



THE BHARAT SCOUTS AND GUIDES
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BYE LAWS
OF
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

SCOUT/GUIDE LAWS

- 1. A SCOUT/GUIDE IS TRUST WORTHY.**
- 2. A SCOUT/GUIDE IS LOYAL**
- 3. A SCOUT/GUIDE IS A FRIEND TO ALL AND A BROTHER /SISTER TO EVERY OTHER SCOUT/ GUIDE.**
- 4. A SCOUT/GUIDE IS COURTEOUS.**
- 5. A SCOUT/GUIDE IS A FRIEND TO ANIMALS AND LOVES NATURE.**
- 6. A SCOUT/GUIDE IS DISCIPLINED AND HELPS PROTECT PUBLIC PROPERTY.**
- 7. A SCOUT/GUIDE IS COURAGEOUS.**
- 8. A SCOUT/GUIDE IS THRIFTY.**
- 9. A SCOUT/GUIDE IS PURE IN THOUGHT, WORD AND DEED.**

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THE BHARAT SCOUTS AND GUIDES NATIONAL ASSOCIATION BYE-LAWS

1. Short Title:

These Bye-Laws shall be called 'The Bharat Scouts and Guides National Association Bye-Laws'.

2. Commencement:

These Bye-Laws shall come in to force on the date of approval by the National Council.

3. Definitions:

(3.1) Association' means the Bharat Scouts and Guides National Association;

(3.2) 'Memorandum of Association' means the Memorandum of Association of the Bharat Scouts and Guides;

(3.3) 'Rules' means the Rules of the Bharat Scouts and Guides;

(3.4) Words and expressions used in these Bye-Laws shall, unless otherwise provided in the Bye-Laws, have the same meaning assigned to them in the Memorandum of Association and the Rules.

4. Address of National Association:

**The Bharat Scouts and Guides, National Headquarters,
Lakshmi Mazumdar Bhawan 16, Mahatma Gandhi Marg,
Indraprastha Estate, New Delhi: 110002 or as may be
decided by the National Executive Committee from time to
time.**

5. Membership :

The Membership of the **Association in the local/district association** is open to citizens of India; who subscribe to the Fundamentals, which include 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:1 *The word "Dharma" may be substituted for the word 'God' if so desired.

6. The membership of the association shall consist of

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

(6.2) All the District Association of the Bharat Scouts and Guides directly affiliated with the National Association.

(6.3) All the Auxiliary Units directly affiliated with the Bharat Scouts and Guides, National Association

(6.4) All the Office Bearers of the National Association.

7. General Meeting (National Council)

The Bharat Scouts and Guides, National Association shall hold every year a General Meeting called the Annual General Meeting of the National Council of the Bharat Scouts and Guides. The Director in consultation with the Chief National Commissioner and the President shall decide the time, date & place of meeting. Notice to all the members of the associations shall be issued not less than thirty days before the date of Meeting. The Director shall send the notice of the meeting by email to all the members and by speed post to the State Associations. In the general meeting of the National Council, the Bharat Scouts and Guides member associations shall be represented through following office bearers of the state associations:

(7.1) State Chief Commissioners

(7.2) State Commissioner of Scouts

(7.3) State Commissioner of Guides

(7.4) State Secretaries

(7.5) State Org. Commissioner of Scouts

(7.6) State Org. Commissioner of Guides

(7.7) State Trg. Commissioner of Scouts

(7.8) State Trg. Commissioner of Guides

8. In the general meeting of the National Council of the Bharat Scouts and Guides, following officials shall be the participants from the National Association:

(8.1) President

(8.2) Vice Presidents

(8.3) Chief National Commissioner,

(8.4) Additional Chief National Commissioner

(8.5) Chief Commissioner of Scouts

(8.6) Chief Commissioner of Guides

(8.7) International Commissioner of Scouts.

(8.8) International Commissioner of Guides

(8.9) National Commissioner of Cubs

(8.10) National Commissioner of Scouts

(8.11) National Commissioner of Rovers

(8.12) National Commissioner of Bulbuls

(8.13) National Commissioner of Guides

(8.14) National Commissioner of Rangers

(8.15) National Commissioner of Scouts (Adult Resources)

(8.16) National Commissioner of Guides (Adult Resources)

(8.17) National Commissioners (Headquarters).

