



change -THE- SCRIPT 2025

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

ABOUT THE GATHERING

1. What are the dates and timing of the gathering?

21st August (Thursday), 22nd August (Friday), and 23rd August (Saturday) 2025
The gathering will start at 8:30 am onwards (with breakfast) on 21st August and conclude by lunch at 2:00 pm on 23rd August 2025.

2. Where can I get more information about the gathering?

On [Change the Script 2024](#) webpage, read reflections by Suchetha Bhat and what inspired us.

3. Is there a registration fee to participate in the gathering?

No. The gathering is supported by generous contributions from donors who want to encourage more collaborative impact in this space.

4. Where is the venue for the gathering?

SAIACS CEO Centre, Kyalasanahalli, Bengaluru, Karnataka 560077. [Click here](#) to access the location on Google Maps.

5. Who can I contact if I need more details about the gathering agenda?

The detailed agenda will be shared closer to the gathering. However, if you are curious and have specific questions, feel free to email Tania (she/her) at tania@dreamadream.org

6. Is this a residential gathering?

Yes, and we strongly encourage all participants to stay for the entire duration of the gathering. The CEO Centre has a beautiful lawn and terrace for walks and catch-ups.

We request you to bring all your necessary toiletries, hygiene products, mosquito repellents and personal medication.

7. Am I expected to attend all two and a half days of the gathering?

Yes. The gathering design is an immersive experience and a journey of transformation to help us explore, understand and co-create solutions to help young people thrive. Hence, we request all participants to be present for all days of the gathering. In fact, we encourage out-station participants to come a day earlier on 20th August 2025. However, it is not mandatory. Request you to plan your travel accordingly.

8. Can we invite others?

This is a non-transferrable invite. However, if you do feel someone can add value to the gathering, please do send their details to Tania (she/her) at tania@dreamadream.org and we can invite them, if spaces are still available.

9. What is the dress-code for the gathering?

There is no specific dress-code for the gathering. There will be some experiential sessions. Hence, we request you to wear comfortable clothes to be able to move around and sit on the floor. The temperature in Bengaluru is going to range between 19 degrees to 28 degrees Celsius, and the evenings are pleasantly cold. And since the venue is on the outskirts, it can get quite chilly at night. We request you to carry a light, warm sweater / jacket / shawl.

10. How many participants are expected at the gathering?

The gathering is limited to 100-120 participants.

11. Are young people participating in the gathering?

Yes. We believe no gathering focused on young people can be authentic without the voices of the youth. We will have 20% young people as active participants in the gathering. They are from Dream a Dream, partner organisations and government schools across states. If you would like to recommend a young person you know or from your organisation, do write to Tania at tania@dreamadream.org with their details.

12. What can I bring to the gathering?

Bring your creative self, empathy, love and your ability to listen and ask questions from a space of reflection. In addition, you can bring an instrument you play – drums / guitar / banjo / ukulele or anything else. There will be space for us to sit and jam in the evenings.

TRAVEL

13. Will I have to pay for my own travel (Flight/Train/Bus from another city to Bengaluru)?

Yes, however, if this is the only thing holding you back from attending, please write to Sushmitha (she/her) at changethescript@dreamadream.org and we can explore support.

14. Who can I contact for travel, accommodation and logistical support?

Shrikanth (him/his) - +91 9449062250; or Email Sushmitha (she/her) at: changethescript@dreamadream.org

15. How do I get to the venue?

If you plan to arrive at the venue alone, please give yourself 1.5 hours to reach from the centre of Bengaluru. To know how to reach the venue follow this link: [CEO Centre](#).

We will organise for local travel to and from the airport / railway station/ bus station / city centre and the venue. If you are not comfortable travelling on your own, you can make use of the transportation we have arranged to designated points of the city at specific times. To avail yourself of the transportation facilities, please write to changethescript@dreamadream.org or fill in the registration form with the necessary details.

16. I live in Bengaluru. How can I get to the venue?

We will be organising pick-ups from various locations in the city on the morning of 21st August 2025. We will send you details of the pick-up points closer to the gathering date. Alternatively, you can drive down using your own vehicle or take an Uber/Ola. The venue does have parking in case you plan to drive on your own.

17. I am staying back in Bengaluru post the gathering. How can I get to the city centre post the gathering?

We will be organising vehicles to take participants back to the city on 23rd August post the gathering and we are happy to drop you at a location convenient to you. You can also book a ride using Ola/Uber, as per your convenience.

