



# 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.: OBSERVANCE OF INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE – 21<sup>ST</sup> SEPTEMBER 2018.**

Dear Sir/Madam,

We are pleased to inform you that the “**International Day of Peace**” is observed around the world on **21<sup>st</sup> September**, since the United Nations declared it as a day devoted to strengthening the ideals of peace, both within and among all Nations. The Bharat Scouts and Guides, under the umbrella of Messengers of Peace Program, has taken this initiative for four years now to encourage and inspire young people and leaders to make this day a commitment day for year-round peace actions. In previous years, activities held in celebration of this day by several State Associations had engaged thousands of people in undertaking peace actions.

This year's theme as announced by the United Nations is “**The Right to Peace – The Universal Declaration of Human Rights at 70.**”, celebrating the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

### Goal for International Peace Day 2018

Although activities may vary from state to state, our aim for this day is to **involve as many young people as possible in peace actions or activities** with the objective of creating **massive awareness** on the roles they can play as global citizens leading to positive changes in their communities.

Taking this opportunity, we can set records by:

- Engaging a large number of young people and leaders in peace actions in a day
- Massive tree planting in a day
- Organizing blood donation in a day
- Rendering service hours in a day

Here are suggested activities:

1. **Peace Run** – a popular event nowadays, a Peace Run could be organized in major cities with a theme leading to peace awareness and peace actions. This event may be open to all, Cubs/Bulbuls, Scouts/Guides, Rovers/Rangers, Adult Leaders and non-Scouts/Guides alike.
2. **Peace Rally** – a route march in various cities/communities that raises awareness on current issues and seeks to inspire people in overcoming those issues and achieve desired ideals.

3. **Trees for Peace** – activities that complement the sustainable development goals and encourage young people to be environment friendly.
4. **Youth Speech for Peace** – a local community gathering that engages young people to share how they could contribute to peace and share success stories from their Messengers of Peace experiences or projects.
5. **Peace Pledge** – a commitment campaign where Scouts & Guides are encouraged to be the prime movers of peace. This may include taking selfies with peace statements (e.g. "Peace Starts with Me") or other similar placards that are posted in social media.
6. **Good turn a day** – an encouragement to do good turns not for a day but throughout the year. The goal is to set a world record of the largest number of young people doing good work for others.
7. **Community Service** – finding opportunities to help others, such as short or long-term community service or projects.
8. **One-day Peace Gathering** – a training organized to explore the importance and use of dialogue and mediation as a way of promoting peace.

All the Units, Districts and States are specially requested to involve parents, public and well wishers of the movement in all your activities related to observance of the Day of Peace. You can also create more activities as per your possibilities to create visibility of Scouts and Guides of our Nation in action on Peace to create a better world.

You are requested to send brief report of the activities with action photographs to the National Headquarters at [info@bsgindia.org](mailto:info@bsgindia.org) & [pro@bsgindia.org](mailto:pro@bsgindia.org) <https://www.facebook.com/bsgnhq/> for uploading in our website and magazine.


You are also requested to share your Peace Activities through [www.scout.org](http://www.scout.org) the WOSM official website, and the official MoP WOSM and MoP Asia-Pacific Facebook page.

Should you need any further assistance or support from our end, please do not hesitate to contact Shri Amar B. Chettri, Dy. Director (Boy Programme) [boyprogramme@bsgindia.org](mailto:boyprogramme@bsgindia.org)

A report form is attached to ensure that all projects held in celebration of the International Peace Day is well documented.

Thanking you and with regards,

Yours in Scouting,

  
(KRISHNASWAMY.R)  
OFFICIATING DIRECTOR

Encl.: As above

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