

# NATIONAL SCOUT JAMBOREE



## JAMBOREE GUIDE



National Scouts Centre, Paro, Bhutan  
26–30 May, 2026

WELCOME

MESSAGE

It is my great joy to welcome all Scouts, Adult Leaders, and participants to the First National Scout Jamboree 2026 at the National Scouts Centre in Paro Bhutan. This Jamboree is organised in commemoration of the 70<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of His Majesty the Fourth Druk Gyalpo, whose vision of peace, harmony, and Gross National Happiness continues to inspire generations.

The theme of this Jamboree is “Leadership, Service, and Mindfulness Inspired by Bhutan’s Vision for Youth”, guiding every activity, dialogue, and exchange you will experience over the next five days.

You will have the opportunity to explore adventure, friendship, and learning through outdoor activities, community service, cultural exchange, and meaningful dialogue. I hope you discover your strengths, form lasting friendships, and experience the joy of working together to make a positive difference.

We are honored to host Scouts from across Bhutan and from 13 National Scout Organizations from neighbouring countries. Your presence reflects the spirit of unity, peace, and friendship that scouting inspires.

May this Jamboree leave you with unforgettable memories, new connections, and a deeper understanding of leading with compassion, serving with sincerity, and living with mindfulness. Welcome to an extraordinary journey of growth, joy, and shared purpose.



**SANGYE CHODEN**

CHIEF COMMISSIONER, BHUTAN SCOUTS ASSOCIATION



## ABOUT THE JAMBOREE

The First National Scout Jamboree 2026 is a historic event for Bhutan. For the very first time, Scouts from across Bhutan and from 13 National Scout Organizations from neighbouring countries are coming together to celebrate friendship, leadership, and service.

Over five days, you will hike through Bhutan's stunning landscapes, take on exciting challenges, share stories around the campfire, and participate in community projects that make a real difference.

Every activity is an opportunity to discover your strengths, learn from others, and create memories that will last a lifetime.

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***Embrace this journey with open hearts, curiosity, and courage and let it be an experience that inspires you for years to come.***



## QUICK INFO

### ➔ Event Details

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- **Name:** First National Scout Jamboree, 2026
- **Dates:** 26 - 30 May 2026 (5 days and 6 nights)
- **Venue:** National Scouts Centre, Paro, Bhutan

### ➔ Accommodation

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- **National Participants:** Camp at the venue
- **International Participants:** Hotel + Camp/Homestay

### ➔ Who is Joining?

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- **International Participants:** Up to 130 Scouts and Adult Leaders from 13 countries.
- **Team Size:** Each international team includes 4 male and 4 female Scouts with 2 adult leaders.
- **Bhutan Scouts and Adult Leaders:** About 256 Scouts and 24 Adult Leaders from all 20 Dzongkhags and 4 Thromdes.
- **Age Group :** Participants are aged 14 to 17 years. Adult Leaders must be below the age of 50 years at the time of the event on 25 May, 2026.

# QUICK TRAVEL

## INFO

### Bhutan

Bhutan is known as the Land of Gross National Happiness, where development is guided by well-being, culture, and environmental conservation. The country is rich in natural beauty, with mountains, forests, and a deep respect for tradition and community.

### Paro

Paro is one of Bhutan's most scenic valleys, surrounded by mountains and dotted with historic sites. It is home to the famous Tiger's Nest Monastery and offers a peaceful environment that perfectly reflects Bhutanese culture and way of life.

## In Focus

- ➔ Bhutan is known as the Land of Gross National Happiness.
- ➔ Over 70 percent of the country is covered in forests.
- ➔ Bhutan is the only carbon negative and protects its environment.
- ➔ Bhutan has a rich cultural heritage and tradition.
- ➔ Paro is home to the famous Tiger's Nest Monastery.
- ➔ Paro Valley is surrounded by mountains and lush forest.



## Travel & Visa Information

All international participants must carry a valid passport with at least six months validity from the date of entry into Bhutan. Entry into Bhutan requires an approved visa, which will be processed in advance through the organisers in coordination with the relevant authorities. Participants are advised not to make independent visa arrangements unless instructed.

For the visa application process, participants are required to submit the following documents:

1. Completed e-visa form (2025)
2. Completed consent form (2025) for minors below 18 years
3. Copy of passport valid for at least six months
4. Copy of passport-sized photograph (Soft)
5. Copy of Confirmed air tickets
6. Visa fee of Nu. 5,000 per person (Except for Indian nationality).

*The visa fee will be paid by the organiser at the time of processing and participants must reimburse to the organiser upon arrival. USD 300 as token contribution is not inclusive of visa fee.*

Participant should ensure that all above documents are submitted at the time of registration on or before 30 April, 2026. Entry formalities will be completed at the designated point of entry, where passports and visa clearance documents will be verified.

For the most accurate and updated travel information, participants are encouraged to refer to the official website of the Department of Immigration, Ministry of Home Affairs, Bhutan at [www.doi.gov.bt](http://www.doi.gov.bt).

### Travel & Visa Information

The Sustainable Development Fee (SDF) of USD 100 per person per day for international participants and Nu. 1200 for Indian nationality will be waived off for the duration of the Jamboree from 25 to 31 May, 2026. Any expenses for additional days will be borne by the participants.

The local currency is Bhutanese Ngultrum (Nu) which is at par with the Indian Rupee. International visitors are advised to carry sufficient cash for personal expenses, as card facilities may be limited in some areas. Currency exchange services are available at airports, banks, and authorised counters.

