

# YOUTH FOR ACTION MISSION INTELLECT (Y.A.M.I.)

# Let's Think Together



#### Overview

Youth for Action, Mission and Intellect (YAMI) a forum launched by Maniben Nanavati Women's College to foster an environment that stimulates the youth to think for themselves and the world around them. In the fast changing world of today affected by the pandemic on one side and the rising importance of digital platforms on the other, the youth plays an important role in addressing some of the most demanding issues that affect them and their surroundings, community, state and nation. By 2022, the median age in India will be 28 years with an extraordinary opportunity for a great demographic dividend. Needless to say, that youth can be a clear advantage for India.

So how does one reap this rich dividend? One of the ways of course is to ignite the young minds by tapping their creative, critical, logical and divergent thinking abilities. YAMI aims to offer them a platform, opportunities and resources to students of the college as well as other youth to respond and convey their ideas, expressions and views to the key decision and policy making bodies or authorities. It will enable the youth to think for their own selves, surroundings and immediate concerns. By doing so they will act as important changemakers in society.

The United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs has identified the role of the youth in the implementation of Sustainable Development Goals identified in its 2030 Agenda. Whether it is climate change, gender equality, quality education, good health and well-being or others, the young people are agents of change mobilizing to advance the SDGS to improve their lives and the health of the planet. This platform will establish connections with various youth organizations and agencies to involve our young learners for being good leaders, innovators, critical thinkers, communicators and changemakers.

### **Objectives of YAMI:**

- · To encourage young people to think, speak, act and achieve
- · To involve students in meaningful youth engagement in areas of defining problems, problem solving, , creative outputs, strategic planning, identifying solutions, process improvement
- · To establish a connection with various organizations for youth development
- · To convey the outcomes, ideas, thoughts and perspectives to decision makers in various bodies

## **Activities:**

- · Setting up a think tank
- · Discussion and interactive sessions
- · Book and Film Reviews
- · Critical thinking exercises and games
- · Creativity output activities