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To All District Commissioners,

Jamboree on the Air – Jamboree on the Internet (JOTA-JOTI) 2026

JOTA-JOTI, the world's largest digital and radio Scouting event, promotes friendship, intercultural understanding, and global citizenship by connecting Scouts from around the world through the Internet and amateur radio. JOTA-JOTI 2026 will be held from **16 to 18 October 2026**.

We are pleased to inform you that the Department of International Scouting of the Sri Lanka Scout Association will coordinate participation in JOTA-JOTI 2026 at both national and district levels. All districts are strongly encouraged to participate actively and provide Scouts with opportunities to connect with fellow Scouts from across Sri Lanka and around the world.

In each district, the **Assistant District Commissioner (International)** shall serve as the **District Organizer**, while a **District Scout Leader with knowledge of Information Technology** shall serve as the **Assistant District Organizer**.

District Commissioners are kindly requested to assign these responsibilities to their respective Assistant District Commissioner (International) and District Scout Leader, complete the attached nomination form, and submit it to the provided [google form](#) on or before **1st October 2026**.

An online awareness programme will be conducted on **4th October 2026 at 8:00 p.m. via Zoom**. This session will cover JOTA-JOTI registration, available activities, online participation, safety requirements, and the establishment of JOTA amateur radio stations in your respective districts, in collaboration with relevant amateur radio organizations and licensed operators. **The Zoom link will be shared through the ADC (International) WhatsApp group.**

Districts wishing to establish physical JOTA-JOTI stations are requested to make the necessary local arrangements and submit the required station setup information to National Scout Headquarters within the stipulated period.

Detailed guidelines regarding individual registration, station setup, participation protocols, online safety, district responsibilities, and submission deadlines are provided in **“Annexure I”**, attached to this circular.

For further information or clarification, please contact: Mr. Kasmira Wijayathunga (AHQC) +94 77 064 9182 (*WhatsApp Text Messages Only*) / kasmira.scout@gmail.com

Your cooperation and active participation in making JOTA-JOTI 2026 a successful national and international Scouting experience are greatly appreciated.

Thank you.

Yours in Scout Service,

Dr. Asanka Eriyawa
International Commissioner

Manoj Nanayakkara (AAL)
Chief Commissioner

Copies to: President, Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer of the Committee of the Council
All NHQ Commissioners
ADC - International

ANNEXURE I | Jamboree on the Air – Jamboree on the Internet (JOTA-JOTI) 2026

1. About JOTA–JOTI

Jamboree on the Air – Jamboree on the Internet (JOTA–JOTI) 2026 will be held from 16th to 18th October 2026. It provides Scouts with unique opportunities to communicate and connect with fellow Scouts from around the world through amateur radio and the Internet.

The official event portal can be accessed via www.jotajoti.info.

2. District Organisation

Each District is requested to establish a dedicated JOTA–JOTI coordinating team consisting of:

1. District Organizer - Assistant District Commissioner (International)
2. Assistant District Organizer - District Scout Leader with knowledge of Information Technology

The District Organizer will coordinate all JOTA–JOTI activities within the district and maintain direct communication with the Department of International Scouting. The Assistant District Organizer will support the District Organizer, focusing primarily on registration, digital activities and technical setups.

District Organizers should refer to the official WOSM JOTA–JOTI portal for the latest registration guidelines, global programme updates and official safety toolkits.

Districts are highly encouraged to organise activities at both Scout Group and District levels. All local activities organised in connection with JOTA–JOTI must obtain prior formal approval from their respective District Headquarters and National Scout Headquarters.

3. JOTI – Jamboree on the Internet

Districts and Scout Groups may establish local JOTI stations to enable Scouts to participate in a collaborative environment.

A functional JOTI station requires:

- A reliable, stable Internet connection;
- Operational computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones;
- Webcams, speakers, and microphones (where necessary); and
- A secure, suitable, and safe venue.

Scouts may also choose to participate individually from home or another suitable location.

All participants must register through the official WOSM JOTA–JOTI portal using their scout.org account. In compliance with global safeguarding rules, participants under the age of 13 must be registered by a parent or legal guardian.

4. JOTA – Jamboree On The Air

Districts are encouraged to establish physical JOTA amateur radio stations in collaboration with recognised amateur radio organisations and licensed amateur radio operators. Formal approval from the National Scout Headquarters must be obtained before establishing or operating any JOTA radio station.

A standard JOTA station setup should ideally feature:

- A reliable continuous electricity supply
- A covered, well-ventilated location fully protected from weather elements
- A safe, clear space suitable for mounting the radio antenna
- Adequate space to comfortably accommodate both the equipment and participants
- A dedicated team to assist with setting up and dismantling the station safety arrays
- Comprehensive local safety arrangements.

Where possible, stations are encouraged to operate during evening hours to facilitate long-distance DX radio contacts.

All amateur radio activities must take place under the direct supervision of appropriately licensed amateur radio operators and in accordance with national telecommunications regulations.

5. Participation And Safety (Safe from Harm)

- All individual participants are strictly required to complete the official "Be Safe Online" e-learning course on the WOSM JOTA-JOTI Safety Page before the event.
- All adults participating in JOTA–JOTI or serving as part of the district organizing teams are required to complete the "Be Safe Online (Adults in Scouting)" module.
- Participants aged 13–18 years are expected to inform and actively involve a parent or guardian in their JOTA–JOTI experience.
- A parent or guardian must directly register and remain present with children under the age of 13 throughout the event's duration.
- All amateur radio operations must take place under the continuous, live supervision of licensed operators.
- Participants must remember that radio conversations are completely public; personal contact information (such as phone numbers, home addresses, or private social media links) must never be shared over the airwaves.

6. Information Submission Deadlines

All Districts are requested to complete the attached nomination and station details form to register their planned participation. The completed form must be signed, endorsed by the District Commissioner, and submitted through the following google form on or before 1st October 2026.

<https://forms.gle/tCak5PLNu1VMAdnC8>

7. NHQ Coordination

For further operational details or technical clarifications, please contact:

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District Response - JOTA-JOTI 2026
Jamboree on the Air – Jamboree on the Internet

District:

District Organizer - Assistant District Commissioner (International)

Name:

Contact Number:

Email Address:

Assistant District Organizer - District Scout Leader

Name:

Contact Number:

Email Address:

JOTA-JOTI Station Details

	From (Time)	To (Time)	Person In-Charge of Station
16 th October			
17 th October			
18 th October			

Station / Venue:

Recommendation of Assistant District Commissioner (International)

Signature: Date: / /

Name:

District Commissioner's Recommendation and Approval

Signature: Official Stamp:

Name:

Date: / /