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Rtn Prabir Chatterjee
District Governor 21-22



Rtn Soumjojit Mukherjee
Club President 21-22



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

NEW YEAR BEGINS

JULY : NEW LEADERSHIP MONTH

OUR LEADERSHIP 2021-22

Rtn Shekhar Mehta
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2598th RCM
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Place: Zoom Virtual

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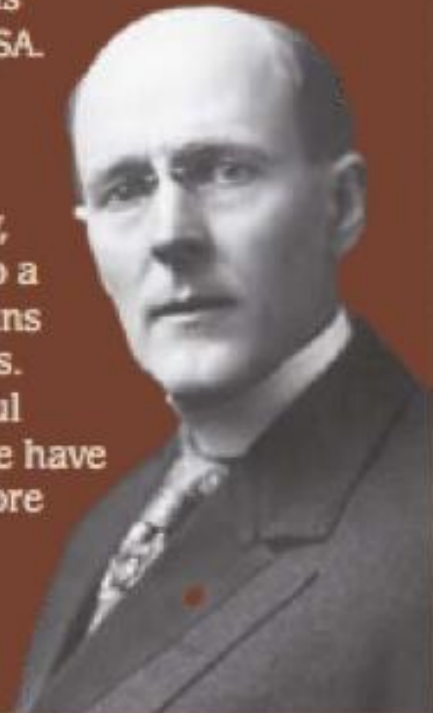
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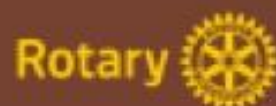
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REMEMBERING PAUL P HARRIS

Paul Harris, the father of Rotary Movement, was born on April 19, 1868 at Racine, Wisconsin, USA. When he passed away on January 27, 1947, he left behind for mankind a rich legacy of fellowship and brotherhood for international understanding and service to humanity. To-day, the seed he sowed in 1905, has blossomed into a large tree having more than 1.2 million Rotarians having 33,000 clubs in more than 200 countries. We fondly remember him and pay our respectful homage to him on this auspicious day when we have stepped into another Rotary year to make it more eventful & meaningful.



Paul P. Harris (1868-1947)
Founder of Rotary



THE FOUR-WAY TEST

The Four-Way Test is a nonpartisan and nonsectarian ethical guide for Rotarians to use for their personal and professional relationships. The test has been translated into more than 100 languages, and Rotarians recite it at club meetings:

Of the things we think, say or do

- Is it the TRUTH?
- Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

many many happy returns of the day

10th July : PP Rtn (Dr) Siddhartha Chakraborty

15th July : PP Rtn Ajoy Krishna Chatterjee

15th July : Rtn Angshuman Bhattacharya

22nd July : Koustav, son of PP Rtn Krishnendu Bhattacharjee

Rotary International Supports Covid Vaccination

Rotary
RID 3291



Help us to help you - Get Vaccinated.
Care for the people around you.

Vaccination is safe and effective, get vaccinated now.
Wear Mask, Wash Hands, Maintain Safe Distance.

Rotary India's Covid Vaccination Task Force

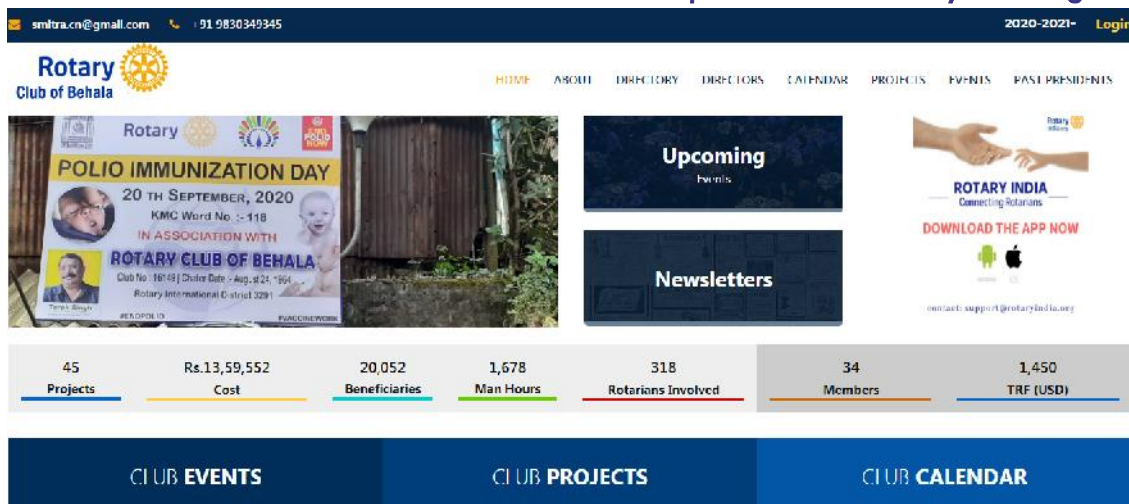


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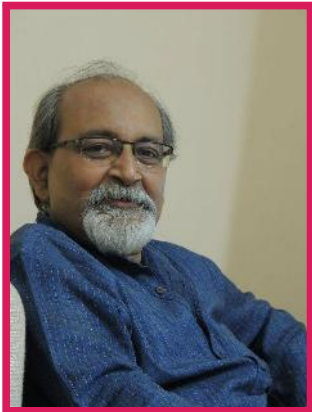
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CLUB EVENTS CLUB PROJECTS CLUB CALENDAR

On this auspicious
58th Installation
Day, we fondly
remember the valued
contribution of all
our past leaders and
members who are no
more with us. The
club has immensely
been benefitted by
their dedicated
service to the cause
of Rotary.



EDITORIAL



Siddhartha Chakraborty
Editor 21-22

New Beginning

30th June, waking up on 1st July with new responsibility, new vigour. The celebration follows.

Club President Rtn Soumjojit Mukherjee took up the baton of the club on 1st of July, the physical event streamed live to the members attending the first Club Meeting virtually. And today we all have assembled for the celebration.

Maitree is privileged to cater to the occasion. Enjoy the platter.

Celebrate Rotary.

Mr Satyajit Ray – the icon – married twice.

He registered his marriage with Ms Bijaya Das at Bombay on 20th October 1948, solemnised later at Calcutta in traditional Brahmo rituals on 3rd march of 1949.

All the Leaders of Rotary are blessed similarly. They become the torch bearer with midnight bell on



RIP Shekhar Mehta & wife Rashi with
DG Prabir Chatterjee & wife Rubena

Quarter Of A Century In Rotary

CONGRATULATIONS
PP RTN KRISHNENDU BHATTACHARJEE

PP Rtn Krishnendu Bhattacharjee completes glorious 25 years in the service of Rotary.

Having joined the club in 1996, he has served the club as a Director, Treasurer, Secretary, and finally as President in 2006-07.

He has also served the Rotary District as

1. District Coordinator, TRF (2003-04)
2. Zonal Secretary (2007-08)
3. Chairman, Waste Management (2008-09)
4. Editor, GML (2009-10)
5. District Secretary, Coordination (2010-11)
6. Assistant Governor, Club Service (2011-12)
7. Vice Chair, District Directory (2013-14)
8. Chairman, Membership Development & Retention (2013-14)

Beyond Rotary, he is :
Former President : Calcutta Paper Traders Association (2002-04)

Former President : Federation of Paper Traders Associations of India (2014-15)

Member: Bengal National Chamber of Commerce & Industry



PP Krishnendu now joins the elite group of our members who have completed quarter of a century in Rotary.

The 25 Years Group includes :

- 1976 - Pijush Ranjan Sengupta
- 1978 - Debidas Ganguly
- 1981 - Debabrata Joardar
- 1983 - Dipak Kumar Mitra
- 1991 - Swapan Kumar Marwaha
- 1992 - Anindya Bose
- 1994 - Indu Bhusan Das
- 1994 - Shamshir Singh Kapany
- 1994 - Deepnath Roy Chowdhury



Know Your Rotary International President

Shekhar Mehta, of the Rotary Club of Calcutta–Mahanagar, West Bengal, India, was the selection of the Nominating Committee for President of Rotary International for 2021–22. He took over the charge on 1st July 2021.

Mehta acknowledges that current membership trends are a challenge and says that membership development should be Rotary's highest priority. He believes that focusing on regional plans, successfully transitioning Rotaractors into Rotary clubs, and increasing diversity and female members could yield a 5 percent net growth in membership each year.

“A major brainstorming is needed to find effective solutions suited to different areas of the world,” says Mehta. He adds that regional ethos and culture have to be taken into account to find localized solutions, as “one size does not fit all.” He believes Rotary can extend to new geographical areas and countries.

As a strong proponent of Rotary's strategic plan, Mehta says he will encourage clubs to use action plans and reinforce the core values of Rotary.

Mehta says Rotary needs to become more contemporary and adaptable by focusing on partnerships with governments and corporations, expanding partnerships with organizations that specialize in Rotary's areas of focus, and investing in technology.

Mehta, an accountant, is chair of the Skyline Group, a real estate development company he founded. He



is also a director of Operation Eyesight Universal (India), a Canada-based organization.

Mehta has been actively involved in disaster response and is a trustee of ShelterBox, UK. After the 2004 Indian Ocean tsunami, he helped build nearly 500 homes for families affected by the disaster.

Mehta pioneered a program that has performed more than 1,500 life-changing heart surgeries in South Asia. He is also the architect of the TEACH Program, which promotes literacy throughout India and has reached thousands of schools.

A Rotary member since 1984, Mehta has served Rotary as director, member or chair of several committees, zone coordinator, training leader, member of The Rotary Foundation Cadre of Technical Advisers, and district governor. He is also the chair of Rotary Foundation (India).

Mehta has received Rotary's Service Above Self Award and The Rotary Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service and Distinguished Service Awards.

He and his wife, Rashi, are Major Donors and members of the Bequest Society.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

MY DEAR CHANGEMAKERS,

I wish each of you and your families a great Rotary New Year! Together, let us make it the best year of our lives, by making it a year to *grow more and do more*. Let this be a year of changemakers, and let us begin with our membership.

That is precisely why the Each One, Bring One initiative is so important. During this year, I urge you to dream of new ways in which Rotary can expand its reach into your community and therefore the world. If each member introduces one person to Rotary, our membership can increase to 1.3 million by July 2022. So, let's just do it!

Imagine the change we, as Rotary members, can make when there are so many more of us! More people to care for others, more people to *Serve to Change Lives*. Think of the impact we can have through *grow more, do more*. More members will enable us to embark on bigger and bolder service projects. And each of us can also continue to serve in our own personal ways, responding to needs in our communities.

The beauty of Rotary is that service means different things to different people around the world. One element, however, that we can incorporate into all of our service initiatives is *empowering girls*. Unfortunately, even in this day and age, girls and young women face disproportionate challenges all over the world. We have the power to lead the charge for gender equality. Empowering girls and young women to have greater access to education, better health care, more employment, and equality in all walks of life should be embedded in every Rotary project we launch. Girls are future leaders, so we

must ensure that we help them shape their future.

These are challenging times, and I compliment each of your efforts in grappling with COVID-19. No challenge is too big for Rotarians. The bigger the challenge, the more passionate the Rotarian. Look at what we can do when we take on a colossal challenge such as eradicating polio. Look at the millions of lives we improve by strengthening access to water, sanitation, and hygiene. Look at what we do every year to promote peace in places where it seems unimaginable. Our basic education and literacy programs have nation-building impact.

This year, let us challenge ourselves to do more such projects and programs that have national reach and impact. This year, let us *Serve to Change Lives*.

The biggest gift we are given
Is the power to touch a life,

To change, to make a difference
In the circle of life.

If we can reach out
With our hand, heart, and soul,

The magic will start to happen
As the wheel begins to roll.

Let's turn the wheel together
So all humanity thrives,

We have the power and the magic
To *Serve to Change Lives*.

Shekhar Mehra

President, Rotary International

Know Your District Governor

EVERY HUMAN LIFE IS OF EQUAL VALUE

Prabir Chatterjee's life, energy, time and even the people he surrounds himself with is guided by this premise.

If humanitarianism can be called a sport, Prabir is the master of it. He has displayed the passion and fervour in everything he has done at Rotary since becoming a member in the year 1999. Presently, he is the member of Rotary Calcutta Majestic.

Born to the famous Chatterjee family, he has always known the importance of using one's privileges to help the society. The alumnus of St. Xavier's College went on to become a first-generation entrepreneur after completing his B/Sc. Followed by Diploma in Electronic & Video technology.

Through his work he wanted to create a positive impact on people's lives and founded TEEVEETRONICS POLYTECHNIC PVT. LTD. in 1984. Till date his company has helped millions progress in their lives through Vocational Skill Development, Training & Computer Management. It is also the leading franchisee of WEBEL (A Govt. of West Bengal undertaking), since 1991 with several computer sales, service and training centres all over West Bengal. Between 1986 and 1997 he was associated with TATA STEEL, developing and conducting several training programs in Dhanbad, Jamshedpur and West Bokaro.

Prabir has held various positions in Rotary District 3291 after completing his Presidentship in 2007-08. He is a Rotary Leadership Institute faculty



member since 2015 and a recipient of the "Vocational Service Leadership Award" from Rotary International in 2014. Through his immaculate leadership skills he believes in building a better community one step at a time, along with his Rotary Family.

Prabir is also a member of various organizations like: Bengal National Chamber of Commerce & Industry (BNCCI), Public Relations Society of India, Kolkata Chapter (PRSI), Dakshin Kalikata Sansad (DKS) Club, Calcutta International Club, Indian Life Saving Society (ILSS), Calcutta Sports Association (CSA), AAEL, Calcutta Film Society, Photographic association of Bengal, KALABHRIT, a leading organisation for Cultural & Sports activities.

Amidst all this, Prabir still makes time for his passion as a travel photographer and avid thrill seeker. In 2016 he drove from Kolkata to Jaisalmer and covered a total distance of 5,219 kms.

Spouse Rubena, a professional dancer and currently the Senior School Co-curricular Coordinator at Sushila Birla Girls' School, Kolkata. She is a Rotarian and member of Rotary Calcutta Majestic since 2012.

Daughter Kathakali has completed her Masters in 'Public Relations & Event Management' from AMITY University, Noida in 2020 and is presently engaged with a reputed PR Agency in New Delhi.

Message From District Governor 2021–22

Prabir Chatterjee

District Governor 2021 - 22



18th May, 2021

Rtn. Soumjojit Mukherjee
President 21-22
Rotary Behala



Dear Change Maker President Soumjojit,

Rotary Greetings ! I hope this finds you having a great Rotary year as a President of your Club. It will be an awesome year for Rubena and me as your District Governor and would like to congratulate the respected and ever enthusiastic Rotary Calcutta Chowrenghee family on this wonderful occasion of Installation Ceremony.

Soumjojit, you have been selected by the members of your Rotary Club to guide its affairs during the coming year and as a President of your club, you need to be thinking ahead to the coming year(s) as well that will help and shape your club's future.

