

# CHANGE LIVES

# **GOVERNOR'S MONTHLY LETTER - SEPTMBER 2021**

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# **DINNER WITH GOVERNOR OF WEST BENGAL**





Hon'ble Shri Jagdeep Dhankhar Governor of West Bengal

Smt. Sudesh Dhankhar request the pleasure of the company of

Mrs. & Mr. Prabir Chatterjee

At Dinner

at Raj Bhavan, Kolkata on 9th August, 2021 at 07.30 p.m.









# **MESSAGE FROM DG PRABIR CHATTERJEE**



#### Friends,

It was really a great journey for all of us, the entire District 3291 Team during August. It was an eventful month, full of enthusiasm of the Presidents & Club Members and I was really very much fortunate to experience the same.

We observed Rotary Day of Service on Empowering Girls on 15th August which was an unbelievable success. 92 clubs of District 3291 participated in 380 projects, which was really remarkable. It was amazing that Past Governors were so enthusiastic and visited many projects along with the District Team members. I thank all Past Governors for their inspiration and active participation on 15th August. It was pink everywhere. The pink banner which we designed, was displayed everywhere in 3291 enhancing the Rotary Image.

Similarly we observed Rotary Week of Service for Hariyali – the Mega Tree Plantation Drive. It was an amazing experience for me that we could plant more than 1 lakh saplings during the week between the 14th& 21st of August. On 20th August, we had the Mega drive and on one single day we planted more than 10,000 saplings. Celebrities along with Government officials & Past District Governors were present during the Mega Plantation Drive on Eastern Metropolitan Bypass (courtesy KMDA) and on that day the entire District 3291 became Green.

Huge hoardings on 'Empowering Girls' and 'Hariyali' –Pink & Green were displayed on Eastern Metropolitan Bypass which really magnified the Public Image of Rotary. Truly speaking, I received many enquiries relating to Rotary activities from many of my friends & family members – all non-Rotarians. And I really felt proud of myself for being a Rotarian. These projects, this entire system was possible only because of the District Team members. I once again thank all the District Team members & specially the Team Promotion for their support, cooperation and active participation. I don't want to take any name because everyone was involved which I just have to acknowledge.

Similarly, we have many plans for the month of September. Being the Literacy Month, we are planning to observe Rotary Day of Service for Literacy (Saksharata) on 19th September. We will also observe Rotary Day of Service for Blood Donation (Jiban Daan) on 4th September. Few Seminars on Mental Health, Peace, Financial Literacy and many more will be organised.

My message will not be complete without mentioning the support of the Rotaractors. They are really the Diamonds of our District. In each of our programs – Empowering Girls, Hariyali, visit to Sagar Island – wherever required, the Rotaractors were always present. I believe they are the present and they are the future. Thank you Rotaractors!

# HARIYALI – ROTARY WEEK OF SERVICE for the ENVIRONMENT from 14th – 21st August

Planting a tree is equated with planting a life - it is like sowing the seeds of hope for starting life anew. With this thought in mind, Rotary International District 3291 and Rotaract District Organization 3291 joined hands to organise HARIYALI- a Mega Tree Plantation Drive. This falls under one of the "Seven Areas of Focus" of Rotary International for Supporting the Environment. Contributing to the environment is a significant part of truly changing the world for the better and this initiative is a small step towards our goal of achieving a brighter future. As part of this initiative, each of the Rotary and Rotaract Clubs of RID 3291 were given saplings (fruit bearing trees/ non-fruit bearing trees) which they planted between 14th August - 21st August, 2021. Trees were planted on both sides of the road from Metro Cash & Carry crossing to Kalikapur Crossing. The trees were enclosed within bamboo structures with Rotary branding. This great show was possible due to the commitment of Team 3291. Thank you PDG Amitava Mookerjee, PDG Uttam Ganguli, PDG Rajani Mukerji, PDG Pinaki Prasad Ghosh, PDG Brojo Gopal Kundu, DGE Ajoy Law, Rtn Debshankar Halder - eminent Actor, Rtn Surajit Chattopadhyay - eminent Singer, and all officials from Urban Dev. Dept. (A Govt. of WB Undertaking) for their presence and support. Special thanks to DRR Arka and his entire Team. The clubs took active part in this venture. The Host clubs were Ballygunge South, Calcutta, Calcutta Chowrenghee, Calcutta Endeavour, Calcutta Kankurgachi, Calcutta Mid City, Calcutta Millenium, Calcutta Universe and Calcutta Yuvis. The Co-host clubs were Ballygunge, Behala, Bidhannagar, Calcutta Dalhousie, Calcutta Jadavpur, Calcutta Magnum, Calcutta Metro South, Calcutta Metropolitan, Calcutta South City Towers, Calcutta Sutanuti, Calcutta Victoria, East Calcutta, Kolkata Galaxy, Rabindra Sarobar Calcutta, Salt Lake Central, Salt Lake Green City and Salt Lake Metropolitan Kolkata. The Rotaract partners were Calcutta Yuvis, Central Calcutta and Salt Lake Downtown.

On 19th August, 100+ trees of custard apple, banana etc were planted at Satya Sadhna Kendra, Khyada by **Rotary Belur**. 100 plants were distributed amongst members & other people to plant in their areas. Plantation was done in Salt Lake & other areas on 21st August.

**Rotary Belvedere Gardens Calcutta** planted about 20 Fruit and Flower saplings in and around Shishu Kalyan School on 15th August.

On 14th August, Rotary Budge Budge collected 200 saplings and distributed to 5 club sponsored RCCs for plantation in their

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areas – Nishchintapur, Mahishamuri, Rajarampur, Paikpara (all in 24 Pgns south) and Prinitir Prayas (24 Pgns North).

**Rotary Calcutta** undertook a tree-planting drive along Shakespeare Sarani & Rawdon Street on 24th August with over 300 saplings being planted, in association with KMC Ward 64 Co-ordinator, Ms. Sushmita Bhattacharjee and her team. Some saplings were offered to pedestrians and onlookers.

**Rotary Calcutta Avyanna** with its Interact Club of Birla Bharati organised a plantation drive on 19th August and collected 125 tree saplings and planted them within the school premises.

**Rotary Calcutta Centenary** held the project at West Bengal Legislative Assembly House Gardens under the patronage of Hon'ble Speaker, Shri Biman Banerjee and Hon'ble Minister in Charge Forest Department, Shri Jyotipriya Mullick and MoS Smt. Birbaha Hansda. They planted 10 fruit bearing plants and distributed 150 saplings amongst 75 staff and guests in Assembly House. The Consular General of Royal Bhutan Government was present.

Rotary Calcutta Chowrenghee planted 10 trees in Kolkata.

**Rotary Calcutta East Central** planted and distributed 100 fruit trees, 50 flower saplings and 50 other saplings at their RCC Sonartori Women & Child Welfare Institution, Shyambasu Chakw Block Hatugunj 24 PGS (S) on 22nd August.

**Rotary Calcutta Endeavour** collected 700 Trees for plantation in various parts of the city.

**Rotary Calcutta Jadavpur** planted saplings with tree guards near Metro Cash & Carry on 20th August.

10 saplings were planted by Rotary Calcutta Kankurgachi.

Rotary Calcutta Magnum planted more than 100 trees.

On 19th August **Rotary Calcutta Majestic** planted 6 saplings in the green corridor near water tank 5, CB Block Action Area 1 in Newtown. On 20th August, flowering and other saplings were planted in Tollygunge area and by the bank of Adi Ganga in Kudghat. The plants included Mohagony, jackfruit, Blackberry and Guava.

**Rotary Calcutta Metro South** planted jarul trees near EM bypass.

**Rotary Calcutta New Alipore** distributed 500 fruits saplings amongst the villagers of Sheoratala, Jamtala, Basar, Gopinathpur in South 24 Paraganas.

**Rotary Calcutta Samaritans** collected 70 saplings of fruit bearing and flower bearing trees from Eden Gardens Nursery and donated the plants to Arogya Sandhan Residential Care Home for Differently Able People at Sonarpur.

**Rotary Calcutta South Circle** planted more than 100 plants, mainly coconut and betelnut saplings in their RCC St Xavier's College, Raghavpur campus and at their Interact St Paul's School and at Kalahrdaya 19th August.

Around 25 Mango and 10 Leechi saplings were planted behind Shabujayan, a big Residential Complex on the Eastern Fringes of Kolkata and in a Housing Complex in Bosepukur Area on 29th August by Rotary **Calcutta Sun City.** These saplings were home grown and were given protective covers with placards of the club's name.

60 Fruit bearing and 40 non fruit bearing saplings were collected by **Rotary Calcutta Sutanuti** from Eden Gardens and

distributed to RCC, Rotrators and Survey Park Police Station.

40 saplings were planted **Rotary Central Gardens Calcutta** on 29th August at Sneha Orphanage near Kalikapur Dhalai Bridge Bazar Area.

Tree Plantation project was held at Probortok Seva Samity, Chandannagar - a School for Deaf and Dumb Children by **Rotary Chandannagar** on 28th August.

60 saplings were planted by **Rotary Garden Reach** at Na Manusher Swargo at Samali, Bakhrahat Road.

Saplings were planted by **Rotary Geetanjali Kolkata** at Kamakhya Balak Ashram an orphanage in Madhyamgram. Biscuits and chocolates were distributed. 100 saplings were collected from Forest Department Nursery on Southern Avenue and planted with Rotaractors of Geetanjali at a nursery-land situated on Badu Road near BSF Camp, Madhyamgram which is under the care of Vipassana centre Dhamma Banga, Baruipur. Saplings were planted with our RCC Behala Utsab Foundation at St. Elizabeth Girls School, Behala.

Plantation project of **Rotary Jodhpur Gardens Calcutta** was conducted at Katjunagar, near Jadavpur in presence of PDG Mukul Sinha.

**Rotary Kallolini Kolkata** planted saplings at Gariahat Tram Depot, Mandeville Gardens CESC office, Gariahat ITI, CLGC and Baruipur garden.

On 29th August, **Rotary Kolkata Galaxy** planted 200 saplings at Jayaboti Abasan (Behala), Sarsuna Agragati Club, Ramkrishna Sadhanasram (Sarsuna Behala), Asutosh College 2nd Campus, Vasha (Diamond Harbour Road) and Sirakol 2nd Campus of G. B. Memorial School (D.H. Road).

300 saplings, both fruit bearing and non-fruit bearing were planted by **Rotary Kolkata Urbana** at Ushepara village near Bhojerut on 29th August. They were planted in the school campus and around the village.

**Rotary New Ballygunge** planted saplings at Dhaniakhali, Hooghly on 15th August. On 21st August, with members of Jaggadal Bandhab Bayam Samity and local residents & youths, 20 saplings - 1 pc Termina, 4 pcs Butterfly and 15 pcs Lantana were planted in the garden of Jaggadal Bandhav Bayam Samiti.

Saplings were donated by **Rotary North Calcutta** to the members of RCC Kaijuri Prayas.

