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APR Course for
Leader Trainers**



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Report on the APR Course for Leader Trainers

I am proud to be given the task as Course Leader to organise the Regional Course for Leader Trainers. I would like to report that the APR Course for Leader Trainer has been successfully conducted from 10–16 October 2007 at this National Youth Memorial Center. A total of 35 participants and 10 trainers from 17 countries in the Asia-Pacific Region were in the course. They were from, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Brunei Darussalam, Scouts of China, Fiji, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Japan, Republic of Korea, Nepal, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and French Polynesia.

The APR Course for Leader Trainers was also privileged to have a pool of experienced trainers who shared their expertise and experiences throughout the course, which includes:

- Peter John Blatch, Australia, Chairman of the Adult Resources Sub-Committee;
- Dr. Wai Ming Mak, Hong Kong, Vice-Chairman of the Adult Resources Sub-Committee;
- Paul Parkinson, Australia;
- Dr. Mirza Ali Haider, Bangladesh;
- Mr. Lo Wai Shing, Hong Kong;
- Dr. Cyrus Wadia, India;
- Mr. Toby Suzuki, Japan;
- Mr. Young Chang Kim, Korea;
- Mr. Shantha Madurawe, Sri Lanka.

Mr. Osamu Hirose, the Chairman of the Host Organizing Committee, officially opened the course on 10th October.

The participants were grouped into six teams with their chosen names: Sakura, Hinode, Pacific, Star, Fuji-san and NE-Star.

This APR Course for Leader Trainer was using the framework of the World Adult Resources Handbook which consisted of five modules: Scouting Knowledge, Training Skills, Adult Learning Skills, Leadership Skills, and Personal Development Skills

The first three modules are aimed at developing relevant competencies in the training of Trainers, and the remaining two modules focus on equipping the trainers with essential management and personal development skills.

The participants were exposed to various methods of delivery by the Resource Speakers through active participation using small groups discussions, games and reflections. Participants were given opportunities to share their knowledge, skills and experiences during the sessions. Many find this approach very enriching as it allows them to view issues from multiple perspectives.

In connection to the 5th APR Scout Youth Forum which was held at NYC. The participants had the opportunity to witness the conduct of group discussion regarding social responsibilities.

One of the most memorable experiences was the educational visit to Yamanaka Scout Camp, where the 1st Japanese Scout training was held in 1925; and to the Hachimangu Temple in Kamakawa City. Later, in the evening, the group was treated to the Maharaja Curry house in Shinjuku for a sumptuous dinner.



On the evening of 15th, the CLT participants participated in the International Night together with the Youth Forum Participants in their colorful national costumes.

The course was also very privileged by the presence of the following persons during the course Regional Chairman, Mr. Eric Khoo; Mr. Habibul Alam, member World Scout Committee; Regional Director, Mr. Abdullah Rasheed; Ms. Anne Whiteford, Executive Director, from the World Scout Bureau Central Office in Geneva.

On behalf of the host CLT Organising Committee, I would like to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to the Regional Scout Committee, the respective NSO who had sent their participants, the World Scout Bureau/Asia-Pacific Region, the Resource Speakers and Staff.

Last but not the least, I wish you all the best in Scouting and Happy Scouting Always!

Arigato Gosaimas!

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