This continuing Covid 2 pandemic has a lot of dark sides but the world has survived all pandemics of the past are alive and more populous than ever is proof to that. Let's not forget that we should make the best of what the crisis gives us. I believe the best days of Rotary are ahead, because the Rotarians always keep on looking at the brighter sides of life, the longer the crisis lasts, the larger the opportunities.

I wish all the very best to you along with your members for a fruitful Rotary year and assuring my unending support to **Serve to Change Lives**.

Yours-in-Rotary,

Prabir Chatterjee

District Governor 2122

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Message From District Governor 2022–23

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June 12, 2021

Rtn. Soummojit Mukherjee
President 2021-22
Rotary Club of Behala
Rotary International District 3291

Dear Rtn. Soummojit,

I take this opportunity to convey my heartfelt greetings and congratulation to you for taking over as the President of your Club for the Rotary year 2021-2022. I am sure that with your pro-active leadership and involvement of all your Club Members, you will live up to the Theme “**Serve to Change Lives**” and will do your best in the coming Rotary year. I am very happy to receive the kind invitation from your Club for your Installation Ceremony and I wish you all the success.

We all are passing through a very critical phase of our life. While this restricted our physical mobility to a large extent but at the same time it has opened numerous new avenues through which we are being able to increase our connectivity and are finding new opportunities to serve the mankind. I hope that with our very own Shekhar Mehta being the Rotary International President, we all will be more enthusiastic and dedicated to live up to his expectations and clarion call.

I am sure that your Club will achieve more laurels in the coming year with the motivation and guidance of District Governor Prabir and Rubena with their dedicated and enthusiastic Team and you and your Club members will feel proud to be a part of making new history. My wife Mitali also join me in wishing your Installation Ceremony both enjoyable and memorable. We also wish you and your team a great Rotary Year 2021-2022 and we are looking forward to work together.

With best wishes,

Yours in Rotary

Ajoy Kumar Law

Message From District Governor 2023-24

Hira Lal Yadav
District Governor Nominee, 2023-24
Rotary International District 3291



Date: 10th June, 2021

Dear President Rtn. Soumyajit,

I am very glad to know that you have been selected to lead your club as President in the year 2021-2022. Rotary Club of Behala has very successfully completed a very long journey of service to the Mankind and the club leaders have contributed so much in the District Administration. You have been blessed with so many senior and experienced leaders in your Club to guide and support.

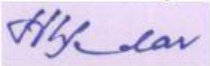
As a leader of your club in the year 2021-2022, you have got an opportunity to plan and undertake sustainable need based projects to bring hope & happiness in the lives of underprivileged people. It will not only bring changes in the life of beneficiaries, but it will also give you a great sense of satisfaction.

I am confident that your club will scale up new heights in the field of service as well as membership growth under your leadership.

My best wishes to you and your club members for a very successful Rotary Year 2021-2022, as well as for a very enjoyable and memorable 58th Installation ceremony to be held on 6th July 2021.

I shall always be available to you for guidance & support.

Yours in Rotary.



Rtn. Hira Lal Yadav
District Governor Nominee 2023-24
RID 3291

Message From District Governor 2020–21



Dear Changemaker President Soummojit,

You are taking office in the second year of second century of Rotary in India when our own Shekhar Mehta will be taking over as Rotary International President.

You are aware that we are essentially in Rotary for hands on service projects. I am sure you will take up meaningful sustainable project based on 7 Areas of Focus and also stress upon three important Verticals namely Public Image, Membership and Foundation.

My Trail blazer President Sugata has shown how to rise to the occasion to undertake projects during full year of pandemic. I am sure you will hold a candle to your predecessor's name under leadership of DG Prabir Chatterjee.

Trail Blazer President has blazed the trail by Opening Opportunities and it is up to you as Change Maker President to Serve to Change Lives.

Sudip Mukherjee
Immediate Past District Governor.

Message From District Governor 2000-01



Dear President 2021-22 Rtn. Soumjojit Mukherjee,

You are among the fortunate Club leaders who will have a dynamic Indian as the Rotary International President.

It comes rarely but when it does the ethos of the Indian philosophy comes to the fore and is embedded in the stones of the Rotary history and the Past RI Presidents from India Raja Sabooji & Kalyan Bannerjee have shown us this.

"Look Beyond Yourself" was the clarion call of Raja ji to the Rotarians across the world and the message reflected the need to look into the community and the surroundings to serve their needs and keep the self interest & egos away. Then came Kalyanda with his theme in 2011-12 - **"Reach within to embrace Humanity"** - a philosophy asking you to search within you & motivate yourself to open your arms & reach out to the masses, to the humanity and treat everyone as equal and help those in need. Powerful messages from enriched Presidents who both claim to have had their roots in Kolkata.

Now comes another Rotarian of Kolkata- our own District 3291 's pro-active member Shekhar Mehta who has proven to be a shaker & a mover who reached the helm by practicing & living up to his wonderful theme **" Serve to Change Lives"**. It is a challenge to each Club President & his/her team to do projects that significantly change lives. My friend Shekhar's message comes at a crucial time when the world is suffering & yet getting united to save lives in these times of pandemic.

President Rtn. Soumjojit - your time has come to show your Club members that you truly deserve this mantle and you have the capacity to motivate your members to serve, to raise funds to do larger projects and most of all you can change the lives of the people that you serve. Margaret Mead had said :
" Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has "
So go forth to serve & prove to the Rotary World that RC Behala shall Serve Lives & Change Lives !!

My best wishes to you & the Club in your journey of Service in this historic year.

PDG Ravi Sehgal

Message From District Governor 2001–02



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

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GOVERNOR 2001 – 2002, DISTRICT 3290

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June 16, 2021

Rtn. Soummojit Mukherjee
President 2021-2022
R.C.Behala.
RI. District 3291

Through the kind office of PP. Dr. Rtn. Siddhartha Chakraborty, Club Editor

Dear President Soummojit,

Greetings to you and the members of RC. Behala on the occasion of your Installation.

Mankind is going through one of its greatest challenges. Society at large has gone through a drastic change and we may never again go back to those carefree days again, when we enjoyed each other's company without the fear of falling sick.





At a time like this we Rotarians have a huge role to play. We need to stand beside our community and put in our best efforts to ensure they are protected and are safe.

2021-2022 is also a Landmark year. Our very own Shekhar Mehta will be carrying the Rotary Mantle on his capable shoulders. Each of us have a responsibility to ensure that his tenure remains written in golden letters when the history of Rotary is written.

Allow me to wish you and every member of RC. Behala a healthy and safe year ahead. Go forward and SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES.

With warm regards, I am

Siddhartha S. Bose

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Message From District Governor 2003–04



Rtn. Soumjojit Mukherjee
President
Rotary Club of Behala

I am glad to know that you are holding Installation meeting on 6th July.

This year we have a great role to play as because our own man is RIP and your play can play vital role by inviting more Hands.

THINK ABOUT THIS...WHY DO PEOPLE JOIN ROTARY? THINKING BACK...I HAVE COME TO THE CONCLUSION...PEOPLE JOIN ROTARY FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS:

- FRIENDSHIPS
- PRESTIGE OF BEING A ROTARIAN
- AN OPPORTUNITY TO NETWORK

THEN SOMETHING HAPPENS...YOU FIND OUT THAT BESIDES FRIENDSHIP, PRESTIGE, NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES...ROTARY PROMOTES HIGHER ETHICAL VALUES. THEN THE MAGIC OF ROTARY OCCURS...

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FUTURE OF ROTARY IS IN YOUR HANDS...WHAT YOU DO---- WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE.
SO LET'S SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

Wish you all the best

Thanking you
PDG Rajkumar Rajgaria
2003-04

Message From District Governor 2006–07



PDG Debasish Mitra
National Committee Member-India National Polio Plus Committee
D 3040, 3240, 3261, 3262 & 3291
District Membership Chair D 3291
TRF Special Advisor D 3262

President
Rotary Behala
R I District 3291
2021-2022

Dear President Soumjojit Mukherjee,

Greetings!

My hope in sharing this note with you is that it will inspire and motivate you to be all that you can be; that even when you face challenges to persevere; to encourage you to set your goals and stay focused on achieving them; and a reminder to realize that you are born to succeed. And, most importantly as you work to achieve your goals enjoy life!

With the awakening of a new dawn on 1st July 2020 the Team 2020-21 will commence its journey onto the world of service ceremoniously under your dynamic leadership. Work hard in silence & let success make the noise.

I am reminded of those wonderful words of Emily Dickson "If I can stop one heart from breaking I shall not live in vain – If I can ease one life the aching or cool the pain or help one fainting robin into its nest again – I shall not line in vain."

Papia & I wish you and the Members of your Club a great journey ahead as you celebrate the Mantra for the year – Serve to Change Lives.

Stay Safe – Stay Blessed.

Warm regards

Debasish

Message From District Governor 2007–08



Dear President Soummojit (2021-2022),

My personal greeting to you, it is very heartening to know that you are taking Mantle of your esteem club for next year.

Leadership in Rotary is the manifestation of compassion, forbearance, generosity, humility, courage and willingness to sacrifice for the common good. You need not to do much to inculcate this qualities, just their awareness is good enough to be a good leader. **Be one world need you.**

RC Behala during its long journey has positioned itself as one of the most vibrant & potential club under Rotary International. This prestigious position is achieved by implementing very meaningful projects which has touched thousands of lives. The commitment & the dedication of each member for the cause has resulted in such great success.

RI President has given a very thought provoking theme of this year. Let us share our expertise & resources to make a difference in the community to justify **“Serve to change Lives”**.

2021 – 22 is the significant year in the lives of all the Rotarians of this sub-continent as the world leader, Rtn. Shekhar Mehta who is from our District. In order to offer your respect, you must engage with maximum number of humanitarian services.

I wish you and your entire Board a very successful Rotary year .

Thanks with warm regards,

Yours truly,

PDG Anirudha Roychowdhury
DRFC 2021 - 22

Message From District Governor 2011-12



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June 17, 2021

Rtn.Soummojit Mukherjee
President (2021-22)
Rotary Club of Behala
Rotary International District 3291



Dear Rtn. Soummojit,

I am extremely happy to know that you are taking over the mantle of leadership of your esteemed Club in the very special year of Rotary in India and more so in our District 3291 as my very good friend and our own Shekhar Mehta will be the President of Rotary International and at the same time we will have a very friendly and knowledgeable District Governor Prabir Chatterjee to lead our District. I take this opportunity to convey my heartfelt greetings and congratulation to you and your dedicated team of Change Makers and I am sure that with your pro-active leadership and involvement of all your Club Members, you will live up to the Theme “**Serve to Change Lives**” and will do your best in the coming Rotary year.

Rotary, my friend, is an organization, which gives you immense opportunity to prove yourself as an exemplary leader and also to serve the society to the best of your ability with your fellow Rotarians and other Partners-in-Service and associates within a friendly and professional environment. Rotary is also the best place to make new friends and to have excellent family bonding amongst your Club members and other Rotarians and Rotary family in your District as well as throughout the world. I am sure that your Club will achieve more laurels in the coming year and you and your Club members will feel proud to be a part of making new history. My wife Jaya and daughter PP Rtn. Adrija also join me in wishing your Installation Ceremony both enjoyable and memorable. We also wish you and your team a great Rotary Year 2021-2022 and are looking forward to work together.

With best wishes,

Yours in Rotary

Angsuman

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Message From District Governor 2012–13



Dear President Soummojit,

Greetings and best wishes to you and your team for taking up the challenge to lead Rotary Behala, a club with great legacy of our Rotary Dist. 3291.

As Rotarians we feel proud to be a part of the historic endeavors of Rotary to serve the mankind on this planet earth, and in this pandemic situation also Rotary has attracted attention of the world for its sustainable and continuous work for suffering humanity.

I am sure you and your team will keep the flag of Rotary Behala high as ever before and complete the Rotary year with utmost satisfaction of your club members as well as our District 3291.

Yours in Rotary
PDG Uttam Ganguli

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Message From District Governor 2013-14



Rajani Mukerji

B. Sc. Engg., F I E, Chartered Engineer
Home Club: Rotary Club of Calcutta Midcast

District Governor 2013-14,
Rotary International, District - 3291



Rotary International
DISTRICT-3291

Service Above Self

Date: July 01, 2021

Dear President **Soumjojit**

Ballari joins me in congratulating you as you take up the responsibility of leading your Club in following the theme for the year, **'Serve to Change Lives'**.

District looks up to your club for some meaningful service to the mankind. I'm sure under your able leadership **Rotary Behala** would gift a memorable year to the district. It is more so, this being the Year, our own **Shekhar Mehta** is the Rotary International President; a proud moment for Rotary in India and specially for our District.

As we have stepped into the second century of Rotary Service, strengthening our Clubs, our very roots, has become the order of the day! To retain members and strengthen our clubs, we must keep in mind, every Rotarian joined Rotary to contribute something for a cause and has some expectations from the Rotary Club; to retain members, make sure that every member of the club is involved and satisfied. General Secretary of Rotary International & The Rotary Foundation, John Hewko, urged Rotarians to think out of box, embrace flexibility, focus on engagement rather than attendance! We need to change!

You and your team will also have to deal with a new challenge, that's COVID-19! You would have to device a new way to run and manage the club; a new thought, how to take up Service Projects!

I wish you and your team a great happening year ahead.

With best regards,

Yours-in-Rotary Service,

Rajani Mukerji

Past District Governor
District Trainer 2021-22, District 3291
Member, Executive Committee, Rotary India Literacy Mission



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Message From District Governor 2014–15



PDG Pinaki Prasad Ghosh

6th July 2021.

Dear President Rtn. Soumjojit Mukherjee of Rotary Club of Behala,

At the very outset, i would like to wish you Seasons Greetings and a very Happy New Rotary Year 2021 to You and all your members.

I am very happy to know that members of RC Behala a very active Club in the RI District 3291 which has been in the Rotary Movement for over 57 years will be holding its 58th Installation Ceremony on 6th July at Zoom Platform.

I wish the event a grand success.

I heartily congratulate you for taking up the mantle of club leadership of RC Behala .

I am confident that under your leadership RC Behala will try its level best to implement the Theme of Rotary Year 2021-22 “Serve to Change Lives” as presented by RI President Rtn. Shekhar Mehta by conducting the projects as prescribed by RI President in addition to the Regular sustainable projects of your Club.

Follow the mantra as set in by RI President Shekhar “Do more” as in bigger and impactful service projects and “Grow More” as in increasing our membership.

My wife Nilima joins me in wishing you and all your club members a successful meaningful Rotary Year 2021.

Thank you so much
with best Rotary wishes

Yours in Rotary
PDG Pinaki Prasad Ghosh

Message From District Governor 2015–16



My dear young Leader Rtn. Soummojit,

Greetings.

I became very excited and happy, when i came to know that Rtn. Soummojit would lead an old and most vibrant Rotary Club during the Rotary year 2021-22.

