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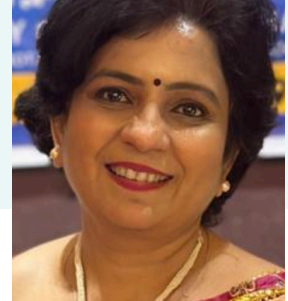
MARCH 2026 ISSUE

## WATER, SANITATION & HYGIENE MONTH



# FROM THE PRESIDENT'S CHAIR:

**MONA SHAH**  
**PRESIDENT, 2025-2026.**



Greetings!

Dear Rotarians,

As we step into the month of April, we move closer to the culmination of a remarkable Rotary year. It is a time to reflect on our journey, celebrate our achievements, and renew our commitment to service above self.

Over the past months, our club has actively worked towards making a meaningful impact in the community—be it through healthcare initiatives, Donation of infant Ventilator, District 3240 Egg cart Distribution, CSR project of waste management at Sohra. etc. Each project reflects our shared vision and the strength of our teamwork.

April gives us an opportunity to strengthen our ongoing efforts and ensure that we finish this Rotary year on a high note. Let us continue to participate wholeheartedly in all upcoming projects and meetings, supporting one another and upholding the true spirit of Rotary.

I sincerely thank each member for their dedication, enthusiasm, and unwavering support. Your contribution, big or small, has made a difference.

Let us move forward with renewed energy and passion, making every effort count. Together, let's continue to serve, inspire, and create lasting change.

# FROM THE SECRETARY'S CHAIR:

**DEVARATI ROY**  
**SECRETARY, 2025-2026.**



Water and sanitation are crucial for human health and dignity. In India access to clean water and proper sanitation is a significant concern.

Clean water and sanitation are game-changers for public health, economic growth, and overall well-being. Some key benefits include:

- Reduced waterborne diseases like cholera and diarrhea
- Improved health and productivity and many more.
- Rural areas in India often face unique challenges like:
  - Limited access to piped water supply
  - Inadequate sanitation facilities,
  - Water scarcity due to irregular rainfall and groundwater depletion
  - Poor waste management infrastructure

These issues impact health, education, and economic development.

Rotary International has been actively working on water and sanitation projects in India, focusing on:

- Providing safe drinking water
- Improving sanitation facilities, especially in schools
- Promoting hygiene practices
- Community-led total sanitation initiative

Their efforts have made a significant impact in many rural areas.

With water sanitation and hygiene as the lead project this month, many other projects were also successfully done by our Club as follows

1. Construction of Boring Water
  2. Deworming initiative
  3. EndPlastic and Save Earth
  4. Free Cataract surgeries
  5. Felicitation for Human Milk donation
  6. Gift distribution for elderly people
  7. Annadaan Mahadan.
  8. The biggest Project .... Donation of Non Invasive Ventilator (CPAP) for New Born by our Club and R C Ghy LuitTrust, on the 28th of March in memory of Lt Prabinbhai Shah, Father of Rtn Asish Shah.
- As we come to the end of this month, we believe to continue with more new projects next month for the benefit of Society.

# Water, Sanitation & Hygiene Month in Action

01.03.26



Marking March as Water, Sanitation & Hygiene Month, the Rotary Club of Guwahati Luit successfully undertook a **boring (water supply) project in Karbi Anglong, Assam**, ensuring access to clean and safe water for the community.

A special note of gratitude to **Rtn. Pramod Begani** for his initiative and for ensuring the smooth execution of the project.

This effort reflects Rotary's motto, "**Service Above Self,**" and our continued commitment to delivering meaningful and sustainable service to communities in need.

# Cataract Surgery

01.03.26



Continuing its commitment to community service, Rotary Guwahati Luit facilitated **8 free cataract surgeries** this week for patients identified from eye camps in **GojaiGaon**, along with 1 patient from Guwahati, taking the yearly total to **28 successful surgeries**.

