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DISTRICT 3232




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President's Write up

Hello and greetings to the RCA family! It's wonderful to hear about all the exciting and meaningful events that took place in the month of August. From Independence Day celebrations at Kandigai school to the efforts towards expanding the school infrastructure at both Kandigai and Iyyapanthangal, August was a month filled with progress and community involvement.

The installation of the Interact School at Govt. Higher Secondary School Iyappanthangal was indeed a significant moment, further strengthening the bonds of collaboration between RCA and the local community. Initiatives like "Sweet the Sweepers" and distributing canes to visually challenged ladies exemplify our dedication to acknowledging and supporting individuals whose essential contributions are frequently overlooked.

The One Family One Project activities for eye surgeries and artificial limbs highlight RCA's dedication to making a positive impact on people's lives. It's also great to hear about the engaging speaker meetings and the celebration of Friendship Day during the month.

As the season of festivals begins, I extend warm wishes to all members of the RCA family. May this season bring you happiness, good health, peace, and prosperity. Keep up the fantastic work, and may your efforts continue to make a positive difference in the lives of those you touch.



Editor's Write up

Welcome to the August edition of our bulletin! As we savor the final days of summer, it's a pleasure to recap the remarkable moments and achievements that have defined this past month.

I hope the bulletin continues to bring enjoyment to you and the RCA family, fulfilling its role in informing, entertaining, and fostering community communication and pride in publishing achievements and updates.

As we transition into the festive season, we extend our wishes for continued unity, well-being, and joy. May our community flourish, reveling in the festivities to the fullest, with heartfelt gratitude to our generous sponsors.

Happy Reading!!



Rotary International News

RC Colombo West gets medicines from India.

In the midst of a severe economic crisis in Sri Lanka, the country was facing a shortage of foreign currency reserves, making it difficult to import essential goods such as food, fuel, and medicines. Recognizing the urgent need for assistance, DGE Jerome Rajendram received a plea for help from the Ministry of Health and the National Hospital of Sri Lanka in Colombo.

In response to this request, Rajendram took swift action and reached out to Rotary clubs in India for support. PDG Dr. EK Sagadhevan and RC Erode Central, part of RID 3203, readily agreed to provide emergency supplies. They arranged for a shipment worth `1 crore in just a matter of days, which included much-needed medicines.

The medicines were handed over to Dr. W K Wickramasinghe, the deputy director-general of health services in Sri Lanka, by RC Colombo West, a Rotary club in RID 3220. This collaborative effort marked the beginning of their community projects for the new Rotary year.



DGE Rajendram, community service director K P Nagarajana, Kapila Mohotti (the club president), and Dr. Ruwan Thushara Matiwalage, along with officials from the National

Hospital of Sri Lanka, expressed their heartfelt gratitude to Rotary India for their timely shipment of essential supplies. This act of solidarity and support showcased the Rotary clubs' commitment to assisting communities in times of need, even beyond their own borders. RID 3220 DGE Jerome K Rajendram (L) handing over medicines given by RC Erode Central to Dr WK Wickramasinghe (fourth from L), Deputy Director General of Health Services at the Colombo National Hospital.

Rotary India News

Rotary gifts for Delhi municipal schools

RC Delhi Lutyens, part of RID 3011, took a significant step in enhancing the infrastructure of five municipal schools in Delhi, investing a total of `9 lakh. To kickstart the new Rotary year, the club generously provided these schools with essential resources, including five water coolers and 100 desks. Additionally, they extended their support to 400 students by distributing lunch boxes.

DG Ashok Kantoor, inaugurating the project, distributed tablets to 27 underprivileged students in the presence of Corporation deputy commissioner Danish Ashrah and the lieutenant governor of Delhi VK Saxena.



DG Ashok Kantoor giving a tablet to a student.

RI District 3232 News

Representation of RCA in the District

As the Vocational Director of RI District 3232, **Rtn. Gopal's** dedication to community safety and education reflects Rotary's core values of promoting high ethical standards in professions and recognizing the value of all occupations as opportunities to serve society.

This past month, Rtn. Gopal has been actively engaged in district activities, including:

- Serving as the chief guest at a corporation school event in Bheemanna Garden Fort Club, where he provided valuable insights and support.
- Acting as the chief guest at the Mount Vocation Centre in Aadhanur, where he likely inspired and motivated individuals to excel in their vocations.
- Participating in the flag hoisting ceremony at the Marina Vocational Centre on Sundaram Road, demonstrating his commitment to community involvement.
- Leading a team that successfully organized the first job fair of this Rotary year, featuring the participation of 58 companies and nearly 500 candidates.

