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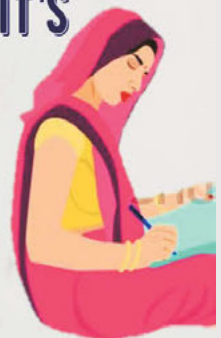
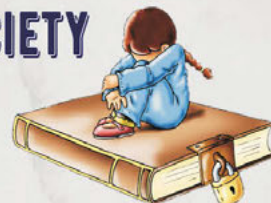


## ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA METROPOLITAN



Cordially welcomes you to attend a hybrid session on

### IMPORTANCE OF EDUCATION OF GIRL CHILD AND IT'S IMPACT ON THE SOCIETY



By PDG Rtn Sylvia Whitlock  
of RID-5300

Venue :- The Conclave, 216, AJC Bose Road,  
Kolkata-700017

Date :- Saturday, 18th September, 2021

Time :- 7:15 P.M.

Zoom :- Meeting ID - 756 546 6446

Password - RCCM



Hony Secretary :- Sashi Dhacholia

President :- Dr. Somen Ghosh

## Biography of PDG Rtn Sylvia Whitlock, USA (District Governor 2012-2013)



PDG Rtn Sylvia Whitlock was born in New York City. She was educated through High School in Kingston, Jamaica and International baccalaureate from Cambridge University, England. Her other educational qualifications are B.A. Psychology - Hunter College of the City University of New York, M.A. - Education, Cal Poly, Pomona, PH. D. Education - Claremont Graduate School

M.A. Marriage and Family Therapy - Azusa Pacific University, California State Teaching and Administrative Credentials, Licensed in Marriage and Family Therapy by Board of Behavioral Sciences, California and Licensed Supervisor - Marriage and Family Therapy

She joined Ex-Rotary Club of Duarte in 1982 and held every office at club level. She is the first Woman President worldwide, in Rotary International and made up at clubs in England, Scotland, the Caribbean, Australia, South Africa, India. She chaired Four-Way Test Speech competition for 6 years and also Chaired Ambassadorial Scholarship Committee for 6 years. She also served on District Finance Committee and Chaired Simplified Grant Program and Served as Assistant Governor

She is recipient of Rotary Foundation District Service Award and recipient of Sylvia Whitlock award established and presented at the 2017 International Convention. She is also recipient of AFRAM GLOBAL Villager Award, 2019 and UNA Global Citizen Award 2013.

She participated in NIDS, established AIDS clinic in Jamaica, supported orphanage in Mexico, sank wells in Nigeria, raised almost \$90,000 for Education for Girls

in India. She is multiple Paul Harris Fellow, Benefactor and Member of the Bequest Society, and Major Donor She served as District Governor 2012-2013. She has spoken at more than 100 District Conferences, numerous clubs in the United States and overseas, Institutes and Zone events

Addressed all 530 incoming governors at 2013 International Assembly.

She is the Honorary Member of Rotary Club of Calcutta Metropolitan, Chicago One and Duarte Rotary. She is the member of the Rotary Club of Claremont, CA. She is member of the Board of Spanish Trails Girl Scout Council, Recorder for Blind and Dyslexic, Commission Member at Tri-City Mental Health Authority, Trainer in Mental Health First Aid, Volunteer at Pomona Valley Hospital, Chair of Pastor Parish Relations Council at Trinity U.M. church, Member and Past President of Beta Mu Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma International.

Her Academic Activities are Chair of Western Association of Schools and Colleges Accreditation Teams, Member of California State Committee on Credentials at California State Department of Education (2004-2010), Distinguished Alumna at Cal Poly, Pomona, NAACP Woman of the Year

Hall of Fame and Hunter College, CUNY. 2021

Sylvia had three adult children, one of whom is Human Resources Assistant at University of California, Berkeley.

She considers raising her children the most satisfying and enjoyable job she has ever had, almost comparable to enjoying her first grandson, and now a new granddaughter and another grandson. She is also a world traveler.

