



ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA METROPOLITAN

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1630th REGULAR MEETING

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CHANGE OVER TIME



IPP Dr Somen Ghosh
handing over the Charter of the Club
to President Dr V K Nevatia
in presence of DG Rtn Ajoy Kumar Law

JULY IS THE TRANSITION MONTH

CHANGEOVER ON 03.07.2022

The Rotary year starts from 1st July and ends on 30th June. A new leader and his team take charge from 1st July officially, this changeover is deemed to have taken place whether or not the actual takeover ceremony takes place or not.

In a glittering ceremony held on 3.7.2022, President Rtn Dr V K Nevatia took charge from IPP Rtn Dr Somen Ghosh in the presence of Chief Guest DG Rtn Ajoy Kumar Law and the First Lady Mitali Law, Mrs Bratati Bhattacharya-Guest of Honour-Secretary General & CEO of Sri Shikshyatan School & Foundation, PDGs, District Official, Presidents and Secretaries of Rotary Clubs and Guests etc.

After the customary National Anthem and other formalities conducted by MC PP Rtn Gaurang Jalan, the formal handing over the Charge with Collar and Charter by IPP Rtn Dr Somen Ghosh to President Rtn Dr V K Nevatia took place this was accompanied with a resounding round of applause.

After a glowing introduction by Rtn Madan Mohan Mohanka, the Guest of Honour Mrs Bratati Bhattacharya spoke on Education particularly on how we need to bring a drastic change in the pedagogy. We need recognise that each student is unique and may have his own pace of grasping concepts. Our system should be such that not one student is left behind. The concepts can and should be explained in much more practical way. Vocational Training, experiential learning was some of the concepts talked about. The revolutionary change in scenario due to Covid, was when online classes other e-learning skills were developed at Shikshayatan. Her presentation was very informative and interesting. We warmly invite her to visit our school and help put her ideas in to action. The President, Rtn Dr V K Nevatia, then presented a memento to her.

IPP Rtn Dr Somen Ghosh made a Power Point Presentation with the activities done during the Rotary year 2021-2022. There was overall appreciation from the audience.

President Rtn Dr V K Nevatia introduced his Board. The Presidents' introduction was given by PP Rtn Dr Naresh Goyal, who shared some memorable moments with President Rtn Dr V K Nevatia - including his indomitable spirit of service, his kindness, generous nature and many aspects of the person our President is. President then gave broad outlines his vision for the year. Amongst others he proposes to do Global Grants for projects like Leg for Legless, Phaco surgeries, Organic Farming, Pace Rotary Vocational Centre and various other small projects. He will put emphasis on induction of young members. MC PP Rtn Gaurang Jalan announced that President Rtn Dr V K Nevatia

will become Major Donor, which was well appreciated and a huge round of applause for him.

It was now time to bring young blood in the Club, President started with a bang and announced 5 new members of which 3 new members were inducted namely Rtn Vivek Bajaj, Rtn Rajiv Tibrewal and Rtn Nishant Jain by the DG Rtn Ajoy Kumar Law and the President. Honorary Secretary Rtn Rajshree Jain read Four Way Test, Object of Rotary and Code of Conduct. DG Rtn Ajoy Kumar Law handed over the membership kits and pinned them with the Rotary Pin. They were welcomed by all as Metropolitans. The remaining two new members will be inducted later on.

DG Rtn Ajoy Kumar Law in key note address spoke about the values of Rotary and mentioned that RCCM is role model club for Global Grants and innovative projects. PACE Learning Centre is a shining example in the Rotary World. DG was introduced by PP Rtn Harsh V Rungta.

PACE Learning Centre continued to expand, and the Pace Rotary Vocational Centre from where Vocational Training to the students and the community by large giving enough scope for placements should be up and running within this year. With the kind of placements happening we are extremely happy with the results, and would like take this forward.