I had the privilege to work with you in many humanitarian projects in the past. I saw your dedication, determination and devotion to make the mission successful. I am more impressed with your cool and calm attitude.

You are very young but have huge exposure and experience to meet any challenge, may come on your way to achieve goals. Now we are passing through a typical situation of uncertainty. We are scary now.

I am confident that you will show us the light to live happily and merrily.

I take the opportunity to convey my best wishes to you and all members of Rotary Club of Behala.

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JHULAN BASU

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EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN, QUANTUM ENGG. PRIVATE LIMITED,
PAST GOVERNOR, ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 3291,
MEMBER, ROTARY CLUB OF KABITIRTHA CALCUTTA.**

Message From District Governor 2016–17



To
Rtn President Soummojit Mukherjee (2021-22)
RC Behala
R.I. District 3291

Dear Rtn Soummojit,

I am so happy to know that you are taking over as President of RC Behala for the Rotary year 2021-22. You are fortunate to be a part of this wonderful club! Over the years, your past presidents have worked relentlessly to serve the community and build a well-bonded Rotary club.

Right now we are going through difficult times due to the COVID 19 pandemic. Instead of meeting in person, we now use the digital platform. Kudos to you for accepting the leadership position during these trying times! I somehow feel this is the right time for a young person like you to serve as leader of your club. The pandemic may have given challenges to us but those challenges can easily be converted to opportunities. These will be opportunities to serve those who need our assistance and help in their bad times. Probably this was in the mind of Shekhar Mehta, our world leader for 2021-22, when he gave us the beautiful theme, “**Serve to Change Lives.**” His belief is that when we serve others, we do not only bring changes in their lives, but that change happens in our lives too!

Rotary International has taken up the **Diversity Equity Inclusion** policy, and our leader, Shekhar Mehta, has given a clarion call for **Empowering the Girl Child**. His other emphasis is on “**Each One Bring One**”. Hopefully, by the end of the Rotary year, we may be able to say that there are 1.3 million Rotarians across the globe. Please do remember that Polio remains our central focus, as we have reached a point where we are on the brink of eradicating this disease. Your club's support on the immunization days and financial support too, will help us reach the End of Polio. Remember, **all of us need to challenge and fight COVID 19** too! Enjoy serving humanity through **Rotary Days** in this district.

Does all this sound very daunting? I can guarantee you the challenges will be met by your Team and you! Leo Tolstoy had written, “The sole meaning of life is to serve humanity.” So work hard with your club and its associates and you will soon understand what it is means to **Serve to Change Lives.**

With my best wishes for a very satisfying Rotary year ahead,

PDG Shyamashree Sen, EPNC Zone 6 (2020-23)

Message From District Governor 2018–19



Dear Rotary Leader,

Please accept best wishes from Rakhi and me on becoming the President of Rotary Club of Behala. Your Club has always been a leading club of our District.

In the Rotary Year 2021-22 I would request your club along with other Rotary Clubs of our District to focus on Literacy.

Human life is complete when one becomes literate. Our aim is to spread this message to each and every corner of our District. Adopt a school. Take care to support them in their studies. Make them self sufficient. Better if you can promote literacy among girl students. Create students i e. reach out to little boys and girls who have not been fortunate enough to be blessed with the LIGHT OF LITERACY in their life.

Hope to work with you and your club during RY 2021-22.

Wish all club members all the best.

Sincerely yours
Mukul Sinha
District Governor (2018-19)
RID 3291

Message From District Governor 2019–20



Dear Members,

I cordially greet you on the happy occasion of your club's Installation Meeting for 2021-2022.

Rotary Club of Behala enjoys an impeccable and enviable reputation in our district. With an outstanding record of service to community, along with strong adherence to all Rotary administrative norms, it really leads the way.

It is a matter of great delight that an alumni of the Group Study Exchange program of Rotary Foundation has not only joined and has been an active member of your club, this year he also takes over as president.

Soumjojit, I have known you for many years, and am personally happy that you will take up the mantle of leadership. With your many fine qualities and skills, I look forward to the club exploding the barriers and reaching new heights in all aspects.

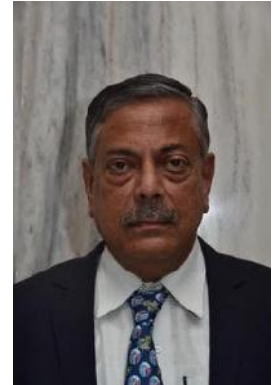
The very valuable resource available to you is the pool of past presidents, each one a gem and a treasure. With their collective guidance, it will be a smooth voyage for you indeed!

Mamta joins me in wishing team Behala a great year in which to SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES.

With my affectionate regards

Ajay Agarwal
DG 2019-2020.

Message From Assistant Governor 2020–21 Zone – 20



Dear Rtn. Siddhartha Chakraborty,

As our Rotary Year 2020-21 comes to an end, I personally feel very nostalgic. I

I am fortunate being associated with RC Behala as AG(Amin), which indeed have a glorious past in fulfilling Rotary's "Service Above Self" principle. More so when I met your President Rtn. Sugata Mazumdar, who in spite of his professional commitment, always ready for any discussion regarding Club activities. In this pandemic situation, we all could imagine his professional pressure by virtue of his nature of profession. In the area of service projects, he always lead from the front & steering all Club activities without any hindrance. As President he is instrumental in fulfilling digitization of all Club activities as advised by our District 3291.

My heartiest congratulation & best wishes to Rtn. Sugata for steering your Club with full of service activities & excellent networking with District3291 & also amongst Members. I look forward Rtn.Sugata's contribution in serving Rotary in bigger platform in near future.

Best Regards,
Susanta Kumar Sarkar
AG Zone 20; 2020-21

Message From Zonal Secretary 2020–21 Zone – 20



Best wishes to the Change maker PRESIDENT RTN SOUMMOJIT MUKHERJEE & HIS TEAM Of RC BEHALA for a motivating and meaningful Rotary Year 21-22 to **SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES**

REGARDS
RTN RINA SINHA ROY
ASSISTANT GOVERNOR 21-22
ZONE 20.

Message From Assistant Governor 2021–22



I am feeling an immense pleasure to send wishful messages to a vibrant club like Rotary Club of Behala. They are working for underprivileged children , distressed women, diseased poor fellow, for literacy, vocational training , healthy life , clean and green environment. They have properly utilized all the opportunities they found to serve people.

I am sure that in the Rotary year 21-22 President Soumjojit Mukherjee and his team will achieve their goal to **serve to change lives** .

The club RC Behala will be a more Noticeable club with a greater number of members ie., **People of Action** and more meaningful service projects for lasting change in lives of the people they work for.

Dr. Aditi Nag Chaudhuri
Assistant Governor, Rotary year 21-22
RI District 3291

Message From Zonal Secretary 2021–22



Dear President Soumjojit ji

I extend my heartiest congratulations to you for leading the helping hand to those in need. I welcome you and your team members for the coming Rotary Year and believe that you will lead your club to a greater height to promote friendship, encourage the ideals of Personal Service and foster international understanding.

We in Rotary must work together to empower others so that the best can evolve for a better society. Once again I congratulate your team and club members for this activities filled year and pray you shoulder all the responsibilities in uniform manner.

As Mother Teresa had said “ I alone cannot change the world but I can cast a stone across the water to create many “ RIPPLES. “

With loving regards,

Yours in Rotary,
Anjali Srivastava
ZS - 2021-22.

Message From Past District Secretary



To
Rtn.Soummojit Mukerjee
President 2021-22
Rotary Club of Behala
RID 3291.

Dear Soummojit,

I am very happy to hear that you are going to lead your club as President in the rotary year 2021-22. A historic year 2021-22, when we are going to have Sri Shekhar Mehta as 2nd Rotary International President from our District and 4th from India. You are very fortunate to get this opportunity to serve as President of your prestigious club. I am sure you are going to be a great leader and do meaningful activities. I remember your active participation as Group Study Exchange Team member to RID 4730, Brazil in the year 2012.

Wish you all the best to you and your Team 2021-22 under the abled leadership of our DG Prabir Chatterjee.

Take care and stay safe.

Yours in Rotary,

Brotindro Mullick

PP, RC CAL ENDEAVOUR

- District Chair 21-22
- Rotary Standard Constitution & Bylaws
- District Aide 20-21
- District Secy Admin 19-20
- Chair, DTAssembly 18-19
- DCH, Membership 18-19
- AG Admin 10-11 & 16-17
- AG Service 12-13
- ADS Events 11-12
- TEAM LEADER, GSE 11-12
- DRR 1999-2000

Message From Past President RC Serampore



Dear Soumyajit ,

Sincere greetings to you and members of R.C. Behala. Hope the present crisis finds all of you in sound health.

It is indeed pleasant to learn about your forthcoming leadership as president of an esteemed club like Rotary Club of Behala. The contemporary conditions are unconventional and it demands a different dimension in executing welfare for the community. I sincerely believe that you shall admirably carry the legacy of your club and would certainly add new feathers of achievement. As I personally know you to be motivated , amiable and dynamic I have every reason to believe that by combining the experience and efforts of fellow Rotarians of your club , the cause of Rotary will be addressed by serving to change lives.

With Best Wishes

Rtn Sandip Banerjee

PP R.C. Serampore

Message From President 2021–22 Inner Wheel Club of Behala



On behalf of the Inner wheel Club of Behala, I take this opportunity to congratulate Rtn. Soumjojit Mukherjee upon taking up the mantle of leadership of the Rotary Club of Behala as President for the Rotary Year 2021-22.

Your club has a rich legacy of service and benevolence, good will and friendship. But this is an unusual year with death and devastation, loss and grief all around. An unusual time calls for unusual steps. Truth is stark, yet hope still burns bright. You have been able to connect with a large number of people all over the world in virtual mode and shall cope with other demands of the changing time too as expected.

I am confident that with your able guidance and vision you will be able to rejuvenate your club and motivate your club members for more service to change lives, to make a new future and move toward a better world.

I, along with the members of IWC Behala, look forward to working in close collaboration with your club and execute projects to bring comfort and happiness to all who need it most. I wish you and all your club members an active and successful Rotary year ahead. All the best.

Yours-in-Wheel

Amita Chatterjee
President IWC Behala, 2021-22.

Message From President 2020–21 Rotary Club of Behala



Dear President Soummojit,

We have come to start of a new Rotary Year and I welcome you and the Board of the year 2021-22 to carry forward the rich tradition of our club by serving the community and bringing in new members. It was my pleasure to serve as the President in one of the oldest Rotary clubs of our District 3291. I express my gratitude to all the members of the club that in spite of this Pandemic had given me their whole-hearted support throughout the year in all the projects we have done.

Every good moment in your life has got to come to an end, and so is mine. I take this opportunity to welcome you - the new young and energetic President Rtn Soummojit Mukherjee, associated with Rotary and Rotaract for over a decade. You have got the zeal and passion for the club, and so under your leadership we will continue to do meaningful and sustainable projects as like in every year. My best wishes and support will always be with you.

I also look forward to our young Club Secretary Rtn Debarshi Dutta Gupta who is a third generation Rotarian and is backed by a family tradition of leadership and rich entrepreneurship.

I am absolutely sure that you two - the young leaders - will make a dedicated team who will make our club proud. You will definitely be supported by our club members who are all knowledgeable and experienced and always on their toes for any help.

My sincere and best wishes to you, dear President Soummojit, and the Board of RY 2021-22 .

Yours in Rotary,
Rtn Sugata Mazumdar
President, 2020-21
Rotary Club Of Behala

Know Your Club President

Born to late Samir Kr Mukherjee & Late Anjali Mukherjee in 1983 in Siliguri, North Bengal, Rtn Soumjojit spent his childhood on the lap of the Himalayas in Kurseong & Darjeeling region.

After graduation in History from Ashutosh College in Kolkata, he started trading in packaging materials (Duplex Board), later diversifying to transport, and recently pursuing a career as an artist in television industry.

A fitness freak, he is a regular in gym. A great sports enthusiast, he loves outdoor sports like tennis or swimming. In his student days he played a lot of cricket & table tennis, representing West Bengal in Sub junior & Junior level table tennis.

Travelling remains his passion – specially exploring new or different destinations. And whenever time permits, he indulges in watching movies, listening to music, and yes – singing too.

Past President Rtn. Krishnendu Bhattacharjee inspired & introduced him to the world of Rotary. He participated in RYLA at IIM Joka, then was inducted in



Rotaract Club of Behala in the year 2006 – of which he became President in 2009–10, leading his club to win several awards from Rotaract District 3291.

Over the time he got involved into various Rotary – Rotaract projects, and was member of the GSE team from RID 3291 visiting Brazil (RID 4730) in 2012–13 – the same year that he was inducted in Rotary Club of Behala, pinned by Past President Rtn Deepnath Roychowdhury.

He served the club as chair of different committees, Editor (twice), Treasurer, Secretary (twice), and Vice President. In the RI year 2015–16 he was awarded as the best Club Secretary by RI District 3291.

He is happily married to Papia and they are blessed with one son Rajveer, studying in Delhi Public School, Ruby Park.

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Message From President 2021–22 Rotary Club of Behala



I really don't know where to start.

Got in touch with the world of Rotary in the year 2006 when I first participated at a RYLA held at IIM Joka. After that I joined Rotaract Club of Behala. Rotaract was definitely one of the best things that happened to me. It taught me to live for others - in other words, Service Above Self. I am thankful to all my Rotaract friends. It was a wonderful journey which helped me to grown as a Rotarian. Thanks to inspiration and initiative of PP Rtn. Krishnendu Bhattacharjee, I joined Rotary Club of Behala in 2012, and started my learning process, guided by the dedicated Rotarians of my club. My sincere thanks to them for making me a true Rotarian.

Now they have reposed on me the huge responsibility and a great opportunity to lead a 58 year old Rotary club. I hope I will live up to the expectation.

Things are different now and it is really going to be difficult to function as a Rotary club in this very unprecedented period. But I hope with full support of my club and guidance from RI District 3291, I will be able to lead my club towards the right direction.

Let us come together and follow the motto of our RI President Rtn. Shekhar Mehta Ji - "Serve To Change Lives" . Yes, together we can change lives.

Finally, let me express my gratitude to the leaders who have wished us for the journey ahead.
Regards.

Yours in Rotary

Rtn. Soumjojit Mukherjee
President 21-22
Rotary Club of Behala

Know Your Chief Guest

After his training at the National Defense Academy and Indian Military Academy, he was commissioned in Regiment of Artillery in December, 1969. Took part in Indo-Pak war, 1971 on the western front.

A product of Lucknow University, he was transferred to the Judge Advocate General's department in 1982 where he served for next 28 years. He was Judge Advocate General of the Indian Army from 2001 to Nov 2008. He was awarded VSM and AVSM.

He headed the Amity Law School, Noida from August 2009 to July 2016. The school was selected for the coveted Institutional Excellence Award 2013. He teaches Interpretation of Statutes, Law Poverty and Development, Professional Ethics and Media Law.

He is a prolific writer having authored 16 books of which many have seen multiple editions.



