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## RI PRESIDENT PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE



JENNIFER JONES

**JULY 2022**

Every month since I joined Rotary, I've looked forward to reading this magazine, especially the opening essay from our Rotary president. I'll admit that as much as I appreciate a digital copy, I still revel in the tactile sensation of sitting down and leafing through the glossy pages. They are a treasure trove of photos and memorable stories about our great organization — the one we all know and love. I have learned so much over the years about service projects and lives that each of you have transformed.

As a communications professional, I have longed for the day that our stories were a regular part of mainstream media and that our flagship magazine might populate doctor's offices, coffee shops, or anywhere else people sit, wait, and browse. It's great

that Rotary members are better informed about all we do, and wouldn't it be that much better if more people knew our stories.

All this was top of mind as I thought about our plans for promoting Rotary worldwide in the upcoming year. Over the next 12 months, we are going to shine a light on projects that put Rotary service on display to the world, and we are going to do it strategically. Nick and I will focus on some of the highest impact, sustainable, and scalable Rotary projects from our areas of focus in what we call the Imagine Impact Tour.

We are inviting top-tier journalists, thought leaders, and influencers to use their channels to help us raise awareness by reaching people who want to serve but have not yet realized they can do it through Rotary.

But there was another important issue to consider — our carbon footprint. I take seriously Rotary's emerging leadership position on environmental issues. The example set by our members during the pandemic is fundamental to how we carve out our future.

That means we will harness digital technology to tell these stories — we will be tweeting, posting, and "going live" to anyone who will listen. We must consider our environment, and part of that means not always traveling but continuing to connect in meaningful ways as we have for the past two years.

Of course, we are social people, and we still need to be together. We simply need to be more mindful of our decisions and think about how we get together just a little bit differently. For example, if we travel to visit a project, we will plan successive visits in neighboring areas.

So, what are your stories and who can help tell them? I hope you might consider your own Imagine Impact efforts — your story might be something you can promote just as easily on social media or during a Zoom call. Think about ways to showcase notable projects in your clubs and districts.

We all feel the impact that Rotary service and values have on us. Now it's our opportunity to share that feeling with others. What do you want to do?



# RI PRESIDENT

## PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE

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### AUGUST 2022

We've all taken our own path to become a member of Rotary. Some of you joined because your father was a Rotarian. Some of us signed up because an employer tapped us on the shoulder and asked us to attend a meeting. Others became members only after a U.S. Supreme Court ruling made it possible. Yet each of us entered through one mechanism — an invitation.

An invitation that unlocks our imaginations and allows us to know that everything and anything is possible. Each one of us has that same opportunity — the honor to extend an invitation.

It is awe-inspiring to imagine how we can look out across our communities and identify our future leaders. It's often tempting to attract people who are exactly like us. It's a special form of ingenuity to consider how people who are seemingly very different can, in fact, share our values and have some of those same talents, just waiting to be unleashed.

It's time for Rotary to take our next step in advancing Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) across our organization.

Embracing an experience where people feel included is more than just making our membership numbers more diverse. It's about making our meetings and events places where we can speak openly and honestly with each other, where our members feel welcome and safe. This means removing barriers for entry and opening doors for inclusion. Our values remain our strength — and our commitment to excellence requires us to maintain high standards for our members as well.

I believe we are all committed and determined to advancing DEI across Rotary. This is rooted in the deepest traditions of our organization, and it will ensure that we remain vibrant and relevant for decades to come.

A few years ago, our Rotary Board set the ambitious goal of increasing the share of female members to 30 percent by 2023. We have less than a year to go, but I believe we can meet and exceed this target.

We need Rotary leaders to rise from every continent, culture, and creed. We need young members and young thinkers to take on larger roles and responsibilities. We need to listen to new Rotary members just as keenly, and with as much respect, as those with many years of membership.

During our recent convention in Houston, we heard from astronauts about their journeys into space. We reflected upon a time in the 1960s when U.S. President John F. Kennedy urged the world to dream, with his declaration that we would "go to the moon [and do] other things, not because they are easy, but because they are hard."