This event resulted in the issuance of 60 offer letters, highlighting the positive impact of Rotary's vocational initiatives.

Rtn. Gopal's multifaceted contributions underscore his dedication to Rotary's mission and the improvement of the community. His efforts serve as an inspiration to others and exemplify the principles of Rotary in action. 🙏👏



RCA News

It's truly inspiring to learn about the **Women Empowerment Project** led by **Ann. Chitra Thiagarajan** as the first initiative of the Hope year. The distribution of canes to visually challenged ladies at Satyajothi Little Flower Convent in T Nagar stands as a meaningful and impactful gesture.

These canes not only enhance the mobility and independence of visually challenged women but also empower them to navigate their surroundings with confidence. Furthermore, the effort to teach them how to effectively use the canes adds an additional layer of support and care.

This project not only champions women's empowerment but also emphasizes the importance of inclusivity and community support for individuals with different abilities. It's a commendable initiative poised to make a significant positive impact on the lives of its beneficiaries. We applaud Ann. Chitra Thiagarajan for her unwavering dedication to this cause and for empowering these women!



The poster features the Rotary Club of Adyar logo and the 'Create Hope' slogan. It includes a graphic of a woman's profile silhouette filled with colorful flowers. The text details the event: 'Invites you all for the first Women Empowerment Project Distribution of Canes & Training for the Visually Challenged Ladies at Satyajothi LITTLE FLOWER CONVENT T.Nagar On 5th AUG 2023 10.30 - 11.30am'. At the bottom, it lists the organizers: Chitra Thiagarajan (Women Empowerment Chair), Rtn. Venkatragava (President), and Rtn. Kumarve (Secretary).

Rotary Club of Adyar **CREATE HOPE** WITH WORDS **ROTARY CLUB OF ADYAR**

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Women Empowerment Project
**Distribution of Canes &
Training for the
Visually Challenged Ladies**
at
Satyajothi
LITTLE FLOWER CONVENT
T.Nagar
On
5th AUG 2023
10.30 - 11.30am

Chitra Thiagarajan Rtn. Venkatragava Rtn. Kumarve
Women Empowerment Chair President Secretary





Interact Installation of Devi Academy

The first Interact installation for this Rotary year took place at Devi Academy on August 3rd. The event was a resounding success, bringing together young individuals to cultivate leadership skills while discovering the transformative power of "Service Above Self."



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ROTARY CLUB OF ADYAR
RI DIST 3232


DEVI ACADEMY
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INVITATION FOR INTERACT INSTALLATION
ON 03RD AUGUST 2 to 3.30 PM

NO 7, ALAPPAKAM ROAD,
VALASARAVAKAM, CHENNAI - 600 087.

CHIEF GUEST - Rtn Dr M S Ravi Varma
DIST CHAIRMAN, YOUTH SERVICES (2023-24) RI DIST 3232.

GUEST OF HONOR - Rtn Venkataraghava
PRESIDENT - RC ADYAR 2023 - 24

RTN. VENKATARAGHAVA **RTN. DR. KUMARAVEL**
PRESIDENT SECRETARY

RTN. PRIASRINIVAS
DIRECTOR YOUTH SERVICE

R. JAYASHANKAR **MR. P. S. DEEPA DEVI** **K. G. UMA MAHESWARI** **G. S. S. JAYARAMA**
CORRESPONDENT PERMANENT TRUSTEE PRINCIPAL TEACHER CO-ORDINATOR





RCA's Interactor's Achievement

Our Interactors from Devi Academy actively participated in a Photography & Short Film Contest to commemorate World Photography Day on August 25th. We are thrilled to announce that our Interactors' video was among the final 5 selections.

Receiving a Certificate of Appreciation for our club's Interactors who took part in the Photography and Short Film contest is a well-deserved acknowledgment of their dedication and creativity. While they didn't secure a prize on this occasion, their participation alone is a significant achievement.

Kudos to our club for consistently supporting and encouraging our Interactors in their creative endeavors. I'm confident that their involvement has equipped them with valuable skills and lasting memories, which will undoubtedly benefit them in the future. Let's continue to nurture their talents and provide them with opportunities to shine! 🌟👏



Independence Day celebrations at Kandigai School

Our 77th Independence Day celebration was truly grand, as it included our customary tradition of Rtn. AKS. Veerramani Sir hosting a delightful breakfast at the Fourrts India Laboratories' headquarters in Thoraipakkam.


