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KNOW YOUR DISTRICT GOVERNOR 2021-22 Rotary District 3291



Prabir joined Rotary in 1999 and presently is a member of Rotary Calcutta Majestic. He is a Multiple Paul Harris Fellow.

Born in the famous CHATTERJEE family in Kolkata he did his Schooling from Mitra Institution, Bhowanipur and completed B.Sc from St. Xavier's College, Kolkata followed by Diploma in Electronics & Video Technology.

A First generation Entrepreneur and **Director of TEEVEETRONICS** POLYTECHNIC PVT. LTD. Prabir served Rotary District 3291 in different positions after completing his Presidentship in 2007-08. He served the District as Web Master twice, Secretary **Events and Secretary Administration twice** in 2013-14 & 2017-18 - a rare feather in his cap.

He has been an RLI faculty member since

2015. He is also the recipient of "Vocational Service Leadership Award" from Rotary International in 2014.

He is an avid Photographer and a passionate traveller. In 2016 he drove to Jaisalmeer, Rajasthan from Kolkata and covered 5,219 kms.

Spouse Rubena is a professional Dancer and currently the Senior School Cocurricular Coordinator at Sushila Birla Girls' School, Kolkata. She has been a Rotarian since 2012 and presently member of Rotary Calcutta Majestic.

Their daughter Kathakali has completed her Masters in 'Public Relations & Event Management' from AMITY University, Noida.

KNOW YOUR PRESIDENT 2021-22



Rtn. Debasis Datta is the Director of Gastroenterology and Hepatology and a Senior Consultant at Fortis Hospitals

Kolkata. He was born in Delhi and completed his schooling at St. Lawrence High School, Kolkata. His father, Hironmoy Dutt, was a barrister-at-law, and his mother, Nomita Dutt, was a professor of Sanskrit.

He earned his MBBS degree from Calcutta Medical College in 1988, and subsequently earned a Diploma in Tropical Medicine from the School of Tropical Medicine. He then joined IPGMER, where he studied for an MD in General Medicine, completing his thesis on cardiac function in diabetics. During this time, he also earned a DNB degree.

In 1994, he moved to England for further training in gastroenterology, hepatology, and general medicine, and worked at several hospitals in north London. He passed his MRCP examinations in 1995, following which he spent two years conducting research on liver metabolism in HIV patients at Chelsea and Westminster Hospital. He has since published approximately twenty academic articles in reputed journals and has presented his research at over 25 medical conferences across the world.

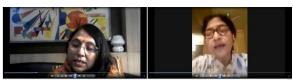
In 2001, he became a Consultant Gastroenterologist and Hepatologist at Hillingdon and Mount Vernon Hospitals. During his tenure, he served as an educational supervisor and trained several doctors, many of whom are now consultant gastroenterologists across Europe, Asia, and the Americas. Later, he was appointed head of the gastroenterology unit at Hillingdon Hospital, where he instrumental in setting up liver services. He is a fellow of Royal College of Physicians (FRCP London and FRCP Edinburgh). He also visited Mayo Clinic Rochester in Minnesota, USA, as a fellow.

He came to India on a five-year sabbatical in 2010, and in 2012, he made the decision to stay back in India permanently and resign from his UK posts. He set up the gastroenterology and hepatology unit at Fortis Hospitals Kolkata and has been appointed an Overseas Advisor to the Royal College of Physicians London. He is also a trained MRCP examiner and is currently involved in facilitating the training of young Indian doctors in the UK via the MTI scheme.

He is a Paul Harris fellow, and holds a deep admiration for Rotary's commitment to service and community enrichment. Besides his activities with Rotary Club, he holds a keen interest in travel, history, and reading. He is also a sports enthusiast, and supports East Bengal Club, Manchester United, and India's cricket team. He currently serves as the Secretary of the Calcutta Wine Club.

He is married to Dr. Sujata Datta, a consultant gynaecologist and fellow of the Royal College of Obstetrics and Gynaecology UK. They have two children – 18-year-old Taneesha, who is set to begin studying Economics at Cambridge University later this year, and Rohit, who is a Class 10 student at La Martiniere School for Boys.

