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Club of Belur
Dist 3291



Club No 16150

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56TH INSTALLATION CEREMONY WITH REGULAR CLUB MEETING-2473 AT HOTEL HINDUSTAN INTERNATIONAL-17TH JULY 11.30 A.M

MASTER OF CEREMONY: PP Rtn Shankar Ramalingam

The 56th Installation Ceremony of Rotary Club of Belur was initiated by the meeting called to order by President Rtn Amitabh Mohan and the lighting of the lamp by Chief Guest, District Governor Ajoy Kumar Law, District First lady Rtn Mitaliji, Guest-of-Honour, District Governor Elect Hiralal Yadav, President Rtn Amitabh Mohan and Club First Lady Nivedita Mohan. There was an auspicious recital of the Ganesh Vandana by a dance troupe of children, organised by Ann Sujathaji-Spouse of PP Rtn Shankar Ramalingam.



This was followed by the National Anthem ably sung by Aradhya and Atharv-daughter and Son of President Rtn Amitabh and Sunar-Son of Club Secretary Rtn Anand Agarwal. The National Anthem was synchronised with a piano recital by Ayushman-Son of Rtn Vijay Sharma.

The welcome address was delivered by The Installation Chair- PP Rtn Ramesh Tiwari. He welcomed the Chief- Guest



and Guest-of-Honour, District Governor Ajoy Law and District First Lady-Rtn Mitaliji and District Governor Elect Hiralal Yadav, respectively.

He then requested the Club District Co-ordinator, PP Rtn Pramod Sharma to honour the dignitaries present, as he announced the names, namely; Vice Governor- PDG Pinaki Prosad Ghosh, District Trainer PDG Angshuman Bandhopadhyay, IPDG Prabir Chatterjee & spouse Rubena, PDG Ravi Sehgal, PDG Raju Rajgharia, PDG Raju Khandelwal, PDG Mukul Sinha, PDG Ajay Agarwal, PDG Sudip Mukherjee. This was followed by the recognition of the District officials, Rotaractors, guests from Singapore-DRFC Rtn Shahul Hameed & spouse Michelle, Rtn Mohan Wasvani & spouse Kavita and PP Rtn Tapan Rao with his daughter. From Rotary Club of Dhaka Central PDG Sam Showket Hussain was recognised.

Installation Chair then requested President Amitabh, First Lady Nivedita, daughter Aradhya and son Atharv to come on the stage, which was followed by a brief interactive session and a special poetical welcome.

IPP Rtn Indra Goenka delivered her address and highlighted the achievements and the projects done with a visual presentation.



The Ceremonial Installation of Rtn Amitabh Mohan took place with the DG present and presentation of the Charter; and adorning President Amitabh with the collar by IPP Indra Goenka.

PP Rtn Kishan Kumar Kejriwal introduced the President Rtn Amitabh Mohan and stressed upon how he had introduced him in the club and taking the opportunity of introducing him as the President. He delved into the past of the President with his lineage from well-established Bureaucrats and his studies at Harvard and his journey from Lucknow to Kolkata.

A poem recital was done by PP Rtn Nirmal Saha which was followed by the President's speech.

President Rotarian Amitabh Mohan delivered a mesmerising speech where he stressed on the "Seven Areas of Focus"





and exchanged an “MOU” with the representative from “Kalam Library” and he announced that each of the WASH school, that the Club has done will have one. On “Conflict and Peace Building”, he volunteered a charitable service from his company HLS India for psychological wellbeing. He released a book on “Mental Health” and advocated the barometers to gauge, whether a person is psychologically unwell and thus can seek psychological first aid. To cover all the verticals, President announced the adoption of a village where integrated development on all the verticals would be undertaken.

President Amitabh requested the Chief Guest, District First Lady and Guest of Honour-Ajoy Law, Mitaliji and Hiralal Yadav respectively, to join him on the stage. “Avenues of Citation” were presented to PP Shiv Kumar Lohia, PP Diwakar Sharma and PP Pramod Sharma by the dignitaries.



Oath taking ceremony of President Amitabh was conducted by the Chief Guest-Ajoy Kumar Law- and of the “Club officers” by the President himself.



MC then invited PDG Ravi Sehgal and PP Vishnu Dhandhania, to interact with the foreign guests. PP DRFC Shahul along with his spouse Michelle, Rtn Mohan Wasvani along with spouse Kavita, PP Tapan Rao with his daughter and PDG Sam Showket Hossain were invited on the stage which was followed with an engrossing, interactive talk.

Next on stage were PDG Ravi Sehgal, who also holds the post of “District Membership Chair”, along with PP Rtn Rakesh Bhatia-Club Membership Director. Five new members were inducted by DG,Ajoy Law, District First Lady Mitaliji and DGE Hiralal Yadav with an interesting motivational talk by PP Rakesh.

The Club business was officiated by Club Secretary Rtn Anand Agarwal followed by the release of the Club Roster by DG Ajoy Law.

