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R.I. District 3060 Zone 4-B



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FROM THE DESK OF BULLETIN EDITOR



My Dear Rotary Friends,

Illiteracy in India is the biggest stigma on the socio-economic progress of modern times. Although the literacy rate in the country has enhanced to 74.04% (in 2011) from the 12% at the time of our independence in 1947. According to the 2011 census, the effective literacy rate for the males was 82.14% and for females, it was 65.42%. Illiteracy in India has resulted in a negative impact on family planning and population control efforts in India. Although we are on our way to improve the literacy rate, but we are still behind as the world average literacy rate is 84%.

Reasons behind Illiteracy in India:

Poverty:

Poverty is one of the foremost problems faced by India for ages. Poverty becomes a root cause of the widespread illiteracy in India. Families who struggle for their daily bread cannot afford education for their children. Apparently these people tend to make their children work to cope with the financial problems.

Lack of School Facilities:

Illiteracy in India is proliferated as schools are out of reach for the underprivileged people living in rural areas. The schools in rural areas of India lack in various issues like the medium of transportation. Students in rural areas have to walk for miles to reach the school. Most of these schools are deprived of funds, qualified staff, proper seating arrangements, sanitation facilities, healthy food and education friendly environment.

Social Problems:

A large percentage of children are deprived of even basic primary school education due to major social problems like caste discrimination, child marriage, child labour. Illiteracy in India is accentuated by the huge gender bias exists against females in terms of education. A girl child is denied education by stating illogical reasons like her existence is only to take care of her family and kids.

Impacts of Illiteracy in India:

Illiteracy in India affects the personal growth of people and the economic progress of the country. Lack of education makes people unqualified for so many job opportunities. Living becomes difficult when they are not able to get jobs and earn money. Such people are unable to earn money and they incline to the crime world and earn living by unethical and wrong ways.

Steps Taken by the Indian Government to mitigate illiteracy in India:

Both Central and State Government have undertaken many initiatives and schemes to eradicate Illiteracy in India. **The Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan** operating since 2002 covers people who

domains, especially elderly citizens and women to provide primary education. National Literacy Mission Program was implemented in 1988 to educate millions of people in India. **Saakshar Bharat** is another program which aims 80% literacy level at the national level, focusing on literacy among women. Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act is an act passed by the Parliament in 2009. It is a very instrumental law with a panoramic aim to mitigate illiteracy in India, where it safeguards compulsory education for children of age between 6- 14 years in top quality schools.

Conclusion:

Illiteracy in India has been deeply rooted since ages. The country has tremendously derailed its process at the hands to severe illiteracy. The government of India and a large number of **Non-Governmental Organizations like Rotary** are working hand in hand to spread the awareness on the importance of education.

As responsible citizen we all must contribute to uplift our fellow countrymen and completely eliminate illiteracy from India.

Regards

Rtn Mausam Jalan

Bulletin editor – Year 2022-2023

On 5th of September 2022 Monday (Teacher's Day),

Members of Rotary Club of Surat visited **SHREE BIPINCHANDRA PAL PRIMARY SCHOOL .**

School No 199, Vadod Awas, Near Vadod Community hall, Surat

The following teachers were presented with **Nation Builder Award** Certificates for their valuable contribution in Nation building as a Teacher

- 1 RATHOD RAMSEVAK SOVRANSINGH
- 2 YADAV BRIJMOHAN RAMMURATI
- 3 MAURYA GOKUL SURESH
- 4 MODHIYA BHAVNA JASWANTLAL
- 5 RATHOD MALTIDEVI CHHOTELAL
- 6 CHAUHAN SUJITSINGH NAKHADUSINGH
- 7 TIWARI ABHISHEKKUMAR RAMASHANKAR
- 8 YADAV GARIMA VIJAY
- 9 PRAJAPATI KAMALKUMAR NARAYANLALJI
- 10 NAI ARVINDKUMAR RAMRAJ
- 11 PARMAR PRAKASH BHARATSINGH

350 PCS WOW STATIONARY KITS were also distributed to the students of the school.

The students were very excited to receive gifts and see their teachers being felicitated





On 4th Sept 2022 Members of Rotary club of Surat west joined Rotarians from other clubs to play Box Cricket Tournament organized by Rotary Club of Surat Round Town.

It was a wonderful fellowship event.



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TEAM
WOW
TOGETHER TOWARDS TOMORROW

International *Literacy Day*

September 8, 2022



Today a reader, tomorrow a leader.
Happy International Literacy Day!



Rtn. Shrikant And Sarika Indani.
District Governor.

As a part of our Basic Education & literacy project

7 needy children for education has been sponsored by our Rotary surat west this year.

