



Constraints faced by rural...

youth from each of these villages were randomly selected. Thus, total sample consisted of 210 rural youth. The data were collected from the respondents through structured interview schedule constructed for this purpose.

**Table-1 : Distribution of the respondents according to their constraints in participating and/or initiating development activities in the village.**

N=210			
Sr. No.	Constraints	Frequency	Percentage
1.	Lack of co-operation from villagers	143	68.10
2.	Lack of rural youth clubs and their activities	134	63.81
3.	Lack of financial assistance from the Government	128	60.95
4.	Lack of support from the village institutions	121	57.62
5.	Lack of proper leadership	107	50.95
6.	Lack of training facilities	104	49.52
7.	Lack of assistance and support from block staff	87	41.43
8.	Villagers not showing faith in youth	68	32.38
9.	Lack of interest on the part of youth in village development work	65	30.95
10.	Lack of spare time	48	22.86
11.	Not giving importance to the opinion		

### FINDINGS AND DISCUSSION

It was conspicuous from the table 1 that the major problems identified were lack of co-operation from villagers (68 percent), followed by lack of rural youth clubs and their activities (64 per cent), lack of financial from the Government (61 per cent) and lack of support from the village institutions (58 per cent).

**Table- 2 : Distribution of the respondents according to their suggestions to overcome the constraints**

N=210			
Sr. No.	Constraints	Frequency	Percentage
1.	Co-operation from villagers	143	68.10
2.	Establishment of functional rural youth club in the village.	134	63.81
3.	Adequate financial help from the Government.	122	58.10
4.	Suuport from the village institutions	121	57.62
5.	Proper training and guidance from the local leaders and the block staff	97	46.19

Further, they indicated that there was a lack of proper leadership as well as lack of training facilities (50 per cent). Other constraints like lack of assistance and support from block staff, villagers do not show faith in youth, lack of interest on the part of youth in village development work, lack of spare time and villagers do not give importance to the opinion of youth were expressed by the respondents.

As regards to suggestions, it can be seen from the Table 2 that majority of the rural youth had indicated constructive suggestions to overcome these constraints. The most important suggestions given by them were co-operation from the villagers rural youth club (64 per cent), adequate financial help from the Government (58 per cent ) and support from the village institutions (58 per cent).

## CONCLUSIONS

The major constraints faced by the rural youth were lack of co-operation from villagers, followed by lack of rural youth clubs and their activities, lack of financial assistance from the Government of support from the village institutions. To improve the participation of the rural youth

The most important suggestions offered by the rural youth were co-operation in rural development activities, there is an urgent need to minimise the constraints faced by youth.

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