**Rotary Salt Lake Central** distributed 70 saplings of flowers and fruits to Block residents on 22nd August.

**Rotary Salt Lake City Calcutta** planted 50 tree saplings at BA-CA Ground at Salt Lake on 29th August.



# Independence Day, 15th August designated as.... ROTARY DAY OF SERVICE

Rotary Day of Service for Empowering Girls (স্বপ্ন) was observed on 15th August. All Clubs were requested to organise any project/programme on Empowering Girls and use the same Banner everywhere to create an Impact on the non-Rotarians. Approx. 90 clubs organised more than 400 Projects on Empowering Girls on a single day. A great day for 3291!! Thanks to PDG Anirudha Roychowdhury, PDG Angsuman Bandyopadhyay, PDG Uttam Ganguli and PDG Mukul Sinha for visiting and inspiring the Clubs (more than 30). Special thanks to the District Team, who are the backbone of the District, for making it possible. Team 1 consisted of DG Prabir Chatterjee, Jaydeb Banerjee, Jayati Ghosh and Rtr. Sheersha - co-chair Empowering Girls. Team 2 consisted of PDG Anirudha Roychowdhury & Rakesh Bhatia. Team 3 consisted of PDG Angsuman Bandyopadhyay, Amitava Chakrabarty and Nandini Shome. Team 4 consisted of PDG Uttam Ganguli, Asit Talukdar and DRR Arka. Team 5 consisted of PDG Mukul Sinha and Vikram Tantia and Team 6 consisted of Sibabrata Roy, Pradyumna Choudhury and Ashif Shah.

**Rotary Behala** joined hands with 123 Ward Citizens' Forum and organised a programme "Ichchhe Dana" or Wings of Wishes for girl students of the marginalised locality of Chongarbon, selected by local Self Help Group of ladies. 20 girl students from class 9 onwards were provided with 'Data Pack' for 2 months for attending online classes. Block Games were given to another 20 girls (upto Class 8).

Sanitary Napkins were distributed to females at RCC Arupota to highlight the importance of good menstrual hygiene management by **Rotary Belur**. Rtn Dr Raj Rani sponsored and distributed the Napkins and educated the women on the importance of using Sanitary Napkins.

**Rotary Belvedere Gardens Calcutta** organised an awareness program on Women's Rights & Empowerment and Cervical Cancer & Menstrual Hygiene among mothers of students, teachers and local females at Shishu Kalyan School. About 90 women attended and were provided with a pack of Sanitary Napkins.

On 14th Aug, **Rotary Budge Budge** felicitated 50 frontline working girls of Nistha who went to each & every house of their village for Thermal Screening & Awareness during the First Phase of Covid 19. They were rewarded with Gift Packs, Sweets, Chocolates & Certificates. A Dental Awareness Program was also done with around 80 Girls with a Free Dental Check Up. The program was held at Sharada Bhawan, Tongtala, Baruipur.

**Rotary Calcutta** proposed and launched project Akriti for sponsoring 1000 prosthetic limbs for girls and women.

**Rotary Calcutta Avyanna** organised an interactive talk on Menstrual Hygiene by Dr. Sujata Das to 40 women of Jujersa Villege in Panchla, Howrah. The club distributed biodegradable sanitary napkins, soaps, sanitisers and masks along with snacks to the women. Goodie bags containing snacks, color pencils, erasers and small national flags were gifted to 20 children present there.

Rotary Calcutta Centenary participated by spreading

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awareness on Menstrual Hygiene and Cervical Cancer prevention and Vaccination and Distribution of Sanitary Napkins at Suchona Sishu Siksha Kendra, Saradapally, Rishra Panchayat, Rishra.

**Rotary Calcutta Charnock City** distributed nutritious food to the female patients at SVS Marwari Hospital on Amherst Street. Food packets were given to the health workers and Doctors were felicitated. A cultural program was held at the auditorium. Awareness program on Menstrual Hygiene, Cervical Cancer and breast cancer was held for the woem residents of red light area at Sonagachi. 25 ladies were given dry rations, sanitizers, masks and Sanitary Napkins.

**Rotary Calcutta Chowrenghee** organized a talk on menstrual hygiene and cervical cancer at Shivtalla Purbopara - Uluberia, which was attended by 50 ladies. A self-help group – Stree - of 15 women from the village, have been trained to make reusable sanitary pads which will be sold. The unit was inaugurated by PDG Mukul Sinha.

Girls Rights Are Human Rights – was observed by **Rotary Calcutta Dhakuria** along with its RCC Sikrihat, Jaynagar. After flag hoisting, Sarees were distributed to 100 women and Legal Advice was provided to nearly 100 Girls/Women by 4 advocates free of cost. Two Lady Speakers spoke on Matri Shakti roles played by women during Pre-Independence period and providing ways of their economic freedom.

**Rotary Calcutta East Central** launched Virangana Project at their RCC Chaltabagan Sarbojanin Durgotsav Committee premises. Instructor SENSEI Utpal Charborty started "AIKIDO" Martial art self training classes which will be held thrice a week.

**Rotary Calcutta Endeavour** jointly with Rotary Cossipore arranged Virangana - a day-long self-defence training by two professional trainers for 35 girls at a community hall in North Kolkata. The participants were provided with refreshments and lunch during the day long training session. PDG Aniruddha Roy Choudhury and District Secretary Projects Rakesh Bhatia attended the program along with Ms. Shreya Pande, daughter of MLA Sadhan Pandey.

**Rotary Calcutta Inner City** organised a talk for the mothers of children of the school at RCC Ranjapur. Around 40 women attended the talk by Dr Sujata Datta on Menstrual Hygiene and Menstrual Cups. Cervical cancer prevention and cervical vaccine information were also discussed. Menstrual Cups were distributed to the women.

An awareness program on cervical cancer, paediatric cancer and menstrual hygiene was given for women of reproductive age group at New Garia by **Rotary Calcutta Jadavpur**. Health check up was done and Sanitary napkins and English to Bengali dictionaries were distributed. Sanitary napkins were distributed among underprivileged girls near Golpark.

Virangana, a 2-day workshop on self-defence was held by Rotary **Calcutta Kankurgachi** with Chaitali Sangha. Sessions on nutrition, diet and psychological issues in life were also held. The participants were given certificates and Rotary branded face masks. **Rotary Calcutta Magnum** organised an event of empowering girls at Shanti Rani School, Bansdroni and distributed Stationery along with masks and sanitizers to 63 under privileged girls.

**Rotary Calcutta Metro South** held a talk on health and hygiene for women by Rtn Dr. Satinder Kaur at village Dumki and biodegradable sanitary napkins were distributed. Yogic asanas were also taught.

**Rotary Calcutta Metropolitan** distributed Dry Rations to 235 girl students of PACE Learning Centre and girls who passed the Secondary Examinations with more than 60% were rewarded. Scholarship of USD 1,000 was given to a student.

Self Defence and martial Arts training for Girls was held by Rotary **Calcutta Nabodiganta**.

**Rotary Calcutta New Alipore** distributed text books to 10 girl students of their school, Keoratala Basanabla Girls High Sschool, who have been admitted to Class XI.

**Rotary Calcutta North East** held an awareness awareness program on Menstrual Hygiene and Prevention of Cervical Cancer conducted by Rtn Dr Krishnendu Gupta at The Refuge. More than 30 beneficiaries and attendees benefited from the camp. The beneficiaries were given food packets.

**Rotary Calcutta Presidency** organized an awareness program on Cervical Cancer & Menstrual Hygiene by Dr. Rina on ZOOM for the young girls of RCC Champahati Bird. A talk on How To Love Yourself was also given. 35 girls & club members attended.

An Awareness Project on Girls' Rights are Human Rights was held by **Rotary Calcutta Samaritans** at a Government Urban Shelter at Kalighat run by KMC and Maya Foundation. A group of 50 girls aged between 12 - 18 years were selected to attend the programme. The Session was conducted by Rtn Sutapa Dutta and he explained and discussed various Laws that protect Women's Rights. 70 food packets were distributed to the participants and children staying in the shelter. An Awareness Session on Menstrual Hygiene was conducted by Rtn Ruby Ray at the same shelter. Awareness was made about sanitation, cleanliness, healthy way of living, diet and using Sanitary Napkins. Sanitary Napkin Packs were distributed.

**Rotary Calcutta Sankalp** organised an Awareness Camp on Menstrual Hygiene among the domestic helps of the gated area. Eminent Gynecologist PP Dr Dibyendu Banerjee, spoke about the Do's and Don'ts of Menstrual Health to the participants. The session was followed by a Q&A session where doubts were cleared by Dr Banerjee and Dr Jayshree Kundu. 45 Participants attended and all were given a pack of sanitary napkins and Food Packets.

Rotary Calcutta South Circle named the project উডोन meaning Flight. The second Virangana, a Self Defence Awareness Workshop was held on 14th & 15th of August at Kalahrdaya for girl children of no means or little means. Sensei Avijit Mitra and his team imparted the training in Aikido, a Japanese marshal art. A total of 37 girls attended. A session each on Nutrition and Psychological Counseling were also made part of Virangana workshop. Certificates and Help-Cards with Kolkata Police Help-line Number had been awarded to the participants.

A self defence workshop was held by **Rotary Calcutta South City Towers** at South City Club in association with Interact Calcutta South City Towers. The demonstrations were conducted by Miss Aritri Dey – a 9 times state champion, 7 times national medal holder, commonwealth & asian games player, Indian Team Athelete, self defence trainer, karate & fitness instructor.

An Awareness Talk was held by **Rotary Calcutta Sun City** at Kasba Sporting Club. The speakers were Dr. Shantashree Sen (Topic - Cervical Cancer), PP Dr. Bandana Homchaudhuri (Topic - Menstrual Hygiene) and AG Sabari Mitra & PP Anusuya Ganguly (Topic - Women Empowerment). The program was attended by more than 80 persons. DG Prabir Chatterjee graced the occasion with his team and shared his thoughts. A Health Check-up was also held for Women. Pulse check, BP, Height & Weight with Bone Mass Density Test was done for 50 women. Preliminary Gynaecological tests were also done.

Project Prerana was held as an awareness session on Cervical Cancer and Menstrual Hygiene was organised by **Rotary Calcutta Sutanuti** in collaboration with Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose Cancer Hospital (NSCBCH) and RCC Lake Gardens Women and Children Development Centre. The session was facilitated by Dr. Anindya Sen, Chief Medical Officer of NSCBCH. 53 underprivileged women attended the session.

**Rotary Central Gardens Calcutta** observed the day at Sneha Orphanage, Mukundapur with flag hoisting, Marital Arts performance by the children, Drawing competition for the children and distribution of Smartphones for Girls as support for online education. Prizes were given for drawing competition and Martial Arts performance. Lunch packets were distributed.

Members of Rotary **Chandannagar & Rotaract Chandannagar** visited the Red Light area of Seoraphuli for Flag Hoisting Ceremony followed by distribution of food packets, Sanitary Napkins and masks. Awareness about the use of Sanitary Napkins was given. The program was assisted by a local NGO.

An awareness Seminar with Audio-visual on Cervical Cancer and Breast Cancer along with methods of treatment, was held by **Rotary Contai**. 10 Solar lamps were given to girls from financially weak families.