This fees is paid for their education directly in school/college for the year 2022 -23

SARASWATI SCHOOL (Bhatar road, Surat)

Kushal nagar 11000.00 8th std

Anshika Nagar 11000.00 7th std

Tanvi Nagar 10500.00 1st std

RAAHI PUBLIC SCHOOL (Surat)

Nisha Thakur 10000.00 5th std

Isha Thakur 10000.00 3 rd std

Bhumi Thakur 10000.00 2nd std

UDHNA CITIZEN COMMERCE COLLEGE (Udhna, Surat)

Aditi Das 25225.00 2nd year BCA

Total Rs 87725.00

Donor -President Tanmay Agrawal

**Condolence Message by RI President Jennifer Jones
on the sad demise of Queen Elizabeth II.**



It was with great sadness that we learned of the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, whose dedication to humanitarian causes and unwavering commitment to peace and the environment deeply inspired Rotary members around the world, especially those in the Commonwealth countries.

While the late Prince Philip was an honorary member of the Rotary Club of Windsor and Eton and also Windsor St George, the queen herself was also a supporter of Rotary's polio eradication and humanitarian missions. She received the Rotary International Award of Honour, the organization's highest recognition, in December 2013 on the occasion of the 60th anniversary of her coronation.

We join the international community in offering our condolences to the royal family.

Collaboration create Impact

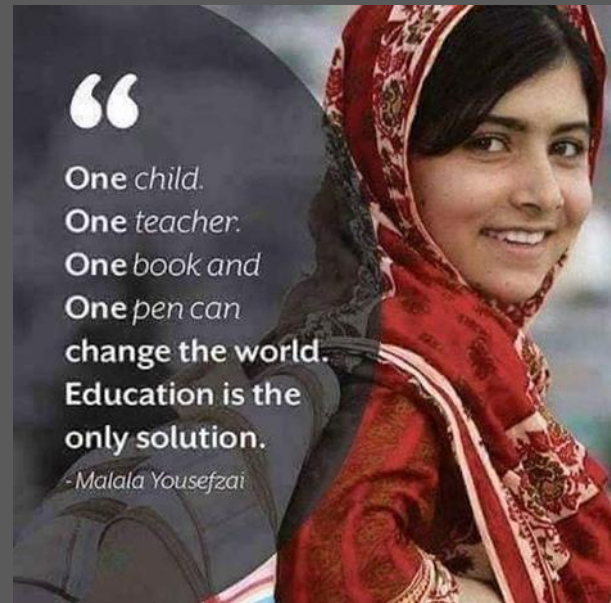


We're gearing up for Celebrate Community, a weeklong call for joint community service between #Rotary, #Kiwanis International, #Lions Clubs International, #Optimist International.

Learn how you can participate and submit your Celebrate Community joint service project:

<https://fb.me/e/3ffoYx1pw>

Rotary Wisdom



State of Membership- RI President Jennifer Jones

In last 10 years 1.2 million joined Rotary... and left

RI President Jennifer Jones acknowledged and appreciated the Indian region for being, along with many African countries, the fastest growing region in the world of Rotary, but then people are also leaving equally fast.

One startling piece of statistic all Rotarians needed to keep in their tool kit was that in the last 10 years, 1.2 million members have joined Rotary. "That means that 1.2 million people have also left. What this shows us is that people do want to come into Rotary

but the problem is that they join but they don't stay. So what is our call of action? We need to be better with how we deal with our members. And more focused on their comfort and care. When someone joins our organisation, we need to ask them what they want and then deliver on that promise. Whether it is service, fellowship, events; that's how we will grow. If you want responsible members, you need to give them responsibility. Keeping them engaged is critical."

ROTARIAN CODE OF CONDUCT

As a Rotarian, I will

- Act with integrity and high ethical standards in my personal and professional life
- Deal fairly with others and treat them and their occupations with respect
- Use my professional skills through Rotary to: mentor young people, help those with special needs, and improve people's quality of life in my community and in the world
- Avoid behavior that reflects adversely on Rotary or other Rotarians
- Help maintain a harassment-free environment in Rotary meetings, events, and activities, report any suspected harassment, and help ensure non-retaliation to those individuals that report harassment.

Source: Rotary Code of Policies, 2022

KNOW ROTARY, GROW ROTARY



Membership figures as of 01 September 2022				
Country	Clubs	Rotarians	Variance from 01 July 2022*	
			Clubs	Rotarians
Bangladesh	491	12,343	2	-202
Bhutan	1	26	0	0
India	4,531	173,053	55	7,876
Maldives	1	38	0	2
Nepal	154	5,936	2	174
Pakistan	303	4,897	11	396
Sri Lanka	71	2,057	1	118
Total	5,552	198,350	71	8,364
Worldwide	36,991	1,189,606	142	23,275

** Variance from 01 July 2022 official starting figures.

September 2022		
RI Exchange Rate for US \$1		
Country	Local Currency	Rate of Exchange
Bangladesh	BDT	95
India	INR	80
Nepal	NPR	128
Pakistan	PKR	221
Sri Lanka	LKR	361

Changes from last month are shown in blue. Current & previous RI Exchange Rates can be accessed through <https://my.rotary.org/en/exchange-rates>

Rotary International New Courtesy : PDG Rtn Devendra Shastri

Forth Coming Programs

Grand Garba Night



24th September Saturday 7.00 pm onwards

Venue : The Amore

Cataract Eye Camp at Vansda

25th September Sunday