



The Bharat Scouts and Guides

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To
All the State Secretaries,
State Associations of
The Bharat Scouts and Guides,
INDIAN UNION



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SUB: “#notHERfault” AN INITIATIVE TOWARDS GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Greetings from the Bharat Scouts and Guides, National Headquarters

The Bharat Scouts and Guides, and WAGGGS is introducing Gender Based Violence activities for Scouts/Guides/Rangers and Rovers as **#notHERfault** programme. It's time in the year when people around the world are raising their voice and unite to call for an end to all forms of violence against girls and women. By participating in this programme, you will be joining other Guides and Rangers Nationwide to say that they are not to blame for the violence they experience and we stand with them.



For 16 Days of Activism this year, WAGGGS have chosen victim blaming as the theme of the campaign. With the increase in violence against girls and women as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent lockdown, women and girls are locked at home with perpetrators and are navigating spaces and places that have become even more unsafe for them. With this in mind, it is to send a clear message to women and girls during 16 Days of Activism that they are not to be blamed for the violence they experience.

The Bharat Scouts and Guides want to stop the culture of shame and blame that means girls and women often remain silent about their experiences and create a movement that stands for victims and supports them in speaking out and seeking justice for healthy and safe community.

We seek to create a safe and supportive environment in which girls can develop their potential, free from judgments, stereotyping and violence. We are working through our programmes to listen to the unique challenges girls around the world are facing at this time, adapting to better serve them and advocating for the changes needed to address the structural barriers to their wellbeing.



The programme **#notHERfault** is specially designed for members of Bharat Scouts and Guides with three effective and powerful sections **Educate, Support and Speak up & Take the pledge-**

I (Your name)..... pledge to stop the violence and speak out against harmful stereotypes

The schedule of the programmes are as under:

Event	Date	Don't forget
National Level webinar on notHERfault	15 December 2020 20 December 2020 29 December 2020	State Association will select the team, Collect the list of participants and send it to Regional Headquarters with a copy to National Headquarters at waggggs@bsgindia.org on or before 10 December 2020 in Performa attached. Regional Headquarters will select best team for webinar and inform NHQ on 12 December 2020
Inter Region webinar on notHERfault	In the month of January and February 2020	State Headquarters will finalize the date in consultation with respective Regions, collect the Participant list and will send proposals of the programme.
Time	10:00 AM to 12:30 PM and 02:30 to 05:00PM	
Age	15 December 2020- Guides/Rangers age between 13-17 Years	
	20 December 2020- Guide/Rangers age between 10-12 Years	
	29 December 2020- one team Guide/Rangers and one team Scouts/Rovers age between 13-17 years from each Region	
Zoom Platform	The National Headquarters will provide the zoom Platform for this virtual activity.	
No of Participants	8 Guides /Rangers or mix and 01unit leaders will participate in each group. In each webinar 06 team will participate. Note: On 29th December - Two Teams from each Region will participate (01 Guide/Ranger & 01 Scouts/Rovers)	
Participation Certificate	Digital Colorful participation certificates will be given by National Headquarters to participants those who will participate fulltime in the webinar.	
Sharing	Participants undertaking this initiative must upload the action photos in their Social Networking Sites – Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, etc. using hash tags #notHERfault #IAmHereForHer and tagging @bsgindia @WAGGGS	

You are requested to give opportunity to young members to grow, explore and inculcate new values of community building at grassroot. Participants must read the **Activity Pack attached** with this circular and complete all the activities as directed therein.

We solicit your active participation and wider publicity in social media.

Thanking You,

Yours in Guiding,



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Copy to:-

1. All the NHQ Office Bearers of the Bharat Scouts and Guides, National Headquarters.
2. Chairman/Secretary, Railway Scout and Guide Board, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi.
3. The Commissioner, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, 18 Institutional Area, Shahid Jeet Singh Marg, New Delhi - 110016.
4. The Commissioner, Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti, Institutional Area, B-15, Sector - 62, Noida-201309, Uttar Pradesh.
5. All the District Secretaries, District Association of Dammam, Riyadh, Muscat and Jamiat Youth Club Youth Club with a request to take necessary action