All procedures and follow-ups were completed smoothly. Heartfelt thanks to Project Chair **Raja Gohain**, **Pawan Golchha**, and **Moushumi Rudra** for their dedication, and special appreciation to Dr. Pankaj Baru and the KGMG team for their excellent care and support.

**A clearer tomorrow begins today.**

03.03.26

## Deworming Initiative



Rotary Club of Guwahati Luit successfully conducted a **Deworming Initiative** at the **Jalaram Temple** area, distributing medicines to parents along with guidance on proper dosage and precautions.

The team also raised awareness on the importance of regular deworming for better digestion, improved immunity, prevention of infections, and healthy growth in children.

This initiative reflects our commitment to community health and preventive care, ensuring a healthier future for the younger generation.

**Healthy children, stronger tomorrow.**

# International Women's Day Celebration

08.03.26



The Rotary Club of Guwahati Luit celebrated **International Women's Day** (8th March) with the women of **RCC, Harijan Basti, Solapara**, honouring their strength, resilience, and contributions to the community.

The celebration included a cake-cutting ceremony, interaction, and refreshments, creating a warm and joyful atmosphere. Members spent meaningful time with the women, acknowledging their vital role in building strong families and communities.

The event reflected Rotary's commitment to **women empowerment and community bonding**, truly embodying the spirit of Service Above Self.

**Every woman deserves recognition.**



## End-Plastic & Hygiene Initiative

RC Guwahati Luit conducted an End-Plastic & Hygiene Initiative at its Vocational Training Centre, Jalaram Temple, Garchuk, where **reusable cloth menstrual pads and cloth bags** were distributed to women.

Members also created awareness on the harmful effects of plastic on health and the environment, encouraging the use of **eco-friendly alternatives** such as cloth bags and reusable menstrual pads.

This initiative marked a step towards **women's hygiene awareness** and promoting a **cleaner, plastic-free environment**.

**Small changes, lasting impact.**





## Honouring the Gift of Life



The Rotary Club of Guwahati Luit felicitated the noble women who selflessly donate breast milk to the **KGMT Milk Bank**, supporting infants who are unable to receive their mother's milk.

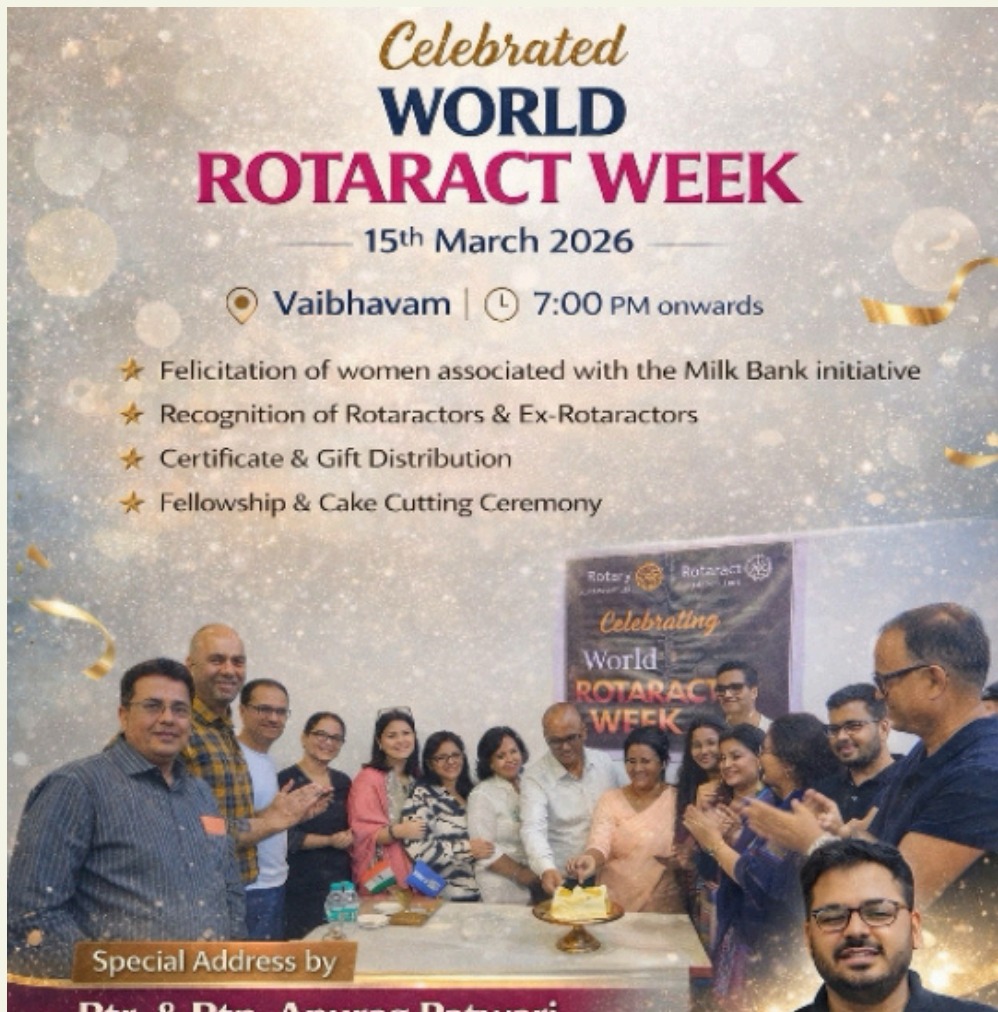
These inspiring women were invited to a club meeting and honoured with certificates and small tokens of appreciation, followed by snacks and dinner as a gesture of gratitude. **Rtn.Samta Golchha** shared an insightful presentation on the impact of the milk bank, while **Rtn.Pawan Golchha** sponsored gifts and spoke on the importance of such humanitarian efforts.