(8.18) Deputy National Commissioners of Cubs

(8.19) Deputy National Commissioners of Scouts

(8.20) Deputy National Commissioners of Rovers

(8.21) Deputy National Commissioners of Bulbul

(8.22) Deputy National Commissioners of Guides

(8.23) Deputy National Commissioners of Rangers

(8.24) Deputy National Commissioners for Headquarters

(8.25) Dy. International Commissioner of Scouts

(8.26) Dy. International Commissioner of Guides

(8.27) Director shall be the Secretary of the National Council and Jt. Director (SS) shall be the Jt. Secretary.

(8.28) Jt. Director of Scout and guides (Program and Training)

9. The notice shall be deemed to have been duly served on

the date the notice is posted for which purpose the Director shall maintain a dispatch register in which he shall enter the name and address of the member to whom the notice is sent and the date on which the notice is sent.

(9.1) The Director shall send copies of resolutions and subjects to be considered at the ordinary annual meeting not less than **seven** days before the date of the meeting, in the manner provided in Bye-Law 5 (a)

(9.2) Special General Meeting : The Chief National Commissioner or the National Executive Committee shall convene a special General Meeting in Consultation with the President to transact a particular purpose or purposes for consideration thereof according to the Rules and Regulations of the Society. The notice of the meeting along with the subject shall be sent to every member of the National Council twenty-one days prior to the date of the Special General Meeting. The notice shall be sent in the manner provided in the Bye-Law 7.

10.Meeting of the National Executive Committee:

The Director shall send notice of the meeting of the National Executive Committee not less than twenty-one days before the date of the meeting; the notice shall specify the time, date and place of the meeting and the agenda for the meeting; the notice of the meeting shall be sent in the manner provided in Bye-Law 7.

Provided further, due to any emergency situation like Covid-19 pandemic, virtual meeting of the National Executive Committee can be organised with a 3 days notice.

11.Election of President, Vice-President and Chief National Commissioner:

There shall be an electoral college consisting of following for the election of President, Vice President and Chief National Commissioner.

- (11.1) The President and the **Chief National Commissioner** shall be elected in the special meeting of electoral college at an ordinary meeting. **The Vice-President shall be elected by the electoral college of concern regional states through secret ballot.**
- (11.2) The Director shall send notice of the meeting together with the **latest list of number of votes and the list of delegates** not less than thirty days before the date of the election and calendar of events specifying the time, date, place of election.
- (11.3) Only a person eligible under the Rules shall be eligible to contest for the office of the President or the Vice-Presidents or the Chief National Commissioner.
- (11.4) The nomination shall be made in Form-I, Form-II and Form-III (vide Appendix).
- (11.5) The proposer and seconder for nomination of contesting candidate for the office of President and Chief National Commissioner shall be from the members of the electoral college and in case of Vice President, members of the electoral college of the states from the concerned region.**
- (11.6) The nomination shall be signed by the proposer and the seconder and the candidate.
- (11.7) A **delegate** may subscribe either as proposer or seconder only as many nominations as there are vacancies.
- (11.8) The nomination shall reach the Director on or before the time and date **as fixed by the Director.**
- (11.9) A nomination which is not in the prescribed form, or which does not reach the Director before the time and date prescribed or which is not signed by the proposer, or seconder or the candidate or which contains the name of a person as a candidate who is not eligible to be nominated to the office or of a person as proposer or seconder who is not eligible to propose or second shall be invalid.
- (11.10) The Director who is the Returning Officer shall scrutinize the

nomination on the date appointed for scrutiny and declare nomination as valid or invalid.

- (11.11) The Director shall prepare a list of valid nominations and publish it on the notice board of the National Headquarters, and send a copy to the contesting candidate for information **by email on the intimated email address.**
- (11.12) Any candidate may withdraw his candidature by written intimation signed by him and delivered to the Director either in person or by registered **post or email** within the time and date fixed for withdrawal.
- (11.13) On the expiry of the time and date fixed for withdrawal, the Director shall prepare a list of contesting candidates and publish it on the Notice Board of the National Headquarters.
- (11.14) If the number of candidates duly nominated is equal to the number of vacancies, the Director shall declare the candidates duly elected; if the number of candidates duly nominated is less than the number of vacancies, the Director shall declare the candidates duly elected and arrange for fresh election for the remainder of the vacancies and shall fix the time and dates for receipt of nomination scrutiny, withdrawal and poll, if necessary.
- (11.15) If the number of duly nominated candidates is more than the number of vacancies, an election shall take place at the meeting of the National Council and the election shall be by secret ballot.
- (11.16) Vote shall be cast by two representatives from each member association i.e. one authorized to cast vote on the basis of scout census and other authorized to cast vote on the basis of guide census as given in the rule book. The State Chief Commissioner may be one representative of the member association and may choose to cast vote of his member association either based on scout census or guide census.**

Note:2 Age limit for President and Chief National Commissioner.
The President and the Chief National Commissioner shall cease to function as such after attaining the age of 70 years.