Holistictic Self Defense Training Workshop – Virangana was held by **Rotary Cossipore**. 35 girls selected from 7 Municipal Wards, underwent training by Sr. Instructors, Sri Anindya Banerjee & Prabhakar Samaddar, from Academy of Aikido (INDIA) at Krishnapally Community Hall in Maniktala. All participants were provided colorful jerseys with Rotary logo. Refreshments and lunch was provided for all. The program was held jointly with **Rotary Calcutta Endeavour** and attended by DRFC PDG Anirudha Roy Chowdhury, DS Rakesh Bhatia and well known Social contributor Smt. Shreya Pandey.

Self defence training was given to children by **Rotary Domkal Murshidabad.** 

Under Project Support, **Rotary Dumdum** gave provisions, food packets and chocolates at Snehaneer - a home to rehabilitate the 25 girl inmates of various ages having been detected as HIV +, most if them abandoned by their families.

**Rotary East Calcutta** organised a free Gynaecological and free Medicine Distribution camp for Underprivileged women at Rotary Bhawan, Beliaghata. Educational Kits were distributed to 25 Girl Students. A Sanitary Napkin Vending Machine was installed at the Child in Need Institute Home for the girls rescued from Human Trafficking at Moulali. A Free Legal Aid Centre for underprivileged women of Beleghata was inaugurated and Lady Advocates appointed. With Rotaract East Calcutta, the club has pledged to sponsor the education of 10 girl students to meet their Educational cost for 1 year by way of Monthly Stipend.

**Rotary Garden Reach** held Flag Hoisting Ceremony, distribution of Educatioal Kits & Tiffin for 65 girls and 10 boys at Bawali, South 24 Pgs.

**Rotary Geetanjali Kolkata** conducted Flag hoisting and Virangana at Repose Nursing Home, Broad Street. Virangana participants, Trainers, District delegates and many others were felicitated with gifts. Rtn Dr Sudipta Chandra delivered a talk on Nutrition and Health. Members spent time with the residents of Seva, a home for aged women and distributed sweets.

A seminar on Women Empowerment was organised by **Rotary Howrah** at their community hall. PDG Amitava Mookherjee was the Keynote speaker and talked about Micro Credit. A Sewing Center was inaugurated on this occasion with registrations from 12 local girls. A Karate Show also was organised by girl students of 12th standard of Howrah Girls' School to inspire the ladies present towards self defence.

**Rotary Jodhpur Gardens Calcutta** distributed Study Books, Note Books, Pens & refreshment packets to 30 underprivileged girls of Kalighat area at Pathchala, 28/2L Nakuleshwar Bhattacharya Lane, Kolkata 26.

**Rotary Kallolini Kolkata** donated a cheque to Hope Foundation, an orphanage for girls at Madurdaha. A virtual talk on cervical Cancer Awareness and Menstrual Hygiene by Dr. Arundhati De was held.

Books were donated by **Rotary Kolkata Galaxy**, to Junior and Senior sections of Panshila Deshbandhu Nagar Vidya Mandir for girls, Sodepur and Sristi Academy on 16th August, in association with WWKRKMAA and Chhaya Prakashani and organized by Khardah Manan Welfare Society. Self defence classes were held in association with Sports Karate Association of India (SKAI) and Khardah Manan Welfare Society at Panshila Deshbandhu Nagar Vidya Mandir for girls, Panshila, Sodepur on 16th August, under the Guidance of Kancho Bodh Narayan Yadav (9th Dan Black Belt). More than 30 Middle aged women benefitted from the program.

**Rotary Kolkata Urbana** conceived a year-long mega project to create awareness about bio-degradable pads and distribute 50,000 re-usable cloth pads to females. The launch was held at Indus Valley School, Kolkata on 18th August 2021. RI President, Shekhar Mehta, joined as the Chief Guest virtually from Rotary Headquarters at Evanston, Illinois, United States. DG Prabir Chatterjee and First lady, Rubena was the Guest of Honour. at the launch event. The event was attended by District Officials and Rotaract District Rotaract Representative, RI District, 3291. Speakers from Rotary Action Group, Menstrual Health and Hygiene - Vidhya Srinivasan (Vice Chairman, RAG MHH) and Deb Nygaard (Director, RAG, MHH) - talked on the impact of Menstrual Health and Hygiene and how it has transformed lives. Beneficiaries were Interactors from Indus Valley School, girls from Ektara Foundation and Mundapara slums.

**Rotary New Ballygunge** donated Learning Materials (100 exercise books, 100 pencils, 100 erasers & 10 pcs of sharpeners) to the granddaughter of a maid, to underprivileged students of Adult School of RCC SNDMA Nari Kalyan Samity and

to Underprivileged students of NGO RIHAD, Jadavpur.

**Rotary North Calcutta** held an awareness programme on Menstrual Hygiene for girls by Rtn Dr. Krishnendu Gupta. Food packets & sanitary napkins were distributed.

**Rotary Purulia** donated 4 Tabs to young girls. 1000 packets containing 8000 sanitary pads were distributed to young women and girls. 8 cycles were donated to young girls. A self defense training workshop for young girlswith 10 trainers was held in association with Rotaract Club of Purulia Central and REWA Foundation. 36 girls participated.

Swapno - Cervical Cancer and Menstrual Hygiene Awareness camp was held at Rotary Prakash Bhavan by **Rotary Salt Lake Central**. Rtn Dr Krishnendu Gupta and Dr Amitabha Chakrabarti were guest speakers. 55 beneficiaries were present.

**Rotary Salt Lake City Calcutta**, along with Zone 10 clubs, organised a seminar where Rtn Dr Krishnendu Gupta gave an audio visual presentation on Menstrual Hygiene and Dr Amitava Chakraborti on Cervical Cancer. There were 46 participants. Breakfast was provided for the participants.

**Rotary Sundarban** held Virangana and 200 girls were given martial arts training for self defence and security.

# Photos for Rotary Day of Service











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(2021-22) -VIRANGANA ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA PRESIDENCY IN ASSOCIATION WITH RCC CHAMPAHATI BIRD

MENSTRUAL HYGIENE

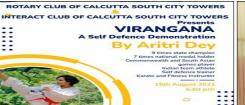






DR. RINA MALPAN























# DISTRICT 3291 GROWS...

The strength of RID 3291 is 165 clubs noiw with Rotary Port Blair NextGen being the newest addition, with 21 Charter Members.

# Rotary Medica Wellness Helpline Card

Dear Friends, Rotary Medica Wellness Helpline Card is now a reality. Please fill up the form mentioned herein below so that your HELPLINE CARD can be printed. This Corporate Card will be gifted to each Rotarian before Durga Puja. The Card will remain valid for you and your family members till June, 2023. For further queries, contact: Rtn. Sinchana Bhattacharjee @ 9874595389, Rtn. Asit Talukdar @ 9433003110 or DG Prabir Chatterjee @ 9831010702. The last date of submission of the form, is Sunday 26th September, 2021. https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdau6Ur3w4Kr9dpMAlja8JVflT5ofGwwflh CwxiXTcVwtOzqw/viewform



# **ROTARY IN MOTION...**

# **BEHALA**

As part of a District Project, the Club supplied four large (Jumbo) oxygen cylinders for patients admitted in ICU of Balananda Hospital, Behala on 6th August.

The National flag was hoisted at Free To Be Kids campus at Thakurpukur on 15th August. A cheque towards remuneration for the next 3 months for the teachers of adult education of the centre was handed over. Fruit trees were planted in the campus.

Hariyali was co-hosted.

Rakshabandhan was celebrated at the rural centre of Free To Be Kids at Nepalgunge, Krishnarampur, Amgachia on 22nd August.

An International Webinar on Organ Donation was organised by rotaryorgandonation.org, with an initiative by some clubs from RID 3011 on 28th August. Three speakers from various fields and regions spoke on different aspects of organ donation and two recipients and one donor shared their experiences. PP (Dr) Siddhartha Chakraborty was one of the speakers.

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On 29th July, the Interact Club of M.C.K.V organised an awareness programme on Covid-19 and mental health for the ancillary staff of MCKV Institute of Engineering. It was about the importance of Covid vaccination and other safety measures to follow. Some basic guidelines were also given on how to maintain a stable mental health. The session was conducted by one of the Interactors along with the school counsellor.

Under project DivyaDaanam, food was distributed to more than 200 poor and needy people on 30th July near Boothnath temple Kolkata.

A free Homeopathic clinic was started by the club in 1973 at 31,



GT Road, Liluah. The clinic is still functioning. A Talk was organised on Leadership on 31st July.

On 4th August, an MOU was signed with Maheswari Vidyalaya under GG #1869981 & #1526788 to rebuild toilets in all the 5 floors of the school in two months time.

On 4th August, two tube wells were inaugurated in Azimganj, Murshidabad for individual households.

Charter Day on 8th August, was organised with a fun activity of slingshots to throw at a

members being given seed balls & slingshots to throw at a vacant plot. The project aimed at supporting the environment.

At Vivekananda Vidyapith, a co-ed primary school at Baranagar, under WinS project the club supported construction of a covered group handwashing station with 10 taps, a drinking water station along with a 500 LPH water purifier, an underground drainage system, an underground water reservoir of 1000 lt capacity and an overhead tank of 500 lt capacity. The project partner is Rotary Calcutta North Suburban.

On 15th August, healthy food along with packets of chips and toffees, was provided to 150 children of SOS village in Salt Lake. Outdoor games were also distributed to the children with the

# **CLUBS AND THEIR PROJECTS**

help of Mayor Krishna Chakraborty. Be Fit To Stay Hit was the message given. At Rcc Arupota, 50 children were given food along with chips and toffees. Celebration was in the form of Fancy Dress, Cultural Program, Singing etc. 100 children in other areas were also provided lunch.

On 15th August, a biscuits distribution drive was launched for a week with members participating in all areas from North to South Kolkata and Salt Lake. 2000 packets of biscuits were distributed.

Food grains were distributed in Barrabazar area under project DivyaDaanam on 21st August.

2nd Blood Donation Drive camp was held on 22nd August at Nehru Children Museum with Assocation of Voluntary Blood Donors West Bengal. 40 units of collected went to M.R Bangur & another 46 went to Salt Lake Hospital blood banks.

# **BELVEDERE GARDENS CALCUTTA**



Covid Awareness program, Medical emergency relief camp with distribution of free medicines for about 100 patients was held at RCC Basudebberia, Purba Medinipur on 25th July. Rtn Dr Prasanta Kumar Bhattacharyya, Rtn Dr Pradeep Kumar Nemani, Rtn Dr Debasish Bera & Rtn Dr Manindra Nath Roy attended the camp. 210 free fruit saplings of Guava, Lemon and Jamrul were given to the underprivileged people.

On 25th July, 50 packets of Amul Milk and 50 packets of ORS were given to Adibasi children and Awareness was given on Menstrual Hygiene along with distribution of 50 packets of sanitary napkins to the Adibasi women at Hatiram village, Bankura.

On 31st July, 5 Jumbo Oxygen Cylinders donated by Rotary District were handed over to Subarna Banik Samaj Calcutta Trust (Kalidas Mallick Sebayatan), 47 G.C. Avenue, Kolkata 700013 for their 20 General & ICU beds and 10 Covid beds.