It was a truly heartwarming program, with the women deeply touched by the recognition of their life-saving contribution.

**The purest form of giving – the gift of life.**

# International Rotaract Week Celebration

15.03.26



The Rotary Club of Guwahati Luit celebrated **International Rotaract Week** with a special program, felicitating women who generously donate milk to the **KGMT Milk Bank** for their noble contribution. They were honoured with certificates and gifts in appreciation of their service.

The celebration included a cake-cutting ceremony with Rotaractor **Anurag Patwari** and ex-Rotaract members. Anurag shared valuable insights on the role of Rotaractors, emphasizing their dedication to service and the importance of collaboration with Rotarians for greater community impact.

His inspiring experiences and perspective on leadership left a lasting impression. The event concluded on a joyful note, making it a truly meaningful celebration.

**Young leaders. Powerful impact.**



## Celebrating Fellowship & Togetherness

Members of the Rotary Club of Guwahati Luit enjoyed a delightful fellowship, generously sponsored by **Rtn. Pranjal Mena and Rtn. Sabita Tamuli** on the joyous occasion of their **30th wedding anniversary**.

Following the regular meeting and club assembly, members gathered for a warm fellowship lunch at Vaibhavam, enjoying a spread of delicious dishes. The celebration included a cake-cutting ceremony and a lively karaoke session, with performances by Rtn. Rajiv, Rtn. Samta, Rtn. Pawan, and Rtn. Ashish, adding to the festive spirit.

It was a memorable afternoon filled with music, bonding, and camaraderie. The club sincerely thanks the hosts for their warmth and generosity.

**Moments like these make Rotary family special.**

## Annadaan – Mahadaan



The Rotary Club of Guwahati Luit organized a heartfelt service initiative at **Mother's Old Age Home**, combining devotion with service.

The program featured a **soulful ISKCON bhajan session**, creating a peaceful and uplifting atmosphere, followed by **Annadaan (food distribution)** for all residents. The joy and gratitude on their faces made the effort truly meaningful.

This initiative beautifully reflected the spirit of **service, compassion, and humanity**, bringing comfort, smiles, and a sense of belonging to the elderly.