President Rtn Dr V K Nevatia gave a cheque of USD 100 in lieu of a memento to the DG and other District Officials. A very good initiative started by IPDG Rtn Prabir Chatterjee.

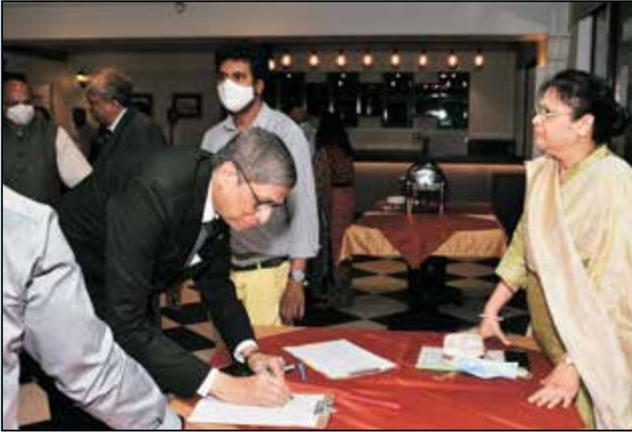
Metro Voice Special Edition for Installation on 3.7.2022 and Activities reports for the RY-2021-2022 was released by the DG Rtn Ajoy Kumar Law and others. Every one appreciated the great work done by the editor PP Rtn Sashi Dhacholia.

As customary in our Club both Outgoing President Rtn Dr Somen Ghosh and Secretary Rtn Sashi Dhacholia gave token of love to Incoming President Rtn Dr V K Nevatia and Secretary Rtn Rajshree Jain. President Rtn Dr V K Nevatia felicitated Installation Committee Chair PP Rtn Roshni Beriwal and MC PP Rtn Gaurang Jalan.

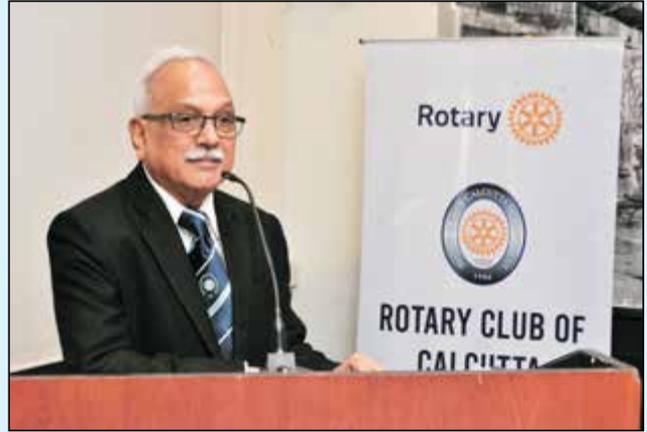
President Elect Rtn Rakesh Kumar Goel gave vote of thanks and MC invited all to join for fellowship. Special thanks to Installation Committee Chairman for making wonderful arrangements at Calcutta Swimming Club and to PP Rtn Lalit Beriwal for sponsoring the part Fellowship and MC PP Rtn Gaurang Jalan who ensured the meeting finished in time despite 15 minutes' delay in start.

By PP Rtn Harsh V Rungta

GLIMPS OF INSTALLATION MEETING HELD ON 03.07.2022



DG Ajoy Kumar Law at registration desk



Madan Mohan Mohanka introducing Guest of Honour Mrs Bratati Bhattacharya



MC PP Gaurang Jalan conducting the proceedings



Guest of Honour spellbound the audience with her speech



A view of Head table



A view of audience listening to the speaker



IPP Dr Somen Ghosh handing over the Collar to President Dr Somen Ghosh



IPP Dr Somen Ghosh making PPT presentation

GLIMPS OF INSTALLATION MEETING HELD ON 03.07.2022



PP Sashi Dhacholia sharing some moments during the District Awards for IPP Dr Somen Ghosh