If you need recommendations for a hotel close to the airport, we are happy to help. Please write to Sushmitha (she/her) changethescript@dreamadream.org.

ACCOMODATION

18. Will I have to organise my own accommodation?

No. Accommodation for all participants is provided at venue. Accommodation is clean and basic. Rooms are attached with geysers for hot water. You may also have to share the room with one other participant since the venue has limited rooms. This is a wonderful way to meet other inspiring people and share conversations and stories with them.

We encourage you to not book your accommodation anywhere at the centre of the city since the venue is a considerable distance away from the centre. If you do need a single room, do write to us and we will try our best.

19. I live in Bengaluru. Do I still need to stay at the gathering venue?

Yes. The venue is about 14 Kms from the city centre hence it may not be convenient for you to commute both-ways every day of the gathering. Secondly, the agenda on each day goes on until 10 pm and we wouldn't want you to miss some sessions because you need to drive back home. We would highly recommend staying at the venue.

20. I am arriving in Bengaluru on the 20th of August. Can I get accommodation at the venue for 20th night?

Yes. Please fill up the registration form to help us plan your logistics.

21. I am leaving Bengaluru a day after the last day of gathering. Can I get accommodation at the venue on 23rd August?

Yes. Please fill up the registration form to help us plan your logistics.

22. Will I have access to the Internet at the gathering?

Since the venue is in Bengaluru, the network and internet connectivity are smooth. In addition, the centre has Wi-Fi installed across campus. We will, however, encourage you to set aside work for 3-days and immerse into the gathering experience.

23. What other spaces are available in addition to the scheduled gathering agenda?

We respect and appreciate that sometimes each of us may need space to ourselves for reflection and time out. There will be an Art Village at the gathering venue and many art spaces spread across the venue. Feel free to step out anytime and use these spaces for reflection. In addition, the venue is a beautiful space for walks, with terrace and lawn. There is also an in-house coffee shop for you to network or huddle. Feel free to indulge in the space.

24. Do I need to submit any identification proof at the accommodation?

Yes. You are requested to submit a copy of a valid government-issued ID (such as Aadhaar card, Passport, Voter ID or Driving License) as proof of identity at the accommodation. Please ensure to share the ID proof with us on arrival.

MISCELLANEOUS

25. What kind of food will be served at the venue?

The food served at the venue will be Indian cuisine, including vegetarian and non-vegetarian meals. The chefs make delicious food, please don't blame us in case you end up overeating in those 2.5 days. ;)

However, if you do have any special dietary requirements (vegan, allergies etc), do feel free to write to Sushmitha (she/her) changethescript@dreamadream.org and we will plan for your needs.

We will make all efforts to provide wholesome meals and some snacks during the tea/coffee breaks. However, if you are someone who likes a midnight snack, please do bring some snacks with you.

26. What is the Consent Form for (to be signed at the venue)?

We will be documenting the proceedings of the gathering through photographs and videos. In addition, we will be inviting some media personnel to cover the gathering. We will be asking you to sign a 'consent form' during the registration process of the gathering on Day 1. However, if you do not want your photographs or video recordings to be taken, please do let the registration team know at the desk and we will do the needful.

We have also invited journalists to cover the gathering. We might reach out to some of you for media interviews and media bytes. Please feel free to decline if you do not wish to be part of the media interviews.

27. Are there any arrangements for medical emergencies at the gathering?

Yes, we have two hospitals nearby within the distance of 1.5 to 2 kms. In addition, we have arranged for first aid kits at the venue. A taxi with drivers will be stationed at the venue 24 hours, for emergencies; hospital is accessible in less than 15 minutes of travel time. An ambulance is available in 5-10 minutes.

28. Can I bring my child to the gathering?

The venue is a beautiful space and if your child is ok being on their own, we are happy to have your child accompany you. In addition, we will have an Art Village and lots of art materials to keep your child occupied. However, we don't have staff who can babysit your child, so we request you to use your discretion. If you need to discuss this, please write to Sushmitha (she/her) – changethescript@dreamadream.org

29. Is smoking allowed at the venue?

Smoking is not allowed at the venue. However, you can step outside the venue gate for smoking.

For any additional questions, do write to us at changethescript@dreamadream.org and we will be happy to assist you.