Maj Gen (Prof) Nilendra Kumar

He has presented papers at conferences in India and abroad. He regularly appears as a panelist/expert on TV/radio.

He has been nominated by the Speaker, Lok Sabha to the Management Advisory Committee of the Lok Sabha TV and to the Internship Advisory Committee Lok Sabha. He is a Director of International Society of Military Law & Law of War and a member of International Society of Law Deans.

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- Solar Lights
- Child Safety
- Friends
- TeamMates
- Rotaract
- Sanitation
- Community Foundation
- Big Red
- Blowout
- Habitat for Humanity
- Dictionaries
- Mission II Haiti
- Golf Tournament
- UNK
- Selflessness
- Goodwill
- India
- Beer & Brats
- Education
- RYLA
- Salvation Army
- Scholarships
- Vocation
- Interact
- Peace
- Cranes on Parade
- Kearney High
- 3rd Grade
- Spaghetti Feed
- Polio Eradication
- Clean Water
- Childrens Museum
- Walk to End Alzheimer's
- Charity
- Nepal
- Literacy
- MONA
- Yanney Park
- Breakfast
- Crossroads Mission
- Disease Prevention

BOARD 2021-22



IPP
Sugata Mazumdar



SECRETARY
Debarshi Dutta Gupta



PRESIDENT
Soumjojit Mukherjee



TREASURER
PP Anjan Kr Bhowmick



PRESIDENT ELECT
Bikash Dutta



CLUB TRAINER
PP Indu Bhusan



JOINT SECRETARY
PP Amaresh Bhattacharya



VICE PRESIDENT
Debarshi Dutta Gupta



SGT AT ARMS
PP Susmit Bhattacharya

DIRECTORS

CHAIRMEN

STANDING COMMITTEES



CLUB SERVICE
PP Manika Karmakar



VOCATIONAL SERVICE
Angshuman Bhattacharya



COMMUNITY SERVICE (MEDICAL)
Dr Atanu Saha



CLUB ADMINISTRATION
PP Anirudha Gupta



MEMBERSHIP
PP Debabrata Joardar



ROTARY FOUNDATION
PP Krishnendu Bhattacharjee



COMMUNITY SERVICE (NON-MEDICAL)
Bikash Dutta



INTERNATIONAL SERVICE
PP Anirudha Gupta



NEW GENERATION
PP Kaushik Bhattacharyya



PUBLIC IMAGE
PP Deepnath Roy Chowdhury



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SUB-COMMITTEES 2021-22

CLUB SERVICE

Membership Development & Retention

Chair
PP Rtn Debabrata Joardar

Co-Chair
PP Rtn Ajoy Krishna Chatterjee

Public Image of Rotary

Chair
PP Rtn Deepnath Roy Choudhury

Co-Chair
Rtn Susmit Bhattacharya

Constitution & Bylaws

Chair
PP Rtn Ajoy Krishna Chatterjee

Co-Chair
PP Rtn Dr Siddhartha Chakraborty

Rotary Information

Chair
PP Rtn Kaushik Bhattacharyya

Co-Chair
Rtn Shuvranshu Mitra

Fellowship

Chair
PP Rtn Debidas Ganguly

Co-Chair
PP Rtn Swapan Marwaha

VOCATIONAL SERVICE

Vocational Training

Chair
PP Rtn Anindya Bose

Co-Chair
Rtn Bikash Dutta

Computer Literacy

Chair
IPP Rtn Sugata Mazumdar

Co-Chair
Rtn Shuvranshu Mitra

COMMUNITY SERVICE (MEDICAL)

Eye Care

Chair
PP Rtn Manika Karmakar

Co-Chair
PP Rtn Kaushik Bhattacharyya

Blood Donation Camp

Chair
PP Rtn Anjan Kumar Bhowmick

Co-Chair
PP Rtn Kaushik Bhattacharyya

Comprehensive Health Check - Ups

Chair
PP Rtn Dr Siddhartha Chakraborty

Co-Chair
IPP Rtn Sugata Mazumdar

SUB-COMMITTEES 2021-22

COMMUNITY SERVICE (NON-MEDICAL)

Water & Sanitation

Chair
PP Rtn Anirudha Gupta

Co-Chair
Rtn Ashish Das

Environment

Chair
PP Rtn Amarjit Singh Thethi

Co-Chair
Rtn Shamshir Singh Kapany

Rotary Community Corps (RCC)

Chair
PP Rtn Anirudha Gupta

Co-Chair
IPP Rtn Bikash Dutta

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

Friendship Exchange

Chair
PP Rtn Deepnath Roy Choudhury

Co-Chair
PP Rtn Prasunjit Mukherjee

Polio Awareness

Chair
PP Rtn Indu Bhusan Das

Co-Chair
Rtn Sujay Krishna Bhadra

NEW GENERATION

Rotaract

Chair
PP Rtn Prasunjit Mukherjee

Co-Chair
Rtn Shuvratav Mitra

Interact

Chair
Rtn Shuvrانشu Mitra

Co-Chair
Rtn Amit Roy

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PLANS & OBJECTIVES

1. CLUB SERVICE

Club Administration

- Joint Board meetings and one Club Assembly before 1st. July 2021
- Another 3 club assembly during the year including AG & DG visit.
- Virtual RCM through zoom every month (1st, 3rd. & 5th - if any)
- Virtual Board Meetings every month
- Anniversary Greetings to club members
- Guest Speakers from Rotary circle as well Non-Rotary circle.
- AG visit during January/February 2022
- Provision for physical meet & fellowship on DG Visit with Spouses.

Membership Development & Retention

- Regular search for appropriate new members
- Constantly motivate members for retention
- Co-ordinate with Membership Chair on regular basis
- One Club picnic during December 2021 (contributory) - if situation permits.
- One excursion during January 2022 - if situation permits

Public Relation

- Club activities will be projected through different mass media like Club Face Book, Website to enhance the Public Image of Rotary.
- Website Maintenance with my Rotary App
- Collaboration with corporate sector for their CSR movement in community projects.

- Fortnightly publication of Newsletter-Maitree (Digital Copy)

- Display of Banners at Puja pandals

Integration of Website, My Rotary & Rotary India App

- Renewal of Website license
- Uploading of minutes of all RCM & Board meetings & members data
- Uploading of Club activities and photographs

Participation with District activities

- Co-hosting of District programs
- Co-ordinate and ensure maximum club participation in District programs
- Co-ordinate with concerned AG & ZS.

2. VOCATIONAL SERVICE

- To plan for vocational training centre at RCC Chandanpiri.

- To initiate another RCC at Rasapunja.

- To develop Sewing Training Program by a Ladies' Cooperative at Rasapunja

- To augment Computer Literacy Centre in association with "Free To Be Kids" with certified training courses.

- Vocational Awards will be presented to the individuals who practice high ethical standards in their business / professions / careers and those who achieve exemplary vocational excellence in their field.

PLANS & OBJECTIVES

3. COMMUNITY SERVICE (MEDICAL)

Awareness and health check-up

- Medical awareness programmes in local area & RCC
- Distribution of Masks and Sanitizers in Schools and other locations
- Health check up in schools

Blood Donation Camps

- At least 1 blood donation camp with the help of local clubs

Eye Care

- Eye testing and cataract detection camps
- IOL surgeries
- Spectacles for cataract patients after surgery

4. COMMUNITY SERVICE (NON-MEDICAL)

Water & Sanitation

- Continuation of ongoing sanitation project at Paschim Chandanpiri village
- Sanitation projects in schools of local area
- Hygiene awareness projects in schools through talks and handouts
- Promote WASH programme through schools and local clubs

Environment

- Plantation of Trees at RCC and other localities.

Basic Education & Literacy

- Happy School programme with District appointed school or school at Chandanpiri

- Continue Online education programme at Baidyapara School
- Continue Adult Education Programme in association with "Free To Be Kids"

5. INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

The Rotary Foundation

- Special efforts to be made for more PHF and MPHF
- Target to achieve 'Every Rotarian Every Year Club' status.
- Continue active participation on Polio eradication and awareness
- Ensure to work on Matching Grants for projects at Chandanpiri

6. NEW GENERATION

ROTARACT CLUB

- Joint Projects with Rotaract Club
- Support and guidance on all their projects and activities
- Co-sponsor their projects
- Joint Meetings with Rotaract club.

INTERACT CLUB

- Support Interact club of Bridge International school & DAV Public school
- Guide Rotaract Club to support Interact Club
- Interaction with school authorities to ensure sustainability of the club
- Co-sponsor projects
- Joint Meetings with Interact club.

The Year That Was

The Secretarial Report



Rtn Shuvranshu Mitra
Secretary 2020-21

Club At A Glance

Regular Club Meeting: 28

Board Meeting : 10

Club Assembly : 04

Meeting Platform : Zoom Virtual Meeting

Meeting Day & Time : 1st & 3rd Thursday, 7:00pm

Member Strength : 34

Board Members : 19

New Member : 02

64 45

No. of Activities Service Projects

Maitree Publication

24 04

Regular Issues Special Issues

Board 20-21



Activities 2020-21

Club Administration

3rd July - Charter Handover Ceremony



30th July - Club Officers Training Sessions

Club



PDG Rtn Angshuman Bandopadhyay, District Trainer, 20-21.

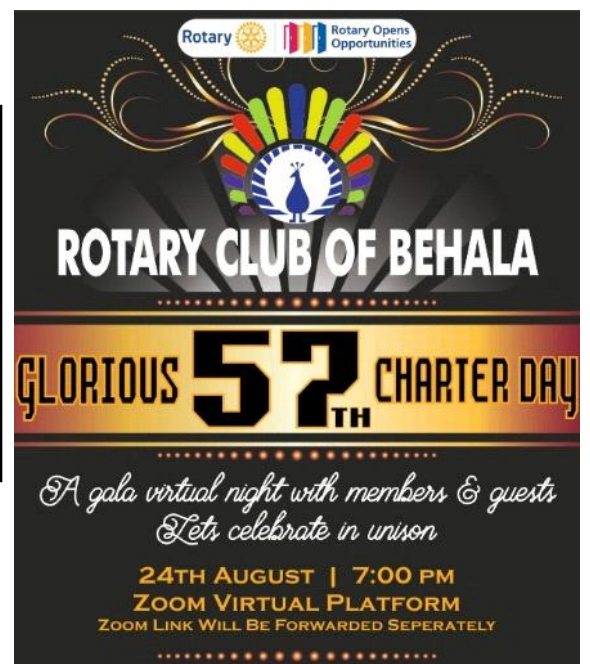
We organised our Club Officers Training Session (COTS) on 30.7.20 at Zoom Virtual Meeting. The keynote speaker was PDG Rtn Angshuman Bandopadhyay, District Trainer, 20-21 accompanied by Zone 20 Assistant Governor Rtn Susanta Kumar Sarkar & Zonal Secretary Rtn Rina Sinha Roy.

He spoke extensively on how Rotary is changing with the changing world. Rotary International is adopting fast and so should the rotarians. He spoke about the various functions of the different officers along with the Rotary International Guidelines, Polies, Avenues and Service. Rotary International & Rotary India website objectives and how to maintain proper documentation of projects and services. He praised the way we function and setting an example for the young members. He congratulated President Rtn Sugata and his team for a wonderful year ahead. AG Rtn Susanta spoke about the Public Image and big club projects. ZS Rtn Rina resonated with her earlier speakers. President Rtn Sugata thanked the members for attending the session.

1st August - 57th Virtual Installation Ceremony




24th August - 57th Charter Night Virtual Celebrations



3rd September - Joint Meeting & Health Webinar with RCBikrampur, RID 3281



Rotary  **Rotary Opens Opportunities**

Md. Rubayet Hussain
District Governor
Rotary District : 3281
Bangladesh

Sudip Mukherjee
District Governor
Rotary District : 3291
India

Health webinar for Senior Rotarians

President
Prof. Dr. Muzaharul Haq
Rotary Club of Bikrampur
RID : 3281, Bangladesh


President
Sugato Mazumdar
Rotary Club of Behala
RID : 3291, India

Rotary Club of Bikrampur
District : 3281, Bangladesh

with

Rotary Club of Behala
District : 3291, India

Speaker


Prof. Dr. Siddhartha Chakraborty
PP, Rotary Club of Behala,
AG of Zone 18, RID : 3291, India
Cardiac Surgeon, Calcutta Medical college

16th October - Host Club @ Ananda Sandhya

Rotary  **Rotary Opens Opportunities** **Zone 18 & 20 initiative**

Zonal Pre - Puja Celebrations
Ananda Sandhya
16th October @ 8pm

Dr. Madhumita Saha
Inaugural Agomoni

Rtn Sugata Mazumdar
President, RC Behala

Rtn Siddhartha Roy
Festive Quiz

Debdeпта Ray
Singer

Rtn (Dr) Partha Sarathi Mukherjee
Eminent Physician, President Rotary Club of Calcutta Renaissance, Director - Bengal Forum for Intellect and Culture and Eminent Heritage Commentator.
Speak on "Bengal Aristocracy & Babus of Renaissance. The Pillars of North Calcutta Heritage"

Zone 18
AG Rtn Dr Siddhartha Chakraborty
ZS Rtn Rajarshree Saha

Zone 20
AG Rtn Susanta Sarkar
ZS Rtn Rina Sinha Roy

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4th October - MasterClass with Biswajit Matilal




MasterClass

SEASON 1 | CLASS 1
4TH OCT | 7:45PM




COMMUNICATE OR PERISH



Meet The Master

BISWAJIT MATILAL

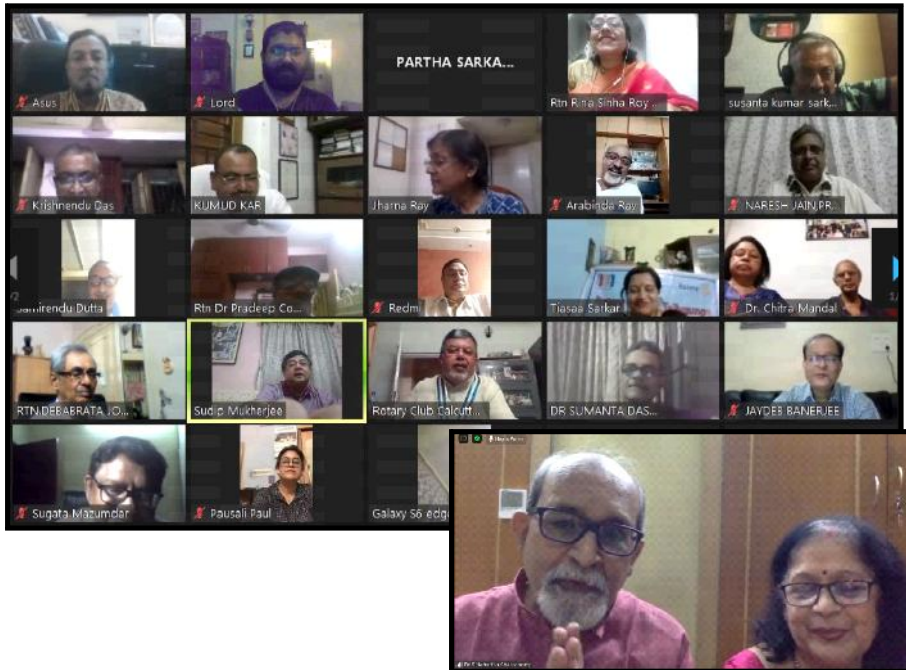
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19th October - Host Club @ Zonal Meet & Cultural Program




Zonal Joint Meeting & Cultural Program

(Zone 20 initiative, RJO.3291)


Celebrating "Sharad-Orghyo"

of


Rotary Club of Behala, Rotary Club of Calcutta Jadavpur,
Rotary Club of Calcutta Nabodiganta, Rotary Club of Garden Reach and Rotary Club of Tollygunge




Bin Suman Kumar Sarkar,
Assistant Governor, Zone 20




Bin Bin Sinha Roy,
Zonal Secretary, Zone 20




President
Bin Sagar Mazumdar,
RC Behala




President
Bin Dr. Anand Ban,
RC Calcutta Jadavpur



President
Bin Mr. Ishan Ghosh,
RC Calcutta Nabodiganta



President
Bin Narend K Das,
RC Garden Reach



President
Bin Indira Misra,
RC Tollygunge

Please Join Us in Zoom for an interactive session on
19th October 2020 (7:30 pm)

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 CLUB
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21st November - Club Bijaya Diwali Virtual Celebrations



28th November - MasterClass with Asif Iqbal

MasterClass

SEASON 1 | CLASS 2
28TH NOV | 7:30PM






Changing FOOD scene in KOLKATA



Meet The Master

ASIF IQBAL
 PARTNER, Elahi Luxury Dining
 A PR professional and former editor of
 "Whatshot Kolkata" a life style website by
 Times of India Group.