Vivek Bajaj is being inducted as member of the Club DG Ajoy Kumar Law



President introduced his Board



Rajiv Tibrewal being inducted as member of the Club by DG Ajoy Kumar Law



PP Dr Naresh Goyal sharing some moments with President Dr V K Nevatia



Nishant Jain being inducted as member of the Club by DG Ajoy Kumar Law



President Dr V K Nevatia addressing the audience



A view of audience

GLIMPS OF INSTALLATION MEETING HELD ON 03.07.2022



Another full view of audience



Guests enjoying the proceedings



PP Harsh V Rungta introducing the DG Ajoy Kumar Law



Special edition of Metro Voice and Activities report for RY-2021-2022 was released



DG Ajoy Kumar Law addressing the audience



IPP Dr Somen Ghosh handing over token of love to President Dr V K Nevatia

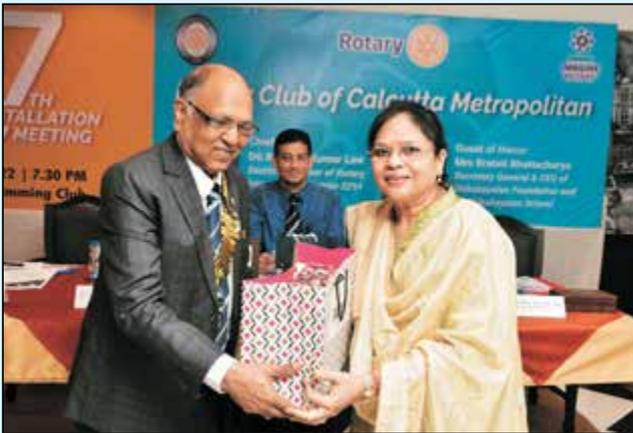


President Dr V K Nevatia handing over cheque of USD 100 to TRF to DG Ajoy Kumar Law



Outgoing Secretary handing over token of love to Secretary Rajshree Jain

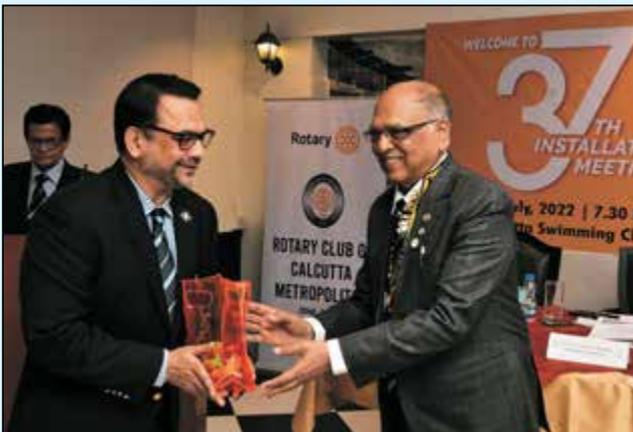
GLIMPS OF INSTALLATION MEETING HELD ON 03.07.2022



President Dr V K Nevatia felicitated PP Roshni Beriwal as Installation Committee Chair



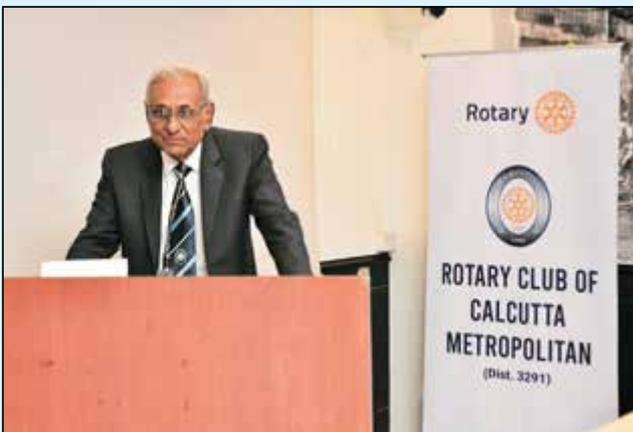
Members of Inner Wheel with their President



