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 Rotary International District 3291



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RI President's Message



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.

Jennifer Jones
 President 2022-23



Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav' is an initiative of the Government of India to celebrate and commemorate 75 years of independence and the glorious history of its people, culture and achievements.

When did Amrit Mahotsav start?
 12th March, 2021

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi inaugurated the 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav' by flagging off 'Dandi March' from Sabarmati Ashram, Ahmedabad on 12th March, 2021. The celebrations started 75 weeks before our 75th anniversary of Independence and will end on 15th August, 2023.

Friendship is a silent bond More old more strong more deep more clean



Project No. 8



"Ek Nayi Pechaan"

On 2nd July We are very happy to partner with Geeta's Circle with our project with Transgenders "Ek Nayi Pehchaan".

The owner Mr Shailender Gupta is participating very passionately in our endeavour to train a few to become fashion designers. He has provided for a fashion design teacher, he's providing exposure of his workshop to absorb all aspects of designing, he's providing fabrics to practice on, and most of all his personal expertise on the subject. With his involvement, we hope these few transgenders one day make a place in the fashion industry.



Project No. 9

Literacy

A cheque of Rs 4000 was given by the President to a student Biren Gomes of Durgapur class 8 student for his tuition fees. It was done on 9th July on Rotract president's appeal.

Project No. 10

Saksham on 9 July 2022 at Rotary Sadan Medical - Prosthetic limbs

Today along with 8th Installation we had our service project Saksham where IN-4 prosthetic hands were given to people who did not have arm below elbow. Sixty one people reported, fifty nine were given the hands. After fitment, training as well as counselling was done. Rtn Ashis Ray from Poona DOWNTOWN had joined in our camp DG and 14 PDG had visited our camp. District officials were very much impressed by our work. They have sent a very positive response for our camp. Thanks to all the participating members of the club.



Project No. 11

Literacy

Supporting Education of Underprivileged Girl Child On 14 July at 1 pm in Shanti Clinic, Howrah gave a cheque of Rs 10000 to Vidhi Dhanuka an orphan girl. She is brilliant in studies, is in class Twelve and wants to do CA .



Project No 12

Literacy

District 3291 initiative of Shyamsunder Children High school. helping a drop out girl student. On 14 July a girl Kiran De, 11 year old, who had dropped from school one year back as her mother passed away, joined school called Shyamsunder children high school. Mr Kallol from one of our RCC Samaj Unnayan Kendra with help of co ordinate helped in this project. A drop out girl joined the school back.

Project No 13

Literacy

District 3291 Initiative Helping a meritorious student. With the help of Tarachandra and Shanti Maheshwari Trust on 18 July donated Rs. Ten Thousand to Yash Agarwal residing in Howrah and is in Bcom Forst year pursuing Cost Accountancy course. His father is unable to support him



Project No 14

Literacy Akshargyan District 3291 Initiative

Ee.Zz..eE school Rotary club of Calcutta Presidency Helping a meritorious student. With the help of Tarachandra and Shanti Maheshwari Trust on 20 July donated Rs. 4800 his three months fee to Pratham Sharma residing in Howrah and is a student in heritage school in Howrah . We have pledged to help in his schooling. His father is unable to support him, as he is Psychotic, mother does small work.



Project No 15

Literacy

Akshargyan, initiative of RI District 3291. A sit and draw competition was organised in Khelaghar school in Joynagar for classes 1 to 4 on 21st July. The topic was how to save environment. 3 Prizes were awarded to each class. Thanks to Sangita M for organising it and taking initiative.



Project No. 16

RCCP was one of the co-host in District Project 'Sagar Thake Pahare'. The rally was flagged off on 31st July morning from Gangasagar. The bikers will go to MT Yunam in Lahul Spiti in Himachal Pradesh.



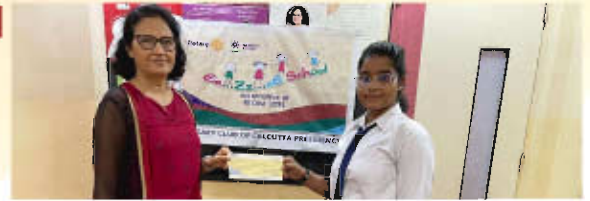
Project No 17

Rotary club of Calcutta Presidency was invited for The 8th Installation of BOD of Interactors of ST Teresa's Secondary School on 1st August 2022 at 1 pm. District 3291 initiative. Our Past President Ranjan Mussadi gave a talk on Environment Education to the Interactors. Speech was very much appreciated by the students. It was attended by nearly 300 students and teachers, Parents. Our club interactor Director, president elect and past president Asha were also present.