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20th Feb – Official AG Visit @ CRC



4th March – Official DG Visit @ CRC



20th Feb – Official AG Visit @ CRC



4th March – Official DG Visit @ CRC



12th to 14th March – Club Outing @ Jhargram



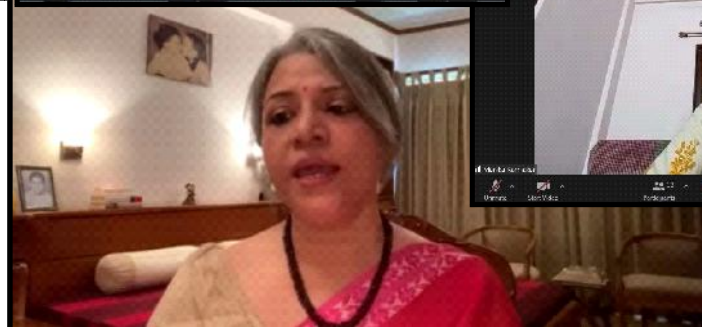
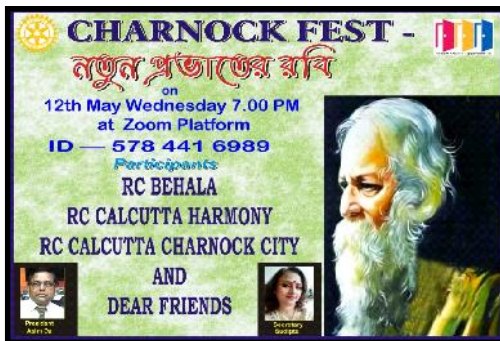
20th to 21st March – Bronze Club @ Samagam – District Conference



5th April – Zonal Joint Meeting & Cultural Program @ Zone 20



12th May – Partner Club @ Charnock Fest



26th June – Thanks Giving By President Sugata



(Top) A Special Memento Signed By President & Secretary Was Sent To All Members & Partner Associations (Right) Maitree Special Issue



27th June – Executive Meeting With RCC Chandanpiri

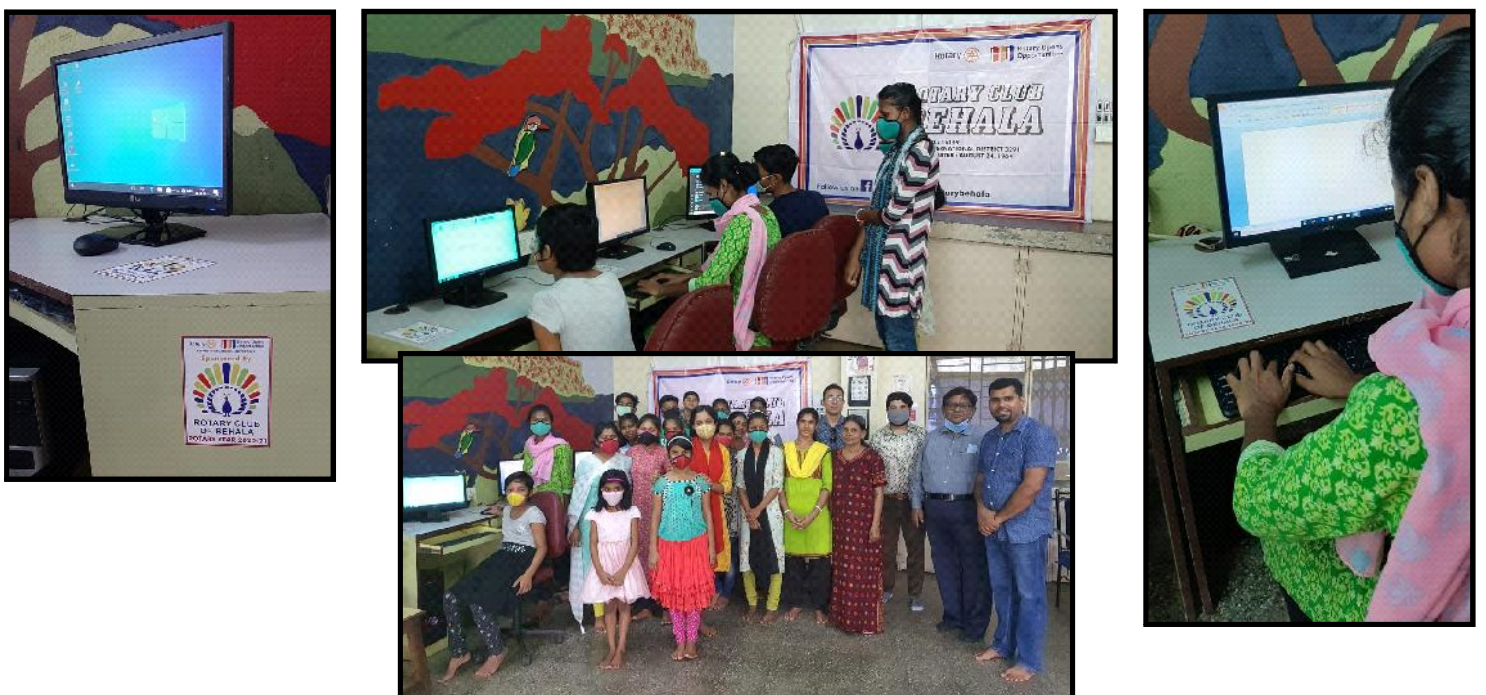


Service Project Vocational

26th January - Start of Vocational Training Centre with Sewing Machine @Rasapunja

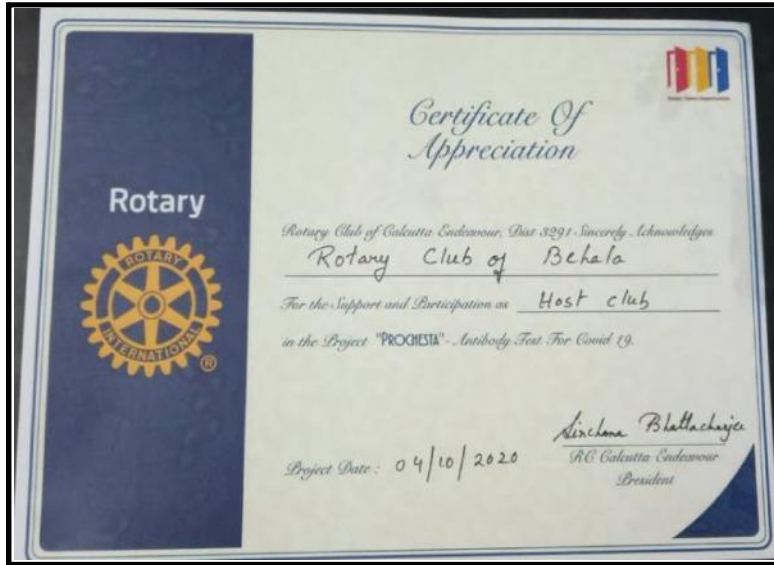


4th April - Start of Computer Learning Centre @ FTBK,Thakurpukur



Service Project Community Service – Medical

4th October - Host Club @ Prochesta – Anti Body Test For Covid-19



PROCHESTA
ORGANISED BY
ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA ENDEAVOUR
LEAD HOST CLUB
ANTI BODY TEST FOR COVID -19

ON 4TH OCTOBER 2020
FROM 11 AM TO 1 PM
STAR COMMUNITY HALL - HATIBAGAN

HOST CLUBS	CO HOST CLUBS
R C BEHALA	R C BUDGE BUDGE
R C C VICTORIA	R C C ACROPOLIS
	R C C METROPOLITAN
	R C C METRO SOUTH
	R C C NORTH SUBURBAN
	R C C UNIVERSE
	R C KAMARHATI

25th November - Partner Club @ Samavaan



Samavaan
DRR's Thrust Area Initiative

Combating Corona

COVID KIT DISTRIBUTION
Face Masks- 7000, Face Shields- 20, Head Caps- 200, Disposable Gloves- 1000,
Sanitizers- 85 Litres, PPE Kits- 10, Skull Cap- 500, Gloves- 500


#JoinTheMission
with the warriors of Institute of Child Health on 25th November, 2020 at 10 am at ICH Admin Building, Park Circus.

An Initiative of Rotaract District Organisation 3291 in association with
Rotary Clubs of Behala, Calcutta Charnock City, Calcutta Jadavpur,
Calcutta Majestic, Calcutta Nabadiganta, Central Calcutta, Garden Reach,
Geetanjali Kolkata, Temple city, Tollygunge.


DRR's Thrust Area Chair PP Rtr. Soumik Nath	District Rotaract Representative PP Rtr. Madhurima Barman	District Governor PP Rtn. Sudip Mukherjee
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28th November - Organising Club @ 6th Know Your Numbers Camp





Rotary Opens Opportunities




Peerless Hospital
and its N. Key Research Centre

6th KNOW YOUR NUMBERS CAMP

Project Positive Health

An initiative by Rotary International District 3291


Organised by Zone 18 & 20



Rm Ho gar Knack
RI President 20-21

VENUE
KOLKATA POLICE RESERVE FORCE, PADMAPUKUR, KIDDERPORE

28TH NOVEMBER, 2020 | 9:30AM TO 2:00PM



Rm Sudis Mukherjee
DG 20-21, & D 3291

Zone 18

AG: Rm Dr. Seelhar ha Chakra hary

ZS: Rm Ragaseve selia

Zone 18


RCC Chaurak City

RCC Metro Central

RCC Mid City

RCC South East

RC Central Calcutta



Rm Dr. Kamal l. Dhanishantani, Chair, Health Care center

Rm Dr. Anubha Jay, Director Projects (Medical)

Rm Dr. Krishna Gopa a, District Secretary Projects (Medical)

Rm Dr. Sudipa Chouda, Additional District Secretary Projects (Medical)

Zone 20

AG: Rm Suman ta Kumar Saro r

ZS: Rm Rina Sirlia Roy

Zone 20

RC Behala

RCC Jaccaper

RCC Nabadwipa

RC Garden Reach

RC Tollygunge



20th December - Eye Check up Camp @ Barisha



20th & 26th September - Polio Awareness & Immunization Day @ 6 KMC Wards



27th December - Free Specs Distribution @ Barisha



20th February - Blood Donation Camp @ KMC Ward 123 Behala



May To June – Financially Supported The Covid Care Facility @ Don Bosco School Campus

An Initiative By Our Club Member Rtn Dr Atanu Saha.



8th March - Organising Club @ 14th Know Your Numbers Camp



Service Project Community Service – Non Medical

15th August - Independence Day Celebrations @ Free To Kids Charitable Trust



17th October - New Clothes Distribution @ Free To Be Kids Charitable Trust



26th October - Durga Puja Lunch @ Free To Be Kids Charitable Trust



18th October - Saree Distribution @ Kulpi



22nd to 26th October - Sharod Subeccha Festive Banner During Durga Puja 2020



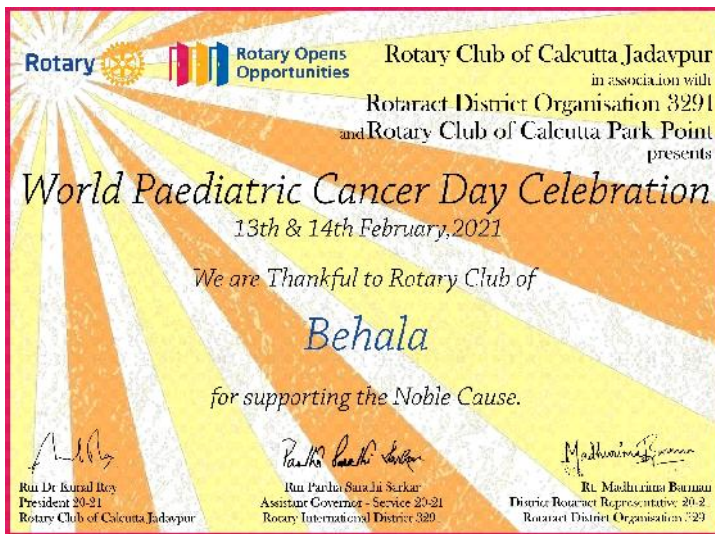
22nd to 26th October - World Polio Day Awareness Banners During Durga Puja 2020



25th January - Madoor Distribution @ Krishnarampur, Amtala





13th & 14th February - Supporting Club @ Paediatric Cancer Fundraiser




Rotary Club of Calcutta Jadavpur in association with Rotaract District Organisation 3291 and Rotary Club of Calcutta Park Point presents a fundraiser for **World Paediatric Cancer Day** 13th February

Paediatric Cancer Patients & Survivors

Performance by **Kaushiki Chakraborty** along with Cancer Survivors & Rotaractors

