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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Fellow Rotarians,
Rotary Greetings,

September was quite an eventful month for our club. During the month, we hosted District Governor Rtn Ashok Kantoor and his team on Governor's Official Visit of our club and the Installation ceremony of myself as the President and the team for the Rotary Year 2022-23. We also hosted the Bikers group of International Fellowship of Motorcycling Rotarians from District 3190, 3182 and 3201 on the mission of Fundraiser Ride for Paediatric Heart Surgeries on the eve of the Installation.

During the GOV we shared our vision with District Governor Rtn Ashok Kantoor pertaining to our work in the areas of literacy, menstrual health and hygiene, waste segregation and management, water conservation for which our clubs efforts was praised by the District Governor.

In the month of September, we also started an Interact Club at the Government Girls Sr. Secondary School at Badshahpur Village in Gurgaon. We will be working closely with the interactors in imparting the leadership skills and opening up their doors to community service through Rotary.

With Rotary Regards,

Rtn Abhishek Aneja
President

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

RI President's Message



Rtn. Jennifer Jones

In August, I was proud to visit Pakistan and highlight Rotary's top goal, eradicating polio. It was also a tremendous opportunity to spotlight female health workers who are playing a critical role in protecting children from this vaccine-preventable disease.

This month, as we celebrate World Polio Day, we are shining a spotlight on our more than 30-year effort to lead the first global polio eradication campaign and our success in forming partnerships capable of completing this massive goal. We all know that this is one of the most ambitious global health initiatives in history and that we've reduced polio cases by more than 99.9 percent worldwide.

Pakistan is one of only two countries in the world where wild poliovirus remains endemic. (The other is neighboring Afghanistan.) I was able to witness and take part in vaccination campaigns in Pakistan, and soon after I left, a monumental nationwide immunization campaign took place, focused on 43 million children under the age of 5. I saw the incredible work of Rotary members on the ground. More than 60 percent of vaccinators in Pakistan are women, and they are doing a remarkable job building trust and convincing mothers to vaccinate their children.

Seeing it all firsthand, I know that the will exists across the Rotary world to end polio, and I'm confident that we have the strategy. The Pakistani media has been very supportive of our efforts as well, and this is making a difference. This month, a new global pledging moment at the World Health Summit in Berlin promises to pull together more resources to fund these time-sensitive eradication efforts. Now it is up to us to do our part and raise \$50 million this year to earn the full 2-to-1 match from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

There's great cause for optimism on the polio front — but also some staggering new events that have further raised the stakes. Over the past few months, new polio outbreaks have occurred in Israel, the United Kingdom and, most recently, in the New York City area. These stories are frightening, but in every case, the response is clear — vaccines work, and if polio is spreading, we need to make sure the most at-risk people have kept their vaccinations up to date.

Most importantly, we need to eradicate this virus now. If polio exists anywhere, it can spread everywhere. What I saw in Pakistan convinced me that we can and must finish the job, but it will only happen if we remain committed to a strategy that's working and back it with all necessary resources.

Through our commitment, generosity, and sheer determination, we will #EndPolio.

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District Governor's Message



Rtn. Ashok Kantoor

Dear Presidents and Team,

The month of September held more promises for the future and had several exciting projects and events that were noteworthy. First and foremost, I must congratulate each one of you for the irrepressible enthusiasm with which each one of you motivated your clubs to participate in the Polio SNID on 18 September. The photos and descriptions that came forth from every club was a narrative of our own commitment to eradicate the dreadful disease from the face of the earth. Thanks to the restrictions imposed because of the outbreak of the pandemic our Polio Warriors could not continue with their fight for a little over two years and the disease reared its ugly head once again our neighboring country and in many other places across the world. We had successfully brought the numbers down to a single digit until 2018 but in 2022 the number of wild polio cases is 27 with 2 in Afghanistan, 19 in Pakistan and 6 in Mozambique. We will have to double our efforts aggressively this year to control the rising number of polio cases like we did in the past. We reaffirm our commitment once again with our World Polio Celebrations on 2nd October, the birthday of Mahatma Gandhi. Along with Polio we are also organising Leprosy Cycle Rally to work towards Gandhiji's dream of a Leprosy Free India.

