

Rotary
District 3080



Magic makers

Rtn. Stephanie Urchick

President 2024-25
Rotary International

Rtn. Rajpal Singh

District Governor 2024-25
R.I. District 3080

DG'S MONTHLY LETTER | **SEPTEMBER 2024** | VOL 01 ISSUE 02



SEPTEMBER IS BASIC EDUCATION & LITERACY MONTH

अब फिर से मुस्कुराएंगे विकृत चेहरे वाले 26 बच्चे: राजपाल सिंह, डिस्ट्रिक्ट गवर्नर



रोटरी डिस्ट्रिक्ट 3080, के अन्तर्गत रोटरी क्लब सहारनपुर कांटीनेंटल द्वारा वर्ष 2011 से कटे फटे होठों वाले बच्चों का आपरेशन / प्लास्टिक सर्जरी करवाई जाती रही है। अब तक 1298 बच्चों का सफल आपरेशन क्लब द्वारा करवाया जा चुका है। इसी कड़ी में क्लब द्वारा आयोजित कैम्प में 26 बच्चे इस बीमारी से ग्रसित चिन्हित हुए, जिन्हें हिमालयन हास्पिटल जॉली ग्रांट देहरादून भेजा गया। क्लब के सदस्यों द्वारा किए गए सर्वे अनुसार लगभग 150 से अधिक बच्चे, ज़िले में अभी भी ऐसी बीमारी से ग्रसित होंगे, जिन तक क्लब के सदस्यों की पहुँच नहीं हो पायी है। पूर्व अध्यक्ष अनिल मदान जी द्वारा बताया गया कि जितने भी बच्चे और हमें इस बीमारी से ग्रसित प्रचार प्रसार के माध्यम से मिलेंगे, उन सभी का आपरेशन करवाया जाएगा। ये भी बताया कि इस तरह की बीमारी का इलाज संभव है, आपरेशन के बाद बच्चों का चेहरा पूरी तरह बदल जाता है, और सभी बच्चों का आपरेशन, उनका आना जाना, खाना पीना इत्यादि मरीज़ व उसके तीमारदार का भी स्वर्च संस्था द्वारा व्यय किया जाएगा। जिसमें मरीज़ के परिवार को कुछ नहीं देना है। सभी कुछ निशुल्क होगा। क्लब अध्यक्ष दीपक पोपली ने कहा की स्वास्थ्य विभाग आंकड़ों के हिसाब से लगभग हर 700 बच्चों में से एक बच्चा इस बीमारी से ग्रसित पैदा होता है। सिमित स्त्रों के कारण क्लब के सदस्य उन तक नहीं पहुँच पाते हैं। ऐसे बच्चों को दूढ़ने में समाचार पत्र एक मुख्य भूमिका निभते हैं। सभी रोटरी सदस्यों से निवेदन किया है कि इस कार्य के लिए संस्था का सहयोग करे व यदि कोई भी बच्चा इस बीमारी से ग्रसित मिलता है तो इस नम्बर से 9837420054 संपर्क कर अगले कैम्प के लिए रजिस्टर कर ले। रोटरी गवर्नर री. राजपाल सिंह जी द्वारा इस स्टार मेगा प्रोजेक्ट की अताह प्रशंसा की गई। रोटरी के इस प्रयास से सर्जरी के बाद सभी बच्चे समाज की मुख्यधारा में वापस लौट आएँ और इस के बाद स्कूल जाना शुरू कर देंगे, नई ऊँचाइयों को छुएंगे। नगर विधायक राजीव गुंवर ने कहा कि ये दुर्लभ जन्मजात विकार है जिसको जड़ से निपटाने का बीड़ा रोटरी द्वारा उठाया गया है, जिसमें वे सफलता की तरफ अग्रसर हैं। असिस्टेंट गवर्नर तपेश ममगैन जी ने कहा कि क्लब का लक्ष्य परियोजना में अधिक से अधिक बच्चे रजिस्टर करवाने का है, जिसे उन्होंने प्राप्त किया है। आगे भी ऐसा विश्वास है की ये नेक कार्य यू ही करते रहेंगे। पूर्व विधायक संजय गर्ग जी ने भी इस प्रोजेक्ट की सराहना की। सहारनपुर में सभी अस्पताल और डॉक्टरों के संपर्क में क्लब सदस्य हैं, ताकि कोई भी बच्चा इस बीमारी से ग्रसित छूट न जाए की हिमालयन हास्पिटल जॉली