13th & 14th February, 2021
7pm on 

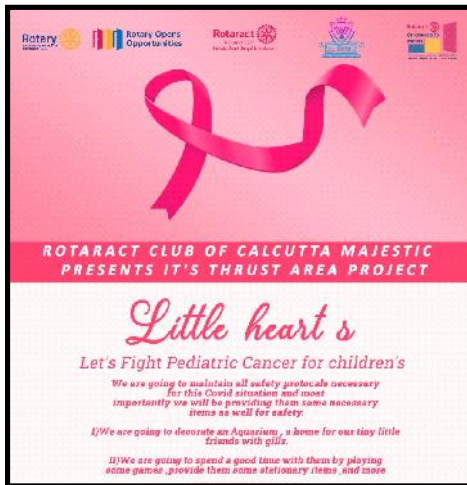
Rotary Clubs Supporting The Noble Cause:

Ballygunge | Behala | Cal. Acropolis | Avyanna
 Cal. Charnock City | Cal. Greens | Cal. Kakurgachi
 Cal. Lake Town | Cal. Samaritans | Cal. South City Tower
 Cal. Sun City | Cal. Sutanuti | Cal. Universe | Cal. Victoria
 Chennai Chola, RID 3232 | Domkal Murshidabad
 Garden Reach | Geetanjali Kolkata | Hoogly | Howrah
 Midnapore | New Ballygunge | North Calcutta
 Rabindra Sarobar | Salt Lake Central | Tagoreland, RID 3240
 Tollygunge | Tower Hamlet, RID 1130, London

8th March – Women’s Day Confluence @ ICCR



8th April – Partner Club @ Little Hearts For Paediatric Cancer Patients



14th April – Covid Awareness Near Markets & Parks @ Bengali New Year



Service Project Community Service – Non Medical Water & Sanitation

27th September - Water For Sanitation Phase II @ RCC Chandanpiri



12th December - Water For Sanitation Phase II @ RCC Chandanpiri



Service Project Community Service – Non Medical Literacy

27th September - Girl Child Sponsorship @ RCC Chandanpiri



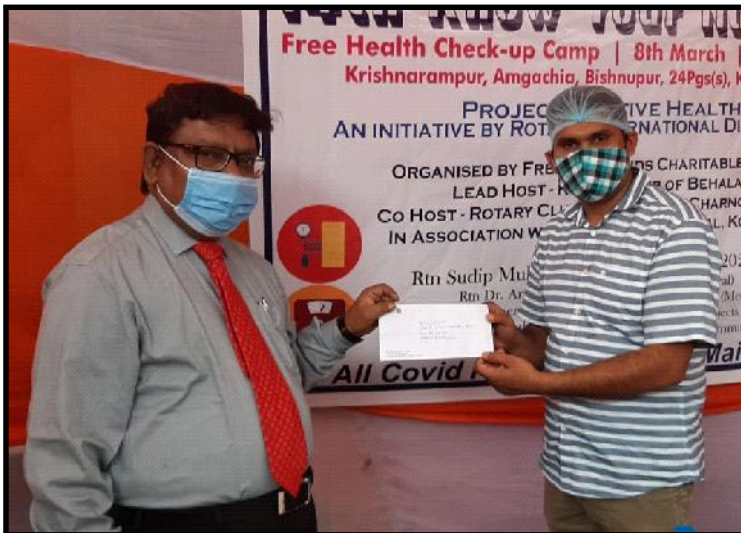
25th January - Supporting Adult Literacy @ Krishnarampur, Amtala



3rd February - Supporting Adult Literacy @Krishnarampur, Amtala



8th March - Supporting Adult Literacy @Krishnarampur, Amtala



4th April to June - Supporting Adult Literacy @Krishnarampur, Amtala




Service Project Community Service – Non Medical Environment

2nd August - The Green Expedition – Host Club



The New & Seventh Area of Focus in Rotary

Rotary 

Supporting the Environment

Rotary International District 3291
Environment Care and Tree Plantation

The Green Expedition

2000 High Quality Genetically Pure more than One Year Old
High Value Timber Saplings to be Planted in Cages with Rotary Insignia

Project Launch Date:
2nd August 2020. 10 AM

Venue:
Dhyan Ashram
Diamond Harbour Road, Konchowki, P.O. Bishnupur,
24 Parganas (S), West Bengal 743503
&
St. Xavier's College, Raghavpur Campus

Host Clubs

Ballygunge
Behala
Calcutta Kankurgachi
Calcutta Millennium
Calcutta South Circle
Central Calcutta

Lead Host Clubs

Calcutta Kankurgachi
Calcutta Millennium
Calcutta South Circle
Central Calcutta

Calcutta Aayanna
Calcutta Endeavour
Calcutta Jadavpur
Calcutta Labanhrad
Calcutta Magnum
Calcutta Nabodiganta
Calcutta New Alipore
Calcutta New Town Circle
Calcutta North East
Calcutta Presidency
Calcutta Sutanuti
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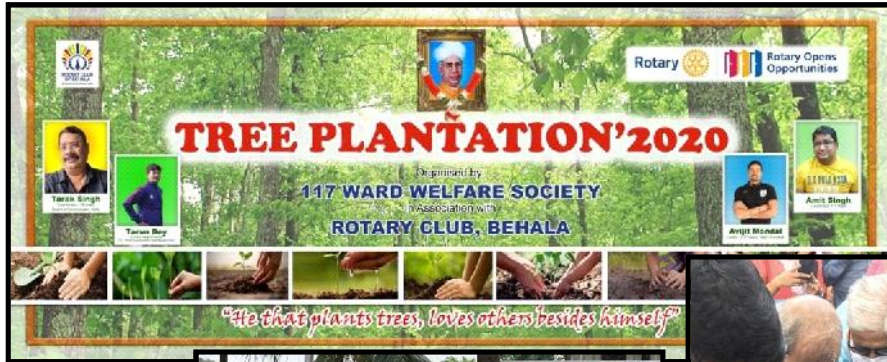
15th August – Tree Plantation @ Free To Kids Charitable Trust



29th August - Plant Distribution @ RCC Chandanpiri



5th September - Tree Plantation & Covid Awareness Program



Service Project Community Service – Non Medical Disaster Management

27th September - Amphan Phase III Relief @ RCC Chandanpiri



17th January - Blanket Distribution @ RCC Chandanpiri



25th January - Sanitizer Distribution @ Kolkata Police Reserve Force



May - Yaas Phase I Relief @ RCC Chandanpiri



June – Community Feeding Program For Family Members of Hospitalised Covid Patients With Free To Be Kids @ SSKM & Bangur Hospital

Free To Be Kids
CHARITABLE TRUST

Covid -19 Relief Work
In Association With
Rotary Club, Behala
Contact:- 9163963932
freetobekids@gmail.com www.ftbk-india.org

Wash Your Hands



June - Yaas Phase II Relief With EIRWT Grants @ RCC Chandanpiri



June - Yaas Phase III Relief With EIRWT Grants @ RCC Chandanpiri



June - Yaas Relief Work With Dev Datta Sankho Swanirbhar Dal



June - Yaas Phase IV Relief @ RCC Chandanpiri



Youth Service

26th September - Partner Host @ UN Action 4 Sustainable India



CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION
AWARDED TO
ROTARY CLUB OF BEHALA
Action 4 Sustainable India: An online UN Dialogue to educate the SDG community about how to #turnitaround
Action 4 Sustainable India hereby acknowledges your distinguished support to the success of the event.
SEP 26, 2020
Kamal Datta Choudhary
Treasurer of Action 4 Sustainable India

MEET OUR EXPERT
The man who built an ARTIFICIAL GLACIER for the communities of Ladakh and now his invention is helping the town solve water problems
Mr. Chewang Norphel

UN75 Online Dialogue
26th September, 4pm
Meeting ID: 900 3964 7245

Guest Speaker
Shri Jamyang Tsering Namgyal
MP, Ladakh

Dr. Kapil Kumar Bhattacharya
Faculty, The Bhawanipur Education Society College, Kolkata, India

Archan Mitra
Media Professor, PhD Scholar, Environmental Communication Researcher

(Maj) Poonam Kashyap (retd.)
Army Veterinarian, B.Ed Nursing, M.Sc Applied Psychology

Ankit Vats
B.Tech Undergrad, App Developer, Team Auristic

17th January – Sports Gear to Orphanage @ RCC Chandanpiri



The Rotary Foundation



PP Rtn Krishnendu Bhattacharjee



PP Rtn Dr Siddhartha Chakraborty



PP Rtn Anirudha Gupta

Our TRF
Contributors For
Rotary Year
2020-21



Rtn Debarshi Dutta Gupta



IPP Rtn Sugata Mazumdar



Rtn Dr Atanu Saha

PROUD RECIPIENT OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CITATION 2020-21



ROTARY & PEACE AS I PERCEIVE IT

PDG Rtn Shyamashree Sen
RC Calcutta Metro City, RID 3291

Today, over 70 million people are displaced as a result of conflict, violence, persecution, and human rights violations. Half of them are children.

Way back in 1905 on a cold evening of 23rd February, Paul P. Harris and 3 of his friends and associates Silvester Schiele, Gustavus Loehr and Hiram Shorey met at the office of Mr Loehr to discuss the making of an association of friends. The seed of Rotary germinated from there and today, there are as many as 1.2 million Rotarians spread over more than 221 countries and geographical areas whose motto is Service above Self.

From a pre-World War I resolution calling for “the maintenance of peace” to continuing support for Rotary Peace Centers, Rotary and its members have a long history of promoting peace and working to address the underlying causes of conflict in communities around the world. Rotarians from Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, proposed before the 1914 Rotary Convention that the International Association of Rotary Clubs (now Rotary International) “lend its influence to the maintenance of peace among the nations of the world.”

With memories of the Great War fresh in their minds, delegates to the 1921 convention in Edinburgh,

Scotland, amended the association's constitution to include the goal “to aid in the advancement of international peace and goodwill through a fellowship of business and professional men of all nations united in the Rotary ideal of service.”

During World War II, Rotary members looked for ways to create a stable and peaceful world. In 1940, convention delegates adopted a statement, **Rotary Amidst World Conflict**, which emphasized that “where freedom, justice, truth, sanctity of the pledged word, and respect for human rights do not exist, Rotary cannot live nor, its ideal prevail.” Walter D. Head, then Rotary International's president, remarked that there must be a better way to settle international differences than violence and called on Rotarians to find it.

Rotary published collections of essays named “A World to Live In” (1942) and “Peace Is a Process” (1944). Recognizing that the end of war didn't eliminate the need to discuss these topics, Rotary continued the series with “Peace Demands Action” in 1947.

Rotary was present at the start of the United Nations in 1945. Rotary International was one of 42 organizations invited to serve as consultants to the U.S. delegation to the United Nations Conference on International Organization in San Francisco, California, USA

(commonly called the **UN charter conference**). Additionally, many Rotary members and honorary members from around the world attended the conference as members of and consultants to their nations' delegations.

Today, Rotary International holds the highest consultative status offered to a non governmental organization by the UN's Economic and Social Council (UNESCO). The Rotary Representative Network, established in 1991, maintains and furthers this relationship with several UN bodies, programs, commissions, and agencies.

Paul Harris had said, "Rotary believes that the better the people of one nation understand the people of other nations, the less the likelihood of friction, and Rotary will therefore encourage acquaintance and friendships between individuals of different nations." Scholarships for graduate study in other countries became the first program of The Rotary Foundation in 1947. The idea of sending a student abroad for at least a year of university study, was part of an effort to encourage higher education and promote greater understanding between people of different cultures and nationalities. Paul Harris Foundation Fellowships for Advanced Study supported 18 scholars in its first year. Later it came to be known as the Ambassadorial Scholarships and lasted until 2013, when graduate-level scholarships were incorporated into district and global grants.

Rotarians had proposed the creation of a university to promote peace, which did not materialize. In 1990's, 50 years

after the demise of Paul Harris, Rotary leaders considered an alternate approach. Rotary would encourage people already engaged in peace building as a career to apply for graduate-level study in the field, and The Rotary Foundation would provide scholarships to Peace Fellows that would allow them to enrol in established peace programs at existing universities. Rotary approved the creation of Rotary Peace Centers program in 1999, and the inaugural class of Rotary Peace Fellows began their studies in 2002.

Rotary Peace Centers, located at universities around the world, develop leaders who become catalysts for peace in local communities and on the global stage. They study the causes of conflict and build practical skills exploring innovative solutions to real-world problems in areas such as human rights, international relations, and global health and development. Six Rotary Peace Centers at seven prestigious universities throughout the world offer Rotary Peace Fellows a rigorous program of study and applied field experience in areas relating to peace and conflict resolution. The seventh Peace Center is coming up soon.

Rotary's goal today is to create environments where peace can be built and maintained through sustainable and measurable activities in communities worldwide. Peace building remains a cornerstone of our mission as a humanitarian service organization.

Rotarians are:
Practitioners: We work to fight disease, provide clean water and sanitation, improve the health of

mothers and children, support education and grow local economies and these directly build the optimal conditions for peaceful societies as well as protect the environment.

Educators: Our Rotary Peace Centers over 1300 peace fellows to become effective catalysts for peace through careers in government, education and international organisations.

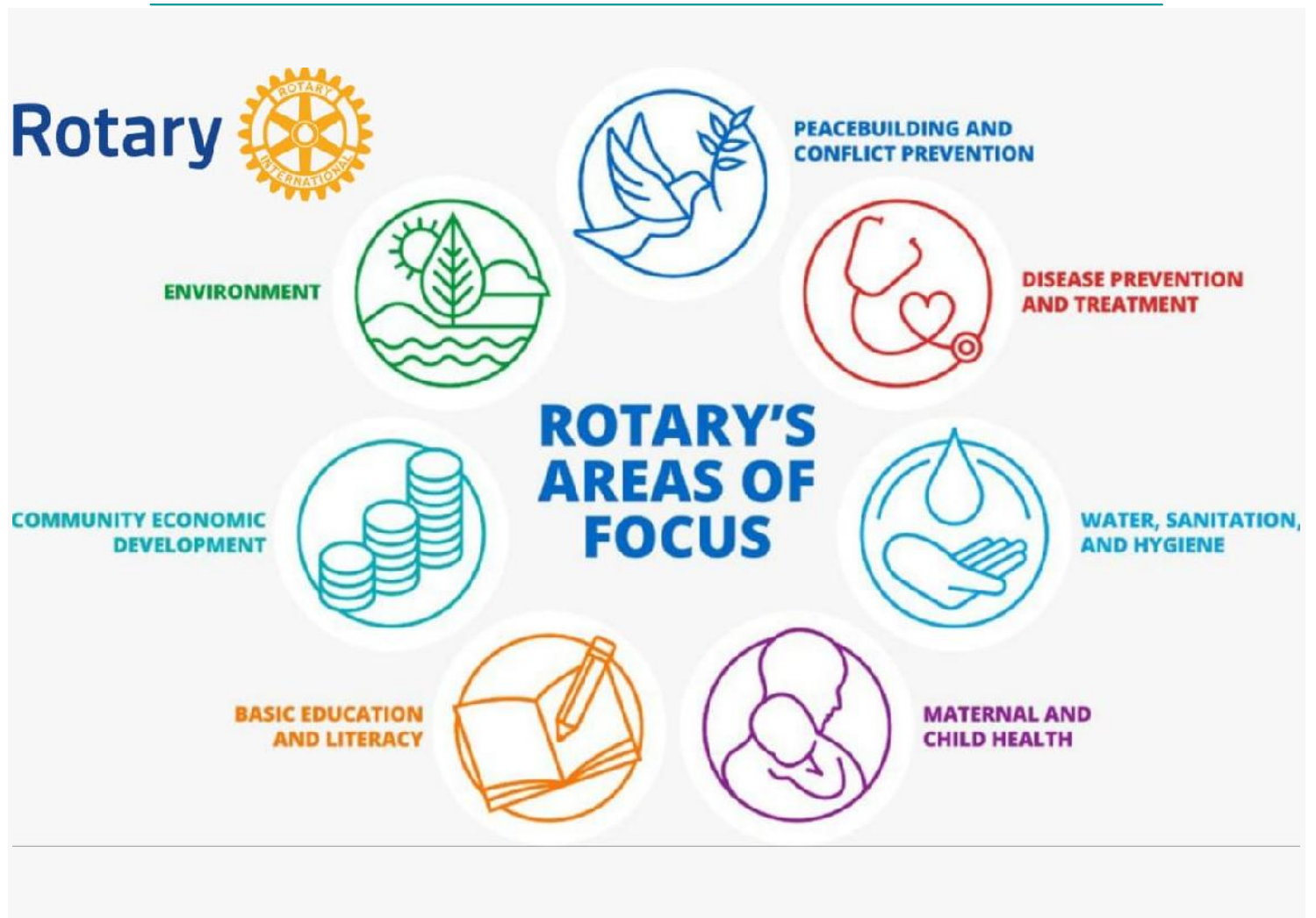
Mediators: Our members have negotiated humanitarian ceasefires in areas of conflict in Sri Lanka to allow polio vaccinators to reach who are at risk.