President felicitated PP Gaurang Jalan as Master of Ceremony



Both Chief Guest DG Ajoy Kumar Law and Guest of Honour Bratati Bhattacharya enjoying fellowship



PE Rakesh Kumar Goel giving vote of thanks



Rotaractors also enjoying the fellowship



Members of Mahavir Seva Sadan congratulating the President Dr V K Nevatia



IPP Dr Somen Ghosh sharing flower pot with President Dr V K Nevatia

INAGURATION OF OXYGEN PLANT ON 1.7.2022 UNDER GG# 21-26746

The much awaited inauguration of 2nd Oxygen Plant and two heavy duty Ventilators was done on 1st July, 2022. Even there was a delay due to unavoidable circumstances but as they say "Good things come to those who wait" and our patience and perseverance paid off. A significant milestone in GG# 21-26746 under Oxygen-The Elixir of Life with our International Partner RC of Thousand Oaks was achieved on the new Rotary Year. As we all know this Global Grant project was approved in record time when the second phase of Covid was prevailing but after that there was inordinate delay.

President Rtn Dr V K Nevatia wanted to start the Rotary year with a bang with a meaningful project on 1st July, 2022. This the club accomplished, and how, by inauguration of 2nd Oxygen Plant and two heavy duty Ventilators was done at Saroj Gupta Cancer Centre and Research Institute, Thakurpukur for opening by DG Rtn Ajoy Kumar Law and the First Lady and PDG & DRFC Rtn Sudip Mukerjee with other several other District officials. The institute was represented by Dr Arnab Gupta and other representatives. The club was represented by President, PP Rtn Jayanta Chatterji, PE Rtn Rakesh Kumar Goel, PP Rtn Harsh V Rungta, President Nominee Rtn Sashi Dhacholia and our new member Rtn Namrata Bengani.

Both the hospitals where we supplied the plants are either co-operatives or charitable in nature. With supply of these units, at 100% utilisation, the hospitals are adding almost 25 Lacs per annum to their bottom line. Here in lies our success, the fact that they now treat so many more patients every year.

This miracle happened thanks to our International Partners who readily agreed for funding. It should also be highlighted, that the funding came from 30+ rotary club from across the globe, and an almost equal number of Indian donors. All credit to our PP Rtn Jayanta Chatterji for tireless efforts and his incredible network across the Globe. And also for the contact of PP Dr. Naresh Goyal, the Primary contact, who mustered funds pan India for this project amounting to USD 1,38,337/-



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Forthcoming Events

CLUB

- 30.07.2022** Regular Meeting at CSC at 2.30 PM

- 15.08.2022** Joint Regular Meeting with Mahavir Seva Sadan at 11.00 AM

- 28.08.2022** Regular Meeting at CSC at 2.30 PM

Rotary

IMAGINE ROTARY

2022-23

Teamwork Divides the Tasks and Multiplies the Success

Together We Imagine Rotary

DISTRICT AWARDS FOR RY-2021-2022

First Prize	Disease Prevention and Treatment
Second Prize	Peace, Conflict Resolution/Prevention
Special Recognition	Environment Care
Special Recognition	Bulletin Uploaded & Published
Special Recognition	Cancer Support
Silver President	Rtn Dr Somen Ghosh
Silver Secretary	Rtn Sashi Dhacholia
District Ambassador	PP Rtn Utpal Chatterjee
District Governor's Citation	Outstanding Performance in all the Five Avenue of Service
Recognition-For Support	PP Rtn Utpal Chatterjee

**We congratulate the IPP Rtn DR Somen Ghosh
for getting various Awards and Recognitions for the RY-2021-2022.**



INSTALLATION CEREMONY OF INNER WHEEL OF CALCUTTA METROPOLITAN

President Rtn Dr V K Nevatia, PE Rtn Rakesh Kumar Goel and Club Secretary Rtn Rajshree Jain joined the Installation Ceremony of Inner Wheel of Calcutta Metropolitan on 7.7.2022. RCCM team congratulated IW President Rekha Lata and her team for a successful year.