An Emergency Health Check up Camp with distribution of free medicines to about 150 patients was held on 1st August at Debendra Sporting Club, Kalyan Nagar, Rahara, Kolkata in association with Khardah Manan and Hariyana Seva Samaj. Rtn Dr Prasanta Kumar Bhattacharyya, Rtn Dr Abhijit Chaudhuri, Rtn Dr Manindra Nath Roy & 3 other Medical Officers attended the Camp. Awareness on Covid, Vaccination and Menstrual hygiene was also conducted. 50 packs of Sanitary Napkins were distributed.

Multidisciplinary Health check up camp with Pulse, Blood pressure, Body weight, ECG, Eye Check up done for about 150 patients in Fultali Milan Mandir Club, Baruipur in association with Protect the Warrior & Manan on 13th August. Free medicines were given to the needy. Awareness about Covid,

Vaccination, Thalassemia, Menstrual Hygiene was given and free sanitary napkins were distributed to 50 females. A Blood Donation Camp was organised and 35 units collected.

On 13th August a Health check up Camp and awareness program on Menstrual Hygiene and Cervical Cancer was organized with PTW for about 50 women of red light area of Puraton Bazar, Baruipur. Free Medicines, food packets and Sanitary Napkins were distributed. Packets of Biscuits, Cakes and Milk were distributed to about 50 children.

On 14th August, a Mega Multidisciplinary Health check up Camp was held with distribution of free medicines along with Covid Awareness program for around 150 patients. A blood donation camp was also held. Eye Check up was done for 12 patients. The camp was held in association with Protect The Warriors at Mahajati Kalyan Samiti, Ruby Park.

75th Independence Day was celebrated with flag hoisting at Shishu Kalyan School at club sponsored RCC. All 95 students of the school were given packets of Biscuits, Cakes and a glass of Lassi. They were also given a kit containing an exercise copy, a drawing copy, pencil, eraser, sharpener, file and a colour box.

A Medical relief camp was organised in association with IMA Bengal on 23rd August for about 200 Flood affected people of Howrah at Udaynarayapur Rural Handloom Hut Complex with Free distribution of Medicines.

Covid Awareness and Vaccination Awareness program was held in association with Khardah Manan Welfare Society held on 23rd July, for the people at Beleghata Main Road, Kolkata. The program was conducted by Rtn Dr Prasanta Kumar Bhattacharyya.

# **BUDGE BUDGE**



A Health Check up camp with Eye Check Up was held at Kultali Block, Baruipur, 24 Parganas (S) on 25th July in association with NGO Anuvab. Around 200 people got General Health Check &77 people were screened for Eye Test, out of which 21 patients were suggested for operation to be held in August at Rotary Budge Budge Eye Hospital.

Rotaract Budge Budge completed Itni si Hasi - a clothes distribution drive on 1st August in the outskirts of Sovabazar, Lal Mandir, North Kolkata. The Project was done with Rotary Budge Budge.

On 18th August, a Zonal Talk Session on ZOOM was co-hosted with Rotary Behala on Awareness & Discussion Session on Telecom Industry in India with Management Guru Mr Partho Banerjee.

Rotaract Budge Budge distributed 1 Lungi and 1 Gamcha to 15 Hand Rikshaw Pullers on 21st August at Bowbazar area.

# **CALCUTTA**



Aranyak – a project to Save the Environment - was inaugurated in Taj Bengal Banquet Room in presence of Taj Executives on August 6. For this project, the club will provide old news papers to Taj Bengal, who will produce paper bags by deploying their staff on voluntary basis as their CSR Project. The paper bags will be sold by the club through RCCs, mainly The Refuge. Revenue earned will be used for tree plantation.

On International Youth Day 12th August, a virtual Global Rotaract Meet was organised on "Role of Rotaract : Peace and Resilience in the post Pandemic Era." Over 30 International Clubs from US, Shanghai, Philippines, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Nigeria, Zimbabwe, Nepal, Bhutan, Pakistan participated in the programme. Several Clubs from RID 3291 and RID 3142 participated in the event. The Keynote Address was delivered by Ramirez-Miranda Juan Pablo, Head of the UNESCO Youth Programme for South Asia. He spoke on the Sustainable Development Goals and the need for the youth to connect to achieve these Goals including "Peace" by transcending geographies and country boundaries. RI President Shekhar delved on the perceptions of peace in varied contexts and the need for the Rotary fraternity particularly the Rotaract to be the change-makers. DG Prabir Chatterjee wished the programme a success. President Sujata Pyne talked about the enormous activities that can be undertaken through Rotaractors. 11 international clubs made presentations on the theme -CONNECT FOR A CAUSE. The programme was viewed on ZOOM and FB Live.

On 19th August Hariyali project, launched by RID 3291 of planting 10000 trees by all the clubs of the district, was hosted.

On 22nd August, a team travelled to Joygram in Hasnabad, South 24 Parganas to hand over the Charter to the newly formed RCC Joygram Social Welfare Society. 120 Wellness Kits supplied by RILM and containing vitamins, Horliks, Biscuits, Detol Soap, Sanitizer, juice cartons, etc was distributed to the children. These special children were then treated to lunch along with their attendants.

# **CALCUTTA ACROPOLIS**

On 9th August, tree plantation was done at Nicco Park.

# **CALCUTTA AVYANNA**

A seminar was held on Managing Work Stress Amidst Pandemic on 13th August with Dr. Anuttama Banerjee as speaker. The program was hosted Rotary Calcutta Kankurgachi.

On 15th August, 96 packets of infants milk, 96 packets of nutritional drink for pregnant women and 120 packets of biscuits were donated to the villagers of the remote areas of Sundarbans, viz Dulki and Sonargaon of Gosaba block. The project was done with NGO Baitalik. Rs 20,000 cash donation was done towards the mothers and infants of the village.



On 25th August a Menstrual Hygiene Awareness workshop was held with 60 women followed by distribution of sanitary napkins, masks, bar soap and sanitisers to them. Needs Assessment for Vocational training of women was carried out. 200 saplings were distributed and planted.

# **CALCUTTA CHARNOCK CITY**



On 21st July, 50 Fruit tree saplings were at Dhyan Ashram, Joka. Rotary banners were provided on the fencing for public image of Rotary.

World Infertility Day, World Hepatitis Day and COVID-19 awareness Webinar was held on 25th July. The program was partnered with Rotary Thane Lake City Mumbai, Rotary Thane

Central Mumbai (RID 3142) and also attended by members of Rotary Sagorika Chittagong (RID 3282). The speakers were Dr. Saptarshi Bishnu – Consultant, Dep of Hepatology, Apollo Hospital Chennai (topic – Hepatitis, the common Man's Problems), Rtn Dr Sujoy Dasgupta - Consultant Gynaecologist and Infertility Specialist (Topic - infertility and various ways of treatment) and Rtn Dr Prabir Sinha Roy - General Physician (topic – his experiences as a COVID warrior). The webinar was moderated by Rtn Dr Dhritiman Maitra - Consultant – Breast & Endocrine Cancer and General Surgeon.

A Webinar was held on Membership Enhancement on 1st August. It was attended by DG Prabir Chatterjee and Rotarians from neighbouring clubs and some guests. A cultural program was also held.

On 3rd August, World Breast Feeding Week was observed at Mohonanondo Sishu Seva Hospital jointly with Rotary North Calcutta and an awareness program on Breast Feeding was conducted by Rtn Dr Sunil Nag. All children were given healthy nutritional food.

To celebrate World Mosquito Day on 23rd August, mosquito nets were distributed to the children of Pratham Padakshep, an organisation for special children. They were also given sweets, biscuits and health drinks. The children tied Rakhi to all club members present.

The club was the Ambassador Club for a Webinar held on Organ Donation on 28th August. More than 160 clubs from across the globe participated with more than 300 Rotarian, Rotaract and Interact participants from USA, UK, Singapore, Malaysia, Africa, Bangladesh and Pakistan. The speakers were Dr. Vasanthi Ramesh - Director of NOTTO & SOTTO, Rtn Dr Siddhartha Chakraborty, Dr. Sandeep Gulleria, Dr. Neeraj Goyal, Mrs. Pallavi Kumar from Mohon Foundation, PRID Dr. Bharat Pandya and other Rotarian dignitaries along with organ donors and recipients.

On 31st August, National Sports Day was celebrated with the special children of Pratham Padakshep. 3 competitions were arranged in consultation with the psychologist. Prizes and toffees were distributed to the children. Saplings were planted on the school premises.

# **CALCUTTA CHOWRENGHEE**



The club runs a school, Rotary Chowrenghee Vidyalay, in Uluberia where 130 students are studying till Class 4.

On 1st July, 5 tubewells and 42 private toilets were completed in Kultoli, West Bengal. This project had started in May 2021.

A medical checkup camp was held at Shivtalla, Purbapara on 4th July with a Homeopath, Dr. Das and a Naturopath, Dr Samiran.

On 11th July, home essential goods were distributed to 100 families in Kumirmari, Sunderbans with the club sponsored RCC Sunderbans Green Environment Association.

12 families were provided with chicken coops with 12 chicks each to develop poultry farming as a source of income on 25th July.

15 students of 12-16 years were enrolled for computer coaching at Rotary Chowrenghee Vidyalay on 1st August.

Allopathy (Dr Hasda) and Homeopathy (Dr Das) medical camp are held twice a week.

12 families were given chicken coops with 12 chicks each on 15th August.

8 tubewells and 40 private toilets were constructed and installed in Kultoli and Kumirmari areas on 30th August.

# **CALCUTTA DHAKURIA**



A Wheel Chair was donated on 24th August at Bairag, an Old Age Home in Salt Lake with 28 residents and run by Saptadipa Organisation.

A Blood Donation Camp organised by the club's Rotaract at

Netaji Subhash Engineering College jointly with Nabadishay Matribhumi was sponsored on 29th August. More than 50 units of blood were collected.

# CALCUTTA EAST CENTRAL



On the 75th Independence Day, Rtn Dr. Shuvendu Sen – a member of the club practicing in New York, wrote an article explaining "The need of the hour is absolute release from our ignorance, our barbaric, and a primitive self that clouds our potential to be profound and holistic."

On 15th August, National Flag was hoisted at their RCC Chaltabagan Sarbojanin Durgotsav Committee where Smt Minakshi Gupta - local councilor of KMC and Shri Raj Kishore Gupta and other dignatories were present.

Trees were planted on the road side of Vivekanand Road & D L Ray Street crossing on 15th August.

On 22nd August, 2 Jumbo Oxygen cylinders allotted under RIHF & ACT Grant through DIST 3291 to their RCC Chakdulalpur Arunoday Sangh, were handed over to Belapukur & Jamtallahat government hospitals at P.S. Dolahat, Diamond Harbour, 24 Pgns (S) in presence of local MLA and hospital doctors.

On 22nd August, a Seminar on Prevention of Cervical Cancer and a Health check up camp was organised at their RCC Nimpeet Handicapped Welfare Society. 200 people had their ECG, Blood Sugar and General health checked. Free eye check up was done and 80 people will receive free spectacles on 26th August.

