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## PEACE BUILDING AND CONFLICT PREVENTION MONTH







#### <u>MINUTES OF RWM held on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2023, at 6.30 PM AT AC</u> Pavillion, Calcutta Club :

- President calls to order the Rotary Weekly Meeting at 7:00 pm.
- National Anthem was sung led by PP Bani Roy Chowdhury
- LOA granted to Rtn.Ronit Mitra, Sunil Sonika, Anidya Pal Choudhuri, PP.Pradeep Gooptu, Rtn.Rajesh B
- Honarary Member, Rtn Spicer Khakoo was duly welcomed by the President on behalf of the club. PDG Nayantara Pal Chowdhury felicitated him with a Traditional Angvastram and a gift from Inner City.

- 5 Rtn Spicer was also honoured with a Paul Harris Fellow pin by PP Chandrani Chakraborty and PP Debasish Datta. We thank PP Debasish Datta for mooting the idea and PP Chandrani Chakraborty for sponsoring the same with her points.
- Inner Voice had been circulated and the minutes of the RWM of 15th Jan 2023 were confirmed.



## **UPCOMING PROJECTS**

#### 11-14th January 2023

Peace Meeting at Darjeeling Approximately 5 members will travel for the peace meeting. Club Flags will be exchanged and 5 minute club presentation would be done. The program is being hosted by Rotary Club of Darjeeling Himalayas and co-host clubs are Rotary Club of Calcutta Inner City, Rotary Club of Calcutta, Rotary Club of Kalimpong.

#### Projects done since last RWM:

#### • 20th & 24th January 2023 Virangana Project

Held at our new Interact Club of Bidya Bharati Girls Higher Secondary School where 40 girls underwent the Virangana self-defence training. The girls participated with lot of enthusiasm. They have now planned to do a demonstration session for the rest of the students. Thanks to Rtn Banashree Mitra, Rtn Rajesh & PP Ritesh for taking the initiative. The certification was also attended by PP Bani

#### • 31st January 2023

a. Inauguration of Borewell at Amar Pathshala, Village Kushbona, near Bolpur, Birbhum.
b. Inauguration of Borewell & submersible pump at Uttar Chandipur Borewell
c. Blanket Distribution – 50 blankets were given to children of Amar Pathshala school
d. The school children did a small program to welcome the members from Inner-City & food packets were distributed. The borewells have been sponsored by Rtn Spicer along with his community in New York. The sites were personally visited by Rtn Spicer and he was very happy to see the execution & supervision by Inner City. Thanks goes out to Rtn Ronit Mitra, Rtn Rajesh, Rtn Anindya Pal Chowdhury, PP Ritesh Kapoor for organizing the day long trip to Bolpur.

#### • Food packet distribution

Food packets were distributed by Robin Hood Army sponsored by Rtn.Amitava Ghosh. It is an ongoing project wherein 100 food packets are given out every week through Robin Hood Army. Sponsorship for the 13 weeks of Feb-Apr'23 was handed over to the vendor.



## **Rtn. Spicer's Bolpur visit**



Virangana Project at Bidya Bharati Girls higher Secondary School





## **Other Announcements:**

- A visit was planned for Sundarban two locations, Sundarban Foundation on 4<sup>th</sup> February 2023 and Swapnapuron Welfare Society Hingalganj 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2023. Those interested can join.
- 2. PP Chandrani Chakraborty mentioned that Bharosa has requested us to support an old age home with the funds which are lying with us. The details are being worked out.
- 3. PP Sukanya Dasgupta told us about the Adult Literacy drive that is being taken up by RILM across the country and that we should plan activities through our RCC and Interact Club.
- 4. Next RWM will be on Saturday, 18<sup>th</sup> February 2023 at 8:30 am at Banana Leaf.

Attendance: 21 members + 4 guests

Sunshine collection: Rs.1850/-



Rtn. Supriyo Mukherjee – 3<sup>nd</sup> Febuary

PP. Vivek Datta – 17<sup>th</sup> February



Rtn. Proma Das and Tathagata Das – 2<sup>nd</sup> February

Rtn.Sunil Sonika and Rachna – 5<sup>th</sup> February

Rtn.Saroj Bansal and Kamal bansal – 5<sup>th</sup> February

- PP. P.K. Mukherjee and Anuradha Mukherjee 9<sup>th</sup> February
- PP. N.N.Framjee and Bonani Framjee 12<sup>th</sup> February
- PP. Chandrani Charkraborty and Saumen Chakraborty 25<sup>th</sup> February
- Rtn. R. Ganguly and Bharati Ganguly 25<sup>th</sup> February
- PP. Subir Khasnobis and Sushmita Khasnobis 26<sup>th</sup> February

# A Short Report on Peace Meet Darjeeling on 12th February 2023

#### Theme: festival of Losar

## Venue :Little Tibet, The Mall, Darjeeling

## Time : 12 pm Host : Rotary Club of Darjeeling Himalayas

- Registration process for the meeting started at around 11.45 am
- Guest members were greeted with white scarf (Khata) and tea.
- President of Rotary Club of Darjeeling Himalayas, Regina Gurung, calls to order the Peace meeting.
- National Anthem was sung by every one.
- President Regina welcomes all the guest club members.
- She invited all the presidents of participating clubs along with DG Ajoy Law to come up to the stage.
- She invited our DG to speak a few words.
- PP Purnendu Roy Chowdhury spoke on behalf of Rotary Club of Calcutta. He spoke about the importance of Peace making in society. He also spoke about the opportunities which can be built for youngsters in the hills. He even mentioned about the school run in a small village of Bara Mangwa. The challenges faced they are facing in smooth running of the school and how can we help to overcome them.
- Rtn. Amitava Ghosh, represented Rotary Club of Inner City and spoke in this occasion. He said Peace is a vast subject and has been discussed and debated for ages. And peace cant be attained with ailment of any order,poor sanitization, poverty, illiteracy or scarcity of food and water. And our club has been immensely helping society in variour ways. There are many on going projects which our club is involved with and supported by all members of our club in various capacities.
- Other members too of Rotary Club Of Darjeeling Himalays, spoke about their club and their on going projects. They showed gratitude towards the guest clubs for joining hands with them.
- A talk and presentation on Tankha Art was given by one of the members of Rotary Club of Darjeeling Himalayas, and how it inweaves The theme of Peace in the minds and also explained about the festival of Losar which happens to be on 21<sup>st</sup> of this month.
- Flags were exchanged among the clubs. PP Vivek Dutta exchanged flags with Rotary Club of darjeeling , Rotary Club of Kalimpong.
- The meeting was followed by music, dance by rotarians. Their local drink ' Chaang' and delicious Nepali Lunch was served.
- The meeting ended at around 3 pm.
- Attended by Rtn. Amitava Ghosh, PP Vivek Datta, Rtn. Amit Paul and Rtn. Mekhla Chowdhury .

# Glimpses of the Peace Meeting on12th February 2023