FAREWELL MEETING FOR JOYEETA CHATTERJEE ON 29.06.2022

After spending more than 7 years in various capacities as Teacher, Teacher-coordinator, Vice Principal and finally Principal of the PACE Learning Centre, she is taking her journey forward by going to Maharashtra, where the students are more than 5000 but as teacher although she was offered job for Principal.

Joyeeta Chatterjee in different capacities have performed very well at PLC. Never said NO to any work. Her interaction with teachers, students and office staff was exceptional. Her exemplary leadership and attention to minute details were appreciated by all. It is for this star of PLC the management, teachers and students decided to accord a grand farewell.

The day started with a skit done by the students highlighting their Principal's unique skills. It was nicely done by the students. They also made a wonderful video presentation with wishes from alumni, teachers and students. PLC administration deserved praise from all us for such a wonderful Farewell.

Rotary Club of Calcutta Metropolitan was represented by PP Rtn Jayanta Chatterji, PP Rtn Sohanraj Singhvi, PP Rtn Raj Kumar Poddar, PP Rtn Sashi Dhacholia, PP Rtn Harsh V Rungta and Rtn Arundhati Chatterji. They all praised her as a great human being, skilled administrator and an educator par excellence. Both PP Rtn Jayanta Chatterji and PP Rtn Sashi Dhacholia shared some of their moments with her.

PP Rtn Sohanraj Singhvi and PP Rtn Jayanta Chatterji presented her on behalf of Pace Universal, USA and RCCM a Certificate and a memento in recognition of her outstanding contribution towards development and growth of PACE Learning Centre.

Ms Joyeeta Chatterjee in her speech, spoke about her association with PLC, teachers and students. She mentioned PP Rtn Jayanta Chatterjee, who has been the mentor to her. She also mentioned about PP Rtn Sohanraj Singhvi, PP Rtn Dr Naresh Goyal, PP Rtn Sashi Dhacholia and PE Rtn Rakesh Kumar Goel, who always fondly called "beta". Such are great memories with these people and other members of RCCM. It was a difficult decision to make but she had to look forward. Everyone wished her the best in her new endeavour.

A well-deserved standing ovation was given to her by all. It was a difficult and an emotional moment for each person present. The most touching moment was when the students from various classes, who gave gifts to Ms Joyeeta Chatterjee as their token of love and appreciation. Tears were flowing freely.

The afternoon culminated with a sumptuous lunch.

We now look forward to a glorious new chapter in PLC and are sure we will be even better than before. With a new team being formed by Rtn. Jayanta and the best wishes of Ms. Joyeeta



FAREWELL MEETING FOR JOYEETA CHATTERJEE ON 29.06.2022



COMPLETION OF TRAINING FOR SMO AND GDA STUDENTS ON 29.06.2022

Kreetika Agency, who provided training to Sewing Machine Operator (SMO) and General Duty Assistant (GDA) gave completion certificates to all candidates of SMO and GDA. They were encouraged by the Kreetika Agency to accept placement of whatever kind. Don't refuse any placement was their constant refrain. They assured that the placement will not be outside West Bengal. This will be learning experience to them and with give them much valued experience.

Certificates were given by the RRCM members i.e. PP Rtn Jayanta Chatterji, PP Rtn Sohanraj Singhvi, PP Rtn Raj Kumar Poddar, PP Rtn Sashi Dhacholia, PP Rtn Harsh V Rungta and Rtn Arundhati Chatterji and also by the Principal of PLC, Joyeeta Chatterjee. This batch was Phase-II.

