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1643rd REGULAR MEETING

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### WE WELCOME PRESIDENT SHRI VIJAY CHORARIA AND MEMBERS OF MAHAVIR SEVA SADAN FOR THE JOINT MEETING AND FLAG HOISTING & CELEBRATION OF REBUBLIC DAY



#### CHIEF GUEST PDG & DRFC RTN SUDIP MUKHERJEE



Sudip Mukherjee belongs to second generation of Rotarians. His father late S.K. Mukherjee was a charter member and second President of Rotary Ballygunge. He himself was charter member of Rotaract Ballygunge and attended District Rotaract Conference of then District 329 at Dhaka way back in January, 1981. As past president of Rotary Lansdowne he has served our District in many capacities. He was

Assistant District Secretary and District Secretary twice. He served as Assistant Governor (Administration) thrice and Assistant Governor (Service) twice apart from holding other positions. He is MPHf and was adjudged 'Outstanding President' and 'Outstanding Assistant Governor' thrice. He has also received 'Avenues of Service Citation' from Rotary International.

He had his schooling & college at St. Xavier's, Kolkata. He did his post graduation in Operational Research and MBA in Marketing. He is a second generation entrepreneur engaged in manufacturing specialised chemical & food processing equipment catering to Ministries of Science & Technology, Food Processing Industries, Defence, Agriculture, Dept. of Atomic Energy etc all over India. Recent achievement has been manufacturing equipment, for the first time in India, to produce 'engineered health rice' in collaboration with a premier educational institute in India. In this connection his company was awarded at 9th International Achievers Summit at Bangkok, Thailand. He is a Life Member of Eastern Chamber of Commerce.

He is a member of Calcutta Club Ltd. As a sports enthusiast he is Life Member of Cricket Association of Bengal and member of Mohun Bagan Athletic Club. An avid music & theatre lover. As a film buff he is Life Member of Cine Central, Calcutta and has attended several film festivals in India and at British Film Institute, London. His better half Sumita, Montessorian and B.Ed, teaches in one of the most reputed schools in Kolkata. Their only son Senajit is employed as junior resident Doctor in a Government Hospital.

#### Forthcoming Events

##### CLUB

- 11.02.2023** Regular Meeting at CSC at 2.00 PM. Vocational Excellence Award Ceremony
- 25.02.2023** Regular Meeting at CSC at 2.00 PM & 3rd Club Assembly
- 11.03.2023** Regular Meeting at CSC at 2.00 PM
- 25.03.2023** Regular Meeting at CSC at 2.00 PM

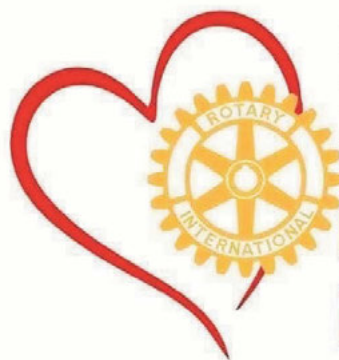
#### BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

- 05.02.2023** - PP Rtn Sohanraj Singhvi
- 05.02.2023** - Rtn Gyanendra Narain Singh



#### WEDDING ANNIVERSARY GREETINGS

- 30.01.2023** - Rtn Vivek Bajaj & Ann Jyoti
- 31.01.2023** - PP Rtn Harsh V Rungta & Ann Nidhi
- 31.01.2023** - Rtn Namrata Bengani Spouse Meghant Banthia



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**MINUTES OF 1642nd REGULAR MEETING OF ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA METROPOLITAN HELD ON SATURDAY, 21st JANUARY, 2023 AT 2.00 PM AT THE CLACUTTA SWIMMING CLUB, 1, STRAND ROAD, KOLKATA-700 001**

1. President Rtn Dr V K Nevatia called the 1642nd Regular Meeting to order.
2. President Rtn Dr V K Nevatia invited PDG Rtn Deepa Willingham and PDG Rtn Sylvia Whitlock to join head table and also welcomed Rtn Dave Woodward, Ms Leanne Cooper Elliot and Ms Darshini Stark to the meeting. President also welcomed all teachers of PACE Learning Centre to the meeting.
3. National Anthem was sung by the members present,
4. Minutes of Regular Meeting-1641 dated 17.12.2022 as printed in the Metro Voice were read and confirmed.
5. President informed about the followings:

Projects done:

