

**INAUGURAL FUNCTION OF THE
17th NATIONAL JAMBOREE OF SCOUTS AND GUIDES**

HON'BLE CHIEF MINISTER'S SPEECH

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NANJANAGUDU ROAD, MYSURU**

Shri Pranab Mukherjee,
Hon'ble President of India,

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Hon'ble Governor of Karnataka,

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Union Minister for Chemicals, Fertilizers and
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Her Highness Maharani of Mysuru,

Dr Anil Kumar Jain,
President, Bharat Scouts and Guides,

Shri B. I. Nagarale,
Chief National Commissioner
Bharat Scouts and Guides,

Shri P.G.R.Sindhia,
State Chief Commissioner,
Bharat Scouts and Guides,

My dear Scouts and Guides
from all the States in India and
foreign countries,

Media Friends,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

1. I am indeed overwhelmed to be amidst such a huge gathering of Scouts and Guides from all the States and foreign countries on the occasion of the 17th National Jamboree of Scouts and Guides being held in the City of Palaces, Mysuru
2. I am particularly impressed at the selection of the theme of the Jamboree - *Together for a better tomorrow.*
3. I am confident that this lofty theme would be realized during the deliberations lined up for the next seven days with the help of the three underlying commandments of the Scout and Guide Movement – dedication, determination and discipline.
4. I feel immensely proud to inform you that Scouting was officially founded in 1909 in the Bishop Cotton School in Bengaluru.
5. Over the years, with more than 3.5 lakh Scouts and Guides, Karnataka has carved a *niche* in the annals of Scouts and Guides Movement in India.
6. No wonder, Karnataka is the worthy host of the National Jamboree for the third time since independence.
7. Recently, Karnataka received the highest National Award of the Scout and Guide Movement in India, the Silver Elephant Award for 2015 from the Hon'ble Rashtrapati-ji in New Delhi. This is one more jewel in the crown of the State.

8. Lord Baden Powell, founder of the modern Scouting Movement said,
Scouting is a man's job, cut down to a boy's size !
I am sure, during the week-long Jamboree, you will realize the truth of this inspiring quote.
9. With your whole-hearted participation in the activities scheduled in this Jamboree, needless to say that each of you will never be taken by surprise and you are taught what exactly you need to do when something unexpected happens.
- 10.** For a better tomorrow, you all have come together. This Jamboree should become a life-changing event in your lives.
- 11.** I hope this get-together will change your attitude from ***What I can get*** to ***What I can give.***
12. I wish the 17th National Jamboree of Scouts and Guides, all success.

Thank you one and all !