**Food for the body, peace for the soul.**

## Service with Compassion & Sustainability



The Rotary Club of Guwahati Luit organized a heartfelt service initiative at **Mother's Old Age Home**, spreading care and support among the elderly residents.

As part of the project, **utility boxes with essential daily items** were distributed to enhance their comfort and meet basic needs. **Eco-friendly cloth bags** were also provided, promoting environmental awareness and the message to **"Say No to Plastic."**

This initiative was a meaningful blend of **service, compassion, and sustainability**, bringing smiles, dignity, and warmth to the residents.

**Caring for people and the planet.**

## From Skills to Self-Reliance



As part of its commitment to **environmental sustainability and women empowerment**, the Rotary Club of Guwahati Luit initiated a **Cloth Bag Project** to reduce plastic use.

Under this initiative, women are trained and provided with cloth and stitching materials to create eco-friendly bags, supporting the “Say No to Plastic” movement. The project also generates **employment opportunities**, offering fair remuneration and enabling women to achieve financial independence and sustainable livelihoods.

This initiative is a step towards **skill development, economic self-reliance, and a greener future**.

**Empowered women, sustainable future.**

## Vaccination Drive – 8th Batch



The **8th batch of the vaccination drive** was successfully conducted at KGMT, where **14 girls received** their second dose. The session was carried out smoothly under proper medical supervision, ensuring the safety and well-being of all beneficiaries.

This initiative reflects the club's continued commitment to **public health and preventive care**, especially for young girls, contributing towards a healthier and safer community.

**One step closer to a safer future.**





## Official Visit of District Governor

The highlight of the evening was the inspiring address by the District Governor, who shared his vision for Rotary with clarity and purpose. He spoke about the evolving role of Rotary in today's world, emphasizing the importance of impactful service, meaningful community engagement, and strong fellowship within clubs.

His address offered valuable insights into strengthening club initiatives, encouraging innovation, and maintaining consistency in service projects that create lasting change. He also motivated members to continue striving for excellence while upholding Rotary's core values and ethics.

Appreciating the commendable efforts of the club, he acknowledged the dedication and teamwork of its members in carrying out diverse and impactful initiatives throughout the year. His words served as both recognition and inspiration, leaving members energized and committed to taking the club's vision forward with renewed enthusiasm.

## Flu Vaccination Drive for Media Personnel



In a first-of-its-kind initiative, the Rotary Club of Guwahati Luit organized a **Flu Vaccination Drive for media personnel** at **Sanjevani Hospital**, vaccinating around **25 professionals**.

Known for its consistent work in HPV vaccination, this unique step marked a new milestone. The initiative was conducted in recognition of the **media's vital role in spreading awareness and amplifying social impact**.

By prioritizing their health and well-being, the club expressed its gratitude to the media fraternity, making this project both meaningful and impactful.

**A small step to thank the voices of our community.**

# Donation of Infant Ventilator & CPAP Machine

28.03.26



At **Sanjevani Hospital**, an **Infant Ventilator & CPAP machine** was generously donated by **President Mona Shah and Rtn. Ashish Shah** in loving memory of **Late Pravinbhai Shah**.

The event was graced by **District Governor Rtn. Dr. Kameshwar Elangbam** as Chief Guest, with over **60 attendees**, including the Shah family, media representatives, hospital staff, and Rotarians.

This life-saving equipment will significantly strengthen **critical care support for newborns and infants**, enhancing healthcare services. The hospital expressed heartfelt gratitude for this noble gesture.

**A gift of life, in loving memory.**





## HONOURING EXCELLENCE

The Rotary Club of Guwahati Luit proudly felicitated **Chess Grandmaster Mayank Chakraborty** and his mother, recognising his outstanding achievement in the field of chess.

The event was graced by Chief Guest, **District Governor Dr. Kameshwar Elangbam**, whose presence added prestige to the occasion. Inspiring speeches by Mayank and his mother offered valuable insights into their journey, dedication, and perseverance behind this remarkable success.