PP Rtn Navin Khandelwal introduced the “Guest-Of-Honour” DGE Hiralal Yadav in a novel fashion by deliberating on his name “Hiralal” and with his further brief. DGE Hiralal Yadav commenced his speech and stressed that the “Roshni” project, which the club is doing, can be undertaken at the eye hospitals, which he has initiated as they are “Rotary

Hospitals. He then praised Belur, for the work it had done and made his speech crisp and short.

A memento was presented to the DGE, Hiralal Yadav, by PP Rtn Pramod Sharma. The Chief-Guest, DG Ajoy Law was introduced by PDG Ravi Sehgal and he made a stellar connection between First Lady Mitaliji and DG Ajoy, where all the parameters were in synergy between the two and with a booster numerical dose based on “Numerology”. He went into yesteryears and recalled how, when he was the DG, Ajoy was a shy and tall President like the “BIG-B”.

CRFC PP Ajay Agarwal, announced the collection of USD 2500 from Rtn G D Agarwal, Rtn Amar Malhotra and from CRFC himself.

The Chief Guest then started his speech with a humour on how as the last speaker, and with lunch time, people are more hungry, than interested to sit and listen. He mentioned about the different projects and stressed upon membership and TRF.

The vote-of-thanks was delivered by President Elect Rtn Amar Malhotra. President Amitabh then terminated the meeting and invited all for lunch.

PS: Special thanks to

- Registration Committee:** Ann Neelam Khanna, Ann Usha Agarwal and Ann Kiran Almal.
- Welcome Committee:** Ann Geeta Bhatia, Ann Swati Malhotra, Ann Nivedita Amitabh and Ann Chhaya Agarwal.

*INSTALLATION CHAIR,
PP Rtn. Ramesh Tiwari*



Minutes of the 2473 Regular Club Meeting of the members together with 56th Installation Ceremony of Rotary Club of Belur held at Hotel Hindustan International on the 17th July, Sunday at 11 am

- No of Attendees – 148 including Members, Spouses, Rotaractors, Interactors, Foreign Delegates and District officials
- Chief Guest – DG Ajoy Kumar Law
- Guest of Honour – DGE Hira Lal Yadav
- Special Occasion – 56th Installation Ceremony
- Invocation to God – Ganesh Vandana by the students of the dance Institute run by Ann Sujata Ramalingam under the South Indian form of Dance style

The 2nd regular club meeting of the Rotary year 2022-23 was held together with the 56th Installation ceremony of the President and office bearers of the Rotary Club of Belur for the year 2022-23 at Hotel Hindustan International. The meeting started with MC of the day PP Shankar Ramalingam welcoming all guests and dignitaries and also acknowledging the presence of the Past district governors and other dignitaries of District 3291. The detailed report on the 56th Installation is attached herewith. The meeting ended with a fellowship lunch.

Rtn Amitabh Mohan, President

Rtn Anand Agarwal, Secretary

GIVE BLOOD & KEEP THE WORLD BEATING

RC Belur, in association with Interact Club of MCKV, is organising a Blood Donation Camp on 23 July 2022, 9:30 AM, at MCKV campus followed by RCM & lunch.

Blood donation is a very common topic and everyone is aware of the benefits, more so because the pandemic taught us valuable lessons for lifetime. Let me take a moment and share some insights, benefits of donating this God made medicine, blood for the welfare of all.

Every two seconds, of everyday, someone needs blood. Since blood can't be manufactured outside the body and has limited shelf life, the supply must be replenished by generous blood donors. Blood is essential for surgeries, cancer treatment, chronic illness, traumatic injuries etc. Blood donation not only saves lives but also give many health benefits to the donors.

Benefits of Blood Donation

1. PREVENT HEMOCHROMATOSIS:

Donating blood would reduce the risk of developing Hemochromatosis. It is a condition in which our body absorb too much iron from the food we eat and causes serious damage to our body.

2. BLOOD CELL PRODUCTION:

The body will replenish the blood loss by stimulating the production of new blood cells which helps in maintaining a person's good health.

3. LOWER CANCER RISK:

Donating blood helps lower the risks of cancer as the iron stores in the blood are maintained at healthy levels.

4. HEART & LIVER HEALTH:

Donating blood is beneficial as it reduces the risk of heart & liver ailments which are caused due to iron overload in the body.

MYTHS & FACTS OF BLOOD DONATION

Myth: Blood Donation is unsafe

Fact: This is completely safe procedure under the supervision of trained staff. The fainting after donation occurs rarely and can be prevented by simple precautions as drinking a glass of water before donation, not standing up immediately and taking more fluids throughout the day following donation.

Myth: Blood Donation decreases the sexual power.

Truth: Blood Donation is not associated with the decreasing sexual drive.

Myth: People with diabetes, previous TB infection and high cholesterol levels cannot Donate Blood.

Fact: Diabetics not on insulin can Donate Blood. Patients with cured TB infection can donate after 5 years of cure. People with high cholesterol with no heart ailment can donate blood.

Myth: Women should not donate blood.

Fact: If the haemoglobin level is above 12.5g% then she can donate provided she is not in menses, pregnant or feeding.

Myth: Health deteriorates with number of donations.

