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Scouts Trained on Safe Use of the Internet



Scouts at the Web Rangers Camp at Rowallan Camp

The Kenya Scouts Association in conjunction with Code IP Trust, Google Kenya and Kenya Films Board organized a web rangers camp for Scouts on the 29th and 30th of January, 2016. The Camp was attended by 230 Scout Patrol leaders from Nairobi County.

The web rangers programme was launched in 2015 under the per to per campaign for safe internet use, with an aim of empowering teens to promote safe use of the internet among their peers.

Speaking at the camp, Mr Ezekiel Mtua the Chief Executive Officer of the Kenya Film Classification Board (KFCB), reminded the Scouts that they are what they consume and hence the need to check on what content they internalize.

He further commended the Scouting movement for its efforts in instilling great values in young people at a tender age stating, that it is easier to build strong children than repair broken adults.

Mr Gitonga the Deputy National Executive Commissioner and Youth Programme Executive at Kenya Scouts Association welcomed the initiative stating that the materials provided for the safe use of the internet will be incorporated in the Youth Programme Training materials, so as to reach the Over 1 Million registered Scouts in the country.

“Scouting is a vehicle for change and by training these patrol leaders, be assured that the effects of the training will trickle down not only to fellow Scouts at their troop levels but also to their fellow peers as Scouting promotes the spirit of brotherhood” he added.

Mr Alex Gakuva a Code IP facilitator thanked the Scouts for participating in the training especially because president Uhuru Kenyatta who is also the patron of the Scouting movement in Kenya, had

mandated young people to come up with solutions to the menace of hate speech online.

“Your views on this as young people will be incorporated in a report to be submitted to the president” he said.

Ms Alice Kihungi, the Nairobi Scouts County Commissioner urged the Scouts to take in as much as they can from the training and share it with their peers, so as to play their part in creating a better world as they are mandated to as Scouts.

123 teachers around the country have been trained, students booklets produced and a google safety center developed for parents for the effective execution of this program to young people in the country.

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