## An appeal – Say No To Plastic



We start our environmental project with the note of replacing plastic bags with paper bags which will be procured from Mahavir Seva Sadan bearing the logo of our club.

The bags will be distributed at cross road (maybe Gariahat) by us along with the Rotaracts. In this context, I would like to request the members to donate old newspapers as a part of recycling ?? process either to PE Dr Rtn V K Nevatia or directly to MSS.

**By President Dr Somen Ghosh, RCCM**

## Cervical Cancer Vaccination Camp on 29.08.2021

On 29th August, 2021 at PLC campus, 102 beneficiaries aged between 9 to 14 yrs were vaccinated to prevent cervical cancer. The team of doctors from CNCI had arrived and inoculated all the beneficiaries after verification of their registration cards issued to them in February, 2021. The second dose of vaccine was provided 6 months after the first dose in February, 2021.

For the first time in Piyali, this vaccination camp was organized and there was spontaneous response from the community. Seventy-six PLC students meeting the age criteria were vaccinated. Entire arrangement was done in the PLC auditorium maintaining the safety protocols of the pandemic. The vaccination started from 10'0 clock in the morning and it took 4 hours to complete the process.

Different time slots were arranged for the vaccinees in order to avoid gathering following the COVID guidelines. All the vaccinees were provided with snacks after the inoculation.

