WHO ARE THE YOUTH?

Youth are defined as 18-35 years old (no official definition yet)

National Median age in Myanmar is 27 years old

Approximately 60% of the population are under the age of 35

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Percentage of individuals aged 35 or under in Pyidaungsu Hluttaw (excluding Tatmadaw representatives) 8.23%

Number of youth representatives on Union Peace Dialogue Joint Committee (UPDJC) 0

Number of young men/women on Joint Monitoring Committee (JMC) – Union Level 0

Employment 74.8% of young men and 55.3% of young women are employed

Education Nearly 70% of young people (18-34) have not completed high school

Migration 80% of the 4.25 million Myanmar migrants abroad are between 15-39

YOUTH BEHIND THE SCENES

Facilitators
Policy Advocates
Technical Advisors
Documenters
Tech-innovators
Logisticians
Visionaries

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YOUTH, PEACE AND SECURITY: FRAMEWORK FOR ACTION

1. Transform the views and behaviours of decision-makers on youth inclusion
   - Engage with the views and behaviours of decision-makers
   - Identify ‘champions for youth’ and leverage role-modelling
   - Increase channels for dialogue between decision-makers and youth leaders

2. Strengthen the capacity of youth leaders and youth organisations
   - Invest in building soft and technical skills of young leaders
   - Support the strengthening and sustainability of youth organisations
   - Enhance strategic coordination between and within youth organisations
   - Invest in core funding and earmark funding to support youth programming

3. Address knowledge and analysis gaps
   - Youth power analysis
   - Youth mapping and directory
   - Myanmar-specific Youth, Peace and Security (YPS) indicators
   - Needs assessment of young combatants
   - Youth policy implementation

4. Transform structural barriers to youth inclusion into opportunities
   - Adopt and implement structural youth inclusion mechanisms in public decision-making
   - Establish and invest in evidence-based drug policy and services
   - Invest in quality and conflict-sensitive education reform
   - Invest in economic opportunities and meaningful job creation