The Bharat Scouts and Guides

National Headquarters

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





SUB.: EARTH HOUR - 2018 - GIVE UP PLASTIC.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Let Support the Cause, We can make difference, We can Talk to the Local Electricity Board to have the Lights off for one hour or We may talk to our Housing Association and have the Layout and area celebrate Earth Hour by Switching Off Lights or We may do the same in our Apartment or Building or the Least we can do is We switch off lights at our Sweet Home.

Hope each and everyone here will participate to Make difference.

Post your activity on scout.org

The Theme This Year is #Giveupplastics and Bharat Scouts and Guides are Giving up Plastic Woggles #Scoutsgiveupplastics

Earth Hour

Together with valued partners and supporters from across the globe, Earth Hour has grown from a one city event in 2007 into the world's largest and most well-known environmental campaign for the planet reaching over 1.8 billion people worldwide last year. Bharat Scouts and Guides and World Scouting has been supporting this initiative every year since it came into being.

Carrying forward the message of the last two years, Earth Hour 2018 too will call out to India to unplug and switch to renewable energy for a greener tomorrow!

An opportunity for every Scout, every Scout Group, our Scout Leaders and all of our Scouting community to challenge and inspire our friends, family and colleagues - in a fun way - to go a little greener in our everyday lives.

We are encouraging Scouts to participate in Earth Hour 2018

This Earth Hour, we're calling on all Scouts to shine a light on climate action and help #changeclimatechange. Put your skills, time and resources to good use and make a positive difference for the environment. Here are some suggestions:

- Switch off the lights on Saturday March 23, 8.30pm 9.30pm (and remind friends and family too)
- "Uniting People to Protect the Planet" Organise a Candle Light Vigil (Walk) in your Locality .and spread the message to Switch off the lights on Saturday March 25, 8.30pm 9.30pm
- Call out to India to unplug and switch to renewable energy for a greener tomorrow! #gosolar #scoutsgosolar

It is clear that the speed and scale of climate change today is impacting millions of human lives, and will continue to increase if we do not change the business-as-usual approach to our energy systems. Balancing development and environment conservation is very much possible if we transform our global energy systems from fossil fuel based towards renewable. Every small step taken by us can help make this transition. like

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- Know More About Renewable Energy
- Make your First Re Purchase today
- Support a Renewable energy project today

Start a service project or add to your existing service hours

Recycle plastic bottles and containers, plant trees, take public transportation, clean up your neighbourhood, hold workshops on the environment, organise an environmental-themed concert... You'll discover that there's so much that you can do!

- Lend your talents to the cause Stage a gang show on climate change, rap or sing about it, write a poem, essay or article about how you can take action for the environment. Never underestimate the power of your voice!
- Give Up Plastics

As Scouts and Guides try giving up plastics that you use in your daily life and replace them with eco friendly alternatives and Ensure you give up wearing Plastic Woggles and replace them with eco friendly woggle.

Donate your social feed and change your profile image

By donating your Facebook posts <u>www.changeclimatechange.org/en_RW/</u>, you will help WWF and Earth Hour shine a light on climate action. The posts can be previewed, and will be shared between 19-25 March 2017. You will also get a custom-made Earth Hour profile picture to show that you care for the planet.

We also encourage you to visit <u>www.</u>earthhour<u>.org</u> & to download resources and activity ideas that you can use at your regular Scout meetings and gatherings, especially on the 23rd of March.

You can contact your WWF National Office for local activities, information and to discuss Scout involvement in their Earth Hour 2018 local initiatives.

Nature and environment are an integral part of Scouting and are part of its fundamentals. WOSM, WWF & Earth Hour Global invite Scouts, their families, friends and communities to demonstrate their commitment to save planet Earth-a common inheritance to all humankind.

Please do not forget to tag the photos, activities, stories, pictures and videos of your Earth Hour activity with #earthhour #scoutsgiveupplastic and #scouts #bsgindia when you upload them on www.scout.org and your Facebook page.

And share the links by email to info@bsgindia.org or mopindia@gmail.com You can also share the links on https://www.facebook.com/groups/mopindia/

Thank you in advance for supporting this important initiative and report to the Bharat Scouts and Guides, National Headquarters by info@bsgindia.org or pro@bsgindia.org

Thanking you,

Yours in Scouting,

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