**By Joyeeta Chatterjee**  
Principal - PACE Learning Centre



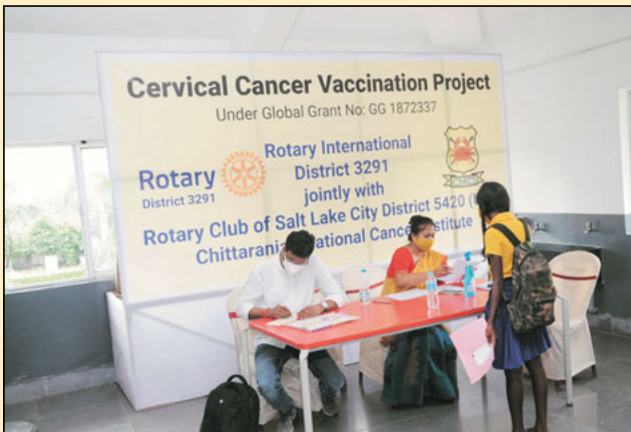
Rotarians at the Camp



Banner for Vaccination Camp



President Dr Somen Ghosh during vaccination



Registration Desk for Vaccination



Vaccination to the girl students



Students waiting for Vaccination

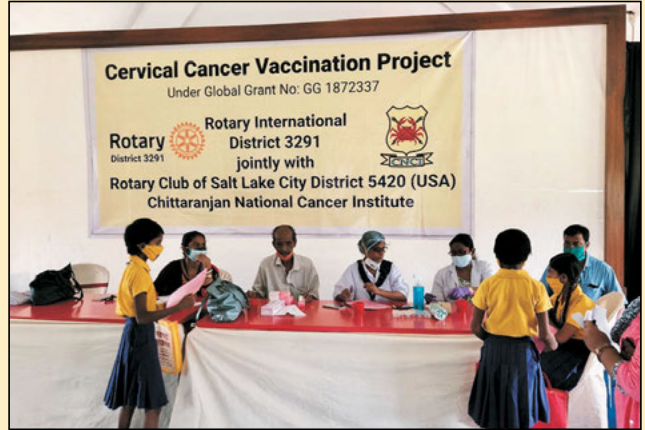


Vaccination being given to student

## Cervical Cancer Vaccination Camp on 29.08.2021



Little pain but worth



View of Vaccination Desk with banner



Vaccination Desk



Painful but worth



Vaccination being given

### সিএনসিআই'এর উদ্যোগে জরায়ুমুখ ক্যান্সার অটিকাতে ভ্যাকসিন

চিট্রারঞ্জান ন্যাশনাল ক্যান্সার ইনস্টিটিউটের (সিএনসিআই) উদ্যোগে স্বাস্থ্যবিদগণ ২৯ শপথবার শিলাইগুড়ি হোস্টেলের অঙ্গণস্থল ক্যান্সার প্রতিরোধে টিকা দেওয়া হল। সিএনসিআই-এর ত্রিবেণী ক্যান্সার বিশেষজ্ঞ বিশেষজ্ঞ অক্ষয় ভাস্কর ডাঃ রঞ্জিত মল্লিকের নেতৃত্বে সিএনসিআই-এর ডোক্তরের অধীনে একটি টিকা দেওয়া হল। সিএনসিআই-এর পাশে কার্ভিগ পোস্ট ক্যান্সার, সিএনসিআই-এর এটা হোস্টেল বিত্তীয় টিকা দেওয়ার শিবির। এছাড়াও ক্যান্সার মোহাই বিত্তীয় পুষ্টি তৈরি হয়েছে। ১০ উদ্ভূর্ণ ক্যান্সারের তৃতীয় তৈরি দেওয়া হয়েছে।

সিএনসিআই-এর পাশে ডাঃ সিন্ধু গুপ্ত সিএনসিআই ক্যান্সারের ডাঃ অজিত সিংহ এবং সিএনসিআই টিকা দেওয়া হয়েছে। সিএনসিআই-এর পাশে ডাঃ সিন্ধু গুপ্ত সিএনসিআই ক্যান্সারের ডাঃ অজিত সিংহ এবং সিএনসিআই টিকা দেওয়া হয়েছে। সিএনসিআই-এর পাশে ডাঃ সিন্ধু গুপ্ত সিএনসিআই ক্যান্সারের ডাঃ অজিত সিংহ এবং সিএনসিআই টিকা দেওয়া হয়েছে।

Coverage in Sukhabar on 3.9.2021

## Musical equipments to PACE Learning Centre on 04.09.2021

Promises Marketing donated one Harmonium and Synthesizer to PACE Learning Centre for the benefit of the students so that they can learn about the music etc. Thanks to Promises Marketing for their gesture.



## We Welcome Rtn Gyanendra Narain Singh as Metropolitan



Rtn Gyanendra Narain Singh was inducted as member of the Club by PDG Rtn Mukul Sinha on 29.8.2021. We welcome him as Metropolitan and looking forward from him some meaningful projects etc. By profession he is Tax practitioner.



Induction of Gyanendra Narain Singh as member of the Club



PDG Mukul Sinha pinning with Rotary Pin

## Handing over of one High Flow Nasal Oxygen Therapy Machine (HFNO) to Ramkrishna Sarada Mission Matri Bhavan on 28.9.2021 Under GG# 19-18773



## We Care For Students

Ms Rai Mondal, the topper of PLC in secondary exam conducted by NIOS is being helped by PLC for her higher secondary education in science stream. She has scored 84%

Ms Rai is willing to sit for NEET. All the books, stationery items are provided by PLC on 29.8.2021



PDG Mukul Sinha handing over text books to Rai Mondal



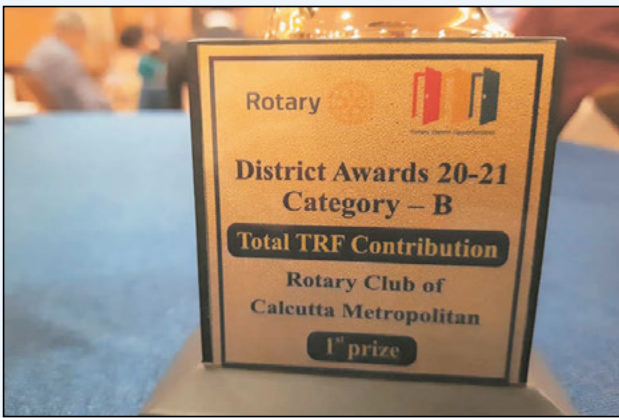
Rai Mondal being provided Higher Study materials for Science



