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SPEAKER OF THE DAY

Niraj Kakkad



Niraj Kakkad, B.Com (Hons) from Calcutta University and a XLRI Alumni is known for his excellence and expertise in wealth management. He has a deep interest and dedication to understanding financial markets, investments, and strategies to help individuals or organizations grow and protect their wealth.

Prior to his entrepreneurial journey, he worked with Standard Chartered Mutual Fund and HDFC Mutual Fund businesses where he was responsible for business development along with training Bank employees and Distribution teams. He set up his own Mutual Fund Distribution Company called Imperial Wealth 9 years ago. Imperial Wealth is presently handling a portfolio more than 400 crores from over 250 clients.

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His organisation has been recognised both nationally and internationally for helping others achieve their financial goals and thrive on the analytical and strategic challenges the field presents. His mission is to create and maximise wealth opportunities for his clients both at home and abroad.

Report on 105th Installation Meeting at Taj Bengal on 6th July 2024

Rotary Club of Calcutta celebrated its 105th installation ceremony on Saturday, July 6th, 2024, at 5 PM in the elegant Crystal Room at the Taj Bengal. The event began with a warm welcome from emcee Rtn. Malika Mukerji Sarkar. Past President Rtn. Kanak Dutt initiated the meeting and asked Rtn. Shampa Ghose to lead the National Anthem. He confirmed the minutes of the 4947th meeting from June 30th, 2024, then welcomed the Chief Guest, Ms. Alokanda Roy, and the Guest of Honour, District Governor 2024-25 AKS Rtn. Dr. Krishnendu Gupta, along with Dr. Simran Gupta. The Assistant Governor, Rtn. Dr. Siddhartha Chakraborty, and Zonal Secretary, Rtn. Apurba Barman, were also welcomed. The BK Rohatgi Award for Rotarian Par Excellence 2023-24 was presented to AKS Rtn. Dr. Sourabh Khemani for his outstanding contributions.

Past President Rtn. Kanak Dutt gave a heartfelt handover speech and a presentation on the club's achievements over the past year. He then introduced the new President, Rtn. Subrata De, for the Rotary Year 2024-25, with the formal transfer of the collar, hammer, gavel, and Charter, followed by the installation of the new board members. A plant was handed to the First Lady of the Club, R-Ann Dr. Ivy De. The emcee invited the dignitaries on stage to light the auspicious lamp, followed by Ganesh Vandana.

District Governor Dr. Krishnendu Gupta delivered an inspiring address, encouraging the club's continued impactful community work. Club Secretary Rtn. Suman Chakraborty then addressed members, wished birthdays



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and anniversaries, confirmed the minutes of the last meeting, announced upcoming meeting dates, and requested members' attendance. A dance performance by Rtn. Amita Dutta's group followed, and the President presented her with a token of appreciation.

The event included the launch of the Club Roster for 2024-25 and the Mobile Cancer Detection and Prevention unit, and the Rotary Balananda Dialysis Centre, initiated by Past President Rtn. Kanak Dutt and to be implemented by current President Rtn. Subrata De, who also addressed the audience. Chief Guest Ms. Alokandara Roy shared inspiring moments from her social work and received a token of appreciation from the President. The evening concluded with a vote of thanks from President Elect 2025-26, Dr. Debnath Chattopadhyay, expressing gratitude to all attendees and supporters, marking the event with camaraderie and a renewed commitment to service in the true spirit of Rotary.





Vision for All - 1st Eye Camp

Rotary Club of Calcutta started its Mega Project of 50 EYE Check up Camps in this Rotary Year 2024-25 with a target of 10000 beneficiaries.

In these camps, EYE Check ups will be done with distribution of Free Spectacles with power and Cataract operations will be done.

The first camp was inaugurated by our President Rtn. Subrata De by lighting of the Lamp and he was accompanied by Rtn. Ravindra Khandelwal Community Chair, Rtn. Arindam Roy Chowdhury (Special Projects Chair) and Rtn. Ruchika Majumder and spouse Surendranath Majumdar. The camp was operated by Kataganj Ramkrishna Vivekandanda Seva Samity (KRVSS). The club launched this project on Doctors Day, in honour of Late Dr. B.C. Roy.