Fully committing Rotary to DEI and meeting our ambitious membership targets may seem as unlikely as a moon shot. But I know that when people of action are committed to a big goal, we make it worth every ounce of our energy.





## DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE



ASHOK KANTOOR

### My Dear Fellow Rotarians,

I am absolutely delighted to convey my very first message on GML in the Rotary Year 2022-23. However, this will be a regular feature over the next one year and together we will ensure that we follow a collective vision to make our District the best in the world of Rotary.

We started the new Rotary Year with a bang !! We have proudly created history by being the first District in India to announce our commitment to 100% Digitalisation. While this was the need of the hour when we are dealing with a High-Tech Global World it also shows our commitment to conserving and protecting our environment and reducing our carbonfootprint in every aspect of our lives. We went a step forward in our endeavour and planted trees and I had the additional pleasure of personally being at some Tree Plantation Events organised by Clubs on the very first day of the year and I am proud to declare that several thousand trees were planted across the District on this very day. I was also at some WinS projects in Delhi on the first day. The project was implemented across Government Schools in Delhi/NCR through which 14 Clubs of Delhi and 3 Zones of Faridabad of the District installed 17 handwash stations on the 1st of July. I also had the opportunity to be present at a project initiated by Rotary Club of Midwest on the 1st of July where the members had launched an awareness programme to ban single use plastics and distributed Eco-Kits with cloth bags to everyone in the vicinity. What made it more significant was that we launched it on the day when the Government of India announced a ban on using plastic bags. What will definitely remain etched in our memories and stay with us for posterity is the Skill- Development Centre that has been established by Rotary Club of Delhi South East. We have provided the premises for the Club to run the Centre through which we will improve the lives of many thousands of underprivileged and unemployed persons who will be taught relevant skills and will also be assisted in finding suitable jobs at leading Fashion Houses and Garment Export Companies. I would like to thank each one of you for making the first day of the year so memorable !

The theme for the current year is 'Imagine Rotary' which gives us the freedom to imagine our own vision for the year and to soar to unfathomable heights to achieve our objectives. Now is the moment for Rotary to demonstrate the positive role it plays daily to enhance lives across society and communities. We will work across the spectrum and all departments on the ongoing workstreams you have all helped us refine always, specifically around implementing projects that serve humanity, and will continue to build more exciting, bigger and challenging projects in the future. RIP Rtn Jennifer Jones has very rightly said "You don't imagine yesterday. You imagine tomorrow" and that is the direction we have to take—imagine the possibilities in making changes that can help us transform the world.

The World has changed in the Post-Pandemic era and while the virus continues unabated albeit in a lesser virulent form we have to think of ways to keep people safe and healthy. The need is to 'adapt and retool' as suggested by the Rotary International President. We will use the opportunity to use our 100% Digitalised Platforms effectively and increase our outreach to help more communities. We also need to engage every member, all our Rotaracters and Interacters all through the year to make Rotary more efficient and more exciting. Our Members are our best and most invaluable resource and we have to retain every one of them for their advice and tangible and intangible contributions. Let us think out of the box and imagine Rotary in different and more appealing ways. There is so much to be done out there for people who are not as fortunate as we are. Let us get together and make this year the most memorable one in the history of RI District 3011. I look forward to serving humanity with you !

Yours sincerely

**Rtn Ashok Kantoor**

District Governor RI District 3011





## MONTHLY EVENTS

### TREE PLANTATION DRIVE

**JULY 01, 2022** (*Around Delhi and NCR Areas*)

Our club members participated in the service project of our District—Tree Plantation Drive **"Each one plant one"** on 1st July 2022. We all know that planting a tree is saving the Earth and bringing a hope. With the auspicious beginning of planting a tree and thereby planting a life our club started the new Rotary year. Club members planted about 300+ trees around Delhi and NCR areas.











