The Bharat Scouts and Guides

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





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SUB.: 60TH JAMBOREE-ON-THE-AIR (JOTA) & 21ST JAMBOREE-ON-THE-INTERNET (JOTI) ON 21ST TO 22ND OCTOBER, 2017.

Dear Sir/Madam,

We are pleased to inform you that the World Organization of the Scout Movement is organizing the 60th Jamboree-On-The-Air & 21st Jamboree-On-The-Internet, which is being hosted by World Organization of the Scout Movement on 21st to 22nd October 2017. The traditional timeframe is Saturday 00:00 h until Sunday 24:00 h local time. Each station can choose its own operating hours, including beginning on Friday at 00:00 h, based on their local telecommunications regulations and authorization, as well as station and Scout availability. Please share this information with all the Scout groups in your country so that they may participate in this exciting event.

The Largest Scouting Event in the World

Each year JOTA-JOTI® remains the largest Scouting event in the world, with over a million Scouts participating across 150+ countries. JOTA-JOTI is the only event offering each individual Scout the experience that he or she really belongs to a worldwide Movement.

What is the Jamboree-On-The-Air and Jamboree-On-The-Internet?

JOTA-JOTI is the annual event in which Scouts and Guides all over the world engage in conversations with each other by means of amateur radio and the Internet. Short-wave radio signals carry their voices to nearly every corner of the world while text chat, social media, and live video enhance their experience via the Internet.

2017 Theme – 60 Years Connecting Scouts

The theme "60 Years Connecting Scouts" recognizes the start of the event in 1957 and commemorates its growth in participation and in the expanding communication channels that are activated during the event. Those channels include amateur radio via radio frequencies and Internet-based channels as well as many other Internet-based options including social media, ScoutLink and IRC chat services, Skype and more.



Discover New Technologies, Cultures from other Countries, And Make New Friends

All of this helps Scouts discover new technologies, other cultures, make new friends and have a great deal of fun throughout the weekend.

JOTA-JOTI is a WOSM event to which members of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS) are kindly invited to take part and enjoy the international atmosphere together with the Scouts & Guides.

JOTA-JOTI Weekend Activities

The World JOTA-JOTI Team will provide a number of weekend activities including gathering a short list of information from each conversation over the air and over the Internet such as:

- National Scouting/Guiding symbol
- National Scouting/Guiding motto
- List of National Scouting/Guiding ranks
- List of badges related to JOTA-JOTI

These could then be posted on social media, shared via amateur radio, IRC chat sessions, etc.

Website and Communications Channels

Information for organizing JOTA-JOTI in your country including interactive games, supporting information, and links to various resources are available at <u>www.world-jotajoti.info</u>

Here's what you will find on the JOTA-JOTI website:

- Overview of how to participate targeted to Scouts and Leaders at <u>world-jotajoti.info/how-to-participate-in-jota-joti/</u>
- Detailed information on participating at world-jotijoti.info/what-is-jota-joti/
- Information on JOTA-JOTI fun activities at world-jotajoti.info/activities/
- Overview of JamPuz, the exciting on-air and online exchange of codes at world-jotijoti.info/jampuz/
- Frequent news updates at world-jotajoti.info/news/ You can also subscribe to receive updates by email as soon as they are published.
- Reports on all previous events from 1961 to 2016 at world-jotajoti.info/annualreports/
- Google's translation service is used to instantly translate every page from the pull down "Translate" menu in the right hand corner.

And you will find much, much more now and as we get closer to the JOTA-JOTI weekend.

You can also follow our official Facebook page at <u>www.facebook.com/jota.joti.wosm</u>. And on Twitter at <u>twitter.com/JOTAJOTI</u>

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State JOTA-JOTI Coordinator

Associations who haven't already done so are kindly requested to appoint a State JOTA-JOTI Coordinator (SJC) and send the name, email ID, call sign, contact no. etc. who:

- Has the required organizational skills to support the Scout & Guide groups participating in the JOTA-JOTI event is his/her country.
- Functions at a state level within his/her Scout & Guide Association (most SJC's are members of an Association's international committee).
- Communications directly with the World JOTA-JOTI Team and is the Scout & Guide Association's representative to the National Amateur radio organization and/or Internet organizations.
- Preferably is someone with his/her own Amateur radio licence, or at least with a vast knowledge of Amateur radio and / or knowledge of the Internet world.

The SJC has access to specific JOTA-JOTI information on the web as well as to a restricted electronic forum. In this way he or she can directly exchange views with NJC's of other countries, ask for assistance, and organize activities.

The detail report with No. of Participants /contacted countries to be received by **25th October**, **2017** along with photographs to be sent to Asia Pacific Region, WOSM as required by them, to give the place in their monthly bulletin.

Thanking you and with regards.

Yours in Guiding,

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