



## COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATION

### **Resolution: *Youth as key Drivers of Implementation of SDGs at the 10<sup>th</sup> Commonwealth Youth Parliament (CYP10) in Delhi in November 2019***

“The Commonwealthland Parliament in its sitting held on 26 November 2019 resolves that:-

The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) are a set of 17 multi-sectoral global development targets prepared by the United Nations. The soul of the SDGs lies in the agenda of ‘**Leave No one Behind**’ and reaching farthest the first. Since the SDGs have come in to force, Youth, as stakeholders, have been left behind in the overall planning and execution process of SDGs in Commonwealthland and have not proportionally participated/been represented in this process. Given the fact that the youth constitutes 30 per cent of the overall population of Commonwealthland, involving youth as one of the key stakeholders in the SDG processes becomes very important if Commonwealthland is to achieve the SDGs within the stipulated time period i.e. 2030. Youths as stakeholders have cross-cutting perspectives in all the SDGs especially SDG4 (Education), SDG 5 (Gender Equality), SDG 8 (Employment and Decent Work) and SDG 13 (Climate Change).

Thus, there is a pressing need to make a policy shift towards the implementation of SDGs in Commonwealthland to ensure inclusion of Youth in the SDG processes.

- Hence, this house resolves that this Government urgently start a multi-stakeholder consultation on the implementation of the SDGs, ensuring compulsory participation of youth from various section of society;
- This Government must **Support** youth organizations and associations, youth wings within all establishments and institutions to channelize their strength,



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innovative ideas, enthusiasm and creativity towards implementation of SDGs;

- Further, this Government must **Facilitate** with necessary educational and skills-development opportunities, entrepreneurship avenues and employment opportunities to constructively engage the youth's energy in the nation-building activities, thereby helping in achieving the objectives of quality education, employment and decent job for all, etc.;
- This Government must **Promote** leadership among the youth and increase their political representation at all levels of governance, which can provide new dimensions towards the implementation of SDGs as they remain at the forefront of adapting new technological solutions and services;
- Furthermore, this Government must **Generate awareness** among the youth, and engage them in the review and monitoring of progress of various goals and targets set under the SDGs at local, regional and national levels.”