Advocates: Our members have an integral role as respected,

impartial participants during peace processes and in post-conflict reconstruction.

We focus on creating communities and convening groups that are connected, inclusive and resilient.

To every Rotarian I request, let us not think only of the peace that comes at the end of war. Rotarians were taught to serve so that every child on earth below the age of 5 gets Polio drops; no child sleeps hungry; every child – girl or boy receives the light of education; all women have dignity and all men, women and children on this earth have access to shelter, food, clean water and the means to earn an honest living. Only then will the world be at peace.





DESTINATION MT. BROMO

PP Rtn Anirudha Gupta

Few facts on Mount Bromo:

1. Height about 2329 metres.
2. Last erupted- 2016.
3. Responsible for about 250 deaths, including villagers and tourists.



They say “ Looking down the crater of an active volcano is a thrilling experience. But Mount Bromo, in Indonesia, is much more than that.”

It was in the year 1992, during one of my many visits to Surabaya, Indonesia, we a group of four friends suddenly decided to visit Mount Bromo during the weekend. It was a Friday afternoon, four of us left in our 4x4 SUV for a small town called Probolinggo which was about three hours drive from Surabaya. Weather never gets very cold in Indonesia and we all were in our holiday spirits dressed in shorts and Tee Shirts. On arrival, checking into our hotel in Probolinggo, we suddenly realised that people around us were all staring at us. The lady in the front desk asked us if we were carrying any warm clothes as it would be very cold in the evening and near freezing at Mount Bromo. We had the biggest shock, as we were not even carrying any trouser too! Nothing could be done as all shops

in the small town were closed. Soon after a good dinner we retired for the night for a very early start the next day.

The best time to visit Mount Bromo is just before the sunrise.



This is because it helps to see the bottom of the crater and the breathtaking sunrise over Mount Bromo and Mount Penanjakan. This tour is often called the Crater and Sunrise Tour.

Our departure from the city of Probolinggo was at 2 am in the morning. Totally underdressed, four of us were wondering how to make it in the freezing cold weather. Determined to go, come what may, we all grabbed our woolen blankets from the hotel, wrapped ourselves with it and jumped into our SUV.

After a short drive of about 30 minutes we were told that our vehicle could not go any further and we have to take a local jeep because of difficult roads.



We switched cars, shivering in the cold and had no clue where we were going the next one and half hour. We were now informed that we need to hire horses to reach the base of Mount Bromo. Not having planned anything in advance, we negotiated for four horses for the rest of our journey and back. The horse journey in the dark and extremely cold weather was no fun at all balancing and clutching our blankets as lifesaver.



After climbing down a steep hill in the dark, we finally reached the "Sea of Sand" and here we first



spotted Mount Bromo far in the horizon. This was a huge stretch of black sand primarily formed from the volcano ashes. Mount Bromo was indeed very beautiful against the backdrop of other volcanoes in that area and Mount Penanjakan.



We then realised that there were so many people already, all heading either on foot or on horses towards the volcano.

Once we crossed the Sea of Sand, we reached the base of Mount Bromo, which was the bottom of an incline up to the top of the hill towards the crater rim. The incline had about 250 very crude cutout steps, which we all made it finally, holding on to our blankets.



There we were, standing on the rim of the crater, looking down at the bottom of the dark volcano glowing with bright blue flame and white smoke. It smelled sulfuric, like



rotten eggs. It was a sight we can never forget and suddenly we forgot it was freezing cold and we were in our shorts! It was indeed very scary with no barrier and a sheer drop in the volcano, but the



experience to stare down the active, glowing and smoking volcano with the sun rising behind other volcanoes (inactive) around Mount Bromo is something one can never forget in ones lifetime.

Indonesian Tourism has done lots of improvement since our visit in 1992. Understand that one can drive up to the base of the volcano but the horses are still there! The steps are paved and railed and there is a safety barrier all around crater on the top. There are many tour packages for Mount Bromo originating from Jakarta, Surabaya and Bali.

[Photographs : courtesy google image.]

Rotary
People of Action

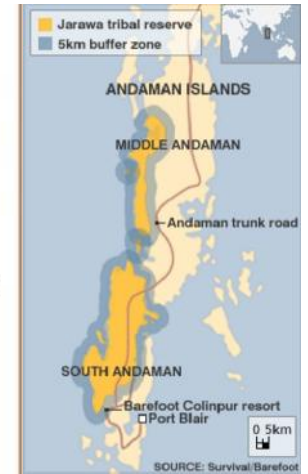




A JOURNEY – SO SHORT – SO EVENTFUL

Rtn Ashish Kumar Das

(L to R: Map of India along with A & N Island, Map of Jarawa Reserve Forest, Andaman Trunk Road)



The very name of Andaman islands still generates deep sense of mystery & inquisitiveness in most Indians for its unparalleled abundant natural resources & its primitive tribes.

Had opportunity to spend number of years in the islands as representative of national shipping company The Shipping Corporation of India for its technical, commercial & administrative requirements including liaison with A & N administration. Many appealing & thrilling moments of that period very often give me pleasure to take a trip down memory lane.

This is a narrative of a journey to Mayabander in North Andaman from Port Blair, the capital of A & N island through the Jarawa tribe's heartland and back to Port Blair by sea route.

In mid- nineties, a long outstanding desire of the people of North Andamans to make a jetty to berth big passenger ships at Mayabander was accomplished with persistent follow up by the then

M.P. Sri. Manoranjan Bhakta. This had saved them from going to Port Blair by inter-island ships and catch bigger ships for Kolkata from there. With construction of this jetty they can now directly board and disembark at Mayabander when big passenger ships are either coming from or going to Kolkata.

This was a cherished achievement and deserved due celebration. Sri Bhakta arranged for an inauguration ceremony with active support of A & N administration. The date and timing of the ceremony was chosen to coincide with the arrival of a big ship from Kolkata which could berth along the new jetty. As a representative of main shipping service provider in the islands, I was also invited by Sri Bhakta to attend the function which was supposed to be graced by other dignitaries.

The journey to Mayabander by car was expected to take about 8 hours. We started at 0800 hrs. keeping in view the car ferry timings of two creeks to be crossed on the way. Though summer had concluded its term and rains had just set in, it

was a sunny morning. On the way we had to pick up an armed guard from police post as per standing instruction of A & N administration at that time. Within 50 minutes of leaving Port Blair by Andaman Trunk road we were inside the reserve forest of Jarawa tribes. Construction of this road in early seventies was violently opposed by the tribes resulting in bloodshed from them & also from the police personnel. However, they gave up later on, may be by realising strength & resources of the opponents and moved deep inside the forests. The initial movements through this road was risky but it eased out slowly.

As per anthropologists, these tribes are living in Andaman islands for over 50000 years. They fiercely maintained their isolation from immigrants and lived with resources of forest & sea. Government maintains 'no contact' & 'hands off' policies for protection & independence of these tribes and vast area was marked reserved for them. But in reality interactions were taking place with tourists & bush police personnel posted for their protections. Also, any one passing through ATR expects to have a glimpse of these highly primitive tribes out of curiosity.

The journey through the initial part of reserve forest was very enchanting with blue sea peeping time to time into deep lush green forest. Slowly sky began to be cloudy & rains started. I had not been lucky enough like others to see any Jarawa enroute. I had seen a young Jarawa boy in Port Blair hospital being treated for fractured leg. He was treated very well, taught to wear clothes and to speak a little Hindi by keeping him

in the hospital for longer months. It is interesting to note that the young boy carried message of love and peace for their community from the civilised world, but declined a govt. job at hospital and preferred to go back to his own world of hunting and fishing in free environment of nature.



Reserve Forest enroute



A Jarawa family



Jarawa's sitting by A.T. Road

After about 2 hrs of drive from Port Blair we arrived at Middle Strait creek where we had to wait for car-

ferry service to cross the creek. A creek is narrow channel of sea that enters deep into the land.

After crossing this creek we proceeded through reserve forest for the next creek, the Humphrey Strait creek. That road was bumpy with lot of pot holes. It was also raining torrentially. The rain forests had its own attraction. Very remote and thick forest, sound of heavy down pour created unexpressable feelings. But speed of the car had to be greatly reduced in that situation. We were a little late to arrive at the ferry ghat and missed the ferry. With the last ferry of the day gone, I was at my wit's end. What to do in that wilderness and how to go across the 200 metre wide creek? Could not decide to go back to Port Blair as I was carrying some important papers for Mr Bhakta. After some time, one man at ferry station suggested if I could cross the creek by a fishing dingy then from other side some transport could be available. The other side was a locality called Rangat . I knew swimming well, but riding on a small dingy was risky. Anyhow, after a deal with a fisher man I boarded his dingi with one brief case. I was careful not to move at all and hold my breath number of times to avoid any rolling and ingress of water into the dingy.



A small fishing dingy

Driver and the armed guard were told to go back to Port Blair. We had already left the reserved forest behind.



Ferry ghat of a creek

It was about 4 p.m. by then. With drizzling on, streets were deserted with only one or two road-side shop open. Could not find any type of transport. One shop keeper told me that bus would be available next morning. However, I could not await for next morning as function was scheduled for 9 a.m. Luckily another shop keeper suggested me to contact local APWD Asst. Engineer who might do something. Went to the residence of the Asst. Engineer as guided by the shop keeper. It was a huge bungalow of raised wooden floor, wooden walls & tinned roof made during British era. When I went nearby, saw the big front & aft door of the first room (may be drawing room) were ajar. Could not see any one but was surprised to see a country dog peacefully feeding nearly half a dozen of puppies at the centre of the nicely maintained wooden floor. She lifted her head at the sound of my footsteps, saw me, and again went back to earlier posture. There was not a single bark from her to alert the owner about arrival of a stranger. This scene looked very gracious & divine to me at that moment. Also had a feeling

that I was at the right place. On knocking the door a gentleman in his late forties came out & interacted. Though forgot his first name his title was Singh. He was on deputation from CPWD & his family was somewhere in U.P. After listening to the situation, he sent his domestic help to call his jeep driver whose house was nearby. Within this period he also took the pain of offering a cup of tea to me. On arrival of driver, Sri Singh advised him to drop me at Mayabander Govt. guest house. We started at 5p.m. and arrived at Mayabander guest house around 8 p.m. On the way the conversation with the driver regarding local matters especially about the Jarawas was quite interesting.

After checking in at the guest house met Mr Bhakta who was also there. On learning what I had gone through, he telephoned Mr Singh & thanked him. Arrangement for my return to Port Blair was also made by him.

Ariel view of newly constructed Mayabander jetty



The guest house was located at a very nice place. The views of sea, hills, villages with small small tin roofed huts, and greeneries all around appeared totally engrossing and shrouded with 'Maya'. Of course, it was not known to me why that place was named

Mayabander. Local people started gathering in passenger terminal before 9 a.m. next day. The new jetty was inaugurated at 9 a.m. by cutting a ribbon after due rituals. Dignitaries from A & N Admn. were also present. The big passenger vessel M.V. Nicobar arrived from Kolkata by 9.15 a.m. and arrangements were made to berth her alongside the new jetty. Passengers who arrived from Kolkata disembarked here and were greeted by Sri Bhakta. Local people appeared very happy and it was a pleasant gathering. M.V. Nicobar left for Port Blair shortly thereafter.

In the meantime an inter-island passenger vessel by name M.V. Dering arrived from Port Blair and berthed at a nearby smaller jetty. The captain of that ship was one Capt. H. Majumder who was a very good friend of mine. As a frequent visitor to this place he knew the local people and the surroundings well. Decided to go around the places on foot after lunch with him.



Small and big passenger ships



We went to the village side. In the village Capt. Majumder introduced me with many inhabitants. Almost all of them were settlers who were the displaced from East Pakistan and also later on from Bangladesh. Some of them came up with tales of their heart-rending tales of owe of leaving their homeland. They were still trying to stick to their old culture and were very cordial and simple. Almost all of them invited me to visit their house. One ray of hope for them is their sincere effort to give proper education to their next generation. There were schools at every one to two kilometers everywhere in the islands in inhabited areas. In ranking of literacy rate among states and UTs, A & N Islands stand at seventh position and its average is much higher than national average. We also visited the weekly local hat (market).

On way back to guest house Capt. Majumder suggested that I could return to Port Blair with him on M.V. Dering which would sail at 10 p.m. to arrive at Port Blair by 7 a.m. There was also a owner's cabin on board which would be comfortable. I found it quite suitable as my departure by road was fixed for next morning to arrive Port Blair by the evening. Travel arrangements by road were cancelled and I boarded the ship at 7p.m. Had dinner with ship's officers and retired for the day at 9 p.m.

At around 11 p.m. got a knock on by

cabin door. Ship's chief officer informed me that ship was unable to sail as he could not lift the anchor which was dropped in sea bed. Ship's engineers were informed by him and they were working on it. Since it was getting late and passenger unrest was noticed he requested me if I could have a look at the anchor windlass machine. Going to the spot and observing the operation I visualized the fault of load limiting device of the machine. This was quickly rectified and the anchor was lifted. Passengers and ship's personnel were greatly relieved and the ship sailed at 1130 hours.

