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# President asks scouts to stand against narcotics, extremism

FOCUSIGN on the importance of intensifying the scout movement across the country. President Abdul Hamid on Sunday asked scouts to take a stand against drug abuse and extremism.

"Take a stand against narcotics and extremism. Always uphold the spirit of freedom struggle. patriotism and duty towards making," the president told the scouts while inaugurating the 10th Bangladesh and 3rd South Asian Association of National Scout Organization Scout Jamboree 2019 at the National Scout Training Centre at Mouchak in Gazipur in the afternoon.

Abdul Hamid, also the chief scout, said: 'You will lead the nation tomorrow . You will build a hunger and poverty-free, developed and rich Bangladesh which founder president Sheikh Mujibur Rahman had dreamt of.

Nothing that the scout movement would help to save teenagers and the youth from falling prey to narcotics, fanaticism, communalism, and extremism, he said.

Only the scouts could help build a modern, progressive and creative new generation.

Abdul Hamid urged all, including guardians and scout leaders, to

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gear up the scout movements for various development programmers to build skilled leadership through scouting.

The head of the state praised the role of the scouts in social development, disaster management and other voluntary activities during any disasters like

the recent Chawk Bazar fire and main tainting traffic movement.

As a patriotic and voluntary organization. he hoped the scouts would jointly take the country forward towards socio-economic development in line with the Vision 2021 and Vision 2041 conceived by the present government.

President Hamid categorically urged the scouts to build themselves as worthy and skilled citizens of the



country

"Deliver good for the people and help masses to involve in various welfare oriented activities", he added.

The chief scout later inaugurated the six-day camping here with around 1,200 scouts, including 400 from abroad, taking part in different activities.

President of the Bangladesh Scouts and principal coordinator on the Sustainable Development Goals

Afairs Md Abul Kalam Azad, the Bangladesh Scout chief National Commissioner and the Anti Corruption C o m m i s s i o n Commissioner Dr. Md MozammelHaqueKhan, National commissioner (Organization) Akhteruz Zaman Khan Kabir also spoke at the function.



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# 10th Bangladesh and 3rd SANSO Scout Jamboree held





The 10th Bangladesh and 3rd South Asian Association of National Scout Organization Scout Jamboree 2019 was held from March 8 to 14 at the National Scouts Training Centre at Mouchak in Gazipur, Bangladesh.

Some 12,000+ Scouts, Girl in Scouts, Volunteers and Officials from home and abroad took part in this grand Programme.

9,000+ Scouts and Girl in Scouts of 1,000+ Scout Groups from home;

and Scouts & Officials from India, Nepal, Maldives, Bhutan, Sri Lanka, Afghanistan, Brunei Darussalam, The USA, The UK joined. Jose Rizal C. Pangilinan, Regional Director, World Scout Bureau Asia Pacific Support Centre also attended.

14 Ventures and some Central Programmes brightly featured the event. Early Bird, Obstacles, Educational Tour, SDG & GDV, Fun & Game, Faiths & Beliefs, General





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Knowledge, Camp Fire, Green Debates were some Ventures that excited the young Participants. Central Programmes included Village-based Camp Fire, Cultural Programme, Gathering of Top Achievers, Wood Badgers and Rover Volunteers and so on.

The Main Arena was named after the Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman.

Mr. Md. Abdul Hamid, Hon'ble President of the People's Republic of Bangladesh and Chief Scout inaugurated the Jamboree on March 10.

Mr. Abul Kalam Azad, Principal Coordinator [SDG Affairs], Government of Bangladesh and President, Bangladesh Scouts spoke at the function.

Dr. Md. Mozammel Haque Khan, Commissioner [Enquiry], Anti-Corruption Commission and Chief National Commissioner, Bangladesh Scouts was the Jamboree Chief.





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### Sustainable Development Village

To prepare the Scouts attending Jamboree as competent future citizens, they were made aware of facing the present day challenges. 50 Govt and non-govt Organisations took part in Sustainable Development Village – SDV with Stalls set at the Mouchak Scout School and College.

Scouts participated at the Villagebased SDV Areas as per Jamboree Schedule. Basic ideas on 17 basic issues were given in a centrally arranged Programme at SDV Areana.

Participants were given idea on the works of various Organizations for attaining SDGs. Practical knowledge was imparted through Fun & Games. Histor, heritage, Village Culture etc were highlighted in Stalls and Events. SDV was opened on March 10 by Hon Minister for Liberation War Affairs AKM Mozammel Haque as Chief Guest, where Mr. Abul Kalam Azad, Principal Coordinator [SDG Affairs], Government of Bangladesh and President, Bangladesh Scouts was Special Guest.

Iqbal Mahmud, Hon Chairman, Anti Corruption Commission closed the SDV. Dr. Md. Mozammel Haque Khan, Commissioner [Enquiry], Anti-Corruption Commission and Chief National Commissioner, Bangladesh Scouts was among the Special Guests.









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### 25 Years of Girl in Scouts Observed

The Girl in Scouts celebrated 25 years of its founding at Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Arena of Jamboree on March 8.

At the Inaugural Function, Ms. Meher Afroz Chumki MP was the Chief Guest. She said she was overwhelmed by the Displays of Girls. Prime Minister has made it mandatory to open Scout Group in every School, to ensure spread of Scouting activities.

National Commissioner [Girl in Scouting] and Commissioner of Information Commission Suraya

Begum, NDC presided over the Function. Vice President of Bangladesh Scouts Mohammad Habibul Alam Bir Pratik, Special Scout Personality and President of National Committee on Gir-in-Scouting of Bangladesh Scouts Prof Najma Shams, President, Boy Scouts of America, and top Scouters of Bangladesh also attended and spoke at the Programme.

A colourful Rally marched around the Jamboree Arena, Sky Lanterns were released in celebration.



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### Service is their Motto



Povers join the Movement by taking vow for Service.

There are 3 Branches in Scout Movement basing on age. The first is Cub Scout, the second Scout and the third is Rover Scout. Rovers' age is from 17 to 25 years. As a part of observing Scout Law and Pledge, Rovers participate in Service and Development of Family, the Society and the State. Side by side, they take part in practical Training and Activities for self-development, which help them get prepared as competent citizen of the country.

Assisted by the Ministry of Disaster Management & Relief, Bangladesh Scouts offer Training to grow capacity for immediate response,

saving oneself during calamities; on rescuing and carrying the Victims, first aid, salvage in fire incidence, artificial breathing etc.

They join Fire Drills of Fire Service Department.

In some recent devastating Fires, a group of courageous, fearless and selfless Rovers directly took part along with Fire Fighters in extinguishing fire and rescuing the Victims.

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### Observance of National Children Day and Independence & National Day

n March 25, the Day was celerated at the National Head Quarters of Bangladesh Scouts at Kakrail, Dhaka. Cub Scouts, Scouts and Rover Scouts took part in Recitation, Patriotic Songs and Ex-tempore Speech.

Dr.Md.MozammelHaqueKhan,Commissioner [Enquiry], Anti-Corruption Commission and Chief National Commissioner, Bangladesh Scouts inaugurated the Programme. Treasurer Md Abdus Salam Khan distributed prize among the Winners.



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