

Organisation - District Association, Local Association

Organisation is a process, which integrates different type of activities to achieve organisational goals and objectives, to achieve these goals there must be competent management providing them all those factors to perform their job efficiently and effectively. Organisation is nothing but a process of integrating and coordinating the efforts of men and material for the accomplishment of set objectives.

Objectives

At the end of this Module, you should be able to:

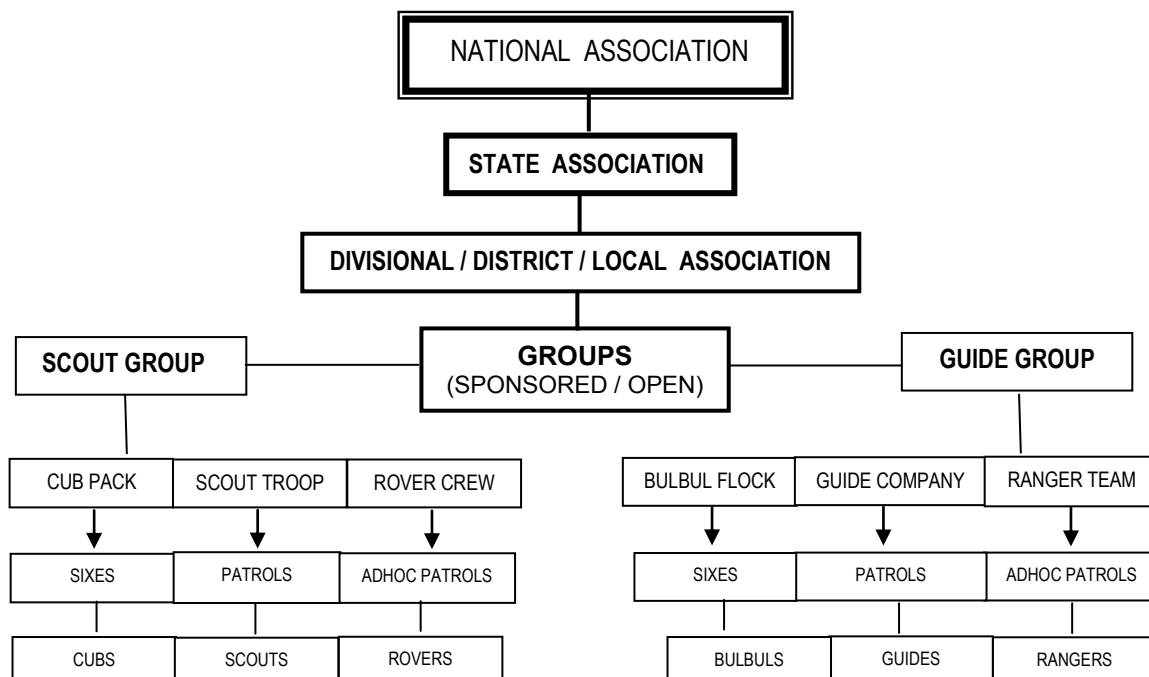
1. Explain the composition and the functions of the District Association.
2. Explain the composition and the functions of the Local Association.

Thought for Reflection

Through optimum utilisation of resources and proper division of work, the challenges can be easily meet and activities expanded in a planned manner.

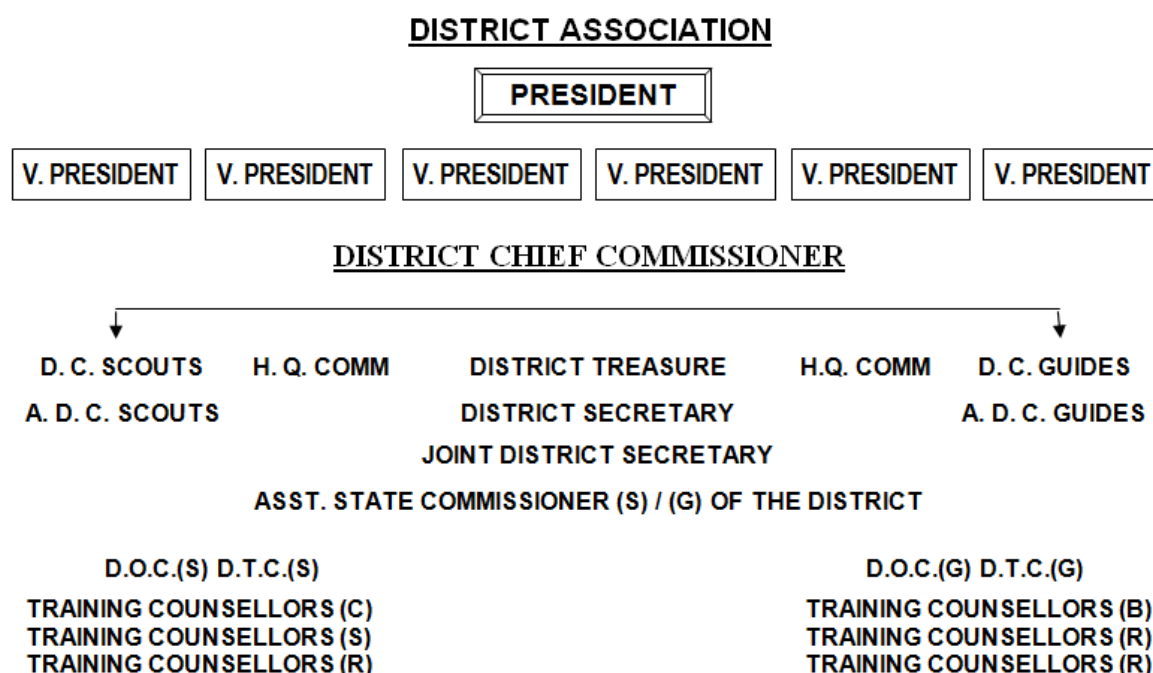
The Organisational set up of the Bharat Scouts and Guides from Unit/Group to the National level is given below:

