

Scouting Facts: Bangladesh



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Scouting started in Bangladesh in 1972 and the Bangladesh Scouts were recognised by the World Scout Conference in 1974.

The Association, which is open to boys of all religions, has three sections.

Cub Scouts aged 6 - 10 years

Boy Scouts aged 10 - 17 years

Rover Scouts aged 17 - 24 years.



After being a member of the Cub Scouts and obtaining his membership badge, a Cub Scout then works for his Star badge, Crescent badge and then his Star and Crescent badge. A Scout, after getting his membership badge works towards the Standard badge, the Progress badge, the Service badge and then the Presidents Scout Award. Scouts can also obtain Proficiency badges which are grouped into seven categories: Citizenship, Personal skills, Nature study, Animal care, Plant, Crafts and Games.

The main emphasis of the programme is on Community Development. The Scout proficiency badges include topics such as fish farming, tube well repairing, soil, and water conservation and crop production. The Scouts have also started their own Community Development projects to combat illiteracy and hunger and to develop agriculture and cottage (small scale) industries.

Motto: Khidmater Jannya Sada Prastut (Do your best to be prepared for service).

Promise:

On my honour I promise that I will do my best: To do my duty to Allah and my Country, To help other people at all times, To obey the Scout Law.

Law:

1. A Scout's honour is to be trusted.
2. A Scout is a friend to all and a brother to every other Scout.
3. A Scout is courteous and loyal.
4. A Scout is kind to animals.
5. A Scout is always cheerful.
6. A Scout is thrifty.
7. A Scout is clean in thought, word and deed.

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