3 Sanitizer dispensers were donated to Bharat Sevashram Sangh, Gariahat jointly with Rotary Kabitirtha Calcutta, Calcutta Dalhousie and Calcutta Sun City on 26th August.

# **CALCUTTA ENDEAVOUR**

On 3rd August, Project Prayaas was held and monthly ration kits were for 92 families.

The death anniversary of Kabi Guru Rabindranath Tagore was observed and Surer Badhane - a Project to increase bilateral relationship between India & Bangladesh was held with Rotary Dhaka Mavericks (RID 3281). The program was attended by members of other clubs of both nations.

An Intra District Interactive session was held with renowned Psychologist Dr. Anuttama Banerjee for Managing Work Stress amidst Pandemic on 13thAugust. The program was co-hosted by Rotary Calcutta Charnock City, Calcutta Kankurgachi, Rotary Newbies and Rotary Dhaka Mavericks (RID 3281).

On 15th August, National Flag was hoisted with the students of Baghbazar Sarada Prathamik Vidyalaya. Nutritious food kits with Biscuits, Cakes, Choco flakes, fruits and sweets were distributed to 108 students. They were also given Exercise Books, Pencils, Pens, Erasers and Drawing materials.

Menstrual Hygiene Awareness was held in North Kolkata and Hygiene Kits with sanitizer, soaps, face masks, toothbrush, toothpaste and biodegradable sanitary napkins were distributed to 50 underprivileged young girls on 15th August.

A virtual Seminar – Nivesh Gyan - to educate Investment Habits & Principles was held on 20th August with Mr Siddhartha Bhattacharyya (Vice President & Head- Retail Advisory & Internal Sales of Franklin Templeton Asset Management (India) Pvt Limited) as speaker. It was attended by over 40 Rotarians, Rotaractors and their families and was co-hosted by Rotary Cotton City Raichur (RID 3160), Rotary Saket – Meerut (RID 3100), Rotary Burdwan (RID 3240), Rotary Calcutta Centenary (RID 3291) and Rotaract Calcutta Endeavour.

The club was a host of Hariyali, the Mega Tree Plantation Drive on 20thAugust.

Masks and Sanitisers were distributed at Instituteof Child Health at Park Circus on 25th August. The program was held jointly with Rotary Calcutta Charnock City, Rotary Calcutta Metropolitan, Rotary Calcutta Park Point and Rotary Geetanjali Kolkata.

Membership Seminar – Ahoban – was held on 28thAugust with Rotary Calcutta Millennium. Guest of Honour - DG Prabir Chatterjee, 1st Lady Rubena Chatterjee, District Membership Chair PDG Debasish Mitra, PDG Ajay Agarwal and PDG Ravi Sehgal graced the evening. 9 members were inducted to the club.

Children of Rotarians of the club, who passed their Boards (CBSE, ISC, ICSE) were felicitated on 28thAugust.

# **CALCUTTA INNER CITY**



On 1st August, Rs 10, 000 was donated to Cheshire Homes to fulfil their daily requirements.

Rotary Club of Calcutta Inner City visited Hope Foundation's Ashirbad Home for Boys on 1st August and distributed refreshments and sports goods for the 92 boys. Cricket bats, badminton rackets, footballs, carrom boards, chess, ludo, writing materials were given.

On 2nd August, 7 refurbished laptops were given to needy students.

A Scholarship of Rs 1,000 monthly will be awarded each of

the selected 10 girl students from poor financial background, for one year in association with S.D.Ahuja Foundation.

On 13th August, 200 lunch packets were distributed to the underprivileged at a vaccination camp organised by the Robin Hood Army in collaboration with the Kolkata Municipal Corporation.

On 14th August, 45 packets of grocery were given to needy school children at Chetla.

In collaboration with HM Diwan Eye Foundation, project Inner City Drishti Daan was launched on 14th August, through which patients afflicted with complicated eye diseases, will be

financially supported to avail surgery at a subsidized costs. Rs 5000 each was given to two needy patients requiring complicated surgery. An Eye awareness programme with talks on problems of blindness in India, Glaucoma and paediatric eye disease was held.

At Shishu Shiksha Mandir, Kulgacchi, 24 Parganas (S), Independence Day Celebration was held. After flag hoisting, 250 students were gifted 5 Fruit Trees each and Coconut Trees were planted in the school.

5 neem trees were planted in the compound of the school at RCC Ranjapur on 15th August. Art competition was held at the school maintaining Covid Protocols for two age groups. Prizes were distributed along with 50 goodie bags to the children.

25 Saarthi sticks for the blind people were donated on 21st August to NGO National Institute of Professionals which is a training centre for visually impaired and differentially abled. Rs. 5000 was also donated.

SHE TALKS was held on 27th August on ZOOM. Rtn Alokananda Roy talked on Women Empowerment and her experiences of working on the prison project and with differently abled children.

A donation of Rs7500 was given on 28th August to a woman for her poultry farm in RCC Usthi, to buy more chicks and food for them and for repairs on the farm.

2 advanced desktops with wifi facility were donated for the computer center at RCC Usthi on 28th July. 3 ceiling fans were also given.

# **CALCUTTA JADAVPUR**



Dr. Partha Basu - Deputy Head, Early detection prevention and infection Branch, International Agency for Research on Cancer, WHO, France - talked on vaccination of teenage girls for cervical cancer and screening on 28th July.

Prof. Indrajit Ray - Cardiff University, UK and Infosys Chair Prof., Presidency University - talked on economic development in general and problems in Sundarbans on 11th August.

On 20th August, club cohosted Hariyali.

On 25th August, Rs.98,864/- was contributed to The Rotary Foundation. 3 new members and 1 Hony member were inducted. Ms. Anasuya Chatterjee - Officer in Charge on Intelligence Reporting & Scanning Cell, FRO Section, Special Branch, Barrackpore Police Commissionerate - talked on Women's Self Defence.

On 31st August, new clothes were distributed to 100 children and 100 elderly in association with noon Shri Shri Ramakrishna Vivekananda Sadhan Mandir at Sihas village.

# **CALCUTTA KANKURGACHI**



Club participated in a tree plantation drive Baroshe Harase Sabuj organized by Rotary Salt Lake Green City and co-hosted by Rotary Salt Lake South, Bidhan Nagar and Salt Lake Silicon Valley on 18th July. The project was held on the Green verge 11 in the CC Block of Area 2, New Town in association with Mangalam Foundation. Several dignitaries Sri Debashis Sen -Chairman NKDA, Sri Animesh Bhattacharya - CEO NKDA, DG Prabir Chatterjee, PDG Shaymashree Sen and IPDG Sudip Mukherjee were present.

On 25th July, 25 saplings were planted in the FE Block, Salt Lake. 25 saplings were distributed to neighboring clubs.

Aanandam, a virtual event on Managing Work Stress amidst Pandemic, was organized with Consultant Psychologist, Dr Anuttama Banerjee on 13th August. The event was organised jointly with Rotary Calcutta Endeavour, Rotary Newbies, Rotary Calcutta Charnock City and Rotary Dhaka Mavericks (RID 3281).

A 6-week vocational course on Bridal Make Up, Roop Shikha with 37 students was inaugurated on 15th August, in association with voluntary group Bangaliana and NGO Chaitali Sangha. The renumeration of the trainers and snacks for the participants is arranged by the club.

4 meritorious, economically backward girls were given scholarships of Rs 4000 each for higher studies on 15th August.

On 15th August, around 75 women attended a session on Prevention of Cervical Cancer by Rtn Dr Dibyendu Banerjee, Dr Basab Mukherjee and Dr Jayita Chakrabarti. The cause of cervical cancer, the early symptoms, testing and prevention by HPV vaccines were highlighted. Awareness on Menstrual Hygiene, Myths and Misconceptions were discussed. Sanitary Napkins were given to all attendees.

On 15th August, a session on environmental awareness was held by Ms Anupama Choudhury in Harinavi with Chaitali Sangha. Around 75 women attended and 60 saplings were distributed.

National Flag was hoisted with NGO Chaitali Sangha in Manikpur on 15th August.

Independence Day was celebrated at Alakendu Bodh Niketan for differently abled children with The Bengal Obstetric and Gynaecological Society. National Flag was hoisted and the children were given packets of snacks and masks with Rotary branding.

On 20th August, the club was one of the hosts of Hariyali.

On 22nd August, Raksha Bandhan Ceremony was held with 100 women and children from Urban Slums. Rakhis were tied and snack boxes were given. The program was held with local club Sathi.

# CALCUTTA MAGNUM

On 31st July, grocery for 2 months was given to Anandaghar, an Orphanage for 160 HIV +ve children & mentally challenged children at Govindapur, Baruipur.

Project Hariyali was co-hosted.

# CALCUTTA MAHANAGAR



Homeopathy Clinic at Bhowanipore was reopened on 3rd July and is run on Wednesdays and Saturdays. Free medicines are given to the patients.

Under Project Food Bank - chips, milkshake and nachos - were distributed at the new vocational centre at Tangra on 4th July.

On 8th July, 300 ration kits containing rice, atta, dal, oil, haldi and salt at Sunderbans to widows of COVID patients and families affected by attack of tigers.

On 9th July chips were distributed to the children of local lorry drivers at Kashipur area.

On 10th July, under project Annadaan Mahadaan freshly cooked food and sweets were distributed to around 400 people near Bhootnath temple.

On 10th July a new Vocational Centre was inaugurated at Tangra and a workshop on Self-defence for girls was started. Chips and Milk Shake were distributed to the children present. The self-defence course will be held every Friday for 30 girls.

An eye check-up was held at the Eye Clinic in Bhowanipore on 13th July. 40 patients were checked and 37 were given free spectacles. Three patients requiring surgery were referred to Netralaya.

On 14th July, the club provided blood to a needy patient through a donor directly at Tata Medical Center.

On 15th July, Khichdi, Samosa, milkshakes & coffee was distributed in Kalighat area to more than 250 under-priviledged people.

On 16th July, ration kits, Milk Shakes, energy drinks etc were distributed to more than 160 families who work as farmers, vendors of fruits & vegetables, daily wage workers, JCB and Tractor drivers, Gardeners etc.

On 18th July, distribution of Biscuit packets and milk shake was done to 1000 underprivileged people at Southern Avenue.

On 23rd July, ration kits and Biscuit packets were distributed to families of 900 students of Arya Vidya Mandir School.

On 24th July, cornflakes, biscuits and milk shake was distributed to around 1000 villagers of Khejurtalla, Charagram and Hedwa village in North 24 Parganas.

On 25th July, at Hingalganj, the club donated 100 Ration kits, 6 cartons of biscuits and 4 cartons of chips to 150+ local people.

5 Cataract surgeries were done at the Eye Hospital on 25th July.

On 26th July, 50 Ration Kits along with 20 Nutri Kits, 55 packets of cocoa, 110 milkshakes and 110 biscuit packets were distributed at NavJeevan, a home run for destitute children.

On 27th July, coffee and chips were distributed to the villagers of Raghunathpur.

