



All systems go for the 26th Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Jamboree

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Overseas and local participants have started to arrive in Mt. Makiling, Laguna, Philippines, making it the home of Scouts from different parts of the world, gearing up for the 26th Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Jamboree which will open this afternoon and will end on 2nd January 2010.



With the continuous arrival of buses, bringing in local and overseas participants to the camp, the seven sub-camps are becoming a village of colors as flags of different contingents are increasingly appearing, adding life to the green scenery, as they put up thousands of tents and begin to settle down and get ready for the adventure.

To secure the safety of everyone throughout the Jamboree, security and health measures are strictly followed. Vehicles coming in and out of the camp are well-monitored. Inside the camp, health-related facilities such as first-aid stations and water-refilling station are placed, providing a healthy environment for everyone.





Essential services including the supermarket are fully operational providing the basic food items for cooking, which are actually done by the participants themselves for all their meals. In addition, food stalls are also available at the camp.

Simultaneously, operational centres like the media centre has been sending out junior Scout correspondents as beat reporters to roam around the camp looking for interesting stories. The Jamboree will issue a colored-tabloid size jamboree newspaper starting tomorrow, covering the main Jamboree activities and special events.



Taking the opportunity of the presence of many key adult leaders, various regional technical committees have started having meetings including the Regional Governance Task Force, Programme Sub Committee and Scouting Profile Sub Committee. This morning the daily heads of contingents meetings had its first meeting discussing various Jamboree important matters.

As the jamboree will open this afternoon it could only mean one thing: the amazing seven-day camping life for nearly 14, 000 people, both young people and adults, here in Mt. Makiling has just begun.

