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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Fellow Rotarians, Rotary Greetings,

I am thankful to all of you to place your belief in me to lead our prestigious club into the New Rotary Year 2022-23

As you are aware that the theme for the Rotary Year 2022-23 is Imagine Rotary.

Rotary International President Rtn. Jennifer Jones inspires us to Imagine a Rotary where members act to make their dreams become reality and they make the most of their club experiences. She wants members of Rotary to engage more with each other and use these connections to build partnerships that change the world.

To boost the strength of Clubs and our District, our District Governor Rtn. Ashok Kantoor has said that we should invite guests who are not Rotarians to our projects to make them to join hands with us in our projects and be the part of the change Rotary is bringing to the world. He also inspires us to Introduce members in our clubs that would stay with Rotary for Long. Imagine, this will help us to grow Leaps and Bounds.

Let me share my Rotary journey with you, I joined Rotary in 2019 and was entrusted the role of Secretary of the club for RY 2020-21 and now as a President for the RY 2022 - 23. And I am Thankful to the core of my heart.

#### THE 4-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
  FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Let us all keep the above tests in mind before we say, think or do anything The time in Rotary has passed very fast and the Last three years have brought a tremendous change in me as a person. Not only, I have got a chance to serve the society but above all I have made some great friends in Rotary.

Taking lead from the Vision of our Rotary International President and our District Governor, we have planned the year in a manner to have more engaging club meetings and projects where I seek to have active participation from all of you.

Our Club is built on strong friendships and fellowships, and this year we plan to take it ahead by regularly bonding over the projects, meetings and fellowship events.

With our vision on bringing more Greenery to Gurgaon, we started our Rotary year with a Tree Plantation Drive on 1st July 2022 at M3M Golf Estate and members joined the same with great zeal and enthusiasm along with their family members.

As per the Rotary Calendar, the month of August is designated as "Membership & New Club Development Month", so we will be following Each One Bring One and I am requesting every member to introduce at least one Person who can become a member in our club.

During the year we will be working on all the Seven Areas of Focus, and would seek your active contribution and support in realising whatever we are planning for. As per the Rotary Theme for each month and important days, I would urge each and every member to come up with their ideas on which we can plan the projects and fellowships during the year.

So, let's move together to the new Rotary Year 2022-23 and another great year of serving the society and wonderful time together.

With Rotary Regards,

Rin Abhishek Aneja

President



## RI President's Message



#### Rtn. Jennifer Jones

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.

Source: Abhivyakti | Governor's Monthly Letter | July 2022



### **District Governor's Message**



#### Rtn. 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 carbon footprint 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 work streams 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

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## Some Events of July 2022

#### Environment Project - Tree Plantation Drive





Our club had a fantastic start of New Rotary Year 2022-23 with the District initiative of "Each One Plant One" Tree Plantation drive being held at Green Belt outside M3M Golf Estate and inside the society, Sector 65, Gurgaon on 1st July 2022. Residents of the society and guests also joined for the initiative and planted trees along with the Members of the club, their family members and friends. Total 225 Trees of Anar, Amrud, Jamun, Shahtut and Neem were planted. President Rtn Abhishek Aneja with First Lady R'anne Isha and Adhya; Rtn Manish Sehgal; Rtn Vivek Duggal; Rtn Amit Jain with Saanvi; Rtn Rajendra Singh with Arjun and Veer; Rtn Ratan Kumar, Rtn Parmod Grover, Rtn Deepak Jain, Rtn Krishan Aggarwal with Nitin Aggarwal; Rtn. Vineet Chellani with Kavyan attended this event. The tree plantation drive was followed by Fellowship breakfast the Polo Club of M3M Golf Estate. Special thanks to our Rtn. Manish Sehgal for coordinating with the M3M team for smooth execution of the project.

## District Governor's Installation Ceremony







"Anusthan - District Installation Ceremony" was held on 1st July 2022 at Hotel Taj Palace, New Delhi. Rtn. Abhishek Aneja was installed as the President of Rotary Club of Gurgaon Cosmopolitan. President Rtn. Abhishek Aneja, AG Rtn. Sarvesh Dutt, R'anne Ritu Dutt, PP Deepak Jain and PP Gopesh Aneja attended this event from our Club.

#### Felicitation of RI President Rtn. Jennifer Jones





Our club actively attended the Felicitation Ceremony of RI President Rtn. Jennifer Jones on 29th July 2022 at RI South Asia Office, Aerocity, New Delhi. AG/PP Rtn. Sarvesh Dutt along with R'anne Ritu Dutt attended this prestigious event from our Club. It was very well-organized event.

### The Unsung Heroes



PP Rtn. Abhinav Bansal, District Project Positive Health Zonal Chair (Preventive) Gurugram, Zone 7 & 8 attended a talk on Lymphedema & Healthy legs by Dr. Gogia with gifting the stockings 'The Unsung Heroes' of healthcare, our Nurses and Security Personnel followed by Health Talk with Dr. Dhananjay Gupta, Director Orthopedics & Joint Replacement Surgery on 23rd July 2022 at Fortis Hospital, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi.

## Regular club meeting, Speaker Rtn. Suresh Gupta









First regular club meeting of Rotary Year 2022-23 was held at IBIS Hotel, Golf Course Road, Gurgaon on 14 July 2022. Speaker for the day was Rtn. Suresh Gupta and gave an elaborate talk on 'Rotary District is a resource' which was appreciated by all. An interactive session with the members was also held after his talk. Rtn. Ish Seth was inducted as a new member in this meeting.

## Rotary Public Image





President Rtn. Abhishek Aneja exchanged Club Flag with guest speaker Rtn. Suresh Gupta before the start of the speaker meeting held on 14th July 2022

### Youth Services

3,42,953 Interactors in 14,911 Interact Clubs - worldwide in 145 countries

2,03,298 Rotaractors in 10,698 Rotaract Clubs - worldwide 180 countries



Basic Education & Literacy



Maternal & Child Health



Peace & Conflict Prevention/ Resolution



Disease Prevention Treatment



Water. Sanitation & Hygiene



Economic Development



Community & Support the Environment

### From the Desk of the Secretary

#### ROTARY MONTHS

Jul Start of new Rotary officers year of service

Aug Membership and New Club Development

Sep Basic Education and Literacy

Oct Economic and

**Community Development** 

**Nov** Rotary Foundation

Dec Disease Prevention and

**Treatment** 

Jan Vocational Service

Feb Peace and Conflict Prevention/ Resolution

Mar Water and Sanitation

Apr Maternal and Child

Health

May Youth Service

Jun The Rotary Foundation's

110th Anniversary

### Birthdays

August	
10th	Rtn. Vivek Duggal
17th	Rtn. Abha Wasan

#### Anniversaries

August	
1st	Rtn Ruchi Rai &
	Mr. Sanjay Rai

## Upcoming events

12 August 2022 Joint Club Speaker Meeting

25 August 2022 Speaker Meeting

18 September 2022 RCGC GOV & Installation

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