Another of handing over of test books to Rai Mondal

## District Awards for RY-2020-2021 on 28.09.2021

Apart from bagging 13 Awards earlier in Category-B, the Club further bagged two 1st prizes important Awards from the District for the RY-2020-2021. Congratulations to IPP Rtn Harsh V Rungta and his team and as well as Club for bagging **1st prize for Total TRF Contribution** and **1st prize for TRF Annual Fund per Capita**



## The impact of Mahendraguru Classes

April, 2021 was the month of remarkable change, a step towards real empowerment of women as PACE Learning Centre has launched a training programme through Mahendraguru for competitive exams conducted by Government of India on 4.9.2021.

For the first time PLC has taken the initiative in Piyali to train the students to set aspiration to get a government job. The teaching method of the expert faculties will enable the PLC students to cope with the method of teaching practiced in different professional colleges and institutes.

Students who are serious about their career are getting more focused. Rigorous training process is helping them refresh their acquired knowledge and skill. Students under 18yrs. of age are being trained and will be able to sit for MTS and other competitive exams next year onwards. Their communication skill in Hindi is being improved.

**By Joyeeta Chatterjee  
Principal, PLC**



## WEBINAR on Mental Health on 26.08.2021

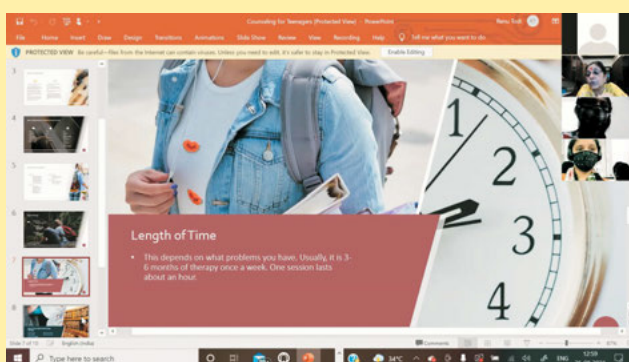
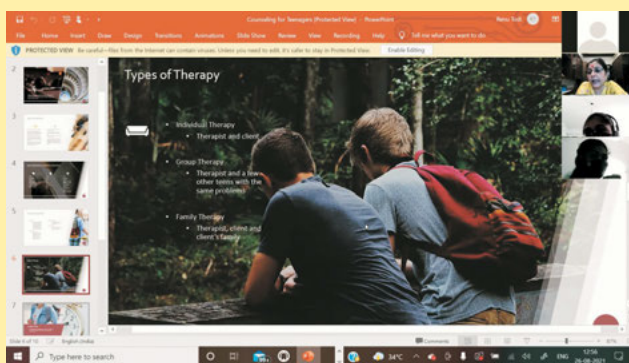
"Health is wealth" the proverb indicates an explicit comparison of health with wealth, but we generally associate health with physical health. The importance of mental health is being ignored.

At PACE Learning Centre we really care for the mental being of everyone associated with it. The outbreak of pandemic has put us into solitary confinement which largely affected everyone's mental wellbeing especially the teenagers. Realizing the importance of the mental health a webinar on mental wellbeing has been organized by Rotary Club of Calcutta Metropolitan for PLC students.

For the first time students attended a virtual session on mental health issues. The webinar was conducted on 26th August, 2021 on zoom by Rtn Renu Todi. The one and half hour session was attended by 35 students where teachers also took part. The session laid emphasis on anger management, peer pressure, parental pressure which are common problems for teenagers and different therapies to cope with these types of issues. The session being interactive proved to be very informative and helpful as Rtn Todi explained the topics with the help of a PPT. Very effective solutions were provided by Ms. Todi to deal with smartphone addiction and how to make the most out of it. Both students and teachers clarified their doubts on the issues discussed in the session and shared their views.