Fact: Blood Donation improves the health. Donating blood is an excellent way to serve the community as the donors & receivers will reap health benefits.

- Contributed by: Rtn Suresh Khunteta, Chair, Blood Donation

TRIVIA ON BLOOD DONATION				
First recorded blood transfusion in the world - In 1665, England	First blood bank in India - Started in 1942 at Kolkata	First blood bank in the world - 1936, Cook Country Hospital, Chicago	Oldest blood type in the world - O+	Which organ is known as blood bank in the body - Spleen

Contributed by: Rtn Anand Agarwal

Emotions as I 'Kalpayate'

Overwhelmed with joy!!

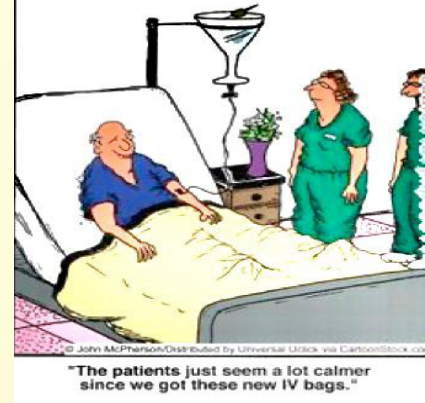
My marriage made me travel 700 km; with hope, excitement and thrill; to start my journey into married life. Blessed to be married to Amitabh. But one thing I always missed, was not having any of our first family, from either of us. At times, that made me feel very lonely but then one fine day, Rotary happened to us and everything changed. I have since then, some of the best relations, which go beyond just being friends. We became family and that is what Rotary Belur is, to me. It has filled the void; it has given me so many bhaiyas and bhabhis for life. It has blessed me with elders, who are always eager to guide, support and motivate.

Even as each one of you, keep pushing the thought of me being the First Lady of the club, I know deep in your heart you are building my confidence, encouraging me to shed my hesitations and to shoulder the responsibilities with Amitabh.

KALPAYATE, the Installation Day was yet another overwhelming experience because of the love, support and involvement of all. I felt proud, as I saw Amitabh shouldering the responsibility of the trust posed in him. At the same time, the realization also dawned upon me, that I have a responsibility to share and assure everyone to give my best, because I know my Rotary Belur Family is backing me at every step.

Love

Club First Lady *Nivedita Amitabh*



Contributed by: Rtn Piyush Doshi

UPCOMING EVENTS

CLUB & RI DISTRICT 3291

DISTRICT EVENT

31st July 2022, Sunday

Sagar Theke Pahare – Rally

CLUB EVENTS

5th August, Friday

Club Charter Day
Celebrations at Spring Club
5 PM onwards

7th August, Sunday

'सुलो गांव की ओर - समुद्र गांव समुद्र देहा'
Tree plantation together with village
visit, to explore opportunities for our
Integrated Village Project.

अमिताभेर् अभिषेक

हाते मात्र एकटि बहर, तारि मध्ये देखाते हर
बहुत आर सेवार्कमे केमने घटे समझर।
रोटारिंते सवई नेता, सवई कर्मी, बहुओ सवई,
सवई सवार सजे थेके सेवार काजे मज्ज सदाई।
तारि मध्ये प्रति बहर एक बहरेर जन्या,
एकजन धरे हल, हये प्रेसिडेन्ट पदे गण्य।
छोट्खाटो एकटा मानुष, हासिखुशी मुख यार,
ए बहरे बेलुड मध्ये अभिषेक हवे तार।
प्यारिमोहन-सरोजेर कनिष्ठ सन्तान,
बड़ तिन भाई, बड़ तिन बोन आह्लादे आटखान।
हय IAS, नय IPS, परिवारे केडे ना केडे,
शिक्षर समुद्र येन तुलतो बिपुल टेडे।
याके नये लिखते बसे यार जीवनपञ्जी खूजि,
नामटि तार अमिताभ मोहन, बलाई हयनि बुजि।

सेई छेलोटी बदले दिल पारिवारिक धारा,
मनसुतु विशारद हये फेललो देशे साड़ा।
देशेर नाना विद्यालये तिनटि दशक धरे,
अविरत काज करेछे उन्नयणेर तरे।
लक्ष्मी विश्वविद्यालय छिल तार सब पेयेछिर् धन,
परे जन हकिम बाल्टिमोर CEDPA गयाशिंठन।
तार कथाय बदले गेछे कत मानुषेर मन,
पेयेछे नतुन जीवन चारलक्ष झांझजन।
लक्ष्मी रोटारि दियेछे ताके सविशेष सम्मान,
दिशा NGO स्वास्थ्य शिक्षा छिल भरे तार प्राण।
सज्जिनी निवेदिता सज्जि ना हले अमिताभ शून्य
कन्या आराध्या, पुत्र अर्थव, सोलोकला करे पूर्ण।
सबई तो हलो एखन भावछि आमर कि हवे हाल।
कविताओ नाकि भालेई लिखछे अमिताभ आजकाल।

रोटारियन निर्मल कुमार साहा