



17th April 2026

Circular No. 32/2026

To All District Commissioners,

SUBJECT: International Scout Youth Forum 2026 – Hong Kong (26th to 28th June 2026)

We are pleased to inform you that the International Division of the Sri Lanka Scout Association is now calling for applications to participate in the **International Scout Youth Forum 2026 - Hong Kong**. The event is scheduled to take place from 26th to 28th June 2026 at the Hong Kong Scout Centre and The Chinese University of Hong Kong.

Eligibility:

Youth participants (Rover Scouts) and Warranted Adult Scout Leaders must be between 18 and 30 years of age at the time of the event (born between 26th June 1996 and 26th June 2008, inclusive). Adult Leaders must hold a valid warrant for the year 2026.

Financial Responsibility:

This is a physical, in-person event. All participating Scouts and adult leaders are required to bear the costs of airfare, Event Registration fees, visa fees, and all other related expenses. The responsibility for booking air tickets and obtaining the relevant visa rests entirely with the individual participant. The Sri Lanka Scout Association will not be responsible for airfare arrangements or visa processing. Further details are provided in the annexure attached to this circular.

Application Process:

1. **Form Completion:** Interested applicants must complete the **Overseas Events Application Form**, endorsed by their Group Scout Leader, School Principal (if applicable), and District Commissioner.
2. **Online Submission:** A scanned copy of the completed form must be uploaded via the (Google Form Link) on or before **30th April 2026**.
3. **Interview:** Applicants must hand-carry their physical application to the interview, Interview data, time and venue will be notified soon.

We kindly request you to disseminate this information to all eligible Scouts and Leaders within your district.

Thank you.

Yours in Scout Service,

Dr. Asanka Eriyawa
International Commissioner

Manoj Nanayakkara (AAL)
Chief Commissioner

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All NHQ Commissioners
ADC - International

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Event Details	
Event name	International Scout Youth Forum 2026 - Hong Kong
Event details	The Scout Association of Hong Kong is going to organize the “International Scout Youth Forum 2026 - Scouting it Out: Driving Change through Volunteering”
Dates	International Scout Youth Forum 2026 - Hong Kong will be held from 26 th to 28 th June 2026.
Event Venue	Hong Kong Scout Centre (Address: Scout Path, Austin Road, Kowloon, Hong Kong) The Chinese University of Hong Kong (Address: The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shatin, New Territories, Hong Kong)
Eligibility of Participants	Youth Participants (Invested Rover Scouts) and Adult Scout Leaders must be between the ages of 18 and 30 at the time of the event (born between 26th June 1996 and 26th June 2008, inclusive) Adult Scout Leaders should have a valid warrant for the year 2026.
Adherence to Ministry of Education requirements	Not Applicable for Rover Scouts

Event Costs	
Event Fee / Registration fee	<p>150 USD for Youth Participants and Adult Scout Leaders (USD = United States Dollar)</p> <p>The fee covers dinner on 25 June & 28 June, as well as all meals for the duration of the youth forum, accommodation for 4 nights, transportation from the Hong Kong International Airport to BP International on 25 June, transportation from BP International to the Hong Kong International Airport on 29 June, programme activities, educational tour, souvenirs and tour pick up / drop off.</p> <p>The fee excludes additional transportation as listed in inclusion of fee, meals and transportation before 25 June or after 28 June (in the case of early arrival / late departure), travel / medical insurance and personal consumption expenditures.</p>
Airfare	<p>Approximately LKR 200,000.00 from Colombo to Hong Kong International Airport (return)</p> <p>Please note: All prices are highly subject to significant changes due to airfare fluctuations.</p>
Visa fee + Visa handling fee	<p>Visa Fee: Approximately 50 USD, for Sri Lanka according to the Internet sources.</p> <p>Visa Handling Fee: LKR 5,000.00, payable through a travel agent.</p> <p>Applicants must possess a valid passport at the time of the interview, with validity up to at least 31st December 2026.</p>
Travel and medical insurance	<p>Participants are required to obtain travel and medical insurance covering the entire period of their stay outside Sri Lanka (approximately LKR 10,000). Please note that this medical insurance does not cover pre-existing health conditions.</p>
NHQ Administration fee and Overseas Jamboree fund	<p>A non-refundable NHQ Administration fee of LKR 5,000 applies.</p> <p>This fee covers the SLSA scarf, SLSA shoulder patches, Sri Lanka flag for the uniform, and all administrative work at the National Scout Headquarters (NHQ).</p>
Additional costs / Post Jamboree Tour	<p>Participants will be responsible for any additional costs related to transportation, food, and accommodation before and after the event.</p>

Contingent merchandise	The contingent T-shirt, contingent bag, contingent water bottle, and contingent badge will be produced, and each participant is required to purchase and pay for the contingent merchandise.
Training camps	The costs of the training camps must be borne by the participants.
VISA and Air ticket disclaimer form	<p>All participants must sign a disclaimer and acknowledge that they are personally responsible for obtaining their visa and arranging their air tickets. The Sri Lanka Scout Association (SLSA) will not be responsible for these, as visas are issued by the embassy based on the individual circumstances of each participant.</p> <p>However, SLSA will assist participants by providing guidance and supporting documents for obtaining visas and arranging air tickets.</p> <p>Participants are strongly advised not to book flights until their selection is officially confirmed by the SLSA</p>
Surety bond	Not Applicable

Application Process	
Application pathway	Application to be endorsed by relevant Group Scout Leader/ and District Commissioner
Application download	Applications for Youth Participants (Scouts) Click here Application for Rovers, Adult Scout Leaders Click here
Deadline for applications	<p>Submit your applications online via the google form provided. Click Here on or before 30th April 2026.</p> <p>Should hand carry your physical application for the Walk in Interview</p>
Application method (online submission)	Scanned copy of the application signed by the relevant authorities submitted through the Google form. Click Here
Application method (physical handover)	During the interview
Selection method	Interview by a panel
Interview date, time, venue	Will be notified soon.
Conditions	SLSA reserves the right to withdraw permission to participate, cancel the selection, alter any conditions at its discretion.