## SERVICE PROJECT WITH MAATRI CHHAYA (ORPHANAGE)

**JULY 01, 2022** (*Mianwali Nagar near Paschim Vihar*)

Our club did a service project on 1st July at “**Sewa Bharti Maatri Chhaya**” orphanage located in Mianwali Nagar near Paschim Vihar neighbourhood. The club has been mentoring the children’s home on various aspects. We donated—table for teacher, Wall paper work done for the residential block of the facility. Some daily need utility items for infants including medicines were also given. Our senior member Rtn Savita Agarwal ji also visited and donated Soft toys and sweets for the inmates. The orphanage authorities were delighted of our Club’s continued engagement with this cause and they briefed the visiting delegates about how this Club’s involvement has brought over all positive change in the life of the inmates. The visiting team of the club was also given a quick tour of the facility and interaction with the children, (observing strict observations of Covid protocol). The club has decided to continue its involvement with the orphanage as it is a worthy ‘ongoing project’ for years to come.







## CLUB MONTHLY MEETING

**JULY 16, 2022** (*Sainik Farms, New Delhi*)

Club first meeting on 16th July at country club, Sainik Farms, New Delhi 110062











## ELITE CLUB AWARD CELEBRATION EVENT

**JULY 21, 2022** (*The Ocean Pearl Retreat, Chhatarpur*)

Our club, celebrated “**The ELITE**” award with great pomp and grandeur. UTSAV well attended by the dignitaries from District 3011. It was indeed a great moment of joy, happiness and pride for all of us.















## COMMUNITY PROJECT

**JULY 22, 2022 (Rohini, Delhi)**

Club has organised a community project of Distribution of food packets and sanitary pads to the women of economically weaker sections on Friday 22nd July at Rohini, Delhi. This was the first community project of the club in the new Rotary year led by President Rtn Tushan Ahuja, PP Rtn Kiran Aswal along with proposed new member Ritu Bakshi. They dedicatedly conducted the project through the day in collaboration with Rotary club of Delhi Rajdhani.









# BOARD MEETING CUM TEEJ CELEBRATION

**JULY 31, 2022** (*Defence Colony, New Delhi*)

Our club has organised Board meeting and Teej Celebrations on 31st July at JCO club, Defence Colony, New Delhi. Ladies of the club participated in the Teej Queen contest and Rtn Kamlesh Aswal was declared Teej Queen as she was perfectly dressed up according to the Teej Theme and the traditional Solah Sringar.









# MEGA HEALTH CHECK UP

**AUGUST 07, 2022** (*Community Centre, Sector 49, Gurgaon*)

Our club organised its first Mega Health Check-up camp on 7th August at community centre, Sector 49, Gurgaon. Our president Rtn Tushan Ahuja and Rtn Rishu Gupta attended this project. Inspite of heavy rains and water logging about 37 people got health check-up done and benefitted from the camp. This project was executed with collaboration of Robbin Hood NGO. Checked by Doctor, General Physician, Dentist. Eye check up. Diabetic, BP, Colestrol tested.



## स्वास्थ्य जांच शिविर HEALTH SCREENING CAMP



**Venue: Community Centre, Sector - 49, Village Ghosla**

**Contact: Shreya - 98188 92809, Ashu - 87502 27016, Samita - 96876 38449**

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# MEGA HEALTH CHECK UP

**AUGUST 15, 2022** (*Nuga Best Health Care Centre in Rohini*)

Our club organised a Mega Health Check-up camp on 15th August at Nuga Best Health Care Centre in Rohini, Team from Fortis Hospital was present. More than 100 underprivileged people from the area benefited from the camp. Many members were present and Independence Day was celebrated. This project was executed in collaboration with NGO namely Aditaya Foundation.









# CELEBRATION OF INDEPENDENCE DAY

**AUGUST 15, 2022** (*Bhagat Foundation (NGO), Gurgaon*)

Distributed food packets to children of slum area on occasion of independence day in collaboration with Bhagat Foundation (NGO), Gurgaon.







