

PRESS NOTE

BSCOREE 2018: NATIONAL GATHERING OF SCOUTS & GUIDES IN NASHIK

The 13th National Boscoree, a gathering of the Don Bosco Scouts and Guides is all set to commence in Nashik from 30 December 2018 to 03 January 2019. Organised by the Salesians of Don Bosco, 4815 participants, are expected to participate in this mega extravaganza, themed 'Health, Harmony and Holiness'.

Scouts and guides from Maharashtra, Gujarat, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Bihar, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, West Bengal, Assam, Punjab, etc. including those from Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Pondicherry and Nepal are participating in the event. A total of 141 units from 22 states and 2 Union territories from Salesian and FMA institutions belonging to the 12 provinces of India will experience living in 200 tents spread over 16 sub-camps. Don Bosco and Kilbil schools along with Divyadaan Salesian College of Philosophy, Salesian Training Institute, Sacred Heart Training Centre and Maria Vihar will be hosting this mega event.

The theme of this BSCOREE 2018 focuses on the impression that the scouts and guides leave on the society and environment around them. The Mumbai Province of the Salesians of Don Bosco is hosting this mega camp, which takes place once in four years

The BSCOREE Programme Committee has set out five objectives for the 13th National Boscoree: To promote a healthy lifestyle, to build harmonious bridges with people and environment, to become noble and holy souls, to radiate the Salesian charism of Don Bosco and St. Mary Mazzarello, and most importantly to give the scouting movement greater visibility across India. The entire BSCOREE is an opportune moment to educate the youngsters about the 'Great Commandment of Love'. The Three Loves—*Love of God, Love of Neighbour* and *Love of Self*—resonates well in the 3-H formula: HEALTH-HARMONY-HOLINESS."

The catchy BSCOREE Anthem penned by Fr. Savio Silveira SDB is set to music by the famous musician Louis Banks. Singers Fr. Sunil Pinto, Ms. Archana, and the students of Don Bosco International School - Matunga blended their voices under the guidance of Sound Engineer Mr. Neil D'Souza. Dance steps were choreographed by the brothers of Divyadaan, Nashik.

The BSCOREE 2018 will be a 'green' event without flex banners, plastic cutlery, thermocol decorations, etc., in keeping with the one-use plastic ban directive of the Government of Maharashtra. Decibel levels during the entire event will be monitored closely, ensuring that sound and noise pollution is minimized.

The **inauguration** will take place on **Sunday 30th December 2018 at 3.00 pm** by Shri K.K. Khandelwal, Chief National Commissioner, Bharat Scouts and Guides, in the presence of Dr. Shri Ravindra Kumar Singhal, Police Commissioner of Nashik.

The Official BSCOREE LINKS are:

WEBSITE = <http://www.bscoree2018.in/>

FACEBOOK = <https://www.facebook.com/13thboscoree/>

INSTAGRAM = @13thboscoree

YOUTUBE = <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCy1DAcx-6SaYvbsHMAPU71A/>

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