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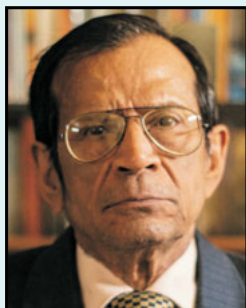
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### KNOW YOUR SPEAKER - SHRI DILIP MITRA



Dilip Mitra joined the Indian Police Service (IPS) as a direct recruit in July 1976 and was allotted the West Bengal Cadre.

He did his schooling at Don Bosco Luluah and St Xavier's Hazaribagh. A graduate from St Xavier's College, Calcutta, he has an LL B degree, a SIDA sponsored Advanced

International Certificate in Traffic and Environment Management from the VTI, Linkoping, Sweden, a post graduate Diploma in Hospital and Health Care Management from Symbiosis, Pune and two in- Service Certificates in Management.

He held several important assignments with both the State and Central Governments over the course of an unblemished career spanning thirty-eight and a half years.

Dilip Mitra was awarded the Indian Police Medal for Meritorious Service by the President of India.

He was a Member of the Indian Delegation at several Indo-Bangladesh, Indo-Nepal and Indo-Bhutan Border talks during his tenure in Intelligence.

He was DIG, Spl IGP, IGP and Addl DGP in the State Intelligence Branch. He retired as Director General of Police, a rank he held for over four years.

Having a multi-dimensional and multi-talented personal the Director General of Police, Dilip Mitra has had an enviable reputation for integrity and for being an unshakeable stickler for the Law.

Post Retirement he has not been sitting idle. His first book, an autobiographical novel, "Waist Deep Water" sold over five thousand copies according to India Today Magazine. Another book Operation Black Stiletto chronicles of 10 years in intelligence. A world where massacres like the one in Nandigram occur.

Where a mother suckles her child, even while planning and facilitating mass murder of Innocents. The terrifying nightmare of a world of terror. This is a serious work which will make the reader think and contemplate deeply for quite some time.

Yes, indeed multi-talented and multi-faceted.

### CONGRATULATIONS AND WE WELCOME RTN PARTHA SARATHI GANGULI AS METROPOLITAN

Rtn Partha Sarathi Ganguli was inducted as member of Rotary Club of Calcutta Metropolitan on 12.11.2022 by PP Rtn Binod Khaitan. He was proposed by PP Rtn Utpal Chatterjee and his classification is Educationist. We welcome him as a Metropolitan.



## INTERACTIVE SESSION ON THE ROTARY FOUNDATION ON 12.11.2022

In Rotary world, two subjects are very important ...Foundation and Global Grants but very few Clubs are comfortable with these subjects. However, the good sign is that gradually more Clubs are getting interested in the Foundation and its international humanitarian grant projects

November is celebrated as Foundation month in Rotary and our Club organised an interactive session for several Rotary Clubs of District-3291, to share the knowledge and experience of PP Rtn Binod Khaitan, District Stewardship and Rotary Leadership Institute Chair, a well-known figure in the Rotary world internationally

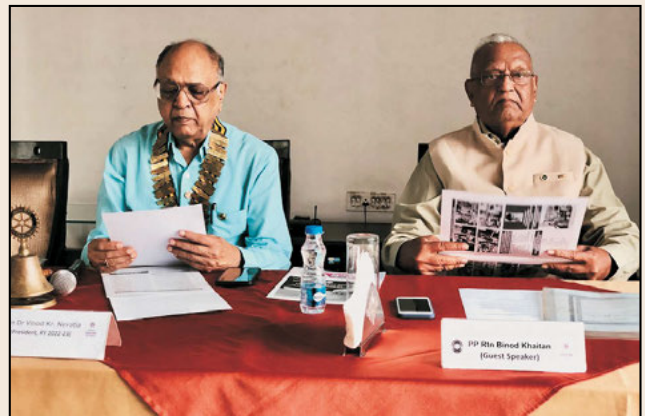
In his introduction of PP Rtn Binod Khaitan, PP Rtn Dr. Naresh Goyal shared some memorable moments with him which was appreciated by the Rotarians present.

PP Rtn Binod Khaitan opened his session by inviting the members present to ask any question about Foundation or Grants. In his inimitable style, he spoke

about basic of Foundation and Global Grants. He put great emphasis on Stewardship. He also spoke about the PACE Learning Centre, how it started with International Partner to become one of the flagship models in Rotary World. He also mentioned that RCCM is one the few active Clubs in Global Grants in District-3291

PP Rtn Jayanta Chatterji gave the vote of thanks and put great importance on developing the relations with the international partners. Without International partners, one cannot have the Global Grants. One needs to win the trust and confidence of International partners and RCCM has become what it is today solely because of its good relations with various International Clubs and excellent mentorship and stewardship of grant projects.

