

“Minivan Fansaas Nuvaeh Scout Fair”

Celebrating 59th Maldivian Independence Day and the National Scout Membership Day 2024

Overview

On 26th July 1965 Maldives gained total independence from the British Empire. Every year, 26th July is celebrated in the Maldives as Independence Day. The Scout Association of Maldives was officially recognized as a member of the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM) on 23rd July 1990. Every year, 23rd July is celebrated by Scouts in the Maldives as the National Scout Membership day.

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This year, the Scout Association of Maldives hopes to celebrate both the 59th Maldivian Independence Day and the National Scout Membership Day with the community by organizing a Scout Fair. The fair will also be an opportunity for the Association to raise funding to support Scouting development in the Maldives.

The Fair aims to bring joy and excitement to our community. This event will feature a variety of adventure activities, delightful food options, and entertainment for attendees of all ages. Inspired by the spirit of a state fair, our goal is to create a memorable experience filled with fun, food, and festivity. **The Association hopes to organize the *Minivan Fansaas Nuvaeh Scout Fair* in Male’ City from 26th and 27th July 2024.**

Objectives

With the key outcomes of enhancing (a) visibility and understanding of the Scouting movement in the Maldives, and (b) increase community involvement and support for Scouting.

The fair aims to achieve the following objectives:

- Provide a family-friendly environment for the community to come together and celebrate.
- Promote community engagement and support scout groups.
- Create a memorable experience filled with fun, food, and festivity.

How the fair will be organized

The Association intends to plan the fair in partnership with Scout Groups in Male’ Area, inviting Scout Groups to run activity stalls. In addition to support from Scout Group, the Association will also reach out to few selected external partners inviting them to set up activities as well. Visitors will be required to buy entrance and activity tickets to take part in activities and stalls at the fair.

What arrangements will be made by the Association?

- The Association will make venue arrangements including providing adequate space for partnering scout groups and external partners.
- Each Scout Groups supporting to setup activities stalls will be provided with a budget of MVR 2000/-
- Water points will be set up at the venue by the Association.
- Ticketing counters will be set up at the venue by the Association.
- Each stall will be provided with Official Passes for the event by the Association.
- The Association will coordinate safety and security requirements of the fair and will keep emergency services (health care services and police) informed and on standby if necessary to respond to incidents that may occur during the fair.

What would the partnering Scout Group be required to do?

- Scout Groups will be responsible to design and set up their respective stalls.
- Ensure all activities are inclusive and accessible to all visitors.
- All activity stalls should be managed by responsible adults.
- Ensure all adults are screened and maintain appropriate behavior.
- Clearly explain the purpose and outcomes of each activity.
- Ensure activities are engaging, enjoyable, and create lasting memories

What will happen to the funds raised at the fair?

A portion of the funds generated from the fair will be handed over to the partnering Scout Groups.

- 15% of funds generated by a Stall operated by a Scout Group will be handed over to the Scout Group running the stall.
- 85% of the funds generated will be funds that go to the Association.

What will be the timings of the fair?

26th July 2024 – Friday: 16:00 – 18:00 and 20:00 – 22:00

27th July 2024 – Saturday: 13:00 – 18:00

Food and canteen stalls

The Association will run a canteen at the fair, where snacks and drinks will be available for purchase.

Lucky draw

Every visitor will receive a coupon at the entrance of the fair to participate in a lucky draw, which will be held at the end of the fair on July 27, 2024. Three winners will be chosen: first, second, and third place. The Association will provide gifts for the lucky draw winners.

Activities

The following are some of the activity and exhibit ideas for the Fair:

1. **Activity Zones**
 - **Adventure zone:** (Rappelling, Archery, Monkey bridge, Biruveri hoholha, etc)
 - **Arcade zone:** (VR, Plays station, etc)
 - **Fun zone:** (Fishing, Mini golf, Ring toss, Bowling, etc)
2. **Canteen Area**
 - **Carnival Snacks:** Cotton candy, popcorn, and other traditional fair foods.
3. **Entertainment**
 - **Live Music:** Boduberu performers to entertain throughout the event.
 - **Magic Shows and Performances:** Scheduled performances to captivate all ages.
4. **Vendor Booths**
 - **Merchandise Stalls:** Souvenirs and memorabilia to commemorate the event.

How can a Scout Group partner with the Association for the fair?

The Association will be organizing a meeting with Scout Groups in Male' Area on Tuesday, 9th July 2024 at 20:30. All interested Scout Groups are requested to attend the meeting that will be held at the National Office of the Scout Association of Maldives. For more information contact:

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