



# Asian Newsletter

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SCI Sri Lanka 

Connecting Humans Through the Essence of Language



Volunteer Camp | 31 July – 09 August

The “Connecting Humans Through the Essence of Language” volunteer camp brought together children and volunteers through a variety of fun, meaningful, and engaging activities.

The children actively participated in language practice, cooking activities, a boating trip, and an environmental cleanup. These activities gave them opportunities to learn new skills, share experiences, build friendships, and work together.

The environmental cleanup was a meaningful part of the camp, encouraging everyone to take responsibility for protecting the environment and keeping the surroundings clean.

Through language, culture, friendship, and teamwork, the camp created a valuable experience that helped connect people and build stronger relationships.





After visiting the Adat Museum, SCI Malaysia volunteers stopped by a nearby waterfall area and noticed several kinds of litter, including plastic bottles, diapers, and other waste.

Concerned about the condition of the site, the volunteers joined local efforts to collect and clear the rubbish from the area. Their clean-up initiative helped keep the environment safer and encouraged others to take responsibility for protecting nature.

This community action showed that environmental care is not only about visiting places of beauty, but also about keeping them clean for everyone.



Observation of the 148th Birth Anniversary of Pierre Ceresole by the SCI West Bengal-India Group on 17th August.





The Caravane is organised by Service Volontaire International Mauritius (SVI), which is an NGO promoting social work and volunteering

The SVI regularly organises the Caravane which is a bicycle tour around parts of the island. It is not a race but rather an event to foster team spirit, friendship accross people from different backgrounds and discovering Mauritius.

The Caravaneers will be divided into groups and will have to cycle along the path communicated in advance; there will be games along the way, such as Treasure Hunts, and further campfire and team-building games in the afternoon

The Caravanne will last 2 days and 2 nights - all caravaneers are expected to also camp at night - participants must bring their tents.

For security, the caravanne will have runner cars as well as police runners to ease navigating the roads on some parts



**SCI India – Karnataka Group organised a Hiroshima Day Programme on 6 August 2026 at Government Urdu High School, Austin Town, Bangalore, under the theme “Say No to War.”**



The programme was held to remember the victims of the Hiroshima bombing and to spread the important message of peace, humanity, and a world without war.

The programme was organized by Smt. Dr. Shobha and her team, with the participation of SCI India Karnataka Group members. The event provided an opportunity for the participants to reflect on the devastating impact of war and the importance of promoting peace and understanding among communities.



Through this programme, the participants shared the message that peace and humanity should always be protected. The event also encouraged young people and community members to stand together against violence and work towards a peaceful future.

The programme carried the meaningful message:

**“No War – Only Peace for a Better Tomorrow.”**

The Hiroshima Day programme was a meaningful initiative by SCI India – Karnataka Group to remember the past, promote peace, and inspire people to work together for a better and more peaceful world.



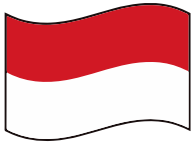
The SCI Sri Lanka Summer Volunteer Camp highlighted the successful completion of the volunteer camp held under the theme “Unity in Action for Compassion and Peace.”

The camp was successfully held from 20 to 29 August at three locations: SCI Sri Lanka, Nurture Nest Special Needs Children’s Center in Gelioya, and Daya Niwasa in Kandy.

During the camp, the volunteers participated in various activities with great dedication and enthusiasm. They visited Nurture Nest Special Needs Children’s Center in Gelioya, where they participated in activities with the children and provided their support.

They also visited Mother Teresa Home, where they started their volunteer activities and continued their service until the following day.

Through this volunteer camp, they experienced the values of compassion, peace, unity, and cooperation. Their dedication and teamwork made the camp a meaningful and successful experience



IVP Indonesia

# Asia Peace Regional Forum & Mini Program Bogor, 10 - 16 September 2026



## APM Indonesia

From 10–13 September 2026, SCI Asian branches and groups gathered in Bogor, Indonesia, for the Asian Platform Meeting (APM 2026), hosted by IVP Indonesia.

The meeting focused on strengthening cooperation, sharing experiences, and improving branch action plans. Through a World Café session, participants exchanged ideas on volunteer management, fundraising, networking, and the sustainability of the IDEA Working Group and Asian Liaison Office (ALO). A presentation by CCIVS also explored opportunities for cooperation and networking.

The meeting concluded with new ideas and priorities to strengthen SCI's work across Asia, followed by visits to Jakarta and a local partner organisation.

Together, Asian branches are working towards a stronger and more sustainable SCI network.



## Post APM Mini camp

After APM 2026, a mini camp was held in Indonesia. The programme included an activity with session the Bogor Book Party, and provided practical experience in eco-farming. The camp also offered opportunities to explore Bogor and Jakarta, experience local food and culture, and learn more about daily life in Indonesia. These activities created valuable opportunities for cultural exchange, learning, and community engagement.

