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## Message

**Jejomar C. Binay**  
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It has been a decade since 2001 when a Regional Scout Conference took place in south Asia. I admire Bangladesh Scouts for its confidence in taking up the challenge of hosting this prestigious regional event and its enthusiasm to plan and prepare early.

Bangladesh Scouts is one of the strongest national Scout organizations in the region. It has a huge membership and it continues to grow, and its structures and resources are well-established. The leaders are of high caliber making significant contributions to world Scouting. Its young members and Scout leaders are always visible at the international scene of Scouting with their participation in youth and adult events and exchange programs.

Most importantly, Bangladesh Scouts has a well-defined youth program that addresses the educational needs of young people while integrating them deep in the villages through community development projects and services, and enabling them to reach out to men, women and children around the country.

Bangladesh Scouts has earned the respect of government leaders, organizational partners, and recently the confidence of Scout leaders around the region who have chosen Bangladesh as host of the 24th APR Scout Conference in 2012.

I join other Scout leaders in the region who are eagerly anticipating to make the Bangladesh conference a unique and relevant event where we could all share a common vision for Scouting.



24th Asia-Pacific Regional  
Scout Conference  
24 - 29 November 2012



APR Course for Leader Trainers  
15 - 21 November 2012



7th APR Scout Youth Forum  
17 - 21 November 2012

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## Message

**Md. Abdul Karim**  
President, Bangladesh Scouts &  
Chairman, 24th APRSC 2012 Steering Committee

On behalf of the Bangladesh Scouts, I would like to convey my greetings to all the participants in the forthcoming 24th Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Conference 2012.

Bangladesh is a land of natural beauty. It's a land of scenic sites, hundreds of serpentine rivers, crystal clear water lakes surrounded by ever green hills, luxuriant tropical rain forests, beautiful cascades of green tea gardens, world's largest mangrove forest preserved as world Heritage, home of the Royal Bengal Tiger and the wild lives, warbling of birds in green trees, wind in the paddy fields, abundance of sunshine, world's longest natural sea beach, rich cultural heritage, relics of ancient Buddhist civilizations and colourful tribal lives, Bangladesh creates an unforgettable impression of a land of peace, hence we would request all the participants to come and explore this virgin country.

We are organizing new thoughts and concept through various activities in a planned manner, so that the upcoming conference and its auxiliary events will be completed successfully.

We have introduced a concept of 'Painting Competition and Exhibition' during the conference. The conference is coming closer and hence, we would be requesting all the NSOs to actively support this effort.

Many thanks for all your enlightened comments on our launching issue of the 24th APRSC Bulletin 1. Looking forward for your suggestions in future to attend you better. This is one of the ways in bridging the gap.



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## 24th Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Conference 2012 Venue



Bangabandhu International Conference Centre (BICC), the only International Convention Centre in Bangladesh is set to host any program that calls for a massive interaction of visitors. Built with the demand reflected in its unique architectural philosophy BICC excels in anything and everything at par with world class. The XII SAARC Summit was convened here - with due fervor and majestic outfit. BICC ensures highly professional services delivered by committed team of experts. BICC provides multiple venue of configuration to fit in conventions and events in terms of size and volume of attendance.

Convening an event assumes a confident outlook in the BICC Hall of Fame. Countless precious little things adds together to make any convention worth its call. A circular dome with dazzling lighting and seating arrangement reminds a gala concert on a broad way theatre. The spacious Hall of Fame lobby enhances the beauty of a 21st century auditorium of Bangladesh.



## 24th APRSC 2012 Accommodation



Pan Pacific Sonargaon Dhaka is located right in the heart of Dhaka city and offers convenient access to many interesting sights within close vicinity. The completion of an extensive refurbishment of the guestrooms and recreation facilities has brought new standards of quality and service experience to Dhaka.

Web : [www.panpacific.com/dhaka](http://www.panpacific.com/dhaka)



The Westin Dhaka is the newly opened five star hotel in Gulshan - 2. An exquisite stay to relax, revive and experience renewal. The hotel is surrounded by shopping malls, foreign missions, restaurant, art, private clubs, and multinationals. The hotel is eight kilometers from the Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport.

Web : [www.westin.com/dhaka](http://www.westin.com/dhaka)



Radisson Water Garden Hotel Dhaka is located on Airport Road, adjacent to the diplomatic enclave and premium commercial hub of the city. The hotel offers many exciting attractions and activities to enjoy and sprawls over seven acres of manicured gardens and is only five km from the Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport.

Web : [www.radisson.com/dhakabd](http://www.radisson.com/dhakabd)

There will be 3 five star hotels and 5 or 6 economic hotels and guest houses for the conference participants. HOC is now negotiating and that the final details and rates will be available and uploaded on the website tools and will also be published in the next issue of the 24th APRSC 2012 Bulletin-3. The shuttle services will be available during the Conference from the Hotel to the Conference Venue - Bangabandhu International Conference Centre.