In the very first week of the month the clubs in Faridabad launched a mega project together. They distributed 120 bicycles and 5000 sanitary pads to underprivileged women to ensure a safe, hygienic and protected environment for them in which they feel more empowered and economically independent. It is a very noble project with a focused and benevolent intent and I felt truly privileged to be a part of this mammoth project. We serve a dual purpose by making women more self-reliant and comfortable; they will, firstly, be able to support their families better and give their children good education and, secondly, financial independence will also give them the dignity and self-confidence to be able to live through life with their heads held high.

TRF is a fundamental and integral part of our organisation and the contributions we make to the Foundation benefit several hundreds of thousands of people living in the developing countries. It helps to alleviate pain and suffering of many who live in abject poverty and supports many others to fight hunger and disease. Events like to Major Donor Dinner are meant to remind us of the commitment we made when we joined the glorious ranks of this wonderful organisation. We encourage you to be a part of this event each year and make generous contributions to TRF because every level of your donor status will ensure that your name remains immortalised and etched forever in the portals of Rotary and this is exactly the sort of legacy we want to leave behind for our future generations ---the legacy of generosity, compassion and perseverance.

Wish you a Very Happy Dussehra and a Happy Diwali !! Enjoy a safe festival and do remember that somewhere in your areas there are hundreds of underprivileged children and people who would also like to celebrate with you.

Best Regards

Yours Sincerely

Rtn Ashok Kantoor
District Governor RI District 3011

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Some Events of September 2022

Eye Check Up Camp



Rotary Club of Gurgaon Cosmopolitan organised Eye Check Up Camp in association with Viaan Eye & Retina Centre and RWA La Lagune Apartments on 10th September 2022 was held at La Lagune Apartments, Sector 54, Gurugram under the Chairmanship of Dr. Neeraj Sanduja. 54 people were benefited from this camp. President Rtn. Abhishek Aneja, PP Rtn. Deepak Jain, IPP Rtn Vivek Duggal, Rtn. Parmod Grover attended this event.

Environment Project - Tree Plantation Drive



Rotary Club of Gurgaon Cosmopolitan planted **250 saplings** of Banyan, Neem, Peeple, Shehtut, Amla, Chandani, Champa etc. plants in association with the RWA of BPTP Freedom Park Life, Plot B, Sector 57, Gurgaon Adj. to Presidium School, Gurgaon on 20th September 2022. President Rtn Abhishek Aneja and First Lady Isha Aneja attended this Tree Plantation Drive.

Blood Donation Camp



Rotary Club of Gurgaon Cosmopolitan along with Rackspace India Blood Donation Camp which was held on 22nd September 2022 at Rackspace India, 3rd Floor, DLF Building 9A, DLF Phase 3, Gurugram. Final count 37 blood donations with about 6 deferrals. President Rtn Abhishek Aneja attended this camp from our Club.

Radha Ashtami



Members of the club attended the Radha Ashtami celebrations on 4th September 2022 at Club Spaze Privy, Sector 72, Gurgaon fellowship hosted by R'anne Neha Bansal & PP Rtn Abhinav Bansal. Kirtan program of Radhaji was very good followed by 56 Bhog Prasadam. President Rtn. Abhishek Aneja, First Lady R'anne Isha Aneja, PP Rtn. Ratan Kumar, Rtn. Manish Sehgal, Rtn Krishan Kumar Aggarwal, R'anne Meena Aggarwal, PP Rtn. Deepak Jain, Rtn. Dr. Neeraj Sanduja, AG Rtn. Munish Khullar, Rtn. Mansi Khullar and District dignitaries also attended this event.

