



The Bharat Scouts and Guides

Creating Better India

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

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Messengers of Peace

SUB: INVITATION OF NOMINATION FOR MESSENGERS OF PEACE STAR AWARD-2021

Dear Sir/Madam,

We are pleased to inform you that 2021 is the 10th year since the Messenger of Peace initiative was launched and have attracted young people across the movement to undertake community service project and have contributed millions of service hours. The Bharat Scouts and Guides have embraced the initiative and have significantly created a ripples and visibility to the Movement.

Globally World Organisation of the Scout Movement (WOSM) has a tradition of awarding Messengers of Peace Hero Award for Scouts below 26 years for their outstanding work and impact created in the community since 2014 and on the same lines World Scout Bureau, Asia-Pacific Region also recognise with APR MOP Hero Award for the all outstanding work and impact created in the community by Scouts and Leaders.

To inspire and motivate young people, adult leaders and the State Associations as a whole in undertaking more community oriented activities and create impact of Scouting/Guiding in the community, The Bharat Scouts and Guides has decided to invite nominations for **MOP STAR Award** in 3 (Three) Categories as mentioned hereunder:

- 1. MOP Star Awards – For Young People (10 – 25 Years)**
- 2. MOP Star Inspirers Award – For Warranted Adult leaders above 25 years.**
- 3. MOP Star State Award – For State Associations of the BSG.**

The nominations will be an open call through Online Applications. Once shortlisted, the National Headquarters will seek endorsement from respective State Associations before declaring the winners for MOP Star Award-2021. **Candidate endorsed by the State Association only will be considered by the National Headquarters.**

The purpose of the award is to:

- ✓ Acknowledge and recognize grassroots Scouting/Guiding efforts and contributions to community service, the SDGs, and the creation as well as promotion of a culture of peace
- ✓ Recognize youth engagement and cooperation with community actors in the solution of local issues
- ✓ Raise awareness of the role of Scouting/Guiding in creating better communities

- ✓ Strengthen the sense of a global network of service among Scouts/Guides and community actors for Sustainable Development

Who is eligible to be a Messengers of Peace Star?

1. Registered member of the Bharat Scouts and Guides
2. Must fall under any of the following Category
 - a. **MOP Star Awards – For Young People (10 – 25 Years)**
 - b. **MOP Star Inspirers Award – For Warranted Adult leaders above 25**
 - c. **MOP Star State Award – For State Associations**
3. Scouts/Guide/Rover/Ranger/Adult Leader who have made a significant contribution to the culture of peace or community development at the local or national level
4. Nominees can have completed their project either at their own or as part of a team
5. Nominees can be selected to represent an individual or on behalf of a group efforts.
6. Nominees must be endorsed by their respective State Association

MoP Stars will be selected based on the following criteria

- Projects and actions inspired by Messengers of Peace, the World Scout Environment Programme/ The Earth Tribe, Dialogue for Peace and any other regional or national Scout initiative and actions taken during Covid-19 pandemic
- Projects must have taken place in the last 24 months. Ongoing projects completed more than 12 months will also be considered.
- Service actions or projects must have had a demonstrable impact in the community
- Demonstrated participation of the Scout or Scout group in the development and implementation of the project or action
- The projects must have to be uploaded on scout.org

Note: The final decision on the award is made by a selection committee constituted by Chief National Commissioner and the decision of the committee is final in all respects. As it is an award, hence cannot be demanded or challenged.

The Messengers of Peace Star Award is a recognition system by the Bharat Scouts and Guides to recognise exceptional Scouts/Guides, Rovers/Rangers and Adult Leaders (Volunteers & Professionals) for their outstanding work in creating a better India. The award acknowledges and recognises the extraordinary service of young people and their contributions towards community development, the promotion of dialogue and peace, and relief in times of need.

An invitation for nominations is now open for **Messengers of Peace Star Award-2021**. Scouts/Guides, Rovers/rangers, Adult Leaders and States are invited to nominate exceptional grassroots Scout/Guide, Rover/Ranger and Adult Leaders to be recognised for their outstanding service to the local communities. The Link for Nomination is

<https://bit.ly/MoP-StarAward> **The final selection of Messengers of Peace Stars is subject to the endorsement of the State Association.**

The selected Messengers of Peace Star Awardees for the year 2021 will be honoured at a solemn ceremony to be organised by the National Headquarters which will be communicated to the State Associations accordingly.

All the State Associations are requested to encourage Scouts/ Guides/ Rovers/Rangers and Adult Leaders to undertake more community oriented activities and inspire them to submit their nominations for the MOP Star Award. The last date for submission of online application/nomination by the individual in the given link is <https://bit.ly/MoP-StarAward> is **31.10.2021. Application/Nomination received after 31.10.2021 will not be entertained.**

The State Associations applying for the award are requested to submit a log book with a detailed information of innovative activities organized all over the states along with its report, action photographs, social media links and news paper cuttings if any to place before the selection committee.

Thanking you,

Yours in Scouting/Guiding,



(RAJ KUMAR KAUSHIK)
DIRECTOR_{BS}

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, ShahidJeet Singh Marg, New Delhi - 110016.
4. The Commissioner, Novadaya Vidyalaya Samiti, Institutional Area, B-15, Sector - 62, Noida, Uttar Pradesh - 201309.
5. All the District Secretaries, District Association of Dammam, Riyadh, Muscat and Jamiat Youth Club.
6. **All the Assistant Director, BSG for wider publicity and encourage deserving candidate to submit online nominations.**