Best Western La Vinci Hotel, Dhaka



Web : [www.lavincihotel.com](http://www.lavincihotel.com)

Brac Centre



web: [www.bracinn.com](http://www.bracinn.com)

## 24th Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Conference 2012 Programme Highlights

<b>22 November, Thursday</b>	—————→	Chief Scout Executives Meet
<b>23 November, Friday</b>	↙—————→ —————→	APR Sub-Committees and TF Meetings Regional Scout Committee Meeting
<b>24 November, Saturday</b>	↙—————→ —————→ —————→ —————→	APRSC Meeting with Heads of Delegates Opening Ceremony Preliminary Session Welcome Dinner
<b>25 November, Sunday</b>	↙—————→ —————→ —————→ —————→	Election of APRSC Members IC Gathering APR Palaver APRS Foundation Fellowship Gathering
<b>26 November, Monday</b>	↙—————→ —————→	Educational Tour ATAS Gathering
<b>27 November, Tuesday</b>	↙—————→ —————→	APES Gathering Fund-Raising Dinner
<b>28 November, Wednesday</b>	↙—————→ —————→ —————→ —————→	Action Time Presentations Bidding - 25th APRS Conference International Evening Farewell Dinner
<b>29 November, Thursday</b>	—————→	Closing Ceremony

### Important Information Related to Registration

- ✦ Person attending 24th Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Conference 2012 (24th APRSC 2012), CLT and Youth Forum will have to submit separate Registration Forms.
- ✦ Prior to applying for Registration you are requested to take the concerned NSO's approval. This approval must be taken prior to transferring the fee. Once the fee is transferred it is not refundable.
- ✦ The last date of submission of these Forms is 30 June 2012.
- ✦ When your flight/train/bus/schedule is changed, please re-submit the Forms again to the 24th APRSC 2012 Online/Secretariat, Bangladesh Scouts, National Headquarters, 2nd Floor, 60 Anjuman Mufidul Islam Road, Kakrail, Dhaka - 1000, Bangladesh.
- ✦ PDF version of Registration Form will be available in the website by the end of November 2011 and the Online Registration will start from January 2012.

## 24th APRSC Bulletin-1 and Updated Version of the 24th APRSC Website Launched

15 June 2011, Wednesday at 3:00 pm the launching ceremony of the 24th APRSC Bulletin 1 and the updated version of the official website for the 24th APR Scout Conference was held at Shams Hall, National Headquarters, Bangladesh Scouts. In the ceremony Mr. Md. Abdul Karim, Chairman, Steering Committee, 24th APR Scout Conference, Principal Secretary, Prime Minister's Office and International Commissioner (Presently President) Bangladesh Scouts was present as the Chief Guest. Mr Md Mozammel Haque Khan, Acting Chief National Commissioner, Bangladesh Scouts, Mr Habibul Alam, Bir Pratik, Chairman, 24th APR Scout Conference, Mr Abdul Quayyum Thakur, Treasurer Bangladesh Scouts, other National Commissioners and the members of the 24th APRSC 2012 Organizing Committee were present.

In the ceremony speakers appreciated the effort of the Publication and Publicity Sub Committee of 24th APRSC 2012 for publishing and introducing Bulletin-1 and website respectively. They have expressed that they would like more viewers (already visited 14000 plus) to see the website in the coming days. It was also informed that the Bulletin 1 was already sent to all NSOs in the Asia Pacific region.



## Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Meeting of the 24th APRSC 2012 Organising Committee

The Fourth Meeting of the 24th APRSC 2012 Organizing Committee was held on 23 April 2011 at the National Head Quarters of Bangladesh Scouts. Mr Habibul Alam, Bir Pratik Chairman, 24th APRSC 2012 Organizing Committee had presided over the meeting. In the meeting conference financial policies along with other issues were discussed.

The Fifth Meeting of the 24th APRSC 2012 Organizing Committee was held on 20 August 2011 at the National Head Quarters of Bangladesh Scouts. Mr Habibul Alam, Bir Pratik Chairman, 24th APRSC 2012 Organizing Committee had presided over the meeting. Mr Abul Kalam Azad Chief National Commissioner Bangladesh Scouts was also present. In the meeting all sub-committees progress and related issues were discussed.

The Sixth Meeting of the 24th APRSC 2012 Organizing Committee was held on 5 September 2011 at the National Head Quarters of Bangladesh Scouts. Mr Habibul Alam, Bir Pratik Chairman, 24th APRSC 2012 Organizing Committee had presided over the meeting. In the meeting all sub-committees had submitted their work completion reports as well as the plans. The agenda of the Third Preparatory Meeting was also discussed in the meeting.



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