



Indraprastha

Dist. Governor : Ashok Kantoor

Indraprastha No. 1/22-23, 7 July 2022

President : Rtn. Vinod Sawhney

An Incredible Journey **VINOD SAWHNEY**



Dear Friends,

It gives me immense pleasure to become President of RCD which is an elite club of our District 3011. Our predecessors have worked hard to maintain this club and will ensure that our flag always fly high.

I assure you that I will be fair, truthful, build goodwill and create fellowship amongst all of us.

Also I seek cooperation of all the members to make my dream successful by their active participation in all events of the club. We should have harmonious fellowship and service to society as enshrined in Rotary.

Looking forward to a great year ahead.

With Rotary regards,

Vinod Sawhney

President 2022-23

With an aspiration and willingness to make a company which has the capability of deliverance with quality products backed by excellent services, Mr. V K Sawhney – Founder and Managing Director of Accent Overseas Pvt. Ltd. perceived the concept of forming his own company in 1998.

A Mechanical Engineer by Profession from PEC University of Technology, Chandigarh in 1973, Mr. Sawhney started Accent with an experience of approx. 25 years serving some of the elite organizations of India such as Mahindra & Mahindra, Cimmco Birla, Shaw Wallace, Apollo International etc. enjoying top management positions.

He started his career as a young engineer with Apollo International in the Marketing Division and with his hard work, dedication and experience climbed ladder of success by getting senior most posts of Vice President and General Manager with the biggest organizations of India with foreign postings at Havana and New York for 8 years as Resident Director.

He became an entrepreneur at a young age of 48 years to form Accent Overseas when India had opened up and IT Business had started to boom. Accent started their software division which developed in-house software Accent-HRP to provide HR & Payroll Solutions to large Indian Companies.

Having experience in Textile Industry and international marketing, it was an added advantage to enter to the great Indian Tyre Industry which has some of the biggest tyre manufacturers such as MRF, Apollo, JK, Ceat, Birla, BKT, TVS etc.

Mr. Sawhney has travelled extensively to the entire world for various business projects and assignments and attended/participated in lot of exhibitions and events. He has visited various countries like USA, Canada, UK, Germany, Holland, Italy, Spain, Australia, France, Russia, Poland, Hungary, Nicaragua, Cuba, Jamaica, Vietnam, Cambodia, Thailand, Malaysia, Singapore, Hongkong, China, Taiwan, UAE, Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Egypt, Lebanon, Iraq, South Africa, Sudan, Mauritius, Bangladesh etc.

Mr. Sawhney has been professional membership of All India Management Association (AIMA), New Delhi, Noida Management Association, New Delhi, Indian Council of Arbitration, New Delhi.

He joined Rotary Club South-West in 2013 and later became member of heritage club RCD in 2017 with an objective to serve the unfortunate and needy people in the society.

Mr. Sawhney has three children – Elder daughter staying in Melbourne, one son in London and the youngest son living with him in Delhi.



ASHOK KANTOOR

Dist. Governor, RI District 3011

ACCADEMICS/ PROFFESIONAL

Ashok Kantoor is a fellow member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants (ICAI) of India. He is also a Law graduate from Delhi University and has done Diploma in Information System Audit (DISA) from ICAI. He did his schooling from St. Peters,

Agra.

He is the managing partner of M/s Ashok Kantoor & Co., Chartered Accountants, which was founded by him in 1985.

CLUB LEVEL

Ashok Kantoor joined Rotary in 1997-98 as a member of Rotary Club of Delhi West and became the President of the Club in 2004-05. During his tenure as President he started a vocational training centre, the first showcase project of the Club under the banner of "Sarvarth Foundation", which is running sucessfully till date. He is the Founder Trustee of the Foundation.

DISTRICT LEVEL

He has served in the District Team continuously for the last 16 years since 2005 and held various responsible positions including as Assistant Governor for two years 2007-08 & 2013-14, District Grant Sub Committee Chair for two years 2006-07 & 2011-12, District Chair- Administration in 2017-18, District CSR Committee Advisor 2020-21. He is the life member of Rotary Cancer Foundation. He was the Treasurer of The Cancer Foundation in 2006-07 and Executive Vice President in 2017-18.

MAJOR AWARDS

He has consistently been recognized for his performance at District and Club level.

Some of the significant Awards received were as under:

Best President of the District for the year 2004-05

District Trophy for the Best Rotarian of the District in 2006-07 and again in 2017-18

Four Avenues of Service Award for Individual Rotarian from President Rotary International for the year 2006-07

He received the prestigious SERVICE ABOVE SELF Award in the year 2020-21, the highest Award given by Rotary International to any Rotarian.

He and his wife, Alka are Rotary Foundation Major Donors.

INTERNATIONAL LEVEL

He also possesses vast experience at International Level which, inter-alia, includes:

Group Study Exchange ('GSE') Team Leader to District 1160, The Netherlands, in 2005-2006

Hosted GSE Teams from The Netherlands, USA and Brazil in the years 2005-2006 and 2008-2009

Hosted Polio Team from overseas for several years

Host Counsellor for the Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar from USA during 2008-2009 and 2009-2010

OTHER INTERESTS

Ashok is fond of playing golf and travelling. He is an active member of Jaypee Greens Golf Resorts, Greater Noida and TERI Golf Course.