Following this, we made a visit to the Kandigai government school, which is proudly sponsored by RCA, near Vandalur. Our primary objectives were to raise the flag in honor of Independence Day and assess how we could further contribute to the school's development.

In fact, this year, RCA has undertaken the ambitious task of constructing two additional classrooms through a CSR grant generously provided by Fourrts India. The necessary paperwork is currently in progress, and we anticipate the commencement of the project soon.

It's equally important to reflect on our journey with the school. We initially started with fewer than 100 students, and today, the enrollment has exceeded 650. As part of our celebration, our president's thoughtful gesture of donating biscuits to the schoolchildren added a heartwarming touch to the event. Acts of generosity like this have the power to bring immense joy and smiles to these young students, making the day even more special for them. Furthermore, RCA donated five sets of tables and chairs to the school, thanks to contributions from our generous members. These were formally handed over to the school's principal.

The students at the school treated us to a brilliant showcase of their talents, featuring captivating dance performances and engaging drama skits paying tribute to our national historic leaders. These celebrations not only mark the historic occasion but also nurture a sense of unity and patriotism within the community.

As we headed back home, filled with pride and appreciation for the blossoming talents of these young minds, we reflected on a meaningful Independence Day celebration that left a lasting impact on all of us.



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Rotary Club of Adyar
Club No. 22785 District: 3232

CORDIALLY INVITES YOU FOR OUR
INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION @
OUR KANDIGAI SCHOOL, VANDALUR,
CHENNAI

AUGUST 15TH, 2023
FLAG HOISTING @ 9.30AM

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Breakfast
@ 7.30 am

CORPORATE OFFICE
FOURRTS INDIA LABORATORIES PVT.LIMITED
-1, FOURRTS AVENUE, ANNAI INDIRA NAGAR,
OKKIYAM THORAIPAKKAM, CHENNAI.





Speaker Meeting

1st speaker meeting

It's truly heartwarming to learn that Rtn. Sharmila's talk was not only refreshing but also deeply inspiring, managing to captivate every member of the audience. When a speaker can forge such a personal and meaningful connection with their listeners, it leaves a lasting impact and fosters a sense of unity within the group.

Moreover, it's remarkable to witness the trust and willingness to share personal and sometimes uncomfortable experiences among the RCA family. This openness and vulnerability can lead to profound connections and a deeper understanding among members.


Utilizing these shared experiences to guide and support the younger generation you touch is a commendable way to pay it forward and create a positive impact on the next cohort. It serves as a testament to the caring and supportive community you've cultivated within your organization. Keep up the outstanding work in nurturing connections, sharing experiences, and inspiring positive change! 🌟👏🙏

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Speaker : Dr. Sharmila Anand,
MBBS,MD,M.Phil,MBA(USA)




TOPIC :
I miss understood- Inspiring youngsters

1st August 2023, Tuesday 6.30 PM
Hotel Savera, Mylapore, Chennai.


Rtn. VENKATARAGHAVA ANNAPRAGADA President
RTN. DR. M. KUMARAVEL Secretary
RTN. KANNAN PARAMASIVAM Director - Club Services



2nd speaker meeting – 22nd August

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Dr. R. Sivakumar M.D
(Ayurveda) MBA (Hosp.Mgmt),
Director, Chennai Heritage Hospitals

TOPIC :
Diabetes - 21st century war

22nd August 2023, Tuesday 6.30 PM
Hotel Savera, Mylapore, Chennai.

Rtn. VENKATARAGHAVA ANNAPRAGADA President
RTN. DR. M. KUMARAVEL Secretary
RTN. KANNAN PARAMASIVAM Director - Club Services



Fellowship

Kudos on the resounding success of our RCA August Fellowship, themed around 'FRIENDSHIP'! The creative costumes added a delightful touch to the event, fostering stronger bonds among our members.

Activities like ramp walks and the 'Best Fri-ple (friend couple) jodi' contest undoubtedly created a lively and enjoyable atmosphere, making the fellowship truly memorable. The combination of fun activities, games, and delicious food made for a perfect evening of camaraderie.

A heartfelt thank you to the host team for their hard work and dedication in organizing this wonderful event. It's evident that the fellowship brought joy and unity to our RCA community, setting a positive tone for the year ahead. Here's to more successful fellowships and shared moments in 2023! 🎉🥰👏







Board Meeting

The second board meeting of the Rotary year was held at the Boat Club on August 18th, which was kindly hosted by Rtn. Senthilnathan.