The Co-host Clubs members actively participated actively in the interactive session with PP Rtn Binod Khaitan and were able to sort out whatever doubts they had about the Foundation and Grants.





## INTERACTIVE SESSION ON THE ROTARY FOUNDATION ON 12.11.2022



## VERMICOMPOSIT PROJECT AT NABADIGHANTA IN FULL SWING IN DURGAPUR LEPSORY COLONY P.O. GOPINATHPUR, DURGAPUR- A GLIMPSE





100% ATTENDANCE OF METROPOLITANS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER-2022



Hony Secretary Rtn Rajshree Jain



PN Rtn Sashi Dhacholia



PP Rtn Dr Naresh Goyal



PP Rtn Jayanta Chatterji



PP Rtn Raj Kumar Poddar



PP Rtn Subir Dutta



PP Rtn Utpal Chatterjee



President Rtn Dr V K Nevatia



Rtn Jayanta Neogi



Rtn Rajiv Tibrewal

## STEWARDSHIP

### What is Stewardship?

- Using Rotary Foundation funds in a responsible and transparent manner.
- Implementing grant projects according to Rotary Foundation policy.
- Proper grant management and financial compliance.

### What Are the Consequences of Poor Stewardship?

- Loss of Rotary funds
- Damages Rotary's reputation
- Weakens project
- Limits impact
- Negatively Impacts beneficiaries
- Risks sanctions
- Fails four-way test

### Good Stewardship

#### General Practices

- Involvement of full club
- Communication between host and international partners
- Communication with beneficiary community
- Control of project funds remains with Rotarians until grant purchases are made

#### Before Project Begins:

- Perform community assessment
- Develop financial management plan
- Solicit competitive bids for large project expenses
- Disclose any potential conflicts of interest involving any sponsor club members
- Open a bank account to be used exclusively for the grant project
- The bank account should require two signatories for all withdrawals

#### During Project Implementation:

- Regularly visit beneficiaries to monitor project progress
- Adhere to project plan and financial plan
- Use checks or bank transfer whenever possible
- Request invoices and receipts for all grant expenses
- Maintain a project ledger
- Keep backup copies of all financial documentation.

### After Project Implementation:

- Measure the results of your project
- Maintain relationship with beneficiaries
- Keep all financial records for at least 5 years

#### Reporting:

- Submit a report on the project's progress every year via the Online Grants Center
- Include all retained financial documentation with each report
- Transparency
- Proactively and openly share information between sponsors and TRF
- Accountability
- Adhere to TRF guidelines
- Collaboration
- Share knowledge, best practices, and lessons learned by reports and training

### Examples of Stewardship Issues

- No community assessment
- No competitive bids for project expenses
- Undisclosed conflict of interest
- Advance transfers to vendors
- Cash payments with no receipts
- Sustainability components not completed
- Project managed entirely by one Rotarian

### Discussion questions

- How do good stewardship practices help the project participants, beneficiaries, and The Rotary Foundation?
- What steps can your club take to ensure responsible fiscal management before starting a grant?
- What stewardship practices does your club already follow that can be applied to managing grant funds?

### Suggested activities

- Have participants work in small groups to discuss current measures that clubs have in place to ensure Foundation funds are managed properly.
- Ask participants working in groups of three or four to come up with a plan for handling suspected misuse of Foundation funds. Ask each group to report on its discussion.
- Ask participants working in small groups to list how good stewardship practices result in increased donations to The Rotary Foundation.

## SISTER AGREEMENT-SINGAPORE




### Rotary Club of Singapore SISTER CLUB CERTIFICATE

ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA METROPOLITAN DISTRICT 3291 & ROTARY CLUB OF SINGAPORE DISTRICT 3310

Have agreed to renew their Sister Club Agreement with the aim of  
 Fostering friendships between Rotarians and partners of both clubs.  
 Jointly implementing humanitarian, educational, environmental, and health projects.  
 Hosting individual or groups of Rotarians, and partners from visiting Sister Club, and  
 Maintaining correspondence between both clubs relating to the Five Avenues of Rotary Service.  
 This agreement will be valid for two Rotary Years starting Rotary Year 2022-23.