He is the Managing Trustee of Sarvarth Foundation and Trustee of Kalindi Foundation.
He was also associated with IFUNA (Indian Federation of UN Association), Delhi Chapter.
He was the Charter President of Delhi Cosmopolitan Jaycees Club in the year 1988.

FAMILY

His wife Alka Kantoor has done her schooling from St. Joseph's Convent School, Faridabad. She is a graduate in Science and a post graduate in English. She is also a qualified teacher having done B.Ed.
She is an active support to Ashok in all his endeavors and is a home maker.
She has also received Outstanding R'Ann Award in the year 2015-16 and Governor's Gratitude Award in the year 2017-18.

They are blessed with two children. Their daughter, Shveta, is a FCA and a partner in M/s Ashok Kantoor & Co. She is married to Rajneesh Baid who is also a Chartered Accountant running his own Financial Advisory firm.

Their son Nischay is also a Chartered Accountant. Post qualification, he has been associated with BMR & Associates and Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu India LLP. He is currently working with Ved Jain & Associates in litigation division of the Firm. Nischay is married to Srishti. She did her graduation from Jesus & Mary College, Delhi University in the field of Sociology. She is an entrepreneur and is running a multibrand retail business of toys.



DR. KRISHAN KANT PAUL

Dr. Krishan Kant Paul born on 6th Feb 1948 after an outstanding career in public life spanning over 48 years, demitted office as Governor of Uttarakhand in Aug 2018. Earlier he had been the Governor of Meghalaya, Nagaland, Manipur and Mizoram for various concurrent durations. An IPS officer of 1970 seniority, he topped his police career as the longest ever serving Police Commissioner of Delhi, for three and a half years. In Delhi he has worked in almost all the Distts. besides holding the important departments of Crime Traffic and Intelligence. While in Crime Branch he is credited with working out of several terrorism related cases besides the Hanse Cronje Cricket match fixing case. As the Police Commissioner Delhi he is credited with a large number of modernisation initiatives and steps for welfare of the force. He has also worked with distinction as the chief of police of Arunachal Pradesh and in A&N Islands besides the Central Agencies.

He is also the recipient of Meritorious and Distinguished Service Medals beside several other decorations.

Before becoming a Governor he served on a Constitutional position as Member UPSC for over 5 years where he contributed significantly to the Examination reforms.

An alumnus of Punjab University Chandigarh he did his M.Sc and P.HD in Chemistry. He has several hobbies and has also done a course in Astrology from Bhartiya Vidya Bhawan. Currently he is residing in Gurgaon and contributes regularly to various newspapers.



J J SINGH

Ex, Governor Arunachal Pradesh

A National Leader with over 48 years contribution to nation building and having the distinction of being the Chief of Army Staff and later Governor of Arunachal Pradesh. He is a distinguished international personality and a public speaker with vast experience.

He has a strategic perspective on foreign policy and defence relations particularly with neighbouring countries. A global insight and vision for strategic defence relations, indigenisation of defence industry and modernisation of Defence Forces, his perspective and knowledge is a valued national asset which can be used to steer long term national defence and security policy.

The General rose to be Chief of Army Staff and commanded the second largest Army of the world from 31 Jan 2005 - 30 Sept 2007. During 2007 he held the appointment of Chairman Chiefs of Staff of the three armed forces equivalent of the present CDS. He has handled an army of 1.2 million soldiers and managed defence assets of many billion rupees as the Army Chief. He has done all the professional courses to include Defence Services Staff Course, Senior Command, Higher Command and National Defence College Courses and holds a masters degree in Defence Science. He has also had the privilege of being the first Indian Defence Attache in Algeria.

The General served as Governor of the State of Arunachal Pradesh from 2008-2013. He was instrumental in implementation of the Prime Minister's development package of Rs 20,000 crores for development of the state in major infrastructural projects related to road, rail, air connectivity and power. During this tenure of 5 ½ years, he experienced politics at the state level. He swore in 4 Chief Ministers and many other ministers and oversaw one Vidhan Sabha election and one Lok Sabha election. Fond of sports and outdoors General Singh was perhaps the only Governor who played badminton with the CM Dorjee Khandu quite regularly in Itanagar. By the end of his tenure he was often described 'a people's governor'. Since 2017, he has been very active in Punjab politics. He contested against Capt Amrinder Singh from Patiala, but did not succeed. He also contested for the Khadoor Sahib Parliament seat in 2019 but had to withdraw for political reasons.

His autobiography 'A Soldier's General' was published in 2012 by Harper Collins, India. The book has been translated into Hindi and other languages. India's national security challenges such as Siachen, Kargil, J&K and the North-east and relations with our neighbours, Pakistan and China in particular, have been analysed logically in this book. The General Officer is widely travelled and has been to over 50 countries and significantly enhanced mil-to-mil co-operation. His second book 'The McMahon Line' deals with India-China relations and the boundary issue and was launched in June 2019. He was honoured with an Achievers Award by the Punjab State Government on 9 November 2019 on the Occasion of 550th Prakash Diwas of Guru Nanak Dev Ji. He is the first Sikh to be elevated to the rank of the Army Chief of India.

A thinking General who has distinguished himself as a professional who leads from the front. He believes in the credo 'Fight to Win'; a warrior and a winner, he is an achiever against odds and was recently conferred the "Legion d 'Honneur" one of the highest decorations by the President of France.

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1 July 2022





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&
Nilam Sudarshan
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