



**THE BHARAT SCOUTS AND GUIDES**

# **MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION**

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## MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION OF THE BHARAT SCOUTS AND GUIDES

### 1. Name:

The name of the association shall be “The Bharat Scouts and Guides”.

### 2. Registered Office:

The registered office of the association shall be at the Bharat Scouts and Guides, National Headquarters, Lakshmi Mazumdar Bhawan, 16, Mahatma Gandhi Marg, Indraprastha Estate, New Delhi 110002, or at such other place or places as may be decided from time to time by the National Council.

### 3. Definition:

The Bharat Scouts and Guides is a voluntary, non-political, educational movement for young people, open to all without distinction of origin, race or creed, in accordance with the purpose, principles and method conceived by the Founder Lord Baden-Powell in 1907.

#### (3.1) Purpose:

The purpose of the Movement is to contribute to the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social, **emotional**, and spiritual potentials as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of the local, national and international communities.

**(3.2) Principles:** The Scout/Guide Movement is based on the following Principles:

#### (3.2.1) Duty to God:

Adherence to spiritual principles, loyalty to the religion that expresses them and acceptance of the duties resulting therefrom.

**Note:1** The Word “Dharma” may be substituted for the word “God” if so desired.

#### (3.2.2) Duty to others:

- loyalty to one’s country in harmony with the promotion of local, national and international

peace, understanding and cooperation.

- Participation in the development of society with recognition and respect for the dignity of one's fellow men and for the integrity of the natural world.

**(3.2.3) Duty to self:**

Responsibility for the development of oneself.

**(3.3) The Method:**

The Scout/Guide Method is a system of progressive self education through:

- A Promise and law
- Learning by Doing.
- Membership of small groups under adult leadership involving progressive discovery and acceptance of responsibility and training towards self-government directed towards the development of character, and the acquisition of competence, self-reliance, dependability and capability both to cooperate and to lead.
- Progressive and stimulating programmes of various activities based on the interests of the participants Including games, useful skills and services to the community taking place largely in an outdoor setting in contact with nature.

**4. The Promise:**

- (4.1) The Promise for the Scout and the Rover is-  
"On my honour, I promise that I will do my best To do my duty to God\* and my Country: To help other people and To obey the Scout Law."
- (4.2) The promise for the Guide and the Ranger is-  
"On my honour, I promise that I will do my best To do my duty to God\* and my Country; To help other people and To obey the Guide Law."
- (4.3) The Promise of Cub is:

"I promise to do my best

To do my duty to God\* and my country, To keep the  
Cub Law and To do a good turn every day."

(4.4) The Promise for Bulbul is-

"I promise to do my best

To do my duty to God\* and my country: To keep the  
Bulbul Law and

To do a good turn every day."

**Note:2\*** The word 'Dharma' may be substituted for the word  
'God' if so desired.

**Note:3** The Promise is to be made on the occasion of the  
investiture and in the case of a Rover or Ranger who is  
already a Scout or Guide, the Promise is to be  
reaffirmed.

## 5. The Law:

**(5.1) The Law for the Scout and the Rover is-**

(5.1.1) A Scout is trust worthy.

(5.1.2) A Scout is loyal.

(5.1.3) A Scout is a friend to all and a brother to every  
other Scout.

(5.1.4) A Scout is courteous

(5.1.5) A Scout is a friend to animals and loves nature.

(5.1.6) A Scout is disciplined and helps protect public  
property.

(5.1.7) A Scout is courageous.

(5.1.8) A Scout is thrifty.

(5.1.9) A Scout is pure in thought, word and deed.

**(5.2) The Law for the Guide and the Ranger is**

(5.2.1) A Guide is trust worthy.

(5.2.2) A Guide is loyal.

(5.2.3) A Guide is a friend to all and a sister to every  
other Guide.

(5.2.4) A Guide is courteous

(5.2.5) A Guide is a friend to animals and loves nature.