SPEAKER OF THE DAY**MR. NIRAJ KAKKAD****A HANDS – ON WORKSHOP**

Rotary Club of Calcutta and Rotary Club of Calcutta Labanhard will jointly organise a Workshop on “Navigating Attention Deficit Challenges for Success” on Wednesday, 24th July, 2024 11 a.m. onwards at Rotary Sadan. You are requested to make a note of it and attend.

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, 23rd July, 2024 at 1.30 p.m./Lunch at 1 p.m.
Speaker : Mrs. Nandini Choudhuri

CLASSIFICATION SURVEY - 2024-25

To facilitate the ongoing Annual Classification Survey, members are requested to kindly suggest any new Classification to be opened in line with new and emerging professions and disciplines by 16th August, 2024. For any change in their own classification, members may write with reasons for change for consideration of the Classification Committee and the Board urgently, but not later than 16th August, 2024.

From Rtn. HIRAK RAY, Chairman, Membership, Attendance, Family of Rotary & Green Badgers Committee 2024-25

RESIGNATION

The Board at its meeting held on 24th June 2024, accepted Resignations of Rtn. Debjani Ghosh, Rtn. Deepak Agarwala and Rtn. Bhaskar Mukherjee with effect from 30.06.2024

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24 JULY, 2024 | WEDNESDAY | 11 AM

Participants : Students from Vernacular Schools & Interact Clubs

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FORTHCOMING MEETINGS / EVENTS IN THE MONTH OF JUNE 2024

| Day & Date | Programmes | Timing and Venue |
|----------------------------|--|---|
| Monday 22nd July, 2024 | 1st Meeting of the Board of Directors (2024-25) | 6.30 p.m. Rotary Sadan, Board Room (1st floor) |
| Tuesday 23rd July, 2024 | Regular Weekly Meeting Speaker : Mrs. Nandini Choudhuri | 1.30 p.m. preceded by Lunch at Rotary Sadan (2nd floor) |
| Tuesday 30th July, 2024 | Regular Weekly Meeting | 1.30 p.m. preceded by Lunch at Rotary Sadan (2nd floor) |

MINUTES OF THE 105TH INSTALLATION MEETING HELD ON 6TH JULY, 2024 AT THE TAJ BENGAL HOTEL AT 5.30 P.M.

