Partnership of MY Bharat & SOUL

Prelims – *Current events of national and international importance | Government policies and interventions.*

Why in News?

Recently, the Government of India has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the SOUL to collaborate on knowledge sharing, capacity building, and youth leadership development.

- **My Bharat –** It is an autonomous body under the Department of Youth Affairs, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, aimed to empower Indian youth.
- **SOUL –** School of Ultimate Leadership Foundation (SOUL) is a premier, privately funded leadership institution, established by a group of like-minded individuals.
- To promote leadership and empower relentless leaders with the values, experience, fellowship, and curiosity to advance public good.
- **Objectives of partnership –** To support 100,000 youth leaders in the ***age group of 18 – 29 years*** across India.
- **Implementation –** Through joint programs in governance, public policy, social entrepreneurship, digital literacy, financial literacy, and other domains.
- **Timeline of MoU –** It is valid for ***3 years***, and can be further extended with mutual consent.
- **Activities covered –** It provides design and delivery of leadership programs, organisation of conclaves & workshops, joint research, and capacity building of youth-serving organisations.
- **Participant Selection –** It follows a pan-India, inclusive approach to ensure representation from rural and urban areas, aspirational, tribal regions, women, and marginalised communities.

Key Activities

• Design, development, and delivery
• Organisation of youth conclaves, seminars, workshops, and fellowships
• Capacity building
• Joint research and policy advocacy
• Dissemination of best practices
• Exchange of trainers, resource persons, and expertise
• Development and sharing of training materials, curriculum, and assessment tools.
• Networking events
• Online quiz and selection process

Reference

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