



4. To foster a sense of responsibility towards the environment and encourage sustainable living.

### Structure:

The Youth MPs will be selected via a two stage process:

- **Stage-I:** The EIACP Centres will conduct virtual debate competition/Group Discussions at the University Level in each state/UT and will shortlist candidates as required against that state. The number of students to be selected from each state will be around 10 and from each UT will be 2. Accordingly, about 296-300 students covering all States and UTs will be shortlisted.
- **Stage-II:** The shortlisted candidates will compete in a mock parliamentary debate in Delhi organised by IIFM and half of them i.e. 148-150 will be selected to be MEYPs (Members of Environment Youth Parliament).
- Each MEYP will be given a profile like their political affiliation (Jal Jivan Party, Bijli Bachao Party, etc; their Home State, Status of natural resources, level of development, proneness to natural disaster etc.)
- The selected students will be given a one day training in Parliamentary debate and mock parliament will be organised thereafter.
- Stage-I will be conducted within last week of May 2023. 5 students will be selected after stage-II and will be given the 'Youth Icon Award' on 5<sup>th</sup> June, 2023 on World Environment Day 2023 (WED).
- The debates being organised in stage-I may consist of any issue related to the field of environment wherein students will speak for and against the motion for 3-5 minutes. For instance, one topic may be sustainable consumption vs consumerism.
- The overarching theme of the Youth Parliament will be '**Individual Behaviour and habits have an impact on environment and climate change**'. Accordingly, EIACP Centres and IIFM may identify sub-topics within the over-arching theme for debates to be held in stage-I and stage-II. Based on their performance the motion will be passed or abstained.

### Outcome:

The Youth Parliament on LiFE will provide a platform for young people to voice their opinions and ideas on various contemporary issues of environment. It will also promote leadership, critical thinking, and teamwork skills among young people. The arguments made by the students can be compiled in a video and shared with to promote awareness and action on sustainable living.

It is therefore, requested that the details of the participants be shared on or before 15<sup>th</sup> May, 2023, so that further procedure/process in this regard can be completed.

Please contact TERI-ELACP through the contact details available on the poster for any doubts or queries.

Thanking you in anticipation!

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