<p>FOR ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA METROPOLITAN</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 20px;"> <div style="text-align: center;">   <b>Pres. Dr. Vinod Kumar Nevetia</b>            Club President 2022-23         </div> <div style="text-align: center;">   <b>PP Rtn Subir Dutta</b>            Director 2022-23         </div> </div>	<p>FOR ROTARY CLUB OF SINGAPORE</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 20px;"> <div style="text-align: center;">   <b>Pres. James Lee</b>            Club President 2022-23         </div> <div style="text-align: center;">   <b>Rtn Varun Gulati</b>            International Service Director 2022-23         </div> </div>
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### Forthcoming Events

#### CLUB

- 10.12.2022** Regular Meeting and 2nd Club Assembly at CSC at 2.00 PM
- 17.12.2022** Regular Meeting and Annual Meeting for the RY-2021-2022 at CSC at 2.00 PM
- 07.01.2023** Regular Meeting at CSC at 2.00 PM
- 26.01.2023** Joint Regular Meeting with Mahavir Seva Sadan at 11.00 PM at 20, Ekbalpore, Naptani Bagan, Mominpore, Kolkata-700 023

### BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

- 24 Nov** - PN Rtn Sashi Dhacholia
- 02 Dec** - Rtn Vivek Anand
- 06 Dec** - Rtn Rajshree Jain



### WEDDING ANNIVERSARY GREETINGS



- 20 Nov** - Rtn Nisha Singhania & Spouse Pradeep
- 22 Nov** - PP Rtn Dr Neeraja Rateria & Spouse Poonam
- 26 Nov** - PP Rtn Gaurang Jalan & Ann Abha
- 26 Nov** - PP Rtn Dr Naresh Goyal & Ann Rajshree
- 26 Nov** - Rtn Rajshree Jain & Spouse Dr Naresh
- 27 Nov** - Rtn Renu Todi & Spouse Pawan
- 02 Dec** - Rtn Suraj Ratan Mundhra & Ann Sushila
- 04 Dec** - Rtn Pradip Kapoor & Ann Sunita
- 07 Dec** - PN Rtn Sashi Dhacholia & Ann Sandhya
- 07 Dec** - Rtn Vivek Anand & Ann Mridula
- 10 Dec** - Rtn Gaurav Mathur & Ann Anubha



# Rotary Myth Buster



## ROTARY IS FOR MEN

**WRONG!** Rotary has welcomed women for over 30 years.

## IT'S FOR RETIRED PEOPLE

**WRONG!** We are open to ages 18+. Age is just a number, it's attitude that is more important.

## IT'S FOR PROFESSIONALS

**WRONG!** Diversity is our strong asset and there's always a place for you in Rotary.

## YOU MUST ATTEND EACH WEEK

**WRONG!** We focus on what you can contribute. Get involved with fundraising activities, community projects and activities.



## IT'S A RELIGIOUS ORGANISATION / SECRET SOCIETY

**WRONG!** Rotary is non-religious and non-political.

## YOU HAVE TO BE FORMALLY DRESSED FOR MEETINGS

**WRONG!** We are interested in what you can offer, not how you dress.

## IT'S A LUNCH AND DINNER CLUB

**WRONG!** We do have meals at most meetings, however we principally meet to plan projects, have guest speakers, socials and run activities.

## MEMBERSHIP BY INVITE ONLY

**WRONG!** Anyone with the right mindset can visit and join. We accept members from all walks of life.

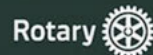
## INTERESTED IN BIG INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS ONLY

**WRONG!** We are involved in these huge projects, however the majority of our work is within local communities supporting local causes.



Rotary - People of Action

Google us to find out more



The Best use of Imagination  
is creativity.



Jennifer Jones  
RI President

TOGETHER, WE  
IMAGINE ROTARY

if kindness moves  
You, then Rotary is  
the place to be in...



@rtnsharath



## 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?



## FOUR-WAY TEST

FOUR QUESTIONS – 24 WORDS

### THE UNIQUE STEP-BY-STEP PROCESS

#### IS IT THE **TRUTH**?

- Clarity
- Transparency
- Fact checking
- Ethical behaviour

### PROCESS TO ACHIEVE DESIRED OUTCOMES THAT ARE ETHICAL, FAIR AND BENEFICIAL TO ALL

That we do our homework to collect information and to apply critical thinking by asking questions to know the difference between facts, beliefs, assumptions, and opinions as well as know what we don't know.

#### IS IT **FAIR** TO ALL CONCERNED?

- Inclusion
- Empathy
- Acceptance
- Belonging
- Accountability

That we use empathy to see other points-of-view in the context of the problems to be solved and the goals to be reached.

#### WILL IT BUILD **GOODWILL** AND **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?

- Trust
- Do good
- Feel good
- Have fun

That the process is civil, and there is a feeling of respect and openness to ask the "dumb" question, they can lead to creative and innovative answers. Also, people prefer to work with people they like, respect and trust.

#### WILL IT BE **BENEFICIAL** TO ALL CONCERNED?

- What if scenarios
- Trade-offs
- Being creative and innovative
- Better decision making

That these are the conflict transformative answers and decisions that can lead to mutually satisfying solutions, that are sustainable and scalable. This can be an iterative process as we learn more from doing and continuously improving with time.

