## The Bharat Scouts and Guides

## National Headquarters



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



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SUB: SCOUTING FROM HOME WITH JOTI-SPECIAL EDITION 3-5 APRIL, 2020 Dear Sir/Madam,



As you are aware, young people in many countries today face challenges at home and in their local communities due to COVID-19. Their formal education, where they have access to it, has been severely impacted by the pandemic. Hope each and everyone here will participate to make difference.

According to UNESCO monitoring, as of today 85 countries have closed schools nationwide, impacting 776.7 million children and youth.

At this challenging time, we, as a united Movement of 171 National Scout Organizations need to hold true to the Promise that binds us together and do our duty to help other people.

At this extraordinary moment when many people are isolated, it is our firm belief that we should rise to the challenge and respond with an extraordinary global event that will unite Scouting/Guiding at every level in the country.

Today we are excited to announce that World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM) has introduced a special edition of Jamboree on the Internet (JOTI), the largest digital Scout event held annually. This special JOTI will be both educational and fun, bringing Scouting to the homes of young people around the world. It will be a space for the Scouts & Guides to connect, learn and build friendships during this challenging time of social distance. It will be a mass mobilization that seeks to engender a sense of unity throughout the Movement.

Through a dynamic virtual engagement programme, young people will be able to learn about safety measures, mental and physical health tips, and more while digitally engaging as global citizens through a range of activities - from webinars to concerts. The special edition of JOTI will also enable Scouts and Guides to connect to peers from different countries, hear from special guests and share ideas about Scouting from home.

The online platform will provide Scouts & Guides with helpful resources, ideas and initiatives to adapt regular Scouting/Guiding activities in engaging initiatives that can be done at home. As we navigate uncharted waters, together, we can turn this challenge into an opportunity to continuously showcase and share what Scouting is all about - unity, friendship, education and resourcefulness.

Hence, State Associations are requested to communicate this matter at all level to join' online from 3 - 5 April 2020 and motivate our Scouts and Guides to spread the word of this JOTI Special Edition today.

How to involve in JOTI special edition is attached herewith for ready reference.

Thanking you,

Yours Sincerely,

RAJ KUMAR KAUSHIK DIRECTOR

## 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 with a request to take necessary action.