ROTARY CLUB OF ADYAR



Join the August Board meeting

Date : 18th August 2023 (Friday)
Time : 6.45 PM
Venue : Boat Club
R.A.Puram
Chennai.
Host : Rtn.Senthilnathan

Rtn. Venkateshvara
Annaprasada
President

Rtn. Dr. Kumaravel
Secretary

Rtn. Kannan Paramasivan
Club Service



Ann's Achievement


Congratulations to **Ann. Dr. Shruti Nishanth** on the successful publication of her poetry book, "Still, Life"! Crafting and publishing a collection of poems is a remarkable achievement, showcasing her boundless creativity and undeniable talent. Poetry possesses the unique ability to touch hearts, convey emotions, and inspire, making her book likely to deeply resonate with a wide range of readers. You can find her work available on Amazon through the link below.

Still, Life - <https://amzn.eu/d/aXt9RBC>

Annette's Corner



Artwork by **Annette. Shravann Suraj** S/O Rtn. PHF. Archana Suraj.



Night Sky: A poem

by **Annette. Sharvalakshana** D/O Rtn. Karthikeyan:

On the narrowest of isles was an exuberant castle,
There, gleaning at the stars, stayed with the princess for hours.
Exorbitant constellations were formed amidst the indigo sky.
Dreaming about this eternal immensity, she stood calm, resilient and tranquil.


Sweet the Sweeper - Ann. Mahalakshmi (Annettes club chairperson)

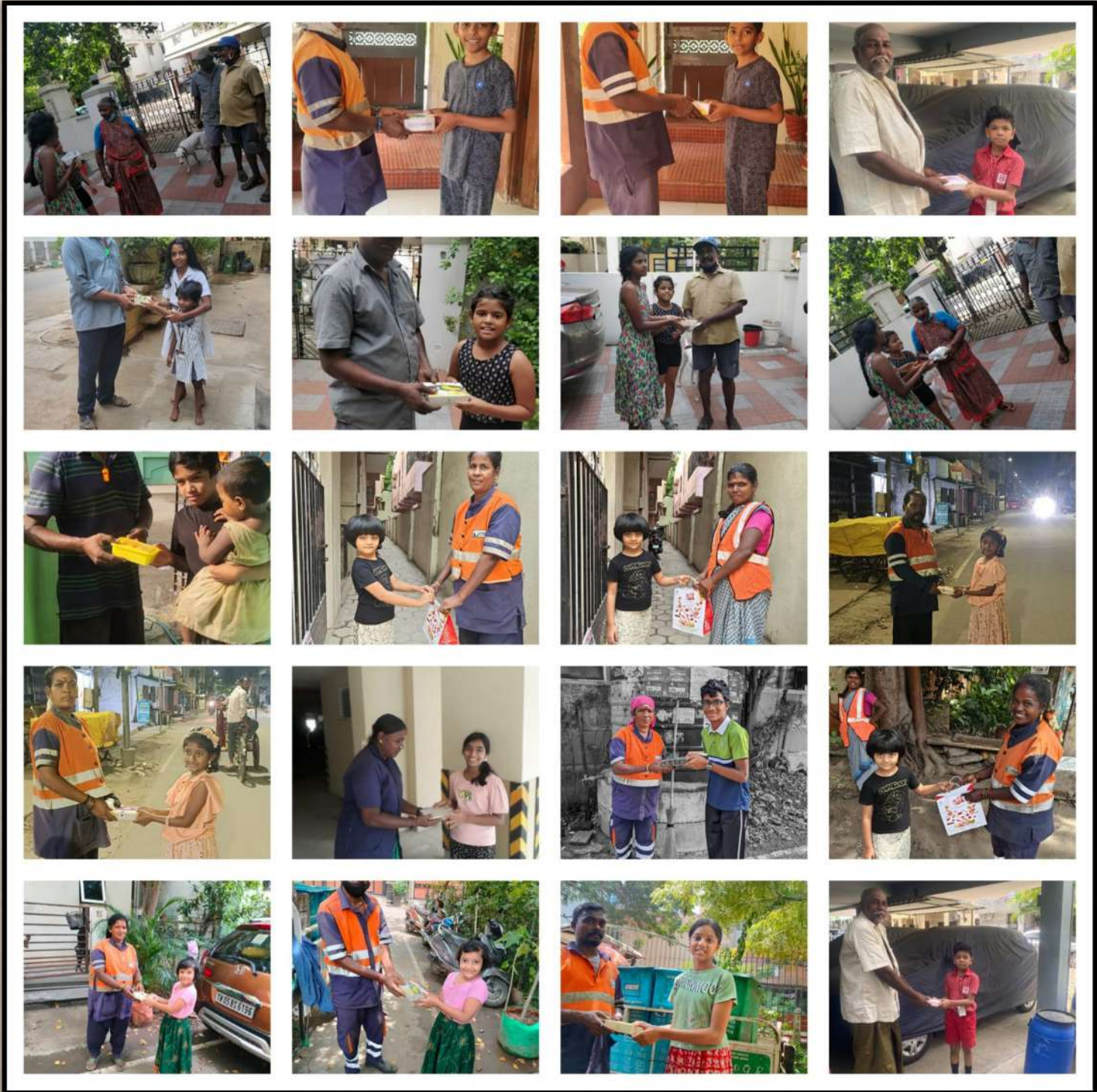
I'm thrilled to introduce 'Sweet the Sweepers,' a community initiative close to my heart. This project aims to recognize and honor the often-overlooked contributions of our city's street sweepers. These individuals play a pivotal role in maintaining clean and healthy neighborhoods.

