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# Proposed Motions Document 6B

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# INTRODUCTION

A call for Proposed Motions for consideration at the 15th Asia Pacific Regional Conference was circulated to Member Organisations on 20th February 2025 with a submission deadline of 21st April 2025.

The Procedural Team received a Proposed Motion from Girl Scouts of Taiwan before this deadline, entitled “Expanding and Sustaining Girl Guiding and Girl Scouting in the Asia-Pacific Region.” Following a discussion with the Asia Pacific Regional Committee, the issue that Girl Scouts of Taiwan raised is incorporated into the Triennial Action Plan, which will be presented and discussed during the Regional Conference’.

The Asia Pacific Regional Committee has two Proposed Motions. These Proposed Motions were shared with Member Organisations in Conference Document 6 in June 2025.

The deadline for Proposed Amendments to these Proposed Motions and for any Tabled Proposed Motions was 7pm local time in India on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> August 2025. The Procedural Team received one Tabled Proposed Motion before this deadline.

In this document we are sharing with you the two Proposed Motions from the Regional Committee as well as the new Tabled Proposed Motion. All three Proposed Motions will be voted upon at the Regional Conference.

This document replaces Conference Document 6.

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# PROPOSED MOTION APRC25-01

## Adoption of the Regional Triennial Report, 2023-2025

**Proposer:** Asia Pacific Regional Committee

**Voting Eligibility:** Full and Associate Members

**Majority required:** Simple majority of votes cast

### PROPOSED MOTION

The Regional Conference adopts the Regional Triennial Report for the 2023-2025 triennium (Conference Document 3).

# PROPOSED MOTION APRC25-02

## Adoption of the Regional Triennial Action Plan, 2026-2028

**Proposer:** Asia Pacific Regional Committee

**Voting Eligibility:** Full Members

**Majority required:** Two-thirds majority of votes cast

### PROPOSED MOTION

The Regional Conference adopts the Regional Triennial Action Plan for the 2026-2028 triennium (Conference Document 4c).

# PROPOSED MOTION APRC25-03

**That all future WAGGGS Asia Pacific Regional Conferences be in-person with the option to attend virtually**

**Proposer:** Girl Scouts of the Philippines

**Voting Eligibility:** Full and Associate Members

**Majority required:** Simple majority of votes cast

## PROPOSED MOTION

The 15<sup>th</sup> Asia Pacific Regional Conference recommends:

- That the WAGGGS Asia Pacific Regional Conferences should mainly be in-person but allow for virtual attendance; and
- That all succeeding Asia Pacific Regional Conferences should retain being in hybrid mode (in-person with options for virtual attendance).

## RATIONALE

The proposed motion that all succeeding Asia Pacific WAGGGS ReCo retain its being in hybrid mode (in-person with virtual sessions) stemmed from:

1. ReCo 2025 agenda did not include any Member Organisation (MO) bids for the next 16th Regional Conference (2028), which creates doubt on the nature of the event e.g., hybrid, in-person, or fully virtual;
2. That two of the World Regions, Africa and the Western Hemisphere, did not hold an in-person conference for this year; and
3. Out of 23 MOs in the region who registered, 21 MOs chose to attend the 15th Asia Pacific Regional Conference in-person despite being given an option to attend virtually to defray any arising financial costs which indicates high interest to participate in-person.

*What is the merit of holding a hybrid conference (in-person with virtual sessions) versus hosting a fully virtual gathering?*

1. Based on the AP Triennial Action Plan for 2026 to 2028 (Document 4C, June 2025) which will be voted on in the 15th AP ReCo, it clearly states that:

*“While recent years have brought new possibilities, such as the shift to digital platforms that have expanded our reach and brought us closer together, they have also highlighted the importance of personal interactions, adaptability, and flexibility.”*

## RATIONALE (CONTINUED)

2. Based on Principles for Facilitating Collaboration, it states that: “We will make things happen by bringing MOs together, strengthening relationships between MOs...”. Despite it not being explicitly said that MOs have to be gathered physically, the statement emphasises the importance of meeting in-person.

It can also be noted that the Asia Pacific Region has unique challenges and opportunities within WAGGGS from ways of communicating ideas to the varied and rich cultural context each of its MOs represent. Getting together at a Regional Conference provides a guided platform where coming together signifies an effort to build mutual understanding and learn from the good practices of each other.

In addition, our young leaders gain a significant headstart in a ReCo as they get to connect with a broader, intergenerational network where they can develop most of the Leadership Mindsets. While this can be made possible in a virtual setting, the intangible benefits and the feeling of camaraderie in hybrid and/or in-person gatherings far surpasses that of solely virtual avenues.

As this only happens every three years, it is the in-between that matters too i.e., the workshops, both virtual and in-person, that the current Asia Pacific Committee has perseveringly put together during the previous triennium. Through these, we have been able to collaboratively build an in-depth and nuanced appreciation of all the ways our MOs show up for the Region and how the Region supports us in turn in its liaising capacity with WAGGGS.

## RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

As the Regional Conference requires financial support to implement, it is crucial that the event be planned accordingly whether through strategic partnerships or fundraising drives to ensure the same calibre of gatherings that we are known for.

It is to be noted that MOs who will be attending the ReCo will be able to cover all expenses per previous practice while the Friends of the AP Region can provide assistance in sponsoring young women delegates.

That the WAGGGS Leadership Team approve of this motion for the reasons stated above.



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