Project No 18

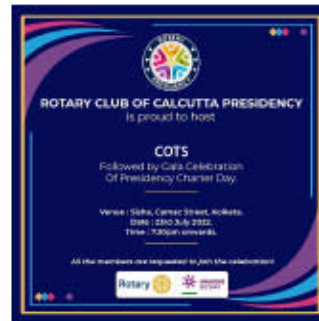
Literacy

Rotary club of Calcutta Presidency, District 3291 initiative gave a one year school fees Rs. 23760 to a needy and meritorious student Sayatani Khanra on 2nd August at 2 pm in Shanti clinic. She is in Class Twelve and has taken up science and her father is a driver.



MINUTES OF THE 149TH RWM & 8TH INSTALLATION MEET HELD ON SATURDAY, 9th JULY AT 9 AM AT ROTARY SADAN.

- MC PP Rtn Pradip Jain, welcomed all for the meet and requested, Rtn Dr Rina Malpani, Rtn Asha Gupta, Rtn Amit Gupta & DG Rtn Ajoy Law to come and sit on the stage.
- The event started with the lighting of the auspicious Lamp. The First Lady, Rtn Mitali was also present.
- Rtn Dr Rina Malpani called the 149th Regular Meeting to order and MC requested all to rise for the National Anthem.
- MC requested Rtn Rashmi Surana to recite her welcome poem Swagatam.
- MC requested Rtn Asha Gupta to hand over the Charter and Collar to Rtn Dr Rina Malpani. DG Rtn Ajoy Law put the Collar to Rtn Dr Rina.
- Rtn Dr Rina gave to the DG the Clubs contribution towards the Foundation as a small gesture of gratitude.
- MC welcomed the brigade of PDGs, President & Secretaries of other Rotary Club and District Officials present.
- MC requested IPP Rtn Asha to give her report.
- MC thanked Rtn Asha and requested Rtn Amit to give the Club report for 2021 – 2022.
- The MC requested President, Rtn Dr Rina Malpani to share her visions and goals for Rotary year 2022 – 23. She also invited her team 2022 – 23 on the stage.
- MC requested Secretary, Rtn Amit to conduct the club affairs. Rtn Amit briefed the members about the projects completed in the first week of July and also briefed about the forthcoming projects. He also conveyed about the COTS on 23rd July and conveyed birthday and anniversary wishes to members having their birthdays and anniversary in the month of July.
- MC requested DG Rtn Ajoy Law to present his speech.
- MC requested President Elect Rtn Sangita Bakliwal to deliver the Vote of Thanks.
- There being no other business, the President adjourned the Meeting and requested all to proceed with our project SAKSHAM.



Minutes of the 150TH RWM with Club Assembly (COTS) was held at Shisha on Saturday, 23rd July at 7PM followed by the Charter Night celebration.

- The President called the 150th RWM to order. She welcomed AG Rtn Alok Kanodia and ZS Rtn Jitesh Gutgutia and thanked them for joining and conducting the COTS.
- The Minutes of the last RWM was confirmed and accepted by the members present. Rtn Dr Rina gave a brief update of the projects conducted in the month of July, 2022
- President also informed the members of the forthcoming projects.
- Rtn Dr Ramesh introduced his friend Dr Arpita who was inducted as a Rotarian in the Club.
- Secretary, Rtn Amit was requested to conduct the club affairs. Rtn Amit conveyed birthday wishes to PP Rtn Pradip Jain
- Since there was no other business, the meeting was adjourned. The President requested AG Rtn Alok to start the COTS proceedings.
- AG Rtn Alok was very informative and he briefed all the Club Officers about their roles and responsibilities and their role in the growth and development of the Club.
- ZS Rtn Jitesh Gutgutia also shared their thoughts and emphasised for membership growth.
- President Elect Rtn Sangita Bakliwal delivered the Vote of Thanks. There being no other business, the President terminated the meeting and the members joined together for fellowship and dinner.

