address the real concerns of youth in this modern era, BJS has introduced a new chapter in the form of Youth Cell. Still in its nascent stage, the idea behind this wing is to bring together the young force on a common platform where they can raise their concerns, present solutions and also reach out to society at large. Many ideas can be generated through interaction. The purpose of this Youth Cell is to provide a social platform where they have an opportunity to collectively develop their skills while getting to play a meaningful role in addressing societal issues.

BJS as an organization has always welcomed all the needed transformations with time. The organization is geared up to hand over the roles and responsibilities to them. This was already signaled by inclusion of young faces in the National Council. The next focus will be to identify and prepare future leaders out of these young individuals.

Currently the thought process is to establish active Youth Cells in various cities. They will locally organize workshops, seminars and other relevant events on subjects such as entrepreneurship, personality development and career guidance. These Youth Cells will be part of local BJS chapters playing active role in implementation of all BJS programs. This would help in attracting youth participation in office bearer teams at all levels from across the nation and definitely generate a younger profile of BJS as an organization to take ahead the mission of community development for years to come.





Program	Date	City	State	Trainer/ Resource Person/ Doctors performing surgery	Organiser
Minority (Community Awareness Lectures)	24th Jan	Arvi	Maharashtra	Dr. Sanjay Achliya	Mr. Sanjay Kshirsagar
	24th Jan	Pulgaon		Dr. Sanjay Achliya	Mr. Subhash Zanzari
	25th Jan	Wardha		Dr. Sanjay Achliya	Mr. Vinod Dhoble
	25th Jan	Hinganghat		Dr. Sanjay Achliya	Adv. Vivek Lodha
	26th Jan	Warora		Dr. Sanjay Achliya	Mr. Sanjay Poddar
	26th Jan	Chandrapur		Dr. Sanjay Achliya	Mr. Bhupendra Kochar
	24th Jan	Yavatmal		Mr. Anant Jain	Mr. Pramod Shrimal
	24th Jan	Badnera		Mr. Anant Jain	Mr. Pradeep Jain
	25th Jan	Amravati		Mr. Anant Jain	Mr. Bhansali
	25th Jan	Akola		Mr. Anant Jain	Mr. Sameep Indane
	26th Jan	Malkapur		Mr. Anant Jain	Mr. Santosh Sancheti
	26th Jan	Buldhana		Mr. Anant Jain	Adv. Dhirajkumar Gothi
	24th Jan	Jalna		Mr. Sameep Indane	Mr. Sheetal Lunkad
	24th Jan	Beed		Mr. Sameep Indane	Mr. Bipin Lodha
	25th Jan	Parbhani		Mr. Sameep Indane	Mr. Jitendra Chajed
	25th Jan	Hingoli		Mr. Sameep Indane	Mr. Ravindra Kanhed
	26th Jan	Nanded		Mr. Sameep Indane	Dr. Sandeep Raisonni
	24th Jan	Latur		Mr. Dhanraj Jain	Dr. Pradnya Shah
	24th Jan	Osmanabad		Mr. Dhanraj Jain	Mr. Gulabchand Vyavahare
	25th Jan	Solapur		Mr. Dhanraj Jain	Mr. Ketan Shah
	24th Jan	Malegaon		Mr. Kishor Desarda	Mr. Balchand Chajjed
	24th Jan	Manmad		Mr. Kishor Desarda	Dr. C H Bagrecha
	25th Jan	Chandwad		Mr. Kishor Desarda	Mr. Rajendra Dunganwal
	25th Jan	Nashik Road		Mr. Kishor Desarda	Mr. Roshan Tatiya
	24th Jan	Sangamner		Mr. Mahaveer Shrishrimal	Mr. Chandanmal Bafna
	24th Jan	Shrirampur		Mr. Mahaveer Shrishrimal	Adv. Suresh Banthiya
	25th Jan	Kopergaon		Mr. Mahaveer Shrishrimal	Mr. Jawaharlal Shah, Mr. Premshukh Bhandari
	25th Jan	Shirdi		Mr. Mahaveer Shrishrimal	Mr. Rajendra Lodha
	24th Jan	Chiplun		Mr. Mahaveer Shrishrimal	Mr. Dilip/ Mr. Rupesh Jain
	24th Jan	Khed		Mr. Rakesh Jain	Mr. Anil Jain
	25th Jan	Mahad		Mr. Rakesh Jain	Mr. Pravin Kothari
	25th Jan	Mangaon		Mr. Rakesh Jain	Mr. Rajesh Jain
	26th Jan	Pen		Mr. Rakesh Jain	Mr. Dilip Punamiya
	26th Jan	Khapoli		Mr. Rakesh Jain	Mr. Ganesh Oswal
24th Jan	Karad	Mr. Rakesh Jain	Mr. Kantilal Parmar		
24th Jan	Sangli	Mr. Balasaheb Patil	Mr. Ashok Sakale		
25th Jan	Hadwad	Mr. Balasaheb Patil			
25th Jan	Ratnagiri	Mr. Balasaheb Patil	Mr. Tushar Hote		