On 27th July, an eye screening camp was organised at Little Sisters of the Poor St. Josephs Home on AJC Bose Road. 38 patients were screened and 20 were advised cataract surgery.

On 27th July, 6 E-learning kits were distributed at different Government schools.

On 28th July, 8 E-learning kits were distributed at different Government schools.

On 29th July, 25 free cataract surgeries were done under Global Grant.

A 2-year-old baby from Afghanistan, who had a hole in his heart was operated upon on 31st July under project Healing Little Hearts.

Awareness program on Menstrual Hygiene Management RED PRIDE along with guidance on nutrition was held on 31st July which was attended by 40+ girls/women at Tiljala. Menstrual Hygiene Kits were distributed.

On 1st August, biscuits, Tetra pack of Milk Shake & crunch were distributed to 1100 Girls of Arya Parishad Vidyalaya for Girls, Khidderpore.

On 3rd August, Nutri kits and Biscuits were distributed at a Bustee in CIT Road.

Under Gift of Sight Project, 12 cataract surgeries were done for patients from Little Sisters of the Poor.

Blood Donation & Blood Grouping Camp was held on 8th August at Kasba Bakultola Sabuj Sangha & Nabarun Sangha, 70 R.K. Chaterjee Road Kolkata-700042. 21 SOS donors were registered and needs of 2 patients were met.

On 10th August, 40 patients were checked at the eye clinic out of which 36 patients were given free spectacles. 4 patients requiring surgery were referred to Netralaya.

On Independence Day, Blood Donation and Blood Grouping Drive was held at 41/ A Diamond Harbour Road (Mominpur). 37 SOS donors were registered and needs of 2 patients were met.

On 16th August, freshly made rotis and sweets were distributed under project Annadaan Mahadaan to around 400 people near Kalighat.

On 19th August, freshly made rotis and sweets was distributed under project Annadaan Mahadaan to around 400 people near Bengal Chemical Basti.

8 Cataract surgeries were done at Rotary Calcutta Manhanagar Netralaya on 20th July.

Chips, milkshake and chocolates were distributed to 150 underprivileged children at Kandagaon, New Town.

On 21st August, 50 beneficiaries participated in RED PRIDE at Belghoria, Near Airport, where Menstrual Hygiene kits containing reusable pads and accessories which can be used for 3 years, were distributed.

Bloodline Camp was conducted on 22nd August at Jannagar Ariyan Boys Sporting Club, Jannagar Road, Kolkata where 36 SOS donors were registered and needs for 4 patients were met.

800 cartons of biscuits received Indian Food Banking Network were distributed on 27th August to needy and underprivileged children and aged people at Shantidaan – Missionaries of Charity, Hamara Ghar-- home for lost children by CINNi Asha, Little Sisters of the Poor, Navneer - Chetla (home for aged) and beggars In Nimtala.

On 28th August, 403 cartons of biscuits were distributed near Vivekananda Park to more than 1000 beneficiaries.

On 28th August, an awareness program Red Pride was held with 50 girls/women at Tiljala. Menstrual Hygiene kits containing reusable sanitary pads along with the accessories, Dupattas and Biscuits were given to the attendees.

On 29th August, biscuits were distributed at Bhawanipore Sitala mandir, S N Pandit Street.

Blood Grouping Camp was conducted at Netaji Subhash Engineering College at Techno City, Garia, Kolkata–700152 on 29th August. 36 SOS donors were registered and need for 1 patient was met.

On 29th August, 44 cataract surgeries under GG 2120241 were done at Mahanagar Eye Hospital.

On 30th August, biscuits were distributed to underprivileged children in Golf Green area.

# **CALCUTTA MAJESTIC**



Arunima Hospice followed by a short cultural programme by the girls of the home. Snacks, Chanachur, biscuits, sattu, Horlicks, Noodles, Soyabeans and Tooth pastes were handed over. Rtn Dr Aniket Chatterjee spoke on Dental care and how to resist decay.

On 15th August, Flag hoisting

was done with the inmates of

On 15th August, Flag Hoisting was followed by a Cultural program at RCC Arsha Vidyanidhi, Bhawanipore with the students. Snacks and

chocolates were distributed.

On 29th August, in collaboration with Tarun Sangha of Baltikuri, Dasnagar, Howrah - a Free Eye care and check up camp was organised where 150 beneficiaries attended. Free medicines were given and 100 free spectacles ordered as recommended by doctors, which will be given by 15th of September.

# **CALCUTTA MEGA CITY**



On 1st July, Blood Donation Camp was organized at CB Block Community Hall, Salt Lake in collaboration with Siddhartha S a n k a r R a y Foundation. 102 units of blood were collected. Sri Sujit Bose - Minister for Fire & Emergency Service, Govt. of WB, Sri Tapas Roy - Dy Chief Whip, WB Legislative Assembly and Sri Tapas Chatterjee - Member WB Legislative Assembly were present.

On 15th August, 11 Sewing Machines and 3 Desk Top Computers were donated.

On 20th August, eggs were provided for nutrition of the old women at Nabanir Old Age Home. 420 eggs are provided biweekly to give eggs 3 days in a week.

# **CALCUTTA METRO SOUTH**



On 15th August an extended off school centre to accommodate more students was inaugurated at Dumki, near Canning. 6 toilets constructed by the club were also inaugurated.

On 20th August, Hariyali was co-hosted.

On 27th August, vocational training equipments and school furniture was bought through Global Grant for Rotary Vivekanda School and Skill Development Centre at Babon Mollar Chowk.

# **CALCUTTA METROPOLITAN**



On 4th August, 2 ventilators were given to Shree Vishudhanand Hospital, Burtolla Street.

On 10th August, 2 Covent Ventilators were given to Shree Jain Hospital, Shibpur, Howrah in presence of DG Prabir Chatterjee. Seminar by way of Educational program for upcoming Nurses was held at Ramkrishna Sarada Mission Matri Bhavan on

#### 13th and 14th August.

Independence Day was celebrated at Mahavir Seva Sadan by hoisting the National Flag by DG Prabir Chatterjee along with District officials, members of Inner Wheel and guests.

Masks & Sanitizers were distributed at Institute of Child Health, Park Circus on 25th August.

A High Flow Nasal Oxygen Therapy Machine (HFNO) was donated on 28th August.

Ms Rai Mondal was given texts books to pursue higher education in Science on 29th August.

A Vaccination Camp for Cervical Cancel was held at PACE Learning Centre, Piyali on 29th August.

# **CALCUTTA METROPOLITAN EAST**

In collaboration with the KMC Ward 81 Councillor Smt. Jui Biswas, 50 saplings protected by tree guards with the club placard were planted in Blocks F and G in New Alipore on 7th August.

On 16th August, a sum of Rs. 15,000 was donated at RCC Amoragori Juba Sangha's old age home due to the terrible flooding caused by the River Damodar.

# **CALCUTTA MID SOUTH**



75th Independence Day was observed at Anand Bhawan, a school for blind and deaf at Brindabanpur, Jagatpur, Howrah. Food grains were donated and breakfast packets were given to students.

On 16th August, a sum of Rs. 15,000 was donated at RCC Amoragori Juba Sangha's old age home due to the terrible flooding caused by the River Damodar.

# **CALCUTTA MIDTOWN**

On 7th August, Smart Phones were donated to Visually Impaired students of Ram Krishna Mission Blind Boys Academy, Narendrapur.

# **CALCUTTA MID WEST**



On 28th August, a free health checkup camp including eye, blood pressure and general health checkup was organised jointly with Lions Club of Calcutta North. 87 people from the local slums and the servants/caretakers etc working in nearby residences were checked. 63 will get spectacles and 4 will have cataract surgery.

# **CALCUTTA NORTH EAST**

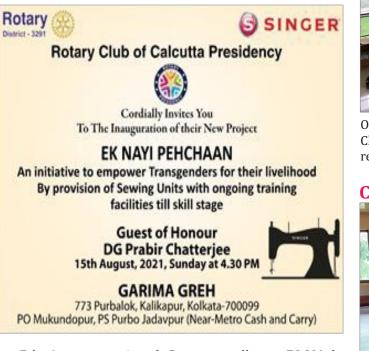


On 15th August, one month's medicine was given to a child who had a heart surgery last year.

# **CALCUTTA NORTH SUBURBAN**

On 1st July, 15 fruit tree saplings were distributed and planted in RCC Kishore Sangha campus.

# **CALCUTTA PRESIDENCY**



On 7th August, a virtual Destress talk on ZOOM by Nidhu.B.Kapoor from Mumbai. 5 other clubs were co-host and the talk was attended by 60 people.

Through the Grant of EIRWT 7 wheel chairs & 4 Tricycles were distributed to the physically handicapped residents of the villages in RCC Champahati on 8th August. The beneficiaries were gifted 2 saplings to be planted in their homes. 7 Sewing machines were given to women who were trained in sewing. 60 mango saplings and 60 lemon saplings were distributed.

A 2-day camp for Virangana, a Self Defense Awareness Workshop with a trainer arranged by the District, was organised on 7th & 8th August at RCC Champahati Birds. Psychological counselling along with Diet consultation was provided. 40 Girls attended the workshop and Certificates were given to them. School bags for the children and a few nutritious food was given along with Tshirts and plant saplings.

On 15th August, members visited a place with people of mixed genders who are proud of their gender difference. They welcomed the Rotarians with open arms and show cased their talents of singing, recitation and painting. They were provided with 4 Sewing Machines, thread cones of 12 colors in 2 sets, 2 big scissors and 4 small scissors, inch tapes and some cloth materials for the transgender centre. DG Prabir Chatterjee was present with other Dignitaries.

On 21st August, 8 tricycles and 9 wheel chairs were distributed in association with RCC Asha. The project was supported by EIRWT.

Rakhi was celebrated on 21st August with the inmates of Garima Griha - A house of Transgenders.

# **CALCUTTA SAMARITANS**

On 30th July, Rs. 20,000/- was donated to Ms. Mousumi Shil to support her higher studies in BSW at Vidyasagar School of Social Work.

# **CALCUTTA SANKALP**



On 1st July a Blood Donation Camp was organised at the Clubhouse of Sankalpa -2 premises and received overwhelming response form Residents of Sankalpa-2&3.

# **CALCUTTA SOUTH CIRCLE**



On 19th August 10 cycle rickshaw vans were donated along with 3 bicycles to 3 girl students, supported by EIRWT-HG. 2 new members were inducted on the Charter Day on 22ndAugust.

# **CALCUTTA SOUTH CITY TOWERS**



An All India Virtual Cycle ride by Udumalpet Cycle Riders Club was held from August 1st to August 15th to cover 250 kms for awareness of Corona Vaccination.

On 8th August, along with RCC Madhabpur 60 Tarpaulins & 300 mosquito nets were distributed in Sagar in South 24 Parganas to people affected by cyclone YAAS.

A webinar on Cancer Awareness & Prevention was held on 8th August in association with Saroj Gupta Cancer Center & Research Institute.

Hariyali was co-hosted.

The Installation Ceremony of Interact Club of South City Towers was held over Zoom on 21st August.

On 21st August, 78 kits of reusable and environment friendly sanitary napkins, masks and Dettol soaps were distributed to the girls at Hope Foundation homes in Madurdaha and Kasba.