AUGUST IS



MEMBERSHIP AND NEW CLUB DEVELOPMENT MONTH

"Just as Rotary itself can never keep its place unless it is constantly growing, so each individual Rotary club cannot afford to stand still while the stream of life moves onward." - Past RI President 1949-51 Armando A. Piovra

Rotary  **TAKE ACTION:**
Join Rotary. Be a People of Action.

रोटरी क्लब ऑफ कलकत्ता प्रेसीडेंसी की पहल

निज प्रतिनिधि, कोलकाता: रोटरी क्लब ऑफ कलकत्ता प्रेसीडेंसी ने सक्षम परियोजना के 8वें बैच का आयोजन किया, जो उन्नत उच्च गुणवत्ता वाले कृत्रिम हाथों को मुफ्त में उपलब्ध कराने की एक पहल है। रोटरी ग्लोब में 60 से अधिक फिटमेंट सफलतापूर्वक किए गए, जिससे जीवन की बेहतर गुणवत्ता सुनिश्चित करके कई लोगों के जीवन पर सकारात्मक प्रभाव पड़ा (रंजन मुराही ने बताया कि ये उच्च गुणवत्ता वाले, आयतित, कार्यात्मक हाथ हैं जो मजदूर, रेक्टर ड्रावर मूलक और उपयोग में आसान हैं, जबकि लाभार्थी को कई कार्य करने में सक्षम बनाता है। रोटरी प्रेसीडेंसी ने अब तक करीब 850 फिटमेंट किए हैं। यह एक सतत परियोजना है जिसमें पंजीकरण प्राप्त होने पर बैचों का आयोजन किया जाता है। रोटरी प्रेसीडेंसी कोलकाता में ऐसे कृत्रिम हाथों को फिट करने के लिए एक स्थायी केंद्र भी चलती है।



रोटरी क्लब ऑफ कलकत्ता प्रेसीडेंसी का कृत्रिम हाथ प्रदान किया

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Some of the highlights of installation, covered by Bartaman & Chaptre Chaptre Newspaper




Wings to Fly International Holiday

Italy, a European country with a long Mediterranean coastline, has left a powerful mark on Western culture and cuisine. There are many cities to visit and lots of things to see. History, art, sport, well-being, and above all food for the body and soul. Its capital, Rome, is home to the Vatican as well as landmark art and ancient ruins. Other major cities include Florence, with Renaissance masterpieces such as Michelangelo's "David" and Brunelleschi's Duomo; Venice, the city of canals and Milan, Italy's fashion capital. It is the ideal destination to relax and recharge, without sacrificing any fun. More promising places to explore like the Amalfi coast, and Lake Como near Milan. It's a great holiday destination for 10-15 days.

Patriotism is the common thread




Flag-maker Abdul Gaffar Ansari, Jhanda wala, and his assistants sew national flags, at a workshop in Sadar Bazaar, New Delhi, on Tuesday. Gaffar has received a large number of orders for tricolours with the government kicking off the Har Ghar Tricolour Campaign.



Newest Member:
Dr Arpita Bhattacharya
she was inducted on our club's charter day.

Disability and Prosthetic Limbs



'Disability' is such an ugly word,
A reminder of how things couldn't get worse.
It's regarded as a lock, something used to coerce,
Like you're trapped in a cage; a dying bird.
But in truth, we know it's more than that,
More than a load to carry on your back.
Turn these losses to profit; this isn't a lack,
Choose prosthetic limbs: make your weakness eclat.
We credit you, you've gained tremendous strength,
These memories turned to gold result in great wealth.
Use this power...may it be an arm or a leg,
Spread your wings, fly with stealth.
By Anaya Singh

Happy Anniversary

Amit & Aparna Gupta 10 Aug

Happy Birth day

Kamal Lunia	6 Aug
Anu Kothari	7 Aug
Praveen Kothari	8 Aug
ShrutiPodder	19 Aug

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August horoscope



LEO

Maintain balance in your financial life. An increment is on the cards for you. Unexpected events are awaiting you this year. Newly married natives may think about family expansion.



VIRGO

Riddance from the financial crisis is likely. You are bound to get lucky this year. Auspicious time for Students. You'll gain profits from new sources of income.