Virtual COTS on 17th May 2021







Rotary Club of Calcutta Inner City conducted the COTS 21 on 17th May 2021. AG Rtn. Sukanya Dasgupta and ZS Rtn. Gayatree Dhar joined the meeting to give training to the Club officers. AG Rtn. Sukanya showed the presentation of RI President Shekhar Mehta and discussed the RI Theme "SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES". She also discussed DG Prabir's vision for the year 21-22. ZS Rtn. Gayatree Dhar was welcomed by President Rtesh and PE Debasis. She too spoke about how as ZS she would like our club to perform under the leadership of DG Prabir. She also welcomed the idea of doing joint projects with her club. 17 members were present for COTS. Club Trainers Noshir, Nayantara and Pradeep shared their views. All Past Presidents shared their views and expressed support to PE Debasis.

30th CHARTER NIGHT

Rotary Club of Calcutta Inner City celebrated Charter night on the 25th of June virtually. 40 members and their spouses participated online. President Ritesh welcomed everyone for the 30th Charter Night celebration. President Rtesh gave a detailed presentation on the Rotary year 20-21. He thanked the charter Members Rtn. Noshir, Rtn. Sudhir, Rtn. Vikram and Rtn Nayantara, along with all the Past

Presidents and Members of Rotary Club of Calcutta Inner City. Certificates were digitally given to each member. President Rtesh and Spouse Malika thanked the spouses of the members for the support they extended during the Rotary Year 20-21. Rtn. Swapna, Rtn. Vivek, and Rtn. Subir all sang songs during the entertainment session. Rtn. Ronit and Rtn. Sukanya shared a video for the members.

PP Rtn. Bani and Rtn. Banashree stole the show. They danced together to an Old hindi song "Rim jim gire sawan". Everyone was happy and we concluded the charter evening in good spirits. President Rtesh thanked everyone once again and wished PE Debasis a wonderful Rotary year 21-22.











Joint Board Meeting





Minutes of the Joint Board Meeting held on 17th June 2021

- 1. President Rtesh Kapoor started the meeting at 7.30 pm on Zoom.
- 2. LOA was granted to some members.
- 3. Minutes of Last Board meeting was circulated and confirmed.
- 4. President Rtesh welcomed the members and expressed thanks to all the members

and spouses who have helped and guided her during the year.

- 5. A Project update of the year 20-21 was shared with the Board.
- 6.The Accounts was placed to the members and was passed by PP Rtn Noshir Framjee and seconded by Rtn Pradeep Gooptu and PDG Nayantara Pal Choudhury.
- 7. H1 Dues details of July- December 21 was presented to the board members.
- 8. President Rtesh then invited Rtn Debasis to take over and introduce his new Board and their roles and responsibilities.
- 9. Rtn. Debasis discussed the responsibilities of the Board Members for the year 2021-2022.
- 10. The importance of recruiting new members was discussed in detail. Mr. Amitava Ghose, Mr. Sunil Sonika and Mr. Sovik Ghosh would be inducted on 10th July 2021.
- 11.President Rtesh thanked all the board members and the outgoing Board members.
- 12.PP Rtn. Noshir, PP Rtn. Pradeep thanked President Rtesh for outstanding work over the past Rotary Year.
- 13. President Rtesh adjourned the meeting.

Total 15 Members Present on 17th June 2020

Project : Kalagachia Community Tube Well

Rotary club of Calcutta Inner city along with Bees Trees Water (CWFC) installed a tubewell at Kalagachia Community. The tube well was dug 830 feet for fresh clean water. It is estimated that roughly 400 to 500 people will drink water from the tube well.





1 st July Vaccination Drive

Rotary Club of Calcutta Inner City successfully vaccinated underprivileged people with free Covishield vaccine in association with Fortis Hospital. The drive was funded by Rotary Club of Calcutta Inner City. There were 175 recipients. The drive was conducted in a safe environment with designated appointment slots to prevent overcrowding. The recipients were also helped to register to the Cowin site. We saw maximum participation from women.

DG Prabir Chatterjee and his team graced the occasion and distributed Covid protection kits to the beneficiaries. The beneficiaries were also educated on Covidappropriate behavior. DG Prabir Chatterjee also felicitated the healthcare workers and small gifts were distributed to them.





HAPPY ANNIVERSARY WISHES

2nd July Rtn. Dr. Debasis Datta & Dr. Sujata Datta

3rd July Rtn. Krishna Kumar Moody & Bahita

14th July Rtn. Ashish Mitra and Purbani Mitra

17th July Rtn. Sanjeeb Ghosh and Shilpi Ghosh

26th July Rtn. Dr. Vivek Datta and Alakananda Datta

Upcoming Events in Month July

- 1. Blood donation camp for thalassemic patients 18th July
- 2. Launching the SheTalks program to promote women and girl empowerment
 23rd July