

## **Directorate of Youth Affairs Services**

The Directorate of Youth Affairs delivers a comprehensive range of youth engagement and development services aimed at empowering young people and strengthening their role in the social, economic, and civic life of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. These services are designed to promote meaningful youth participation, social cohesion, economic inclusion, and leadership development across the province.

### **Our Objectives**

Our services are guided by the following core objectives:

- Promote youth participation in governance and public decision-making
- Prevent social exclusion, radicalization, and extremism
- Enhance employability, entrepreneurship, and economic self-reliance
- Strengthen community ownership and social responsibility
- Develop a sustainable leadership pipeline for the future of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

### **List of Youth Services**

#### **1. Youth Outreach & Mobilization**

Registration, profiling, and engagement of youth through the Jawan Markaz network across Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

#### **2. Community-Based Youth Mapping**

Identification of youth demographics, skills, needs, and opportunities at community level to inform evidence-based policymaking.

#### **3. Youth Participation & Dialogue Platforms**

Institutionalized engagement of youth with the Government through the Youth Development Commission and consultative forums.

#### **4. Youth Conventions**

Provincial, divisional, and district-level youth conventions to promote dialogue, networking, and civic awareness.

#### **5. Leadership & Civic Engagement Programmes**

Promotion of democratic values, volunteerism, and responsible citizenship among young people.

#### **6. Youth Leadership Training**

Capacity-building programmes to develop leadership, governance, and communication skills.

#### **7. Volunteerism Programme**

Structured youth volunteer initiatives for social development, emergency response, and community services.

8. Social Responsibility & Peacebuilding Activities

Youth-led initiatives to promote tolerance, harmony, and peaceful coexistence.

9. Entrepreneurship & Innovation Engagements

Support for youth startups, innovation challenges, and enterprise development.

10. Interest Free Youth Loans (Ehsaas Naujawan Programme)

Provision of interest-free loans ranging from PKR 1 million to PKR 5 million through Akhuwat Islamic Microfinance and the Bank of Khyber to support youth-led businesses.

11. Skills-Based Engagements

Linking skilled youth with training, employment, and self-employment opportunities.

12. Career Counselling

Guidance on education pathways, career choices, and labour market opportunities.

13. Internship Programmes

Placement of youth in public and private sector organizations for practical work experience.

14. Industry Academia Linkages

Connecting educational institutions with industry to align skills development with market demand.

15. Digital & Media Engagements

Training and platforms for youth in digital skills, communication, and media participation.

16. Youth Digital Platform

An integrated digital system for youth registration, service delivery, engagement, and feedback.

17. Media Ethics & Responsible Communication

Promoting ethical use of media and digital platforms among youth.