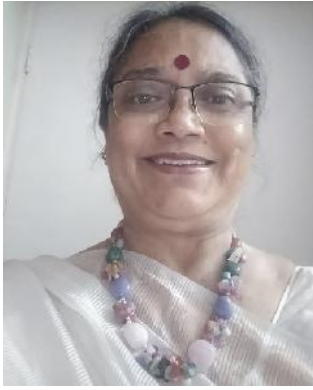
Naturally ship's personnel were very inquisitive to know what was exactly done by me to solve the defect so quickly. Early in the morning as per their request gave a 10 minutes demonstration of the construction, working principle & adjustment of the 'load limits & safety device' of the machine as required under rules of classification societies like Indian Register of Shipping, Lloyd's Register of Shipping etc. They were very happy and expressed their gratitude.

Disembarked from the ship on arrival after thanking Capt. Majumder & officer's on board for their wonderful hospitality.

The above trip was a small one but was eventful. Its diversified exposure is adored for long.



The Cellular Jail, was a colonial prison in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands, India. The prison was used by the British government for the purpose of exiling political prisoners to the remote archipelago. Many notable independence activists, including Sudhanshu Dasgupta, Hare Krishna Konar, Batukeshwar Dutt, Pritilata Waddedar, Shiv Verma, Subodh Roy, Ambika Chakrabarty, Yogendra Shukla, V.O. Chidambaram Pillai and Kalpana Datta were imprisoned here during the struggle for India's independence. Today, the complex serves as a national memorial monument.



LOCKDOWN CHALLENGES

Sanghamitra Dutta Gupta

January 2020. My daughter Rupsha and my grandson Ribhu were visiting us in Kolkata. She left for Melbourne on 24th January 2020. There was a whisper in the air all around about a virus which could affect us and could be a matter of great concern to all of us. My son Rishi told his sister, why don't you put a mask on while travelling? Eventually she didn't have to wear it.

March 2020....From 24th March the battle started. The struggle for existence begun, which lasted for quite a while. Life came to a standstill.

We never thought that from the day onwards, wearing mask would be an integral part of our day to day life.

As a homemaker, carrying on household chores was not new to me. But now my movements were restricted to the kitchen and rest of the rooms. May be our Mother Nature was dissatisfied the way we treated her – It was a payback time. The whole environment was changed – it was free of dust and fumes, birds chirping, flowers blooming, greener leaves, blue sky. The nature was at it's best. Only we were caged.

From challenges come change. During this pandemic situation I have introspected my role as a women. For many people role of women have been restricted to household chores only. But it needed a change.

In this trying times, my role was not only restricted to household activities. My role as a Mother, Mother-in-law, Grandmother opened up new avenues in life. Operating computer was an uphill task for me. Sitting beside my grandson Rishaan, attending online classes, Inner Wheel zoom meetings and other virtual meetings were a great challenge.

I tried to sharpen my culinary skills, experimented something new with limited resources, which was therapeutic as well and also a great challenge. This situation taught me to stay positive, self-reliant, resilient, becoming a caregiver, overall making everyone stay happy in day to day life.

Our battle is still on, awaiting for better days. I conclude and pray to God Almighty with these words :
"Heal the World, make it a better place for you and for me and the entire human race".

Thank you.

A LOCKDOWN is a restriction policy for people or community to stay where they are, usually due to specific risks to themselves or to others if they can move and interact freely. The term "stay-at-home" or "shelter-in-place" is often used for lockdowns that affect an area, rather than specific locations.



SOCIALLY CLOSE ; PHYSICALLY DISTANT

PP Rtn Sandip Banerjee
Rotary Club of Serampore, RID 3291

The impact of Covid 19 has penetrated deep into our patterns of existence. It is not just a disease anymore, it is a determinant of how we should figure out ways of living in days to come. In one way it is potent enough to make us rethink about our psycho-social perspectives and priorities. Well, one expression has evolved to become synonymous with the disease and that is 'Social Distancing'. But do we really need to be socially distant? Or we need to be physically distant and socially close. The word Social Distancing has a paradoxical sense. No man is an island, entire of itself. So to remain isolated psychologically, is neither possible nor desirable. Social distancing implies a sense of psycho-social distancing, which is not going to help us in anyway. Rather let us be close to each other in emotion and empathy, yet maintain the physical distance.

We all know that distance does not matter in relationships. But that is only physical or geographical distance. The moment we try to be socially distant, we would only confine ourselves to compartmentalisation of thoughts and feelings. Just for an example, during this entire period of crisis we have seen so many generous efforts being made to help those who are caught in existential crisis of livelihood. Now, would it

have been possible, if we were socially distant? A teacher is trying to reach his students via virtual medium of instruction maintaining physical distancing but if the teacher is truly socially distant then there would be alienation from the students. The greatest example is the service rendered by the medical fraternity at this hour. Had they really believed in social distancing then they would have preferred to cushion themselves in the lap of comfort. Police and administrative personnel of all domains are discharging their responsibility. Being socially distant we lose the sense of fellow-feeling. Then all forms of divisive and fragmentary ideas crop in our mind. We tend to forget our social responsibility. No, that cannot happen; we have to respond to the needs of the challenged section of the community. Let us remain distant from a person for medical awareness but never should we seclude ourselves from the agonies of our social inmates. Remember the words of John F. Kennedy "If a free society cannot help the many who are poor, it cannot save the few who are rich". How can we do humanitarian service if we are socially distant?

The outbreak of Covid 19 and its debilitating consequences have dented our behavioural texture. We have instances of domestic violence; depression and emotional stress. The worst affected are the children. In this social crisis we have to be social

allies. It is not just one individual but a conglomerate that can overcome the challenges that lay before us. One of the worst situation is to remain lonely in a crowd. That should be avoided rather we have to be lonely ,only in position ,not in association. This is the time to kindle afresh the flames of emotion, feelings and generosity.

Then only the justification of our social existence is vindicated. To quote Swami Vivekananda, "they only live who live for others". This is possible remaining physically distant but mentally compassionate because it is the mind that feels and as long as that happens we cannot be socially distant.



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CHANGE LIVES
DO YOUR PART FOR THE SOCIETY

BE A CHANGEMAKER

*“Encourage your family
& friends to wear a mask
always while going out”.*

#UnitedFightAgainstCovid19

30 June: At Macro level District's 28th, Community Service Project & 2nd Project (District Grant) pertaining to RI Area of Focus: 'Community Economic Development' namely 'Swanirbhar-1' pertaining to sewing machines was launched on 28th, April '21. The full quota have been booked by 45 Clubs. Delivery has also started.





In this Rotary Year our RID 3291 has formed 15 New Clubs. The confirmation of the 15th new club, namely 'Calcutta Elevates' came on 30th June evening. Kudos to DG Sudip Mukherjee, DMC PDG Debasish Mitra & Team Membership.




This Rotary Year our District contributed USD 10,000 to The Rotary Foundation from the surplus of collection of Advertisement tariff after meeting all expenses. Kudos to DG & Team Directory.



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Celebrate Rotary


Felicitation of
R.I President 2021-22




Shekhar Mehta
President, Rotary International

Thursday | 1st July, 2021 | 18:30 IST onwards

Convener Kunal Sanghvi RI Director 2019-21	Co-Covener Dr. Mahesh Kotbagi RI Director 2021-23	Co-Covener A. S. Venkatesh RI Director 2021-23
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It is a proud moment for all of us in India that Shekhar Mehta will be the fourth Indian to occupy the highest position of RI as its President. To celebrate this great moment, a Felicitation of Shekhar Mehta was held on 1st July 2021 at 6.30PM by Rotary leaders, and was attended on zoom and YouTube live by more than 4500 Rotarians and well-wishers across the globe.

Another great achievement for 2020-21 Rotary year in RID 3291. A record 58 Clubs have earned Rotary Presidential Citation. Never happened to our District before. Kudos to DG Rtn Sudip Mukherjee and his Team once again.



The District organised the programme SUSWAGATAM physically with 40 persons where R I President our own Shekhar Mehta was present. The same was aired via Zoom & Facebook Live. There also was a slot to conduct the Oath Ceremony for all Presidents of 3291.

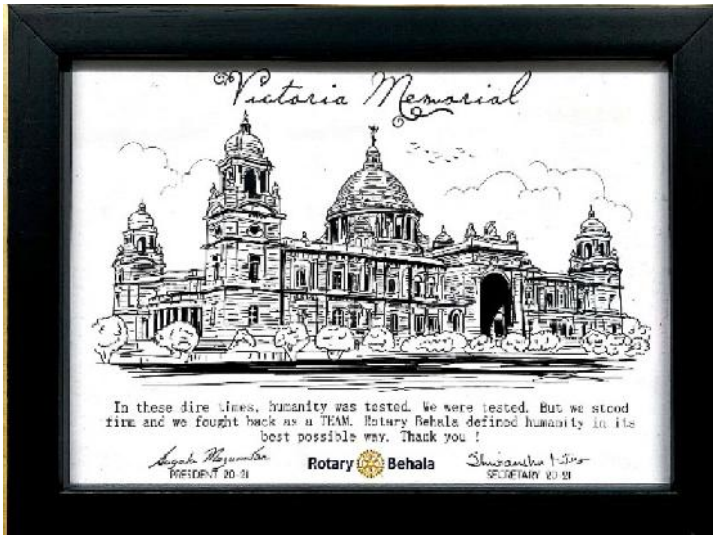
4th July : RC Calcutta Charnock City organised a Multi District Webinar on Mental Health during Covid 19.

A Rotarian is someone who, through their efforts:

- Digs wells from which they will never drink
- Restores eyesight for those they will never see
- Builds houses they will never live in
- Vaccinates children they will never meet
- Plants trees they will never sit under
- Educates children they will never know
- Feeds hungry people, regardless of colour, race or politics
- Knows real happiness



The members of the club was pleasantly surprised to receive by courier a token of love and respect from Immediate Past pair of President Sugata Mazumdar and Secretary Shuvranshu Mitra – a beautiful reminder of our glorious heritage.



First of July being National Chartered Accountants' day, as also the National Doctors' Day, our members in these two vocations were thanked and wished by the members.

We are happy to inform that our club has been selected for the prestigious RI Citation for the RY 2020-21. Congratulations to IPP Rtn Sugata Mazumdar and his team.

The Hybrid Change-over Ceremony



It was the evening of 1st July 2021, the very first day of Rotary Year 2021-22, and being a Thursday, scheduled day for a Regular Club Meeting. The leadership of the club comprising the outgoing club President and Secretary, as also the incoming trio of club president, Secretary and Treasurer

assembled at the Board Room of East India Pharmaceutical Works Ltd, courtesy club Secretary Rtn Debarshi Dutta Gupta, along with PP Rtn Prasunjit Mukherjee.

The Regular Club Meeting was



conducted over Zoom platform from the venue.

After routine briefings and discussions, it was now the time for formal induction of the new leadership.

IPP Rtn Sugata Mazumdar bedecked President Soumjojit Mukherjee, and handed over to him the club Charter, hammer and gavel.



On his part, Immediate Past Club Secretary Rtn Shuvranshu Mitra formally bedecked Club Secretary Rtn Debarshi Dutta Gupta.

The event was solemnised by Club Treasurer PP Rtn Anjan Kumar Bhowmick and PP Rtn Prasunjit Mukherjee.

Thanks to modern technology and

96 Maitree

excellent initiative by Rtn Debarshi, the members could watch the proceedings real time over Zoom platform. sitting comfortably home.



IPP Rtn Sugata Mazumdar & IPS Rtn Shuvranshu Mitra also handed over all the necessary club documents to President Rtn Soumjojit Mukherjee & Secretary Debarshi Dutta Gupta.

DOWN THE MEMORY LANE



Installation Ceremony at Grand Hotel in 1981-PP Debabrata Joardar and PP Amarjit Singh Thethi being inducted

President Krishnendu Bhattacharjee being installed by IPP Kamal Kr Sarkar 2006



Late PP Rtn Dipankar Dutta Gupta at Installation Ceremony 2009



Rtn Soumjojit as Rotaract Behala President in 2009 with the then Rotary Behala President Rtn Deepnath Roychowdhury



President Debabrata Joardar Installation Day 1992



President Deepnath Roychowdhury with his team at Installation Ceremony 2009

DOWN THE MEMORY LANE



Release of Installation issue of Maitree 2009

Rtn Rita Das conducting the Installation Ceremony 2006



Our very own PDG Shyamal Datta with dignitaries at Installation Ceremony 2009



President Rtn Sugata Mazumdar taking over Club Charter 2020 from IPP Rtn Kaushik Bhattacharyya

openness to change
 flexibility action inclusive
 atmosphere
 friendship mentoring
 passion culture focused planning
 fellowship projects simplicity creative solutions
 family-like networking
 open-minded people

MINUTES OF THE 2597th RCM OF ROTARY CLUB OF BEHALA HELD AT ZOOM VIRTUAL PLATFORM ON 01st JULY, 2021.

The Club leadership assembled at the office of Club Secretary Rtn Debarshi Dutta Gupta.

Club President Rtn Soumjojit Mukherjee called the meeting to order.

National anthem was led by Immediate Past Secretary Rtn Shuvranshu Mitra.

Club President Rtn Soumjojit thanked IPP Rtn Sugata Mazumdar, Immediate Past Secretary Rtn Shuvranshu Mitra, and the entire club team of 2020-21 for the wonderful, purposeful year passed, and expected to have a similar year ahead.

He assured of making the regular meetings more interesting, inviting guest speakers either from or outside of the Rotary world, and expected a physical meeting to celebrate Club Charter Day.

President Rtn Soumjojit also assured that the running projects of the club will continue unhindered, and new projects will be taken up as and when necessary.

He then briefed members of the visit to RCC at Chandanpiri on 27th June.

On request from the chair, PP Rtn Kaushik Bhattacharyya spoke on the long-term project envisioned there, and PP Rtn Siddhartha Chakraborty reported on the ladies' Self Help Groups functioning in close cooperation with the RCC.

Now came the golden moment. IPP Rtn Sugata Mazumdar formally installed Club President Rtn Soumjojit Mukherjee with the collar and handed over to him the Club Charter, hammer and gravel.

Immediate Past Secretary Rtn Shuvranshu Mitra also passed on the collar to Club Secretary Rtn Debarshi Dutta Gupta.

Club Treasurer PP Rtn Anjan Kumar Bhowmick requested all members to please pay the Semi-Annual Dues at the earliest.

PP Rtn Debabrata Joardar requested President to consider formation of a RCC in a nearby location like Rasapunja.

Club President Rtn Soumjojit congratulated and wished the doctors and chartered accountants of the club on this special day of 1st July. He also wished RIP Shekhar Mehta who has assumed office on this day.

Club Secretary Rtn Debarshi Dutta Gupta conducted club business. He informed members of the ongoing District project being held at the moment.

The next RCM of the club will be held on 22nd July.

The minutes of 2596th RCM of the club as published in Maitree of the day was confirmed.

President Soumjojit terminated the meeting after thanks from and to the chair.

Total Members : 34
Members Present : 18