THE BHARAT SCOUTS AND GUIDES



DISTRICT ASSOCIATION

A District Association is formed in each Revenue District in the State or for a part or parts of a Revenue District or for two or more Revenue Districts or for such area as determined by the State Executive Committee from time to time.



The District Association is registered with the State Association. Every Registered District Association will receive a Charter from the State Association signed by the State Chief Commissioner and the State Secretary.

Annual Registration Fees as fixed by the State Executive Committee will have to be paid to the State Association by the District Association.

Membership of District Association is open to the citizens of India residing within the jurisdiction of the District Association who subscribe to the purpose and objects of the Organisation. The members of District Association consist of:

- | | |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| (a) General members | (b) Life members |
| (c) Ordinary Members | (d) Members of the Local Association |
| (e) Institutional Members | (f) Special Members. |

District Council

The terms of the District Council is 5 years from the date of its First meeting in which the new Council is constituted. The District Council ordinarily meets once every year. The President presides over the District Council Meetings.

The primary functions of the District Council are to elect its President, Vice Presidents and members of the District Executive Committee; approve its Annual Report and the Annual Audited Statement of Accounts; approve the Budget of the District Association; lay down the Bye Laws of the District; implement the policies and programmes with regard to training of Scouts and Guides; collect Individual

Registration Fee from Scout and Guide Groups and send it to the State Association every year; Approve the Annual Programme; and appoint Auditors

Office Bearers and Officers

The office bearers and officers of the District Association are:

President

Vice Presidents (Maximum 6 of whom 3 shall be women)

District Chief Commissioner

District Commissioner of Scouts

District Commissioner of Guides

District Treasurer

District Secretary

Joint District and Assistant District Secretaries (one of whom shall be a woman),

Assistant District Commissioner of Scouts

Assistant District Commissioner of Guides

District Organising Commissioner of Scouts

District Organising Commissioner of Guides

Headquarters Commissioner of Scouts

Headquarters Commissioner of Guides

District Training Commissioner of Scouts

District Training Commissioner of Guides

District Quartermaster

Assistant Leader Trainers residing in the area

Leader Trainers residing in the area

The District Commissioners may appoint Training Counsellors of Scouts and Guides on the recommendation of the District Training Commissioner concerned.

District Executive Committee

The District Executive Committee meets at least once in every six months.

Its important functions are to: form the Local Association; secure registration and renewal of Local Associations; control and administer the funds and properties of the District Association; convene the meeting of the District Council; recommend Scouters, Guiders and others in the District for Awards; secure registration and renewal of Scout and Guide Groups; elect the District Treasurer; to appoint District Scout and Guide Committees; recommend to the District Council the Bye Laws; collect and submit Individual Registration fee to the State; elect representatives for the State Council; appoint six Trustees.

The District Badge Committee recommends suitable persons as Instructors and Examiners of various Proficiency Badges and Examiners to Test the Advancement Badges for Cubs, Bulbuls, Scouts, Guides, Rovers and Rangers.

The District Planning Committee is responsible for planning the development of Scouting and Guiding in the District.

The other Committees in the District are:

The District Finance Committee

The District Adult Resources Management Committee

The District Scout Committee

The District Guide Committee
 The District Youth Committee
 The District Community Development Committee