(11.17) The National council shall at its annual Meeting decide the time and place during which voting shall take place,

(11.18) The member who receives the ballot paper shall cast his/her vote in a compartment provided for the purpose and put the seal 'x' provided for the purpose against the candidates of his/her choice and put the ballot in the ballot Box.

(11.19) On completion of the voting as fixed by a General Meeting the Returning officer with the Assistance of tellers shall count the votes openly before the candidates/Agents or the members present. The National Council shall nominate as many as required tellers to assist the Returning officer to count the votes polled.

12. A ballot paper shall be invalid:

(12.1) if it is not in the prescribed form and does not bear the seal of the National Association and initials of the Returning Officer; or

(12.2) if it bears the signature of the voter or any mark by which the voter becomes recognisable; or

(12.3) if it does not contain the seal 'x' mark against any candidate or if it contains the seal 'x' mark against more than one candidate, in case where only one person is to be elected or if it contains more seal 'x' marks than the number of candidates to be elected to the office; or

(12.4) if it is not clear as to the person in whose favour the vote is cast.

13.A person who secures the highest number of votes shall be declared elected first and next highest number of votes obtained will be declared elected next if there are more than one vacancy.

14. In the event of equality of votes, the decision shall be determined by draw of lot.

15. National Executive Committee (Governing body):

- (15.1) The Chief National Commissioner;
- (15.2) The Additional Chief National Commissioners,**
- (15.3) The **Chief Commissioner of Scouts**
- (15.4) The Chief Commissioner of Guides**
- (15.5) The National Commissioners of Cub, Scouts and Rovers**
- (15.6) The National Commissioners of Bulbuls, Guides & Rangers** **(15.7) The National Commissioner of Scout (Adult Resources)**
- (15.8) The National Commissioner of Guide (Adult Resources)**
- (15.9) The International Commissioner of Scouts;
- (15.10) The International Commissioner of Guides;
- (15.11) The Deputy National Commissioner of Cubs, Scouts, Rovers and Headquarters;**
- (15.12) The Deputy National Commissioner of Bulbul, Guide, Ranger and Headquarters;**
- (15.13) The Deputy International Commissioner of Scouts and Guides**
- (15.14) The National Treasurer;
- (15.15) All the National Commissioners (Headquarters)
- (15.16) Regional Chief Commissioners
- (15.17) All the State Chief Commissioners**
- (15.18) Two Financial Experts**
- (15.19) Advisors**
- (15.20) The Director;
- (15.21) The Joint Director (Support Services)
- (15.22) The Joint Director of Scouts (Programme and Training);
- (15.23) The Joint Director of Guides (Programme and Training);

(15.24) Chairperson and Co-chairperson of the National Youth Committee

(15.25) One member of Indian Scout & Guide Fellowship to be co-opted in the National Executive Committee of the Bharat Scouts and Guides as may be nominated by President of Indian Scout & Guide Fellowship in consultation with the Chief National Commissioner.

(15.26) All the Vice Presidents of the Bharat Scouts and Guides are to be invited as a special Invitee in the National Executive Committee Meeting.

16.The National Treasurer:

The National Treasurer shall be appointed by the Chief National Commissioner on the recommendation of the National Executive Committee and can be removed by a resolution of the National Executive Committee;

17.The National Finance Committee:

(17.1) The Chief National Commissioner in consultation with the President shall nominate six members with expertise in finance, audit, tax etc.

(17.2) The **National Treasurer** shall be the chairman and the Director shall be the Secretary of the Committee.

18. All Bye-Laws now in force for the conduct of meetings and elections except those expressly and by implication repealed by the Bye-Laws 1 to 17 above shall continue to be in force until they are expressly altered, amended or annulled.

Approved at the Meeting of the National Council held at the ASSEMBLY HALL of the National Headquarters of the Bharat Scouts & Guides on 24th November, 2019.