WHAT KREETIKA ACADEMY HAS TO SAY

Keertika in association with PACE Learning center has completed four batches of Skill Development training in Job Roles Sewing Machine Operator (SMO) and General Duty Assistant (GDA).

Certificates had been distributed on 29th June 30, 2022 to two just concluded batches of SMO and GDA. The beneficiaries were present in school premises to take certificates in person from the dignitaries.

On 27th June 30, 2022 interviews were arranged and the girls were selected for placement. Another few rounds of interviews will be conducted very soon.

The students were asked to make use of the opportunities they received from Rotary Global Grant and being the torch bearers of such Grand Scheme they have the responsibility to make this wage linked employability skill training a success so that the future generations of girls are motivated to take such trainings and join the workforce. Inclusion of girls in training and employment will have direct impact to their community and its future development.

The beneficiaries are eager and energetic and we believe that such programs if conducted more frequently the girls will be motivated and will come out of their obscurity.

By Susmita Mukherjee
Kreetika Academy



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WORKSHOP FOR DEVELOPING A COMMUNITY OF PRACTISE & SUPPORTING ESL TEACHERS BY POET

On 25th June, 2022 a wonderful workshop was conducted by POET (Professional Outreach for English Teachers) group at Sakhawat Memorial School, Kolkata where the English literature and language teachers of PLC participated and enjoyed thoroughly along with the WB GOVT. school English language teachers. This event was based on a project for developing a community of practice supporting ESL teachers.

PLC teachers turned up there to avail the scope of enhancing their knowledge about the activities based learning and how to implement it in school atmosphere. It was an amazing experience for them to listen to the words of the honourable guest speaker Prof. Dr. Niladri Sekhar Dash and all other dignitaries present there. All the points discussed and shown through PPT presentation were truly valuable and informative.

It was a very friendly and well organised session where the teachers were able to find out the key notes to teach the first generation learners through experiential and activity based methods. After distributing the certificates among all the participants, the programme successfully ended with the vote of thanks to all the members and participants.

Our special thanks goes to Mr. Sandip Sengupta (Organising Committee member of POET) who proposed the PLC English teachers to join the workshop, Mrs. Kuheli Mukherjee (project leader) for organising such a wonderful event. We are also thankful to PACE/PLC Director Rtn. Jayanta Chatterjee and Principal of PLC, Mrs. Joyeeta Chatterjee to allow the teachers to avail such a platform to support and guide their students through applying more interesting methodical ways.

By Mahashweta Maity,
Teacher of PLC



OLD VISITOR TO PLC ON 06.07.2022

My good friend Mr. Susen Datta was in PLC to donate precious from his library.

This was his first visit to PLC since 2016 and he was very impressed to see the developments that have taken place in the last 6 years.

By PP Rtn Jayanta Chatterji



ANOTHER
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Established 21 June 2022

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PRESIDENT, ROTARY INTERNATIONAL
21 June 2022

DATE

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ROTARY CALENDAR

Did you know that Rotary International decided to update the monthly themes to reflect the areas of focus? Here is a chart of the old and new monthly themes during the Rotary Year (July - June). They give you more flexibility if you use this structure to develop your schedule of programs.

MONTH	OLD THEME	NEW THEME
July	Changeover Month	Transition Month
August	Membership & Extension	Membership & Extension
September	New Generations	Basic Education and Literacy
October	Vocational Service	Economic and Community Development
November	The Rotary Foundation	The Rotary Foundation
December	Family of Rotary	Disease Prevention and Treatment
January	Rotary Awareness	Vocational Service
February	World Understanding	Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution
March	Literacy	Water and Sanitation
April	The Rotarian Magazine	Maternal and Child Health
May	Education	Youth Service
June	Rotary Fellowships	Rotary Fellowships

MINUTES OF 1629th REGULAR MEETING OF ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA METROPOLITAN HELD ON SUNDAY, 3RD JULY, 2022 AT 7.15 PM AT CALCUTTA SWIMMING CLUB, 1, STRAND ROAD, KOLKATA-700 001