In this period of uncertainty and anxiety the idea of arranging this type of webinar opened so many doors for the students as they get expert opinion on the different mental anxieties they are struggling with and can move on happily.

**By Joyeeta Chatterjee  
Principal, PLC**



## View of Hybrid RM held on 29.8.2021



Hybrid Regular Meeting in progress



President conducting the Hybrid Meeting



Induction lak by Gyanendra Narain Singh



Hony Secretary Sashi Dhacholia making Club announcements

## Minutes of the 1608th Regular Hybrid Meeting of Rotary Club of Calcutta Metropolitan on 29th August, 2021 at 11.00 AM at PACE Learning Centre, Piyali

- The meeting was called to order by the President Rtn Dr Somen Ghosh.
- Minutes of 1607th Regular Meeting held on 15th August, 2021 were confirmed.
- President Rtn Dr Somen Ghosh requested PDG Rtn Mukul Sinha to induct Shri Gyanendra Narain Singh as member of the Club. PDG Rtn Mukul Sinha pinned him with Rotary pin and welcomed him to Rotary world. President Rtn Dr Somen Ghosh welcomed him to the Club and members present congratulated him as Metropolitan.  
Hony Secretary informed Rtn Gyanendra Narain Singh that Code of the Conduct, Object of Rotary and Four Way Test was narrated and will also be mailed to him.
- President informed that this is the second occasion when the Club is having their hybrid Regular meeting.
- President Rtn Dr Somen Ghosh informed the members that this was one of the rare occasions when the Regular meeting and a project is ongoing at the same time. The second phase of vaccination for cervical cancer was done in Piyali learning Center, in which 102 girls will be vaccinated.
- President Rtn Dr Somen Ghosh informed about the activities done:
  - Celebration of Independence Day at MSS and PLC on 15.8.2021. DG Rtn Prabir Chatterjee was present with district officials at MSS.
  - Distribution of Dry Ration of the students of PLC on 15.8.2021.
  - Joint project with RC of Calcutta Charnock City with other clubs on 28.9.2021 for the distribution of Mask and Sanitizers at Institute of Child Health (Park Circus)
- President Rtn Dr Somen Ghosh made announcements for forthcoming events:
  - Cervical Cancer Vaccination Camp being held at PLC on 29.8.2021 for the students.
  - Hariyali, an District-3291 initiative on environment, the club will plant fruit and non-fruit bearing plants at ECO Park. The matter is under discussion with the authorities for the finalization of date.
  - Matter is under active consideration with DG Rtn Prabir Chatterjee of RID-3291 as to make Inter-District program on Environmental where paper bags will be encouraged instead of plastic bags. The Club will be lead club.
- President Rtn Dr Somen Ghosh requested Rtn Gyanendra Narain Singh to the induction talk about him.
- PP Jayanta Chatterji requested for the handing over of higher studies text books to Ms Rai Mondal, who opted for science course as she joined some other school to pursue the science studies. PDG Rtn Mukul Sinha, President and Principal of PLC handed over text books to her. RCCM wished her all the success.
- Hony Secretary Rtn Sashi Dhacholia displayed the Metro Voice.
- President Rtn Dr Somen Ghosh requested Hony Secretary Rtn Sashi Dhacholia to make the Club announcements:
  - Since no dates has been fixed for Regular Meeting, the necessary details will be announced later on.
  - On 31.8.2021- PP Rtn Maitrayee Ray will celebrate her birthday. We wish her a happy birthday for a healthy and prosperous life
  - On 8.9.2021- PP Rtn Bhuvan Basu will celebrate his birthday. We wish him a happy birthday for a happy and prosperous life
- Since there was no other business, the meeting was terminated.

### Forthcoming Events

#### CLUB

25.09.2021 Virtual Regular Meeting

### THE 4 WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say, or do:

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?



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