There are only two airlines in Bhutan. The information on the airlines can be accessed from the link shared below;

- Royal Bhutan Airlines : [www.drukair.com.bt/plan/plan-your-trip/flight-schedule](http://www.drukair.com.bt/plan/plan-your-trip/flight-schedule)
- Bhutan Airlines : [www.bhutanairlines.bt/flight-information/flight-schedule/flight-schedule](http://www.bhutanairlines.bt/flight-information/flight-schedule/flight-schedule)

Travel regulations may be updated. Participants should rely on official communication from the organiser and relevant authorities for final instructions.

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## Registration & Payment Process

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### FILL OUT THE REGISTRATION FORM

Visit the Google Form link: [www.forms.gle/4TSktuuHNKaZfm2Z7](https://www.forms.gle/4TSktuuHNKaZfm2Z7) and complete all the required details for registration by 30 April, 2026.

For further assistance, please contact Mr. Dorji Wangchuk at +97517753349 (WhatsApp No. 17753349), Email id: [bhutanscoutsassociation@gmail.com](mailto:bhutanscoutsassociation@gmail.com)

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### FORM REVIEW

Once submitted, the organising team will review your form. Within 48 hours, we will contact you if any information is missing, needs to be updated, or requires clarification.

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### CONFIRMATION & PAYMENT LINK

After your registration form is verified, you will receive an email confirmation at the address provided in your form. This email will include:

- Confirmation of registration
- Registered participant ID
- Your customised online payment link

*Important: This payment link is unique for each participant. Please do not share it with anyone, and note that it can only be used for one payment.*

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## ONLINE PAYMENT

Use your customised payment link to pay the token of contribution of USD 300 shared in your individual email. If you experience any issues with your card, please contact the organising team immediately for assistance.

*Note: The bank transaction fee is already included in the participation fee.*

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## PAYMENT CONFIRMATION

Once your payment is successfully processed, you will receive an update from the organising team confirming receipt of payment.

A token contribution of USD 300 per participant covers six nights' accommodation in a 3 star hotel +camp/homestay, meals, exciting excursion trips, airport pick up and drop, event souvenirs, outdoor activities, and all programme related expenses. The bank transaction fee is also included.



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## ➔ Equipment and Packing List

### Each contingent is required to bring:

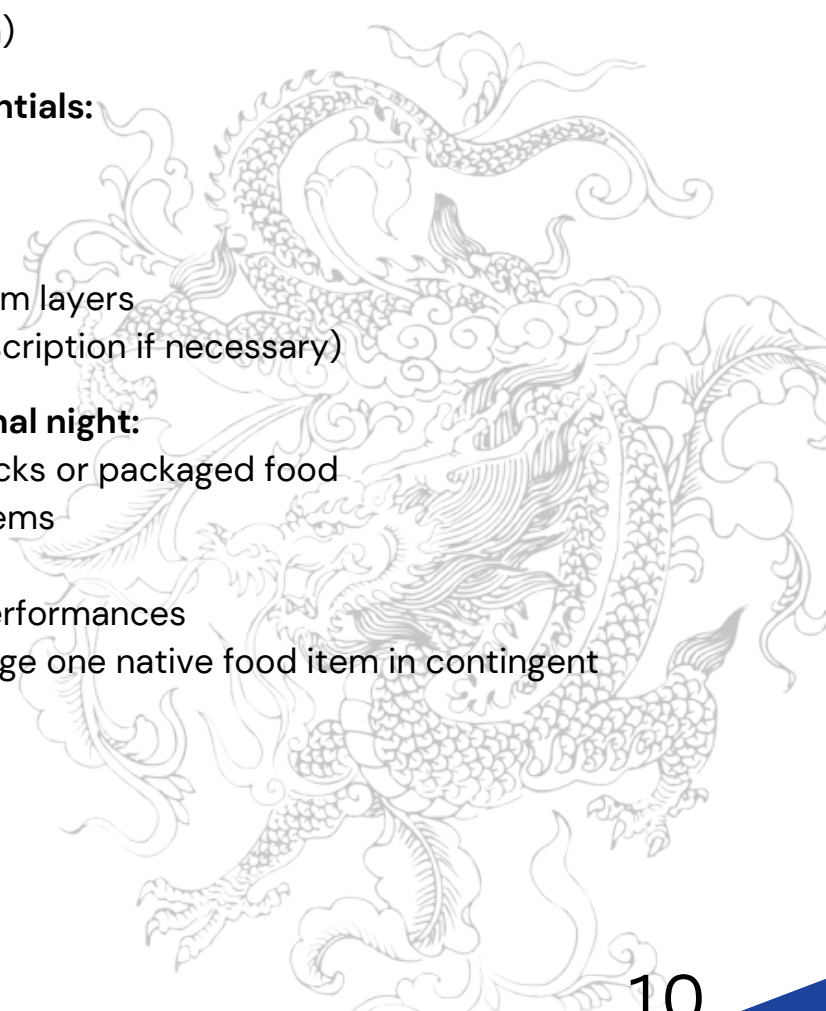
- One national flag (size 96 x 144 cm)
- One NSO flag (size 96 x 144 cm)

### Personal camping and daily essentials:

- Water bottle
- Torchlight
- Scout uniform and Scarf
- Personal clothing including warm layers
- Personal medicines (carry prescription if necessary)

### Items required for the international night:

- Non-perishable traditional snacks or packaged food
- National sweets or specialty items
- Small cultural souvenirs
- Traditional attire for cultural performances
- National participants can arrange one native food item in contingent



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