(5.2.6) A Guide is disciplined and helps protect public property.

(5.2.7) A Guide is courageous.

(5.2.8) A Guide is thrifty.

(5.2.9) A Guide is pure in thought, word and deed.

**(5.3) The Law for the Cub is:**

(5.3.1) The Cub is obedient.

(5.3.2) The Cub is clean and polite.

**(5.4) The Law for the Bulbul is:**

(5.4.1) The Bulbul is obedient.

(5.4.2) The Bulbul is clean and polite.

**6. Character:**

The Association is a Society registered under the Societies Registration Act **and is the only official organization to represent Scouts and Guides in the country** and is a non- political, non- sectarian and non communal in character **and is the only organisation affiliated to the World Organisation of the Scout Movement (WOSM) and World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS) both to undertake the Scout and Guide activities in the country.**

**7. Membership:**

(7.1) The Membership of the **Association in the local/district association** is open to citizens of India; who subscribe to the Fundamentals, which includes Purpose, Principles, the Methods, the Promise and the Law.

Provided, a citizen of any other nationality residing for the time being in India may be admitted as a member **of the local/district association with the approval** of the State Chief Commissioner. Provided, further, that such person pledges to abide by the Scout or Guide Promise as hereunder: On my honour I promise that I will do my best To do my duty to God\* and India To help other people and To obey the Scout or Guide Law.



Note: 4 \*The word "Dharma" may be substituted for the word 'God' if so desired.

(7.2) The membership of the National Association shall consist of;

**(7.2.1) All the State Associations of the Bharat Scouts and Guides.**

**(7.2.2) All the District Associations of the Bharat Scouts and Guides directly affiliated to the National Association.**

**(7.2.3) All the Auxiliary Units directly affiliated to the Bharat Scouts and Guides, National Association**

#### **8. Termination of Membership:**

(8.1) If any member of any **unit/ association/ district council or state council/ national council** is found guilty of criminal offence, involving moral turpitude, his/her membership shall be terminated and any award/privilege shall be withdrawn.

(8.2) If any member **of any unit/ association/ district council or state council/ national council** while supporting any other Organization is found indulging in activities detrimental to the interests of the movement or bring disrepute to the organization by way of writings in publications/media or confirmed propaganda against the interests of the movement/organization shall be liable to be terminated from the organization provided, due enquiry takes place and due opportunity is given, to the person (s) to be heard.

(8.3) If any member of **any unit/ association/ district council or state council/ national council** is found to be a member of any Parallel organization working in the name of Scouting and Guiding or is found aiding and abetting the activities of such an organization, his/her membership of the Bharat Scouts and Guides will be terminated.

**(8.4) If the member or office bearer of any association or council violates any provision(s) of the Code of Conduct as approved**

**and revised periodically by National Executive Committee.**

**9. Governing Body:**

The management of the affairs of the Bharat Scouts and Guides be entrusted to the National Executive Committee constituted in accordance with the Rules and Regulations for the time being in force.

10. In the event of dissolution there shall remain, after the settlement of all its debts and liabilities, any property, whatsoever, the same shall not be paid or distributed among the members of the Association or any of them but shall be given to a Society/Institute with similar objects which will be determined by the votes of not less than three fifths of the members of the National Council present personally at the time of dissolution.

**Note:5 All the Rules amended shall be incorporated in the Memorandum of the Association, APRO Part-I, Bye Laws of the BSG, National Association and Rules Book as may be required from time to time.**

## VISION 2024

*By 2024, The Bharat Scouts and Guides will be a globally visible, consistently growing, self-reliant premium youth movement that is gender balanced, vibrant and responsive to trends.*

*Providing young people with value-based, attractive and challenging youth programme, through competent leaders, effective communication, optimum use of technology and efficient management.*

### STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

**Youth Programme**

**Adult Resources**

**Management**

**Finance**

**Communication &  
Public Relations**

**Growth**



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