

Malaysia Hosts 5th ASEAN Scout Jamboree
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KUALA LUMPUR, Sept 8 (Bernama) -- Malaysia will host the 5th ASEAN Scout Jamboree (ASJ) which will be held at the Tengku Muhammad Ismail Scout Camp in Kuala Nerus, Terengganu, from Sept 15 to 20.

National Scout Chief Tan Sri Dr Shafie Mohd Salleh said the largest regional scout gathering will see the participation of nearly 7,500 members, not only from ASEAN countries, but also India, South Korea and Maldives.

He said besides being a platform to foster better relationships among scouts from different backgrounds and cultures, ASJ 2016 was also special as it would focus on empowerment and instilling the values digital leadership among the participants, in line with advances in technology and multimedia.

"This is consistent with the objective of encouraging scouts to be more responsible and wise users of the Internet.

"For this, we have partnered with the Malaysian Communications and Multimedia Commission (MCMC) to organise programmes such as 'Klik Dengan Bijak (Click Wisely)' (KDB) for ASJ 2016 participants," he said during an interview with Bernama at Wisma Bernama, today.

Also present during the event were Terengganu Scout Chief Commissioner Che Soh Muda, MCMC Network Security and Enforcement Sector chief Zulkarnain Mohd Yasin, Bernama general manager Datuk Zulkefli Salleh and Deputy Editor-in-Chief (Domestic News Service) Datuk Mokhtar Hussain.

A total of 12 sectors of activities have been planned for ASJ 2016, among them being 'Traditional Games', 'Traditional Musical Arts', 'ASEAN Village', 'Youth Forum', 'Outdoor Activities', 'Radio Amateur', 'Field Trips' and 'KDB'.

Shafie said the programme was also designed with the aim to develop human capital among the Jamboree participants to become future leaders with high self-esteem.

Deputy Secretary-General of ASEAN (Community and Corporate Affairs) Dr AKP Moachtan and ASEAN Scouts chairman Wendel Aviaso are also scheduled to attend ASJ 2016.

ASJ was first held in the Philippines in 1993, followed by Indonesia (2008), Singapore (2010) and Thailand in 2013.

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