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



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**SUB: PARTICIPATION IN "YUVA AAPDA MITRA SCHEME" (YAMS) BY NDMA,
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA – REGARDING.**

Dear Sir/Madam,

Greetings from the Bharat Scouts and Guides, National Headquarters!

This is to inform you about a remarkable opportunity that has come our way to further the cause of disaster preparedness and response in our nation. The National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), under the aegis of the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, has extended an invitation to the Bharat Scouts and Guides to participate in the "Yuva Aapda Mitra Scheme" (YAMS), a transformative project aimed at training young volunteers in disaster management across the country.

The project has been designed with a collaborative approach and BSG has been invited alongside other esteemed youth organizations like NCC, NSS, and NYKS to collectively contribute to this vital initiative. This scheme envisions the training of a total of 2,50,000 Disaster Management volunteers, with 50,000 of these being BSG volunteers, in the 350 most disaster-prone districts of the country.

Here are the salient details of the "Yuva Aapda Mitra Scheme" (YAMS):

- ♣ Training of 50,000 Disaster Management volunteers from BSG.
- ♣ BSG shall provide a list of 50,000 BSG volunteers from the selected 350 districts of 36 States/UTs.
- ♣ BSG will conduct 7 days of residential training for BSG volunteers.
- ♣ The trained BSG volunteers will get Emergency Responder Kits costing Rs.10,000 (approx.)
- ♣ Each BSG volunteer will be covered by Life and Health Insurance for 3 years.
- ♣ States shall nominate one Nodal Officer for coordination with SDMA, and BSG.
- ♣ DDMA shall maintain the database of volunteers trained under YAMS.
- ♣ Volunteers trained under the Yuva Aapda Mitra Scheme shall coordinate and manage disaster response, relief efforts, awareness generation, and more.

This aligns perfectly with our organization's commitment to community service and our dedication to building a safer and more resilient society. Our engagement in YAMS will provide invaluable training opportunities to our volunteers while enabling us to contribute meaningfully to disaster management efforts.

To ensure seamless implementation, BSG will appoint one state coordinator for each state on a salary basis for two years from the project fund. This step is in line with our commitment to fulfilling the roles and responsibilities outlined in the YAMS project.

I request you to kindly cooperate and provide the list of volunteers from your state who meet the identified criteria for participation in this initiative. As we envision an equal representation of both genders, we aim to achieve 50% participation of women volunteers in disaster risk management activities.

The required number of volunteers from each district (as per attached annex. A) in your state is to be listed as per the criteria given below:

- ♣ Between 18 to 40 years of age.
- ♣ Must be a resident of the concerned district.
- ♣ At least a 7th Standard pass.
- ♣ Be in good physical, mental and emotional health (able-bodied).

The state associations should ensure greater participation of women (Rangers, Guiders, and Lady Scouters) volunteers as Yuva Aapda Mitra (aiming for at least 50% participation of total volunteers).

Google link for individual registration: <https://forms.gle/eaijccXB3aH7pkB79>

I urge you to take immediate action on this important matter and communicate your list of eligible volunteers by **30.9.2023**. Your prompt response will enable us to initiate the necessary processes in coordination with NDMA.

Let us join hands to make a significant contribution towards building a more disaster-resilient India. I am confident that together, we can make a difference that will positively impact our nation and its communities.

Thanking you,

Yours in Scouting and Guiding,



DR. RAJ KUMAR KAUSHIK
DIRECTOR_{DS}

Encl. Annex. A

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, Navadaya Vidyalaya Samiti, Institutional Area, B-15, Sector - 62, Noida, Uttar Pradesh - 201309.
5. The Director, DAV
6. All the District Secretaries, District Association of Dammam, Riyadh, Muscat and Jamiat Youth Club.
7. All the Assistant Directors to ensure that the list reaches the NHQ by the stipulated date as per allotted quota.