- On 17.12.2022 & 18.12.2022, we were Co-host to RYLA-2022 organised by the RC of Aabahamaan Kolkata.
- We have also distributed 70 Woollen blankets at Divine Destination Old Age Home, Belapahari, West Mednipur on 18.12.2022 and 17 Woollen blankets Divine Destination Old Age Home for Ramkrishnapur Rani Rashmani Seva Sangha, Kulpi on 17.12.2022.
- Medicines were handed over to Jyotirmay Clinic for needy patients on 22.12.2022
- Christmas celebration was held by the students of PLC on 23.12.2022 with lot fun with colourful balloons, handmade designed papers, balls, stars, flowers etc.
- PLC students continue to nourish the plants allotted to them thus taking care about the environment.
- On 24.12.2023 we have distributed 83 blankets to the inmates of Save the Orphan & Old Age, Bansdroni. Our Rotaractors also joined the program and distributed Christmas Cap to the inmates.
- Inauguration of Two Bunk Beds at Save the Orphan & Old Age for the inmates on 24.12.2022, who can have the comfort of the beds. We would like to thank PPs Gaurang Jalan and Lalit Beriwal for sponsoring each Bunk bed.
- Rtn Richard Payne and his wife Pat from RC of Global Action, California, USA visited PLC on 27.12.2022. They were highly impressed with school and showed keenness to discuss options of collaborations and support.
- Proud moments for Metropolitan as two of our stalwarts PPs Rtn Utpal Chatterjee and Gaurang Jalan were awarded with Vocational Excellence Award by the District-3291 in the recent District Conference-3291 held from January 6-9, 2023. This is a rare feat as two of the Rotarians from our Club were felicitated by District-3291. Congratulations to both of them.
- Jain Hospital, Sibpur, Howrah has conducted 5 Polio corrective surgeries to Cerebral Palsy Children on 31.12.2022. Rtn Rajiv Tibrewal has sponsored 3 surgeries and 2 surgeries by PE Rtn Rakesh Kumar Goel. We are grateful to them.
- On 10.1.2023, we have inaugurated Slit Lamp for Eye Check-up at Shree Vishudhanand Saraswati Marwari Hospital jointly with our Inner Wheel Club of Calcutta Metropolitan under Helping Grants from Eastern India Rotary Welfare Trust.
- We have distributed mosquito nets on 12.1.2023 to Street Dwellers in front of Vivekanand Bhavan.
- On 15.1.2023, we sponsored 5 kits containing various essential items to the underprivileged widowers organised by RC of Calcutta North East. They will handover to 700 underprivileged widowers.
- Vermicompost project at Durgapur Leprosy Colony, Nabadiganta, Durgapur is nearing completion and once completed, our team will visit for the inauguration. Date will be announced later on.
- PP Rtn Jayanta Chatterji spoke about PACE Universal team visit to PLC Kolkata and various events held. On

18.1.2023, PLC students presented Cultural program to welcome PACE Universal team from USA, on 19.1.2023, Achievement Award for both Students Teachers was held and on 20.1.2023, 5th Annual sports was held at PLC. We are also thankful for hosting the dinner by Rtn Madan Mohan Mohanka on 18.1.2023, by PPs Lalit & Roshni Beriwal on 19.1.2023 and PPs Rtn Jayanta & Arundhati Chatterji on 20.1.2023 for the PACE Universal team

Forthcoming programs:

- Picnic will be held at PLC on 22.1.2023 with spouses jointly organized with Piyali Interact Club. Members are requested to join with their spouses.
  - On 26.1.2023, we will have our Joint Regular Meeting and Flag hoisting & Celebration of Republic Day with Mahavir Seva Sadan at 11.30 PM. The Chief Guest will PDG and DRFC & COL representative for the RY-2023-2026 Rtn Sudip Mukherjee. Request members to attend in large numbers.
  - PLC will also celebrate the Republic Day, Flag Hoisting and Saraswati Puja. All are invited.
  - On 11.2.2023, there will be Vocational Award Ceremony-2023 at CSC at 1.00 PM. The names of awardee will be announced later on.
6. Congratulations to the following members who ensured 100% attendance during the month of November & December-2022
    1. PP Rtn Utpal Chatterjee
    2. PP Rtn Jayanta Chatterji
    3. PN Rtn Sashi Dhacholia
    4. PP Rtn Subir Dutta
    5. PP Rtn Dr Naresh Goyal
    6. PE Rtn Rakesh Kumar Goel
    7. Rtn Runjhun Gupta
    8. Rtn Rajshree Jain
    9. President Rtn Dr V K Nevatia
    10. PP Rtn Raj Kumar Poddar
    11. Rtn Rajiv Tibrewal

Those present were handed over with one pocket diary each.

7. President requested PP Rtn Dr Naresh Goyal to introduce the Guest speaker PDG Rtn Sylvia Whitlock
8. Guest Speaker PDG Rtn Sylvia Whitlock took the floor for the topic "Women also Serve" and made a very impactful speech about her journey in the Rotary and how she fought to become the first women Rotarian in Rotary International.
9. PDG Rtn Deepa Willingham also spoke about PACE Universal and PACE Learning Centre.
10. PE Rtn Rakesh Kumar Goel spoke about transgender project and how to take forward.
11. PP Rtn Jayanta Chatterji gave vote of thanks and he felt this is a very inspiring story for the teachers and students of PLC.
12. Hony Secretary Rtn Rajshree Jain felicitated all 5 members of PACE Universal by flower bouquets.
13. Hony Secretary Rtn Rajshree Jain personally handed over gifts to PDG Rtn Deepa Willingham, PDG Rtn Sylvia Whitlock, Rtn Dave Woodward, Ms Leanne Cooper Elliot and Ms Darshini Stark. A nice gesture from her.
14. President request Hony Secretary Rtn Rajshree Jain to make Club announcements.
15. President Rtn Dr V K Nevatia announced that Rtn Rajshree Jain will sponsor one student of PACE Learning Centre and one student by PPs Rtn Roshni & Lalit Beriwal for sponsoring one girl till she studies. A round of applause for them.
15. Hony Secretary Rtn Rajshree Jain made the Club announcements. She informed about the forthcoming events and Birthday greetings. The Sunshine box collection was over and above as usual. The overall attendance was 14.
16. There was no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

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