Governor's Official Visit 2022-23



GOV Meeting was held at Club Elevate, M3M Golf Estate, Sector 65, Gurgaon on 18th September 2022. President Rtn. Abhishek Aneja welcomed DG Rtn. Ashok Kantoor, PP Rakesh Talwar, District Secretary; PP Sanjeev Jawahar, District

Secretary (Admin); PP Munish Khullar, Assistant Governor, Zone 7; all Office Bearers, Board members, Committee Chairs, Members of Interact Clubs and Rotaract Club, were present in this meeting. DG Rtn. Ashok Kantoor interacted with Interact Clubs, Rotaract Club & gave them many clues for carrying out various projects. DG appreciated & shared his expectation with the board members from Rotary Club of Gurgaon Cosmopolitan. DG Ashok Kantoor informed that our District 3011 had become 100% digital District on the very first day of the Rotary Year 2022-23. This will result in saving trees which are cut for paper manufacturing & also save time.

Installation Ceremony of Rotary Year 2022-23



The Installation Ceremony of President Abhishek Aneja and his team for the Rotary Year 2022-23 was held at Club Elevate, M3M Golf Estate, Sector 65, Gurgaon on 18th September 2022 immediately after GOV on 13th August 2022. Chief Guest was DG Rtn. Ashok Kantoor. Chairman GOV & Installation was PP Rtn. Deepak Jain and Master of Ceremony was PP Rtn. Abha Wasan and PP Rtn. Ajay Wasan. President Rtn. Abhishek Aneja addressed the gathering and he shared presentation of all the projects done this Rotary year 2022-23 up till now & expectation of our district from Rotary Club of Gurgaon Cosmopolitan.

Honoring Rotary Ride for Unity Bikers at the Installation Ceremony Rotary Club of Gurgaon Cosmopolitan, 18th September 2022



Our Club hosted Dinner to all Bikers visited from RI Districts 3190, 3182 & 3201. First Lady R'Ann Alka Kantoor DG Rtn Ashok Kantoor, President Rtn Abhishek Aneja and members of the RCGC felicitated a group of Rotarians who were a part of the IFMR team and were on a Rotary Unity Ride For Heart covering a 2800 kms bike ride from Bangalore to Wagah / Attari Border in Amritsar to raise funds for Pediatric Heart Surgeries. DG Rtn. Ashok Kantoor exchanged District flag and Club President Rtn. Abhishek Aneja exchanged RCGC club flag with the Bikers team. Overall a very well planned & executed event appreciated by all present.

Induction of new members



Following new members were inducted

Rtn. Ish Chandra Seth sponsored by Rtn. Parmod Grover

Rtn. Urmi Gupta sponsored by PP Rtn. Ruchi Rai

Glimpses of Installation Ceremony 2022-23







PEM-1: Ibtidaa, 3-4 Sept. 2022



PEM-1: Ibtidaa for Rotary Year 2023-24 was held on 3-4 Sept. 2022 at Jaypee Golf & Spa Resort, Greater Noida. It was attended by PP Rtn. Ruchi Rai and IPP Rtn. Vivek Duggal along with R'anne Shilpa Duggal.

PHDCCI 117th Annual Session



PP Rtn Ratan Kumar attended the 117th AGM of PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry was held on 30th September 2022 at Hotel Taj Palace, New Delhi. Chief Guest was Shri Jagdeep Dhankhar, Hon'ble Vice President of India. Rtn. Ratan Kumar in Talk with Sanjay Agrawal about India Ahead. It was well covered in Social Media (YouTube Channel)

From the Desk of the Secretary

Birthdays

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

October	
7 th	Rtn. Ajay Wasan
13 th	Rtn. Aadesh Poddar
21 st	Rtn. Dr. Neeraj Sanduja
22 nd	Rtn. Rajender Singh
25 th	Rtn. Ratan Kumar
26 th	Rtn. Abhishek Aneja
27 th	Rtn. Abhinav Bansal

Anniversaries

October	
12 th	Rtn. Vineet Chillani & R'anne Neha Chillani

Upcoming events

2 October 2022

Sunday Brunch Fellowship

21 October 2022

Diwali Fellowship



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