January Events Update :

Program	Date	City	State	Trainer/ Resource Person/ Doctors performing surgery	Organiser
Minority (Community Awareness Lectures)	13th Jan	Dewas	Madhya Pradesh	Mrs. Sasha Jain	Shri. Mahendra Bamb, Shri. Arpit Nahar
	13th Jan	Dewas		Mrs. Sasha Jain	Shri. Vimal Bothara
	13th Jan	Dewas		Mrs. Sasha Jain	Shri. Jaiyantilalji
	18th Jan	Nagda		Mrs. Sasha Jain	Mr. Arvind Nahar
	24th Jan	Sajapur		Dr. Sonal Mehta	Mrs. Sangita Bhandawat
	24th Jan	Ujjain		Dr. Sonal Mehta	Mrs. Kalpana Surana
	25th Jan	Sujalpur		Dr. Sonal Mehta	Mr. Hemant Jain
	25th Jan	Astha		Dr. Sonal Mehta	Mr. Lokendra Banwat
	24th Jan	Dhar		Ms. Aditi Saklecha	Mr. Pankaj Jain
	24th Jan	Badnawar		Ms. Aditi Saklecha	Mr. Mahendra Sundecha
	25th Jan	Badnagar		Ms. Aditi Saklecha	Mrs. Hemlata Godha
	24th Jan	Damoh		Dr. Vimal Jain	Mr. Subhash Bhamoriya
	24th Jan	Sagar		Dr. Vimal Jain	Mr. Suresh Jain
	25th Jan	Narsinghpur		Dr. Vimal Jain	Mr. Sunil Kothari
	25th Jan	Kareli		Dr. Vimal Jain	Mr. Pramod Kumar Jain
	24th Jan	Khandwa		Mr. Nitin Jain	Dr. Prafulla Jain
	24th Jan	Khargaon		Mr. Nitin Jain	Mr. Pravin Parakh
	25th Jan	Sanawad		Mr. Nitin Jain	Mr. Shantilal Jain
	24th Jan	Betul		Ms. Harshita Nahar	Mrs. Puja Tated
	24th Jan	Itarsi		Ms. Harshita Nahar	Mr. Rajkumar Sancheti
25th Jan	Hosangabad	Ms. Harshita Nahar	Mrs. Neerja Faujdar		
Minority (Selection of Resource Persons Program)	16th-17th Jan	Pune	Maharashtra	Shri. Prafulla Parakh, Shri. Niranjan Juva Jain	BJS HO
Empowerment of Girls	2nd-4th Jan	Nagpur	Maharashtra	Mr. Nitin Pohare	Rotary Club
	9th-11th Jan	Bhilwara	Rajasthan	Mr. Ganesh Oswal	Mr. Arvind Jhamad
	9th-11th Jan	Agra	Uttar Pradesh	Ms. Anjana Jain Ms. Bharti Singh	Mr. Manoj Jain
	14th-16th Jan	Guwahati	Assam	Ms. Manisha Bhansali	Mr. Manoj Sethia
	15th -17th Jan	Gondia	Maharashtra	Mr. Mahesh Kothari Mr. Dilip Jain	Mr. Mahesh Kothari Mr. Dilip Jain
	16th-18th Jan	Kota	Rajasthan	Ms. Rajshree Choudhary	Mr. Anil Kala
	16th-18th Jan	Ludhiana	Punjab	Mr. Amar Gandhi	Mr. Mohinder Pal Jain
	16th-18th Jan	Bhikangaon	Madhya Pradesh	Mr. Chitresh Jain	Ms. Kusum Pandya
	16th-18th Jan	Erode	Tamil Nadu	Mr. Rajendra Lunker	Mr. Rajendra Lunker
	18th-20th Jan	Gwalior	Madhya Pradesh	Mr. Abhishek Oswal	Mr. Nirmal Kothari
	23rd-25th Jan	Hyderabad	Andhra Pradesh	Mr. Amar Gandhi	Dr. Ghisulal Jain
	23th-25th Jan	Chandrapur	Maharashtra	Mr. Kushal Baldota	Gondwana University
30th, 31st Jan & 1st Feb	Gadchiroli	Maharashtra	Mr. Amar Gandhi	Gondwana University	
Business Development (Expert Sessions)	4th Jan	Ujjain	Madhya Pradesh	Mr. Rakesh Jain	Mr. Om Jain
Plastic Surgery Camp	3rd - 4th Jan	Hubli	Karnataka	Dr. Larry Weinstian & Dr. Barry Citron	BJS Hubli
	5th - 6th Jan	Kolhapur	Maharashtra	Dr. Larry Weinstian & Dr. Barry Citron	BJS Kolhapur
	7th - 10th Jan	Pune	Maharashtra	Dr. Larry Weinstian & Dr. Barry Citron	BJS
State Executive Committee Meeting	12th Jan	Mysore	Karnataka	Mr. Goutam Bafna	Mr. Prakash Jain
	15th Jan	Chennai	Tamil Nadu	Mr. Gyanchand Anchliya	Mr. Mahaveer Parmar

