

Japanese Scout Learns Indonesian Scout at UGM

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Saki Uchida, student of Asian Pacific University (APU), came to learn Scout to Universitas Gadjah Mada from 19-22 February. She learns it at UGM Scouts Student Activity unit.

Saki from the Scout Association of Japan (SAJ) told about her interest in Indonesian Scouts. She saw the Indonesian Scouts had developed well with a huge number of members across the country, different from that in Japan.

“Members of Japanese Scout are not as big,” said the recipient of the Fuji Scout awards, highest award in her country for scouting.

She learned that in Indonesia, Scout is included in the school curriculum, making the members massive.

“Scout movement in Japan is one community movement outside schools. While in Indonesia, scouts are included in the school curriculum for every school, so the members are huge,” she said.

In her visit to Yogyakarta, Saki also visited historical destination, such as Ullen Sentalu Museum, Mt.



Merapi Museum, Kaliadem site, as well as the city Yogyakarta. As a student of Tourism, she wants to learn dark tourism in Indonesia. Later she will visit Jakarta, Bandung, Tulungagung, Blitar, and Aceh. Her visit is part of her duty as Rover Scout to promote Japanese Scout to other countries.

Chairman of scout student unit at UGM, Afifatuz Zuraidah, said she was excited to share her experiences with Saki. This was expected to motivate and inspire UGM scouts.

“Saki is an active scout and has extensive experiences travelling the world for she joined the Japanese Scout. I hope she can motivate our members to make achievements,” she said.

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