## COMMUNITY PROJECT

**AUGUST 24, 2022** (*Preet Vihar, Delhi*)

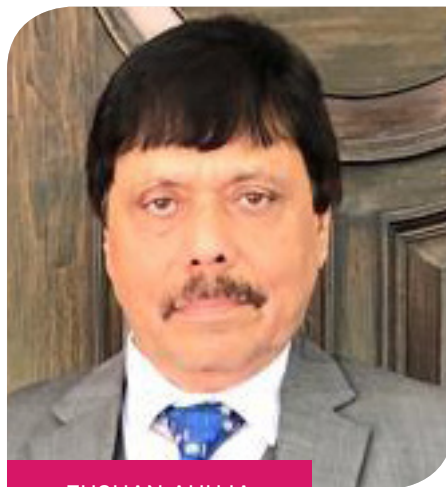
Our club organised a Community Project on 24th August. Rtn Kalpana and Rtn K.C Jain distributed 150 packets consisting of 2kg rice, juice, biscuits and sanitary napkins to 150 less privileged women working as house maids in Preet Vihar. Other members were also present.







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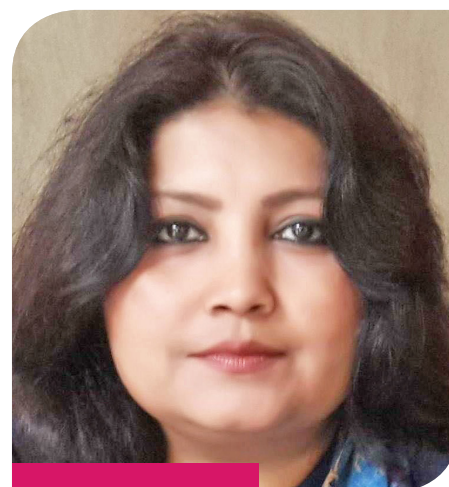
AMIT SURI



SHAZIA YAHIYA



JASWANT KUMAR



SHEEBA FEHMI

**Club President:** Rtn Tushan Ahuja  
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**IPP:** Rtn Amit Suri  
**Club Secretary:** Rtn Shazia Yahiya  
**Club Trainer:** Rtn Sheeba Aslam Fehmi  
**Club Treasurer:** Rtn Jaswant Kumar Aswal  
**Sgt-at-Arms:** Rtn Rajesh Arora  
**Vice President:** Rtn K C Jain  
**Joint Secretary:** Rtn Meenakshi Kapoor  
**IT:** Rtn Sandeep Kapoor

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**Club Advisor:** Rtn Madhu Puri Deva  
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**Vocational Service:** Rtn Kalpana Jain  
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**Youth/New Generation Service:** Rtn Amit Suri

## COMMITTEE CHAIR

**Membership:** Rtn Sanjay Kumar Agarwal  
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**Co-Chair (Public Image):** Rtn Bharat Bhushan Sethi  
**Co-Chair (Water Sanitation & Hygiene):**  
Rtn Santosh Agarwal  
**Co-Chair (Rotary Foundation):** Rtn Rinku Narula  
**Co-Chair (Membership):** Rtn Shalini Arora  
**Co-Chair (New Generation Service):** Rtn Jyoti Suri





## THE FOUR-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 FRIEND-SHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?



### जन्मदिन की शुभकामनाएँ :-

Rtn राजीव देवा (1<sup>st</sup> July)  
 Rtn कल्पना जैन (6<sup>th</sup> July)  
 Rtn ज्योति सूरी (7<sup>th</sup> July)  
 Rtn सुनंदा सेठी (8<sup>th</sup> July)  
 Rtn सविता अग्रवाल (11<sup>th</sup> July)  
 Rtn अमन वाचेर (14<sup>th</sup> July)  
 Rtn इंदू कुमार (15<sup>th</sup> July)

Rtn मीनाक्षी कपूर (23<sup>rd</sup> July)

Rtn रिकू नारुला (28<sup>th</sup> July)

Rtn भारत भूषण सेठी (7<sup>th</sup> August)

Rtn कमलेश असवाल (8<sup>th</sup> August)

Rtn शाज़िया याहिया (19<sup>th</sup> August)

### शादी सालगिरह की शुभकामनाएँ :-

Rtn महेश और सविता अग्रवाल (10<sup>th</sup> July)  
 Rtn मेघना लोहिया और ऋषू गुप्ता (24<sup>th</sup> July)