APPENDIX
THE BHARAT SCOUTS AND GUIDES
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

Form -I

Election to the office of:

PRESIDENT
NOMINATION PAPER

I.....State Chief Commissioner/State Commissioner(S/G) who is the member of the Electoral College of.....State Association is here by nominate: Mr./Ms.....of.....state having address proof i.e. Aadhar/Voter id/Driver license/Passport no.....(Copy attached) as a candidate for election to the office of PRESIDENT of the Bharat Scouts and Guides, National Association.

Date:.....

Signature of the proposer

Sl. no. of the Electroal College:.....

Address proof of the proposer i.e. Aadhar/Voter id/Driver license/Passport no.....(Copy attached)

I.....State Chief Commissioner/State Commissioner(S/G) who is the member of the Electoral College of.....State Association is hereby second the name of Mr./Ms.....as a candidate for election to the office of PRESIDENT of the Bharat Scouts and Guides, National Association.

Date:.....

Signature of the Seconder

Sl. no. of the Electroal College:

Address proof of the Seconder i.e. Aadhar/Voter id/Driver license/Passport no.....(Copy attached)

I.....am willing to serve for the office of President ,if elected and perform my duties and responsibilities as per Rules and Code of Conduct of the Organisation.

Date:.....

Signature of the Candidate

Election to the office of:

VICE - PRESIDENT for.....REGION

NOMINATION PAPER

I.....State Chief Commissioner/State Commissioner(S/G) who is the member of the Electoral College of.....State Association is hereby nominate: Mr./Ms.....of.....state having address proof i.e. Aadhar/Voter id/Driver license/Passport no.(Copy attached) as a candidate for election to the office of VICE - PRESIDENT of the Bharat Scouts and Guides, National Association. He/She served at National/State level as.....from.....to.....(Copy of the warrant of SCC/SC or Certificate from State Secretary(for President/Vice President) is attached)

Date:.....

Signature of the proposer

Sl. no. of the Electoral College:

Address proof of the proposer i.e. Aadhar/Voter id/Driver license/Passport no.....(Copy attached)

I.....State Chief Commissioner/State Commissioner(S/G) who is the member of the Electoral College of.....State Association is hereby second the name of Mr./Ms.....as a candidate for election to the office of PRESIDENT of the Bharat Scouts and Guides, National Association.

Date:.....

Signature of the Seconder

Sl. no. of the Electoral College:.....

Address proof of the Seconder i.e. Aadhar/Voter id/Driver license/Passport no.....(Copy attached)

I.....am willing to serve for the office of Vice-President ,if elected and perform my duties and responsibilities as per Rules and Code of Conduct of the Organisation.

Date:.....

Signature of the Candidate

Election to the office of:

**CHIEF NATIONAL COMMISSIONER
NOMINATION PAPER**

I.....State Chief Commissioner/State Commissioner(S/G) who is the member of the Electoral College of.....State Association is hereby nominate: Mr./Ms.....of.....state having address proof i.e. Aadhar/Voter id/Driver license/Passport no.(Copy attached) as a candidate for election to the office of CHIEF NATIONAL COMMISSIONER of the Bharat Scouts and Guides, National Association. He/She served at National/State level as.....from.....to (Copy/Copies of the warrant is attached)

Date:.....

Signature of the proposer

Sl. no. of the Electoral College:

Address proof of the proposer i.e. Aadhar/Voter id/Driver license/Passport no.....(Copy attached)

I.....State Chief Commissioner/State Commissioner(S/G) who is the member of the Electoral College of.....State Association is hereby second the name of Mr./Ms.....as a candidate for election to the office of CHIEF NATIONAL COMMISSIONER of the Bharat Scouts and Guides, National Association.

Date:.....

Signature of the Seconder

Sl. no. of the Electoral College:.....

Address proof of the Seconder i.e. Aadhar/Voter id/Driver license/Passport no.....(Copy attached)

I.....am willing to serve for the office of CHIEF NATIONAL COMMISSIONER, if elected and perform my duties and responsibilities as per Rules and Code of Conduct of the Organisation.

Date:.....

Signature of the Candidate

**THE BHARAT SCOUTS AND GUIDES
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION**

Form -IV

Election to the office of.....

Ballot Paper

Name of candidates	* Cross (X) Mark in favour of desired candidate
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	

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

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Finance

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