1. President Rtn Dr Somen Ghosh called the 1629th Regular cum 37th Installation Meeting to order.
2. National Anthem by Rtn Runjhun Gupta and IW Lata Nevatia.
3. MC PP Rtn Gaurang Jalan welcomed Chief Guest Rtn Ajoy Kumar Law and Guest of Honour Mrs Bratati Bhattacharya to the Head table.
4. MC also welcomed First Lady Mitali Law, PDGs, District Officials, President and Secretaries and Guests to the meeting.
5. Minutes of the Regular Meeting no: 1628th dated 25.6.2022 were read and confirmed by PE Rtn Rakesh Kumar Goel.
6. There was formal handing over of Charge with Collar and Charter by President Rtn Dr Somen Ghosh for RY-2021-2022 to Incoming President Rtn Dr V K Nevatia in presence of DG Rtn Ajoy Kumar Law.
7. After introduction by Rtn Madan Mohan Mohanka, the Guest of Honour Mrs Bratati Bhattacharya spoke on Education particularly about the changed scenario due to Covid when online classes and other changes took place according to the situation. Her presentation was very informative and interesting.
8. IPP Rtn Dr Somen Ghosh made a Power Point Presentation with the activities done during the Rotary year 2021-2022. It was well appreciated. The Club also bag some District Awards.
9. President Rtn Dr V K Nevatia introduced his Board. His introduction was given by PP Rtn Dr Naresh Goyal sharing some memorable moments shared with President Rtn Dr V K Nevatia. President gave outlines what he proposes to do during his tenure broadly projects like Leg for Legless, Phaco surgeries, Organic Farming, Pace Rotary Vocational Centre and various small projects. He will put emphasis on induction of young members.
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12. DG Rtn Ajoy Kumar Law in key note address spoke about the values of Rotary and RCCM responded from time to time for various grants projects. PACE Learning Centre is an example in the Rotary International and the District-3291 is proud of them. PLC continued to expand by putting Pace Rotary Vocational Centre and also Vocational Training to the students and teachers and the community by large giving enough scope for placements. The results are very encouraging and positive. DG was introduced by PP Rtn Harsh V Rungta.
13. President Rtn Dr V K Nevatia gave a cheque of USD 100 in lieu of DG and District Officials will not accept any gifts from the Clubs instead request to donate in Foundation. A very good initiative by the District.
14. Metro Voice special edition of Installation Meeting dated 3.7.2022 and Activities reports for the RY-2021-2022 was released by the DG Rtn Ajoy Kumar Law and others. Every one appreciated good work done by the editor PP Rtn Sashi Dhacholia.
15. As customary in our Club both Outgoing President Rtn Dr V K Nevatia and Secretary Rtn Sashi Dhacholia gave token of love to both Incoming President Rtn Dr V K Nevatia- a lovely flower pot and Secretary Rtn Rajshree Jain.
16. President Rtn Dr V K Nevatia felicitated Installation Committee Chair PP Rtn Roshni Beriwal and MC PP Rtn Gaurang Jalan.
17. President Elect Rtn Rakesh Kumar Goel gave vote of thanks.
18. MC invited all to join for fellowship. Special thanks to Installation Committee Chairman for making wonderful arrangements at Calcutta Swimming Club and MC PP Rtn Gaurang Jalan who ensured the meeting finishes in time despite 15 minutes delayed start.
19. President requested Hony Secretary Rtn Rajshree Jain to make Club announcements.
20. Members were informed about the forthcoming events. Hony Secretary informed that overall attendance was more than 65 which includes 19 members. Sunshine box collection was over and above as usual. She thanked President Rtn Dr V K Nevatia for making and showing confidence on her as Hony Secretary for the RY-2022-2023.
21. President Rtn Dr V K Nevatia terminated the meeting.

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