1. President (2023-24), Rtn. Kanak Dutt welcomed all Members and Guests and called the 4948th Regular Weekly Meeting of the Club to order.
2. At the request of the President, Rtn. Shampa Ghose led the National Anthem.
3. The Minutes of the 4947th meeting of the Club held on 30th June, 2024 at Rotary Sadan were confirmed.
4. President (2023-24) then welcomed the Guest of Honour Dist. Governor, AKS Rtn Dr. Krishendu Gupta and Special Guest Ms. Alokandanda Roy, all PDGs, Dist. Officials, Members, R-Anns and Guests.
5. President (2023-24) Rtn Kanak Dutt then announced that AKS Rtn. Dr. Sourabh Khemani was nominated for the B K Rohatgi Award of the Rotarian Par Excellence for the Rotary year 2023-24 and requested DG AKS Rtn Dr. Krishendu Gupta to hand over the award to Rtn. Dr. Khemani. He also announced the name of Rtn. Arindam Roychowdhury as Rotarian of the year 2023-24 and Special recognition to Rtn. Satarupa Ghosh Mukherjee for the Rotary year 2023-24 and handed over the mementoes to them along with DG AKS Rtn Dr. Krishendu Gupta.
6. After that, the President (2023-24) Rtn Kanak Dutt gave his presentation speech sharing notable achievements during the Rotary year 2023-24.
7. President (2023-24) Rtn. Kanak Dutt then installed as President for Rotary year 2024-25, Rtn. Subrata De and handed over the Club Charter, President's Collar, Hammer and Gavel in presence of Dist. Governor AKS Rtn Dr. Krishendu Gupta. President (2023-24), Rtn Kanak Dutt then welcomed R- Ann Dr. Ivy De, First Lady of the Club and handed over a gift to her.
8. Inauguration lamp was lit by the Guest of Honour, Dist. Governor AKS Rtn Dr. Krishendu Gupta, Special Guest Ms. Alokandanda Roy, Immediate Past President Rtn. Kanak Dutt, President (2024-25) Rtn. Subrata De, President Elect Rtn. Dr. Debnath Chattopadhyay along with Master of Ceremonies Rtn Malika Mukherji Sarkar and Installation Committee Chair, Rtn Anand Sharma.
9. President Rtn Subrata De welcomed Guest of Honour, Dist. Governor AKS Rtn Dr. Krishendu Gupta and Special Guest Ms. Alokandanda Roy, all PDGs Dist. Officials, R-Anns, Members and Guests. President Rtn Subrata De also welcomed First Lady of the District R-Ann Dr. Simran Gupta.
10. President Rtn. Subrata De felicitated the IPP Rtn. Kanak Dutt with a Silver Salver and the immediate Past Secretary Rtn Sarvani Gooptu was felicitated by Hony. Secretary Rtn. Suman Chakraborty, for their outstanding services to the Club in the Rotary year 2023-24. R-Ann Pranati Dutt, First Lady of the Club 2023-24 and Rtn. Pradeep Gooptu, spouse of Hony. Secretary (2023-24) were felicitated by R-Ann Ivy De and R-Ann Sakhi respectively.
11. At the request of the President, Dist. Governor AKS Rtn Dr. Krishendu Gupta addressed the audience.
12. President, Rtn. Subrata De handed over a cheque for Rs 83,000/- as contribution to Rotary Foundation India received from Rtn. Tapan Basu. On behalf of the Club, President thanked Rtn. Tapan Basu for his contribution.
13. On behalf of the Club, President, Rtn. Subrata De presented a memento to Dist. Governor, AKS Rtn Dr. Krishendu Gupta and presented a plant to R-Ann Dr. Simran Gupta.
14. President, Rtn. Subrata De introduced the members of the Board and the Committee Chair Persons for the Rotary year 2024-25.
15. At the request of the President, Rtn Arindam Roychowdhury showed the welcome address by RI President (2024-25) Rtn Stephanie Urchick which was displayed on the LED Screen where she conveyed greetings to the new President. There was a slide show about the upcoming Projects of the Club for the Rotary year 2024-25.
16. President then gave his Inaugural address to the gathering and presented his Mission and Vision for the Rotary year 2024-25 and requested all members to support him during the year.
17. At the request of the President, Hony. Secretary Suman Chakraborty conducted the Club business.
18. At the request of the President, Rtn Amita Dutt introduced her troupe Ananda Chandrika who performed an invocation. On behalf of the Club, President presented gifts to the performers as token of appreciation.
19. At the request of the President, Special Guest, Ms. Alokandanda Roy launched Members' Roster of the Club for the Rotary year 2024-25.
20. At the request of the President, Ms. Alokandanda Roy addressed the audience after which President presented a token of appreciation to Ms. Alokandanda Roy.
21. President then announced the start of the project Rotary Dialysis Centre and signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Balananda Brahmachari Hospital at Behala. The total cost of the project has been donated by PP Rtn. Vikram Somany, of Cera Sanitaryware Ltd. On behalf of the Club, President thanked PP Rtn. Vikram Somany for his donation.
22. At the request of the President, Rtn. Dr. Chandreyee Das proposed a Toast to the Ladies which was replied to by Rtn. Pradeep Gooptu. Rtn Dr. Chandreyee Das was felicitated by President and Rtn. Pradeep Gooptu was felicitated by Hony. Secretary.
23. At the request of the President, the President-Elect Rtn Dr. Debnath Chattopadhyay offered a Vote of Thanks on behalf of the Club.
24. The President announced the Sunshine Box Collection is Rs. 28,500/- (Rupees Twenty Eight Thousand Five Hundred Only).
25. President raised Toast to the President of India.
26. The Club remembered with good wishes Rotary Club of McMurray, Pennsylvania RI Dist. 7305, home Club of RI President 2024-25.
27. President then requested all present to join for Fellowship and Dinner.
28. Meeting was adjourned at 8.10 p.m.

Subrata De
President

Suman Chakraborty
Secretary

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