As a mark of respect and appreciation, the club presented him with a memento, certificate, traditional gamocha, and a special gift.

Held at **Sanjevani Hospital**, the ceremony was a proud and memorable celebration of excellence, hard work, and achievement.

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## EGG CART DISTRIBUTION PROJECT

In association with NECC, Rotary District 3240 undertook a meaningful livelihood initiative by distributing egg carts to beneficiaries. Out of 50 carts allotted to the district, 6 were distributed by the Rotary Club of Guwahati Luit.

The distribution took place on **29th March at Bamuni Maidan** in the presence of the District Governor, NECC officials, and fellow Rotarians.

Each beneficiary received a fully equipped cart along with essential items such as a burner, lamps, casseroles, saucepans, and strainers, enabling them to begin their business immediately.

The initiative is expected to generate a monthly income of approximately ₹20,000 to ₹30,000 for the beneficiaries, promoting self-reliance and financial stability. With Rotary branding on each cart, the project also strengthens public image while creating lasting community impact.



## CSR INITIATIVE FOR HIMA SOHRA

TOWARDS A CLEANER AND SAFER SOHRA

The Rotary Club of Guwahati Luit Trust, with generous support from **Hotel Polo Towers Limited, Shillong and Manor Floatel Limited, Kolkata**, undertook a significant CSR initiative aimed at promoting cleanliness and safety in Sohra.

Key highlights of the project included the **deployment of a Tata 612 tipper truck**, provision of **four Bajaj Pulsar motorbikes**, and installation of **"Keep Sohra Clean"** signage across important locations.

This initiative marks a meaningful step towards **sustainable community development**, reinforcing a collective commitment to preserving the pristine beauty of Sohra.

Together, it is a step forward in ensuring a cleaner, safer, and more responsible environment for all.

Rtn. Pawan Golchha





CELEBRATING  
COLOURS OF  
JOY & LOVE



# A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

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**NILADREE GOHAIN**  
**EDITOR**



This month has been anything but ordinary.

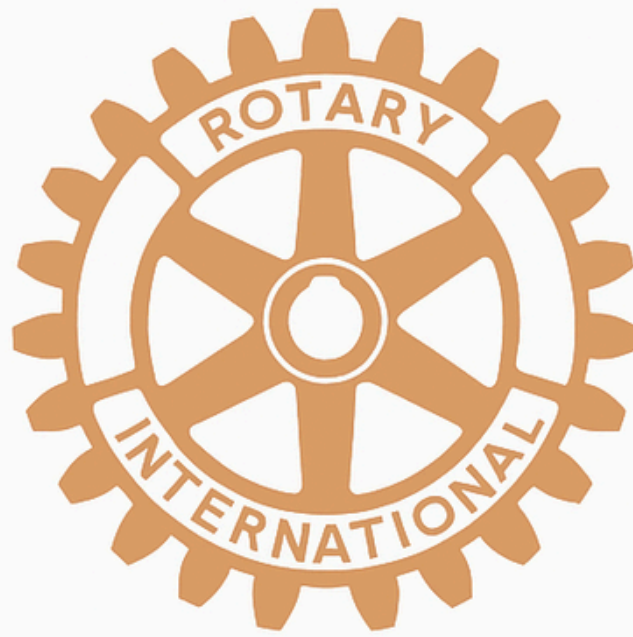
From meaningful community initiatives to moments of recognition and celebration, the Rotary Club of Guwahati Luit has shown a strong sense of purpose in everything it undertakes. What stands out is not just the scale of activities, but the intent behind them thoughtful, people focused, and impactful.

It is encouraging to see these efforts extend beyond the events themselves, sparking conversations through media and within the community.

As you turn these pages, we hope you experience not just the highlights, but the spirit behind them.

Yours in Rotary,  
Niladree Gohain

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- Founded in 1905
- Over 1.4 million members
- 34,000+ clubs worldwide
- Operates worldwide

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