

Sri Lanka – 2012

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88. **Ms. Rajasingham** (Sri Lanka), speaking as a youth delegate, said that the concerns of young people in her country included finding work, putting three decades of conflict behind them, getting a good education, fighting sexual-harassment and combating drug addiction. Young people needed more platforms through which to solve their problems, voice their concerns and realize their dreams.

89. **Ms. Wickramanayake** (Sri Lanka), speaking as a youth delegate, said that her country's Youth Parliament was an important platform for young people. Its members were drawn from both genders and all ethnic and social groups, and interacted regularly with members of the national Parliament. Sri Lanka's 9000 youth clubs and its award programme for emerging young leaders also helped to mobilize youth potential.

90. There was a reality show for young persons with disabilities, and, starting in 2013, the national sports day would include events for persons with disabilities. Sri Lankan young people would continue to work with the Government to further the participation of youth in the post-2015 development agenda. She looked forward to the World Youth Conference to be held in her country's capital in 2014.