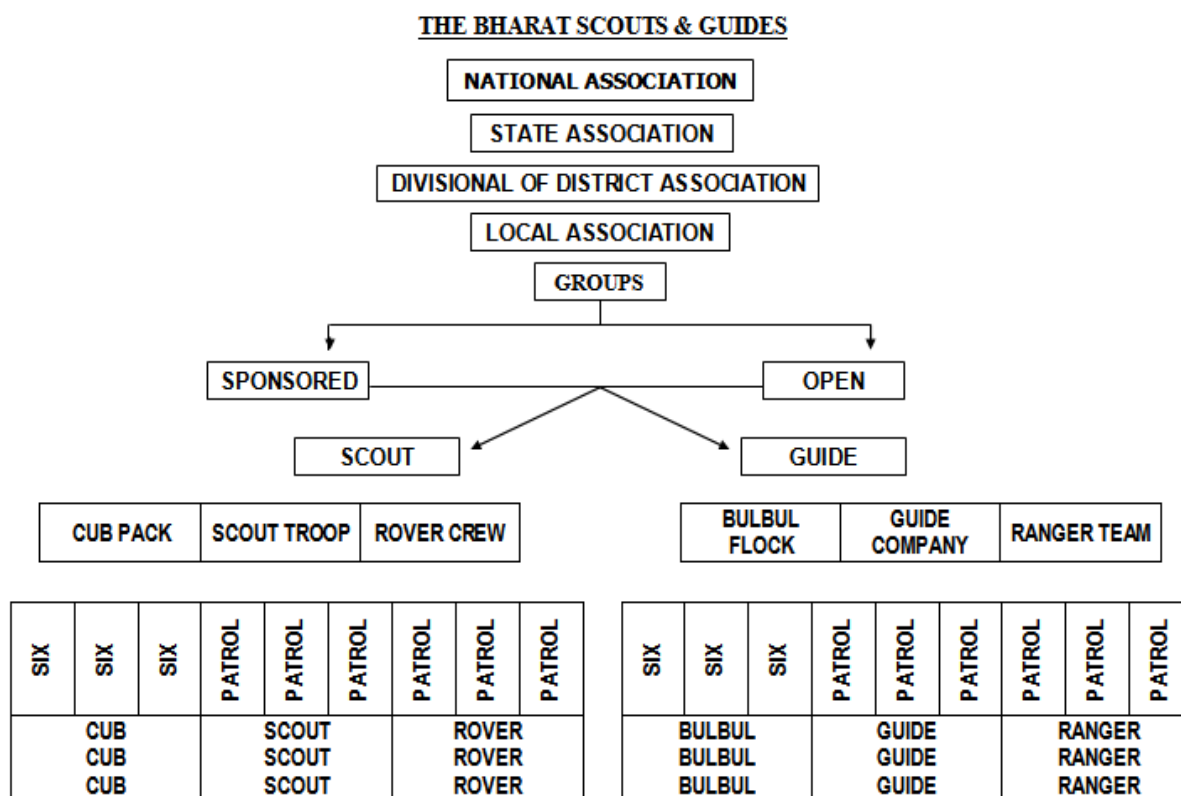
LOCAL ASSOCIATION

Formation: The State Association forms a Local Association for any area consisting of not more than 100 Scout and Guide Units dividing the area of the District Association. Wherever the number of Scouts and Guides are more, a Local Association is formed for every 15 to 20 Units.

Registration: All Local Associations are registered with the State Association through the concerned District or Divisional Association. In the absence of a District/Divisional Association, it is directly registered with the State Association.

Charter: Every Registered Local Association will receive a Charter from the State Association signed by the State Chief Commissioner and the State Secretary.

Fee: Annual Registration Fees as fixed by the State Executive Committee will have to be paid to the State Association by the Local Association.



Membership of Local Association is open to the citizens of India residing within the jurisdiction of Local Association who subscribe to the purpose and objects of the Organisation. The members of Local Association consist of:

- (a) General members
- (b) Life members
- (c) Ordinary Members
- (d) Institutional Members
- (d) Special Members.

Office Bearers and Officials

The office bearers and officials of the Local Association are:

The President, Vice Presidents (Maximum 6 of whom 3 shall be women), Chairman of the Executive Committee, Assistant District Commissioner of Scouts, Assistant District Commissioner of Guides, Treasurer, Secretary and Joint Secretary (one of whom shall be a woman), Quartermaster and Badge Secretary, Leader Trainers and Assistant Leader Trainers residing in the area, and Training Counsellors.

Local Council

The Local Council meets once a year and its tenure is for five years. The primary functions of the Local Council are to elect its office bearers and members of the Local Executive Committee, approve the Budget of the Local Association and adopts its Annual Report and the Annual Audited Statement of Accounts, to implement the policies and programmes with regard to training of Scouts and Guides and for Adult Leaders, to collect Individual Registration Fee from Scout and Guide Groups and send it to the District Association every year, and appoint Auditors.

Local Executive Committee

The Local Executive Committee meets at least once in every four months. It elects its Chairman; forms Groups and Units; convenes the meetings of the Local Council; controls and administers the funds and properties of the LA; recommends to the Local Council for considering, approving and adopting the Budget, Audited Statement of Accounts and the Annual Report; organises local level Camps and Rallies; secures registration of Scout and Guide Groups; elects the Treasurer; etc.

The two other committees of the Local Association are the **Local Finance Committee** and the **Local Adult Resources Management Committee**.

The details provided in this module with regard to the District Association and the Local Association is broad based. In order to find out the rules pertaining to all matters relating to the District Association and the Local Association, you need to refer to the Rules Book of the Bharat Scouts and Guides.

For further Reading:

1. A Complete Handbook for Flock Leaders*
2. Rules Book*
3. Job Profile*

* Books published by The Bharat Scouts and Guides, National Headquarters, New Delhi.

Suggested Activity

Make a list of the current Office bearers in your Local Association/District Association and keep updating it from time to time.