



**Title: Re: Extension of Agnipath like scheme to  
other Government Departments.**

**SHRI SRIDHAR KOTAGIRI (ELURU):** With over 27.2 per cent of the Indian population of the age group of 15-29, in 2021 as per Government data, India has a substantial percentage of the youth population.

Amid this massive 'youth population, the recently announced Agnipath Scheme recruiting Agniveers seems to be very popular, with IAF receiving around 8 lakh applications, the highest number of applicants ever for a mere 3000 positions.

A Scheme on similar lines with a 5-year contract period in various other departments of the Government can be even more beneficial for fresh graduates, presenting them with the opportunity to begin their career in their preferred field as well as, giving them better chances after the completion of their 5-year service period. Apart from training young people and providing them with increased opportunities in every field, it will also aid in reducing retirement and pension costs, helping our country tackle the ongoing pension problem in the long run.

Therefore, I request the Government to consider a similar scheme in the name of Vidhyapath recruiting Vidhyaveers in every Governmental department and to identify possible positions in every department of every Ministry that can be easily covered in this 5-year job scheme.