MEMBERSHIP BADGE SYLLABUS

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FOUNDATION STAGE - MEMBERSHIP BADGE

1. GENERAL INFORMATION & ELIGIBILITY

- Target Group: Junior and Senior Scouts (Age 10.5 years and above).
- Prerequisite: Minimum 3 months active attendance in troop meetings at Sri Sumangala College.
- Approval: Awarded upon successful viva and practical test conducted by the Scout Leader.

2. CORE SCOUT PRINCIPLES & IDEALS

- Scout Promise: Recite and explain the meaning of the Scout Promise in mother tongue/English.
- Scout Law: Memorize and explain the 10 Scout Laws with practical everyday examples.
- Scout Motto: "Be Prepared" (Sudanamwa Sitinna) - its significance in daily life.
- Scout Sign and Salute: Demonstrate proper execution and explain when each is used.
- The Left Handshake: Understand the global significance and Baden-Powell tradition.

3. SCOUT UNIFORM & FLAGS

- Uniform Standards: Proper wearing of scarf, woggle, badges, belt, and beret.
- Sri Lanka National Flag: Dimensions, colors, symbolism, and rules of display/hoisting.
- World Scout Flag: Fleur-de-lis emblem, two stars, rope with reef knot symbol.

4. SCOUTCRAFT & PRACTICAL KNOTTING

- Tie and demonstrate the purpose of 6 fundamental knots:
- * Reef Knot (Samana Geta): Joining two ropes of equal thickness.
- * Sheet Bend (Asamana Geta): Joining ropes of unequal thickness.
- * Clove Hitch (Kada Geta): Securing rope around a timber post or starting lashings.
- * Round Turn and Two Half Hitches: Mooring boats and towing objects.
- * Sheepshank (Kamba Ketikirime Geta): Shortening a long rope without cutting.
- * Bowline (Pasa Geta): Life-saving rescue loop that never slips or jams.
- Demonstrate Common Whipping (Kamba Aga Bendima) to prevent rope fraying.

5. HEALTH, SAFETY & LOGBOOK

- Personal Hygiene: Daily health rules, oral care, and clean uniform habits.
- Safe from Harm: Personal boundaries, anti-bullying principles, and scout safety.
- Log Book: Start an illustrated personal Scout Logbook documenting all test requirements.