Installation Ceremony of Interact Club of South City International School was held on 25th August.

The 2nd Covid Vaccination Camp for South City Service Staff and residents was held on 28th & 29th August at the South City Club. DG Prabir Chatterjee was the chief Guest. 459 people were vaccinated of which 280 South City Service Staff were vaccinated free of cost. The camp was attended by MP & Actor Dev Adhikari & Actor Rukmini Maitra.

# **CALCUTTA SOUTH EAST**

On 12th August, project Avoid Honking was held to educate people to reduce noise pollution.

# **CALCUTTA SOUTH EXTENSION**



21st Installation Ceremony was held 18th July. PDG Jhulan Basu, PDG Uttam Ganguli and PDG Utpal Majumdar attended the program. 2 wheelchairs were given to underprivileged handicapped children. The regular ongoing Free Homeopathy Clinic at Kalighat Sarat Pathagar was sponsored.

In association with Kalighat Sarat Pathagar Independence Day was celebrated by National Flag Hoisting followed by cultural program and sweet distribution to the 30 students.

In association with Parasmoni Welfare Society, Raksha Bandhan was observed at Golf Green Phase IVA Community Hall by distributing Free Medicines to the Thalassemia patients. Sanitisers, N95 Masks and Breakfast Packets were given to all participants.

2 new members were inducted and 2 old members were reinducted.

# CALCUTTA SUN CITY



A Library was created for children at Dhaska Village, Purulia on 15th August which will have around 2000 books. Colour Pencils and other stationery items were also donated for the children.

A Webinar was organized with PDG Amitabha Mookherjee, International Institute of Real Homeopathy (IIRH) and Rotary Kolkata Digiworld on 17th August. Main Speaker was PP Dr. Ramendu Hom Chaudhuri who elaborated on the aspects of the causes of Thalassemia and its Prevention Steps. The programme was moderated by Rtn. Shubojit Roy. Special Guest was Mr. Tapas Kanti Sengupta, Editor of Nagarik Sangbad. Over 400 participants from Guwahati, Bangladesh, Abu Dhabi, England and Australia took part. Subsidies for HPLC Tests discussed.

A Blood Donation camp was held at the club's Happy School and Interact Nabajiban Vidya Mandir, Madhyamgram on 18th August. There were around 65 Blood Donors. The Programme was graced by Member of Parliament Prof. Saugata Roy.

A Seminar on Thalassemia Awareness and Mother and Child Health was organized in collaboration with RCC Kaijuri Prayas of Rotary North Calcutta at Uluberia on 22nd August. PP Dr. Ramendu Homchudhuri spoke on Thalassemia and PP Dr. Bandana Homchaudhuri spoke on on Mother & Child Health.

# CALCUTTA SUTANUTI



A Webinar was organised in collaboration with Rotary Bombay Mid-City on Reduce, Reuse, Recycle-Impact of Plastic Use on Environment on 1st August. Guest speaker was Mr S u b h a s h D u t t a -Environmental Activist and the man behind the Green Bench - along with Rtn Ajay Mishra and Md. Siraj - a youth activist.

On the occasion of Rakhsha bandhan on 22nd August, members visited 85 Battalion Outpost of Border Security Force at Taki-

Sodepur near Bangladesh Border on the banks of River Icchamati. Flower Rakhis were tied on the wrists of 55 BSF personnel. They were also made aware of the Rotary 4 Way Test.

#### **CALCUTTA VISIONARIES**



On 3rd July, 20 members and 2 guests visited Rotary Kishlaya Shikha Niketan in Sunderban Parasmani, a new school which is near completion and will be inaugurated soon. They handed over food items, clothes, medicines and other basic necessity items to the local villagers and students of the school at Parasmani, Sunderban.

#### **CENTRAL CALCUTTA**



On 1st August, 2 Sewing Machines were given for Vocational Training Centre at RCC Bansai Prochesta (a school for special children), hosted a football match at Bansai Tarun Tirtha, gave a

football to the players, gave a Volleyball to the players, distributed 200 saplings of Mango & Guava at Bansai Khayali Sangha, donated Tarpaulin for the school, distributed Sanitizers & Masks, soft toys and food packets to the students, gave clothes to the girl students. A blood donation camp was held at Bansai Tarun Tirtha and a casserole was given to each donor.

An Oxygen Concentrator was donated at Marwari Relief Society on 7th August. 2 Sewing Machines were given for Vocational Training Centre at RCC Tarkeshwar on 8th August. Food packets, Education Kits, Sanitizers & Masks were given to the students of the school and umbrellas were distributed. A Drawing Competition was held. An Eye Screening camp was held. Training camp was held for Self Defence for women.

1000 umbrellas were donated on 14th August, in presence of DG Prabir Chatterjee and district team members.

On 15th August, Study Kits, food packets and umbrellas were given at Rotary Siksha Kendra.

30 umbrellas were distributed at Hariyali Project of the district on 20th August.

Virangana - Self Defence training to females was held jointly with Rotaract Central Calcutta on 29th August.

# **CENTRAL GARDENS CALCUTTA**



A Health Check up camp was held at Karanjali with RCC Karanjali Shiv Shakti Sangha onn 15th August. 63 residents of the locality had check up of Blood Sugar, Blood Pressure and BMI.

# **CHANDANNAGAR**



In Association with Rotary Calcutta Mahanagar, 5 schools at Bhadreswar & Chandannagar were given E-Learning Kits on 8th August.

In association with Surerpukur Tarun Sammelan Chandannagar, a COVID Vaccination Camp for 1st

dose of COVISHIELD was held on 14th August. 497 beneficiaries were vaccinated by MEDICA Super specialty Hospital, Kolkata.

# COSSIPORE

Charaibeti - Installation of the new Board was held on 27th July. On 15th August, education of 2 girls and 1 boy, children of a sex worker was sponsored Shikshayatan School. Education material and food was distributed to 23 children of the school who drew the National Flag and performed dances on patriotic



songs. The program was held with Naihati Nari Shakti Mahila Samity at Naihati.

Advanced Nebuliser machine with multiple masks along with two jumbo medical oxygen cylinders with all accessories, donated by Rotary India Humanity Foundation was given to Ramthakur Briddhabas, Old Age Home for Destitutes, benefitting the 35 inmates of the Home. A nebuliser and 2 masks were also donated. Refreshments were served to all inmates.

A Health Check up and Blood Donation Camp was organised with Baghbazar Sakher Hatt Byabsayee Welfare Samity with medical support from State Blood Transfusion Council, Department of Health & Family Welfare, Govt. of West Bengal on 29th August. The blood was collected in an Air-Conditioned Mobile Vehicle specially designed for the purpose. 30 donors voluntarily donated blood. The program was attended by Sri Kunal Ghosh (noted Journalist and spokes person of TMC) and Smt Sayantika Banerjee (Bengali film actress). This drew a large crowd and with banners of Rotary Cossipore around, enhanced the Public Image of Rotary.

# **DOMKAL MURSHIDABAD**

Life Insurance Plans with Rs 100000/- accident coverage were given to needy people on 15th August.

# **DUMDUM**

10 Oxygen Cylinders with Flow meter handed over to Ramkrishna Matri Mongal Pratisthan, having 200 beds, at Ariadaha under Kamarhati Municipality on 31st July. Mr Ritzu Ghoshal, Secretary and Medical Officers were present

5 Oxygen Cylinders with Flowmeters were handed over to B. R. Coy General Hospital & Maternity Home having 66 beds and run by New Barrackpore Municipality, on 31st July in presence of Dr Amol Pal, Supervisor.

5 Oxygen Cylinders with Flowmeters (D Type) were handed over to North Dum Dum Municipality Hospital, having 62 beds, at Birati on 2nd August in presence of Dr Dipika Sur Super, other doctors and staff.

Financial remunerations for teachers/instructors for 34 children being trained for basic education, dance, music-vocal/instrumental, arts & crafts, computers, physical exercises, yoga etc was given at Dum Dum Prayas- an NGO run by parents of differently abled children. Food packets and chocolates were also given to the children.

Breakfast was given to the 30 inmates of Providence Home at Madhyamgram on 22nd August. An awareness talk was given on the importance of education. Sanitary pads, sanitizers and chocolates were distributed.

# EAST CALCUTTA

Blood Donation Camp was organised at Rotary Bhawan for Thalassemia patients on 1st July. Around 40 units of blood was collected.



With Rotaract East Calcutta in association with Kolkata Police, the first phase of the Nabadisha was held on 18th July where around 75 underprivileged women along with their children got Free Health Check Up and treatment.

# GANGA HERITAGE

A virtual skill development program was held with Rotary Calcutta Presidency and 4 other clubs on 7th August.

On 12th August, trees were planted at Bethune collage and school.

# **GARDEN REACH**



A community kitchen was set up at RCC Champa at Shibgunj, Basanti, Sunderbans on 2nd & 3rd August for more than 300 people.

Grocery, spices, nutritional food items, cooking oil, biscuits, other dry food items were sponsored for 48 inmates of Amar Seva Sangha Senior Citizens Home at Kolaghat, East Midnapore on 9th August in association with Swarnim Foundation.

Educational kits & food packets were given to 15 students of Vivek Niketan Boys Home at Samali, Bakhrahat Road, Nikhil Banga Kalyan Samity on 15th August.

Grocery items (Rice, potato, pulses, biscuits, cooking oil, soya chunks and eggs) along with food packets were distributed to 25 under privileged families at Chit Kalikapur on 21st August in association with social organisation, Purple.

# **GEETANJALI KOLKATA**



Raksha Bandhan was celebrated at Seva, a home for aged women and members spent the day with the residents and gave

them sweets, goody bags of bath soap, washing soap bar, toothpaste, cake, biscuits, chips and juice. The Rotaractors of Geetanjali Kolkata and 2 visiting Rotaractors from Hyderabad tied rakhi on the hands of the residents.

1000 masks and 25 litres of sanitizers were given for the cancer affected children of ICH at Park Circus. The project was done with Rotary Calcutta Charnock City, Calcutta Endeavour and Calcutta Metropolitan on 25th August.

A multi-speciality healrh camp was organised at Chandigarh Brick Kiln, Chandigarh -Rohanda Panchayat, Madhyamgram, North 24 Parganas in association with RCC Sutanuti Sakhya on 29th August. Around 100 people were examined by Rtn Dr Sudipta Chandra and free medicines were distributed. Know Your Numbers were done by Sister Archana Ghosh. Food packets were distributed.

#### HALDIA



On 22nd July, fruit saplings were distributed at the Vocational Training Center at Nandakumar supported by RCC Naikundi Janakalyan Samiti in presence of local dignitaries. A school teacher talked about the benefits of fruit tree plantation. 100 fruit trees were distributed to 50 village families.

Thalassemia Awareness Cum Carrier Detction Camp was held at Tatharibar Paramhansapur, Nandakumar on 16th August. The project was in collaboration with Thalassemia Control Unit, Purba Medinipur District Hospital. 52 students participated in Awareness programme & 46 students gave their blood for Carrier Detection Test.