**MINUTES OF 1638th REGULAR MEETING OF ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA METROPOLITAN HELD ON SATURDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER, 2022 AT 2.00 PM AT THE CALCUTTA SWIMMING CLUB, 1, STRAND ROAD, KOLKATA-700 001**

1. President Rtn Dr V K Nevatia called the 1638th Regular Meeting to order.
2. President invited Guest speaker PP Rtn Binod Khaitan to join the head table.
3. National Anthem was sung by PP Rtn DR Naresh Goyal and Rtn Rajiv Tibrewal and joined by all members present.
4. Minutes of Regular Meeting no: 1637 dated 1.11.2022 as printed in Metro Voice were read and confirmed.
5. President thanked the following Presidents and members for attending this Grant Seminar as Co-host Clubs:
  - a. RC of Calcutta Presidency
  - b. RC of Calcutta Mayfair
  - c. RC of Ballygunge
  - d. RC of Hooghly
  - e. RC of Aabhamaan Kolkata
  - f. RC of Jodhpur Gardens Calcutta
  - g. RC of Calcutta Dhakuria
  - h. RC of Calcutta Endeavour
6. President Rtn Dr V K Nevatia pleased to inform the members that PP Rtn Utpal Chatterjee is now Global Peace Ambassador to the UNESCO. This definitely an Honourable assignment. We congratulate PP Rtn Utpal Chatterji for this assignment.
7. President informed about the followings:

Projects done:

  - Diwali & Halloween Celebration at PLC on 21.10.2022
  - District Diwali meet on 26.10.2022 as the Club was the Co-host
  - Fellowship was held on 1.11.2022, which was a huge successful and attended by 25 members with spouses.

Forthcoming programs:

  - PP Rtn Lalit Beriwalla has agreed to sponsor any Orphan project upto Rs.25,000/-. We have contacted Save the Orphans & Old Age Home-Bansdroni, who earlier requested to provide cots in three rooms of their home. We have agreed to provide cots for one room only at the moment. They have been asked to start the work, which will cost approx. Rs.30,000/-
  - On 19.11.2022, there will be Regular Meeting and Guest speaker will be Shri Dilip Mitra, IPD (Rtd), Former DGP, West Bengal. The topic will be "Insurgency and Decade of Terrorism".
  - On 20.11.2022, there will be 5th Board Meeting and 2nd Trust Meeting at the residence of PE Rtn Rakesh Kumar Goel at Noon. Board members are requested to join and lunch will be served.
8. President invited Shri Partha Sarathi Ganguli, who was proposed by PP Rtn Utpal Chatterjee under classification Educationist, and requested PP Rtn Binod Khaitan to induct Shri Partha Sarathi Ganguli with Rotary pin. President also invited PP Rtn Utpal Chatterjee and PP Rtn Jayanta Chatterji to join this occasion. PP Rtn Jayanta Chatterji handed over the membership kit to him and President handed over Club tie to Rtn Partha Sarathi Ganguli. Members present welcomed Rtn Partha Sarathi Ganguli as a Rotarian.
9. President informed the members that in view sore throat of Hony Secretary the followings The Object of Rotary, the 4Way Test and Rotary Code of Conduct be taken as read.
10. President congratulated the following members and also handed over pocket diary to each of them, who ensured 100% attendance during the month of September & October-2022:
  1. PP Rtn Utpal Chatterjee
  2. PP Rtn Jayanta Chatterji
  3. PN Rtn Sashi Dhacholia
  4. PP Rtn Subir Dutta
  5. PP Rtn Naresh Goyal
  6. PE Rtn Rakesh Kumar Goel
  7. Rtn Runjhun Gupta
  8. Rtn Rajshree Jain
  9. Rtn Jayanta Neogi
  10. President Rtn Dr V K Nevatia
  11. PP Rtn Raj Kumar Poddar
  12. PP Rtn Harsh V Rungta
  13. Rtn Rajiv Tibrewal
  14. Rtn Renu Todi
11. President requested PP Rtn Dr Naresh Goyal to introduce the Guest speaker PP Rtn Binod Khaitan and he shared some memorable moments with him.
12. Guest Speaker PP Rtn Binod Khaitan took the floor for Interactive session on The Rotary Foundation and very beautifully explained what is Foundation is all about and Grants. He put lot of emphasis on Object of Rotary and stewardship, which play very important role. The interactive session was followed by Q & A session.
13. President requested PP Rtn Jayanta Chatterji to give vote of thanks and who felicitated PP Rtn Binod Khaitan and briefed about the PACE Learning Centre and invited members present from Co-host Clubs.
14. In view of sore throat of Secretary Rtn Rajshree Jain, President made the Club announcements. He informed about the forthcoming events and Birthday greetings. The Sunshine box collection was over and above as usual. The overall attendance was more than 24, which includes members attendance was 12.
15. There was no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

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