FAQs for Applying for National Youth Awards

1. Who is competent authority to sign the Recommendation letter?
   Ans. There are two options in the portal to upload recommendation letter for which following are competent authority respectively:
   (i) Secretary in the State Govt./Union Territory Administration is the competent authority to recommend the individuals/organizations for the award.
   (ii) Head of the Institution (School/College/University) / Sub-Division Magistrate/ District Magistrate /District Collector of the area/district or any officer not below the rank of Deputy Secretary in the Government of India.

2. What is meant by Recommendations of State Level Selection Committee (SLSC)?
   Ans. State Level Selection Committee (SLSC) is constituted by some States for scrutiny of applications received from citizens of their State. If such selection has been done in your case by the State Govt., then you may upload the documents indicating decision of the State Govt. However, uploading the said document is not mandatory for applying for the Award.

3. Can I submit the application without any recommendation as it is very difficult for me to get recommendation during this COVID-19 pandemic?
   Ans. Yes, the portal allows you to submit your application form without recommendation letter.

4. How can I submit photographs?
   Ans. The passport size photographs may be pasted on the recommendation letter and then be uploaded after getting it duly signed and stamped by the competent authority. In case of absence of a recommendation letter, the photograph may be pasted on a blank paper and uploaded.

5. If I submit my application to the State Govt., then how would I be able to upload recommendation letter online?
   Ans. You may obtain the recommendation letter from the state authorities and upload the same while applying online through MyGov portal.

6. Applications for 2 National Youth Awards have been sought. Through which link should I apply?
   Ans. The applications for NYA 2017-18 and 2018-19 have been invited simultaneously through MyGov portal. The URLs for submission of applications for NYA 2017-18 and 2018-19 respectively are:

   https://innovate.mygov.in/national-youth-awards-2018/
   https://innovate.mygov.in/national-youth-award-2019/

   It may be noted that the work done / Achievement for the period of 01.01.2016 to 31.12.2018 will be considered for NYA 2017-18 and work
done / Achievement for the period of 01.01.2017 to 31.12.2019 will be
considered for NYA 2018-19.

7. There are 2 columns in the form “Area of Work and Beneficiary” and
“Impact on Society indicating geographical area”. What is to be
filled in them?
Ans. The details regarding geographical area where your work is based may
be filled under “Area of Work and Beneficiary” and social impact of
your work in some specific geographical area may be filled under
“Impact on Society indicating geographical area”.

8. I have submitted the form but did not receive any confirmation. Whom
should I contact?
Ans. You may contact: Ms. Vatsala Rawat @ vatsala.rawat@mygov.in.

9. I have some doubts regarding filling up some columns of the form.
Whom should I contact?
Ans. You may read the guidelines available at the following pages carefully
before applying for the form:
https://innovate.mygov.in/national-youth-awards-2018/
https://innovate.mygov.in/national-youth-award-2019/

If still any clarification is required, you may contact at
npyadsection@gmail.com.