# **HOWRAH**



# Free vaccines

Howrah: The Rotary Club of Howrah, in association with the Howrah Municipal Corporation and the Bengal government, organised a free Covid-19 vaccination camp on Monday. Around 276 people were given Covaxin doses.



Family of Rotary program was held on 8th August with a Hilsa festival.

A Seminar on Membership Development & Retention was held with PDG Ajay Agarwal as the keynote speaker. 54 people attended the seminar. A free vaccination camp on was held on 9th August at the club community hall. 26 second doses of Covaxin and 250 first doses of Covaxin were given. The camp was organised in association with HMC and W.B. Health Dept. The success of the camp was due to excellent co-operation from Ms. Soma Samanta – Staff Nurse, Ms. Debashree Roy –CA and Ms. Laboni Banerjee-Supervisor from HMC.

75th Independance Day was observed by hoisting the National Flag at the club building.

A Blood Donation Camp was organised in association with the Howrah Jila Trinomul Congress Advocate Association on 19th August. The camp was inaugurated by Sri Arup Roy (Hon'ble Minister of Co-operation Dept, Govt.of WB), Sri Modan Mohan Banerjee (Govt. Pleader, Howrah) and Sri Somnath Banerjee (Public Prosecutor, Howrah). 46 units of blood were collected by Howrah District Hospital. PP Rtn.Tamal Mukherjee (Public Prosecutor, Kolkata) and Sri Pinaki Gangully (Govt. Pleader, City Civil Court) were also present. The donors were given a memento, a potted plant and packed lunch.

# KALLOLINI KOLKATA



3 glucometers were donated to Matri Bhawan Hospital at 7A Sree Mohan Lane, Kolkata on 6th August.

4 jumbo oxygen cylinders, provided by the District, were handed over to Diamond Harbour Hospital on 10th August.

# KOLKATA GALAXY



A Deep Tube well was inaugurated and Trees Plantation was held benefitting around 150 families at Hingalganj, a remote village at Sunderban near Bangladesh Border on 3rd July. The programs were hgeld jointly with Rotary Calcutta Park Point and organized by Satarupa Majumder from Swapnopuran Welfare Society.

On 11th July, the club distributed Books, Copies, Masks, Multi Vitamins, Dry Food (Puffed Rice) and Sanitary Pads at Swarnym Foundation Office at G T Road, Liluah, Howrah. Books were donated in association with WWKRKMAA, Chhaya Prakashani and Dr Suman Kumar Jha and Multi Vitamins in association with Mita Sikder.

On 17th August, Books for Class 1 to 10 were donated to Mahendranagar Vidyasagar Smriti Sangha & Janamjay Smirti Sangha, Dakshin Gopalnagar, at Pathar Pratima in association with WWKRKMAA and Chhaya Prakashani. 20 Sewing Machines were donated under District Grants at Pathar Pratima, Sunderbans. 18 Sewing Machines were donated jointly with Rotary Calcutta Millennium and 2 Sewing Machines were donated by Rotary Belvedere Gardens Calcutta. Raw materials like thread, Cloth etc. were also donated. The program was in association with Khardah Manan welfare society on 17th July.

On 21st July, Clothes (Suits), Books, Sanitary Pads, Masks, Medicines, Umbrella etc. was distributed to underprivileged Tribal Boys & Girls at Jatar Par Pawan, Polba, Hooghly laxy in association with WWKRKMAA and Chhaya Prakashani with the help of Swarnym Foundation.

Books for Class 5 to 10 worth approx Rs. 15000/- were donated to Sir Nripendranath Girls High school library at Chandi Ghosh Road, Tollygunge in association with WWKRKMAA and Chhaya Prakashani on 28th July. They were handed over to Mamata Banerjee, Head mistress of the School and Dr. Arun Kumar presented UDDAN, a book written by him to Headmistress.

The club co-hosted Hariyali.

# **KOLKATA URBANA**



On 22nd July, launched an awareness campaign for e-waste with Hulladek, an e-waste recycling company, for the residents of Urbana and collected more than 116 kgs of e-waste.

4 Oxygen cylinders procured from the District, were donated to Calcutta Heart Clinic, a hospital funded by charitable trusts, on 25th August.

A free medical camp was held at Gangapur Primary School, Ushpara, Bojerhat, 24 Parganas (South) on 29th August. 98 patients were checked for height, blood pressure, blood sugar and were prescribed and given free medicines. The Doctors present were Rotarians of the club - Dr. Debkishore, Dr. Sumanta Dutta, Dr. Kshitij Kumar and Dr. Sangeeta Das. Assisting the doctors were 4th year medical students – Roshi, Madhurima&Anushka.

#### **NEW BALLYGUNGE**



On 8th August, the club received 8 awards for the Rotary Year 2020-21.

A Fellowship Meet with cultural programs was held on 14th August and all

clubs of the zone and members of Interact club Gokhale Memorial Girls' School were invited.

The club sponsored Interact observed Brikhyoropon Utsav on

8th August and planted trees in their own homes throughout the week.

2 members completed 1st Part of RLI course.

On 20th August, a Heritage plaque was installed at the residence of PC Sorcar (Sr). Honorary member Rtn. P.C. Sorcar (Jr) along with his wife was present there.

# **NORTH CALCUTTA**



Awareness was held on nutritional food on 3rd August, and food packets were distributed to the mothers and children present.

A Health check up & Eye check up camp was held with Radhamadhav Sporting Club at Radhamadhav Goswami

Lane, Kolkata 700003, on 8th August. The club arranged for free Blood Sugar and ECG check.

Rs. 12000/- was donated as Teacher support for 1 year for giving training to the ladies of RCC Kaijuri Prayas.

Awareness on Thalassemia was done by Rtn. Dr. Ramendu Homechowdhury and awareness on Menstrual Hygiene Rtn. Dr. Bandana Homechowdhury among the local college & school students and other ladies of the RCC Kaijuri Prayas on 22nd August.

# PURULIA



On 1st July, 500 pieces of N95 masks were donated to DM office of Purulia. A COVID Vaccination Drive with a in tie-up with Medica Hospital, Kolkata was initiated.

On 1st July, Rotary Purulia Hospital welcomed 3 new doctors – a Radiologist, a General Physician and an Opthalmologist. Doctors' Day was celebrated and 29 Doctors of Rotary Purulia Hospital and of Purulia Town were honoured.

The new Board was installed on 4th July. A new member was inducted. A 20-bedded ward was inaugurated by DG Prabir Chatterjee and CMOH of Purulia Dr. Anil Dutta. The state of art ward is fully equipped and air conditioned with separate units for male and female patients.

The Past Leaders of the Club were honoured on July 22.

A 3-day Yoga Workshop was organized for the Rotarians, Inner Wheel members and Rotaractors from 23rd to 25th July and conducted by Art of Living Coach Sri Vivek Saraiwala.

On July 29 a Doctors' Meet was organized in which 70 doctors were invited. CMOH and Deputy CMOH were also present.

On July 29, Rotary Purulia Hospital introduced the facility of Endoscopy and Colonoscopy.

On 31st July, members from Rotary Calcutta Millenium and Garden Reach visited Purulia and held a tree plantation program at Rotary Lalpur Eye Hospital. An eye camp was held at Aharra village at Ayodhya Hill under Global Grant for IOL surgeries. 95 patients were screened in the camp.

In association with Inner Wheel Club of Purulia and Rotaract Purulia Central, 45 saplings of teak and fruit were planted in Singhbazar Goshala on 14th August.

The Tri-color was hoisted at Rotary Hospital on the 75th Independence Day in presence of Rotarians, Inner Wheel members, Rotaractors, staff and patient attendants of Rotary hospital, followed by National Anthem. Flag hoisting was also done at Rotary Lalpur Eye Hospital.400 sweet packets were distributed.

An online talent hunt contest, Hunar was held on 15th August where 232 entries were received from India and a few from London & Philippines. The performances were judged by 3 eminent personalities - First Lady Mrs. Rubena Chatterjee, Richa Wahi and Anirudh Chowdhary. Talent was showcased in the fields of dance, singing, acting, recitation, magic, juggling and music.

On 18th August, 2 Rotaractors from Rotaract Club of Shishu Mandir (RID 3190) were hosted in Purulia and Bankura.

On 21st August, 29 members watched the movie Bellbottom together.

Total number of eye surgeries performed by Rotary Hospital Purulia in the month of August was 409 and Rotary Lalpur Eye Hospital was 411. Out of these 597 surgeries were performed free for the beneficiaries.

# RAGHUNATHGANJ MURSHIDABAD



On 30th July, free sugar and haemoglobin tests were held for the local community. It will be organised on 30th of every month for those who cant afford the tests.

On 7th August, on National Handloom Day, a Financial awareness program was organized where 20 weavers were given Free Life insurance covereage of 1 year by Rtn Surojit Kala at Mirzapur, Murshidabad.

# SALT LAKE CENTRAL

On 1st July, Dr Partha Pratim Guha (COVID frontline warrior), Superintendent of Bidhannagar Mahokuma Hospital was felicitated.

On 24th July, Tree Plantation Sabujer Avijan, was organised in association with Bidhahnagar Municipal Corporation Ward no



32 at EE Block Park, Salt Lake. 50 saplings (Fruits & Flowers) were planted. The saplings will be maintained by the club for 1 year.

Hariyali was co-hosted.

Rakshabandhan Utsav was celebrated and Rakhis were tied and sweets distributed to 150 local people (Residents, Rickshaw pullers, hawkers etc) at CL-CK block, Salt Lake, Kolkata on 22nd August.

# SERAMPORE



A Health check up Camp was held on 1st August at Konnagar, Hooghly.

# TARGET : GUINNESS BOOK OF WORLD RECORDS





2 Rotaractors from Rotaract Club of Shishu Mandir, Dhanush M. - son of Manjunath from Kadugodi and Hemanth Y.B - son of Bhujangashayana from Yadagondanahalli are on Mission Possible: Save Environment. They are attempting for Guinness Book of World Record by cycling 24,000+ Kms in 180 days covering 29 states & 3 Union Territories. This will be the longest Journey by bicycle in a single country. The message they are carrying is about Global Warming (Protecting the Environment) and Literacy (Basic Literacy, schooling and Adult Literacy). Rotary Purulia hosted them on 19th August and Rotary Domkal Murshidabad on 23rd August. They were felicitated by Rotary Calcutta South Circle on 22nd August. Rotaract Clubs of RID 3291 and DRR hosted and took care of them on 21st and 22nd August. They also visited Rotary Beldanga Eye Hospital.

This event is sponsored by Rotary Bangalore Whitefield Central (RID 3190) in association with International Fellowship of Cycling Rotarians (RID 3190), Shishu Mandir Education Center, Maithri Aqautech Pvt Ltd and Dr. Durga Prasad Reddy (Cardiothoracic Surgeon, Bangalore). The ride was flagged-off on 11th July from Vidhan Soudha by DG Fazal Mahmood of RID 3190.

# **Empowering Women-Rotary Day of Service**



















Hariyali the Green Revelution



Designed by Dark Horse & Edited by GML Chair, PP Meeta Lakhotia & Co-Chair, PP Simmi Barua on behalf of DG Prabir Chatterjee