



BSG FILM FESTIVAL



Guidelines for the competition:

Are you a passionate Video / Film Maker with a story to tell?

Then we want to hear from you! The very first BSG Film Festival is now open for entries, and we want to see your films about Scouting & Guiding and how young people are helping to create a better world.

We are looking for films in two categories – **Short film** (Community Service / Community Development / Sustainable Development Goals) and **Documentary** (Scouting / Guiding Skills, Ceremonies of different sections etc.). You might find inspiration in the way Scouts, Guides, Rovers, Rangers are helping in Disaster relief, Tree plantation, Drinking Water Service, Save water, No to Plastics and or the work they're doing to contribute to Sustainable Development Goals. The only criteria are that there is a connection to Scouting & Guiding in the story and that Scouts & Guides, Rovers & Rangers are involved in the film's production & screening.

Theme

- The BSG Film Festival is an opportunity to amplify/project the work that members of the Bharat Scouts and Guides is doing to make our world a better place.
- There is no single theme, but there must be clearly an identifiable connection to the movement in the films.
- By way of guidance, topics could include the way Scouts & Guides, Rovers & Rangers are implementing the Sustainable Development Goals in areas such as the environment, climate change or gender equality, the culture and practice of dialogue for peace including their work in connection with Mahatma 150.
- The Scouts & Guides, Rovers & Rangers who make communities safer through their work in emergency preparedness, response and humanitarian advocacy as well as the life of a Scout, Guide, Rover, Ranger in the 21st century.

Categories

The BSG Film Festival will have two categories:

- **Short film** (Community Service / Community Development / Sustainable Development Goals)
Length: 10-20 minutes
- **Documentary film** (Scouting / Guiding Skills, Ceremonies of different sections i.e. Cub/Bulbul, Scout/Guide, Rover/Ranger etc.)
Length: 10-15 minutes

Who can participate?

- Indian citizen and overseas district of the Bharat Scouts and Guides, who are the bonafied member of the organization above 18 years of age;
- Participate at individual or Unit Level;
- The competition is open to non-Scouts/Guides also those who are above 18 years of age, but they must collaborate with a Scout Guide group to complete the film.

Opening and closing of videos

The contest is open from 11th September, 2020. The last date for submission of entry is 15th December, 2020. All films should be submitted through online Google form as per link provided in Circular. Please include **google drive open link** in the online application form, a short biography of the filmmaker and the charter number of the unit (which can be obtained from DHQ), as well as a short synopsis of your film (not more than 100 words).

Language

The films can be produced in any language, but if they are in a language other than English they must have English subtitles embedded into the video. Videos with subtitles is must to be in the official selection process.

Short-list, selection criteria and special recognitions

For each category Short Film & Documentary video the jury will choose five films for the official selection. Creators of the shortlisted videos will be asked to submit the original video in full HD Quality (1920 x 1080), .mp4, .mov and complete an 'authorisation release form' for The Bharat Scouts and Guides.

The jury

The National jury will consist of five members – three representatives from Bharat Scouts and Guides and two professional filmmakers.

Considerations for selection

The jury will consider the films' technical and creative merit, as well as the way in which Scouting & Guiding and its activities are portrayed. The main factors that will be taken into consideration will be storytelling, creativity, production values, impact and the representation of Scouting & Guiding.

Prizes

The jury will select winners for each category. The winning director of the documentary and short film categories will be invited to the Bharat Scouts and Guides, National Headquarters, New Delhi to present their film at a special event. The Winning production team will receive a package of Special Scouting Memorabilia. All the selected films will be featured on BSG's official channels.

Special Considerations

According to the Regulations IPR and Privacy Act it prohibits the use of the image of a child or minor without the signed consent of their parents. For the BSG Film Festival we require that all entrants secure approvals from the parents or guardians if any minors featured in their films. Each director or team leader must complete the authorisation form attached in order to enter the competition. The form is confirmation that the parents or legal guardians of the children and young people who appear in the video are aware of, and have agreed to, their appearance in the film. It is also the director or team leader's agreement to the Bharat Scouts and Guides using their film for promotional purposes. Entries without the authorisation form will not be considered.

Music & Soundtrack

Any soundtrack or music used for the production of the video must be royalty free or with paid royalty rights or from original authorship.

Google Link for sending the video:

<https://forms.gle/aU52WHZfono32LPHA>

Note: if anyone wants to participate in both the categories (Short film and Documentary film) they should send their film video by fill up separate Google form.