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Qualities of leadership at the 6th APR Scout Youth Forum

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Kuala Lumpur, 23rd October 2009 -- The qualities of leadership and leadership by example are the key points highlighted by the guest of honor Persekutuan Pengakap Malaysia (PPM) Chief Scout Dato' Seri Dr Hj Shafie Bin Hj Mohd Salleh before the participants of the 6th APR Scout Youth Forum, which opened yesterday and will run until 25th October 2009 at the Kampo Hall of the International Youth Centre in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

Youth participants numbering to 110 young people, comprised of 39 delegates and 71 observers, are from 25 National Scout Organizations from the region and observers from Finland and Uganda.



In the welcome remarks of Young Adult Members Group (YAMG) Chairman Manabu Hiratsuka from Japan, he thanked the host and encouraged the participants to make the youth forum an avenue of making a meaningful contribution to the community. Also present at the opening was PPM National Chief Commissioner Dato' Haji Kaharudin Bin Mo'min, World Scout Committee member Eric Khoo Heng Pheng, Regional Scout Committee member Dr Mohammed Mukhyuddin bin Sarwani, Programme Sub-Committee Chairman Alfian Amura and members Julie Creed, Rajalingam Ramasamy, Nasaruddin Shamsuddin, Radzwan bin Hussain, Chan Ah Sang and International Youth Center Director Y.M. Raja Rusian Bin Raja Samah.

The regional youth forum provides an opportunity for young people to discuss and express their views on issues affecting them, sharpening their skills on decision-making. As the forum is linked to the regional conference, its inputs and recommendations are taken into consideration after the steering committee, headed by youth forum chairman prepares it and presents it to the regional conference covering the youth involvement, gender balance, programme, environment and partnerships.

At the forum, participants will elect seven representatives that will consist the YAMG for the period of 2009-2012 and its chairman.

Also present at the forum were current YAMG members Nikketah Cuneo from Australia and Rio Ashadi from Indonesia.