Minority Update:

In the month of January, Minority Awareness Lectures have been organized across 38 places in Maharashtra and 22 places in Madhya Pradesh. Similar lectures will be held across six places in the Khandesh region of Maharashtra in February. The Resource Persons of Minority will conduct these sessions creating awareness about the benefits of the Minority Status, addressing issues and concerns of the regions and interacting with the community members to reach out more effectively as experts of the subject and ensure that real benefits are reaped by the community at large.

BJS HO is organizing another two-day Selection of Speakers on Minority at Pune on 16th and 17th January 2015. The program aims to select more number of speakers capable of empowering minorities with the benefits, skills, education and equal opportunities.



Ushering the new Year with a great start



Shri. Mahesh Kothari, National General Secretary of BJS displaying the MoU signed with the Gondwana University.

On 25th December 2014, Gondwana University, Gadchiroli, Maharashtra signed the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with BJS for implementing the Empowerment of Girls program covering 238 colleges. A historic event as for the first time a university has come forward with such an initiative.

Shri. Mahesh Kothari, National General Secretary of BJS and Shri. Sanjay Singhi, National Secretary, BJS attended the event. The MoU was inked in the presence of well known scientist Dr Anil Kakodkar, Dr Kirtiwardhan Dixit, Vice Chancellor, Gondwana University ; Dr. Vinayak Irpate, Registrar of the University and Shri. Ranjit Kumar, District Collector, Gadchiroli.

Other Update:

Parichay Sammelan (Remarriage) will be held at Indore on 14th February and at Nagpur on 22nd February 2015.



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