Our goal with 'Sweet the Sweepers' is to raise awareness about their invaluable service and foster a sense of pride in their work. Special recognition goes to the Annettes of our club, their parents, Rotarians, and Ann supporters for championing and dedicating time to this initiative. Their efforts in collecting sweets and volunteering are commendable.

The kids' enthusiasm and happiness during this initiative were evident as they shared tokens of appreciation. Together, we stand united in honoring these unsung heroes and instilling a sense of service and compassion in our young generation.

By shedding light on the work of street sweepers, we hope to inspire a culture of sharing, caring, and community service. Together, we can make a significant impact on their lives and the cleanliness of our city.





Annette's Day Out

The Parle G factory visit was a remarkable success. It provided a captivating glimpse into the intricate processes behind the production of one of India's cherished biscuits. Exploring the manufacturing and quality control measures of Parle G biscuits deepened the Annettes' appreciation for this iconic brand. Witnessing the dedication and effort that goes into crafting these tasty treats left us with an enriched understanding of the industry. Factory visits like these offer valuable insights into the world of production and create lasting memories. It was indeed an informative and fascinating experience that strengthened their connection with a beloved product.



Meetings held in the month of August

Sr. No.	Meeting Type	Date	Title
1	Regular	1st Aug	Speaker Meeting: Dr. Sharmila Anand Topic- I misunderstood - inspiring youngsters
2	Regular	3rd Aug	RC Adyar- Devi Academy interact installation
3	Trust	15th Aug	RC Adyar Independence Day celebration
4	BOD	18th Aug	RC Adyar -2nd Board meeting 2023-24
5	Regular	22nd Aug	RC Adyar - 2nd speaker meeting
6	Fellowship	26th Aug	RC Adyar 1st fellowship

Wedding Anniversaries



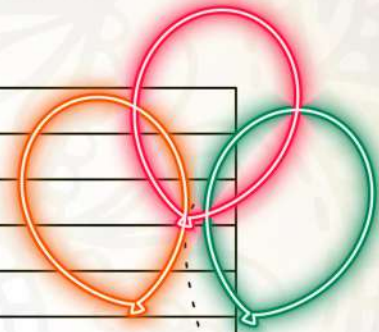
01-Sep	Rtn. Sundarrajan N & Ann.Vidhya Sundarraajan
12-Sep	Rtn.D N Ragavan & Ann.Dr Meera Ragavan
15-Sep	RTN.PHF. T. Karunakaran & Ann.G. Arulselvi



Birthday Celebrations

HAPPY
Birthday

05-Sep	Annette. Abhijith	S/O Rtn.R. Senthil nathan
06-Sep	Rtn. S Anitha	
06-Sep	Ann. S. Mahalakshmi	W/O Rtn. Karthikeyan
07-Sep	Ann. Archana Kanthan	W/O Rtn.M E Boopathiraja
09-Sep	Annette. Vyomika Ajay	D/O Rtn.Ar Ajay Kumar D
09-Sep	Annette. Kavitha Arumugam	D/O Rtn. Kannan Arumugam
10-Sep	Ann.Sunithaa	W/O Rtn.R. Senthil nathan
11-Sep	Annette. Aurelia Laurette Prem	D/O Rtn. PHF Dr. Prem Alex Lawrence
11-Sep	Ann.Rajeswari	W/O Rtn. Krishnan S
12-Sep	Ann. R.K. Mahalakshmi	W/O Rtn. M. Saravanan
14-Sep	Rtn. M. Saravanan	
15-Sep	Rtn. PHF Jayaseelan J	
15-Sep	Annette. K. Rajkumar	S/O Rtn. Kannan P
19-Sep	RTN.PHF.S SIVA	
20-Sep	Annette. S Gowrhi	D/O Rtn.S Sanjeevirajan
23-Sep	Annette. S. VIPIN BALAJI	S/O Rtn. PHF Subash N P
23-Sep	Annette. Maanasa Rajan	D/O Rtn.PHF. Vittal Rajan R
24-Sep	Rtn. D. Premnath	
26-Sep	Ann.Aruna Annapragada	W/O Rtn. Venkata Raghava Annapragada
28-Sep	Ann.Kiruuthika	W/O Rtn. PHF. T. Sathish
29-Sep	Rtn.S Sanjeevirajan	



Service Projects

Sr. No.	Date	Title	Area of Focus	Category	Subcategory	Cost	Direct Beneficiaries	Man Hours	Rotarians Involved	Service Name
1	5th Aug	RC Adyar - distribution of Canes and Training for the Visually challenged ladies	Community Economic Development	Rehabilitation	Rebuilding of other community structures	15000	50	14	7	Community Service
2	12th Aug	One family one project Rtn Venkatraghava Annapragada donated to M. N. Eye Hospital for one Cataract surgery.	Disease Prevention and Treatment	Eye Surgeries	Running Existing Surgeries	5000	1	1	1	Community Service
3	21st Aug	One family One project	Disease Prevention and Treatment	Eye Surgeries	Cataract	5000	1	2	1	Community Service
4	27th Aug	One family One project	Disease Prevention and Treatment	Artificial Limbs	Legs	5000	1	2	1	Community Service

Agenda for the month of September

- Speaker Meeting : 12th September
 Board Meeting : 15th September
 School Quiz : 26th September
 Fellowship : 30th September

Chandrayaan-3

Unveiling the Essential Details

CHANDRAYAAN 3

India's 3rd lunar mission; a successful attempt at achieving a soft landing on lunar south

BRIEF HISTORY

Lunar Mission	Aim	Launch Vehicle	Success
Chandrayaan 1 (2008)	Create a 3D atlas of moon & Mineralogical mapping	PSLV - C11	Detection of water and hydroxyl on lunar surface
Chandrayaan 2 (2019)	Exploring lunar south pole	GSLV MkIII-M1	Lander and rover crashed but orbiter successfully collected data

COMPONENTS

- Lander - **Vikram**; Rover - **Pragyan** (same as Chandrayaan 2)
 - ▶ Both designed to last for 14 days; not supposed to come back to the earth
- Spectro-polarimetry of Habitable Planet Earth (**SHAPE**)
 - ▶ An experimental payload in propulsion module
 - ▶ Study spectro-polarimetric signatures of Earth (near-infrared wavelength range)

ASPECTS TO STUDY

- Lunar quakes
- Thermal properties of lunar surface
- Changes in plasma near the surface
- Accurately measuring distance b/w Earth and the moon

MISSION LIFE

- 1 lunar day (~14 Earth days)

LAUNCH VEHICLE

- LVM3 - M4

India became the 1st country to successfully land on Lunar south pole and 4th to achieve soft-landing on Lunar surface (after US, Russia and China)

Why Chandrayaan 3 Succeeded?

- A "failure-based design", unlike the "success-based design" of Chandrayaan-2
 - ▶ Even if all the sensors failed and engines stopped, **Vikram was sure to make the landing**
 - ▶ Provision of **multiple attempts** for landing if attempt 1 failed
- Developed accordingly to **rule out the scenario of crash landing**
 - ▶ Expanded landing area for more flexibility to land safely
 - ▶ Equipped with more fuel to enable longer-distance travel

Importance of Lunar South Pole

- Vastly different, more **challenging terrain** compared to lunar equatorial region
- Potential repositories of valuable **information about early Solar System**
- Impact **future deep space exploration** significantly
- **Water may be concentrated** in the moon's southern hemisphere