ग्रांट के डायरेक्टर डॉ संजय दिवेदी अब तक 11000 से ऊपर सर्जरी कर चुके हैं उन्हेने ये संदेश दिया है की, ऐसे बच्चे गरीब व अशिक्षित परिवारों में ही अधिकतर जन्म लेते हैं। ऐसे बच्चों को दूढ़ पाना बहुत मुश्किल काम है। ऐसे बच्चों को दूढ़ने में रोटरी के साथ मिडिया का विशेष योगदान रहता है। रोटरी हमेशा समाचार पत्रों का आभारी रहा है! समाचार पत्रों के माध्यम से ही हर कैम्प में कई बच्चे मिल ही जाते हैं। अध्यक्ष दीपक पोपली और क्लब सेक्रेटरी चमन सिंह चौहान जी ने कहा कि पिछले कई दिनों से क्लब के सदस्य टीम के रूप में गुप बनाकर इक साथ गाँव- गाँव जा जाकर ऐसी बीमारी से ग्रस्त बच्चों को दूढ़ रहे हैं। जिसमें 26 बच्चे इस बीमारी से ग्रसित चिन्हित करने में संस्था को सफलता मिल चुकी है। रितेन भट्टाचार्य और संदीप शर्मा जी ने कहा कि शल्य चिकित्सा करवाने के बाद ऐसे बच्चों की शिक्षा इत्यादि का प्रबंध भी संस्था द्वारा किया जाएगा। इस प्रोजेक्ट को प्रेसिडेंट रोटेरियन दीपक सचदेवा, गोतम परधान, आशीष मित्तल, नेहा सचदेवा, पूनम मदान, सीमा शर्मा, बालमुकंद राय, विशु भारती, बिजेन्द्र त्रिपाठी, आशा पोपली, दीपा ममगई, सुप्रिया बाली, आलोक तनेजा, गौरव, मदन मोहन मित्तल, संजय सिंघल आदि पूरी लगन से काम कर रहे हैं।



PDG Rtn. VP Kalta being faicitated by Ms. Mekdes Daba MD, MPH Hon'ble Minister of Health Government Ethiopia at Addis Ababa. Medical Mission from India to Ethiopia was initiated in tenure 2022-23 through Global Grant 2353081 by giving authorisation to the tune of \$15000

INSIDE

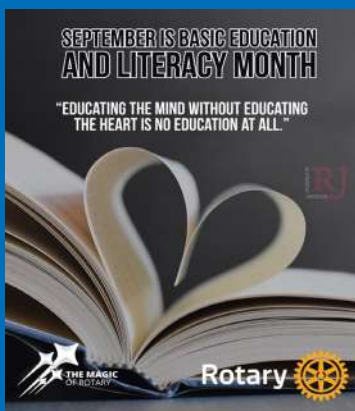


TABLE OF CONTENT



PAGE 4
MESSAGE :
RI PRESIDENT



PAGE 5
MESSAGE : DISTRICT
GOVERNOR



PAGE 6
MESSAGE : FIRST
LADY OF THE
DISTRICT

PAGE 7

KNOW YOUR PRESIDENT :
KAVITA BANSAL, RC BADDI



PAGE 8

ROTARY'S MAGIC BY
SUBHASH BANSAL, RC
AMBALA

PAGE 12

EUTHOPIC MEDICAL MISSION
BY Rtn. ANIL CHADHA

PAGE 15

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT BY
Rtn. NEENA SABLOK

PAGE 16

ROTARACT NEWS

PAGE 18

GUEST ARTICLE BY SANDEEP
GOYAL

PAGE 20

CLUB MATTERS

PAGE 34

CLUB INSTALLATIONS

PAGE 35

MESSAGE
DISTRICT EDITOR

PAGE 36

DISTRICT PROJECTS

PAGE 37

ACHIEVERS

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL
PRESIDENT
Stephanie A. Urchick

DISTRICT GOVERNOR
Rajpal Singh
9412233151
rpsinghsre@gmail.com

DISTRICT CHIEF SECRETARY
Anil Madan
9837420054
madaananil858@gmail.com

DISTRICT SECRETARY
NPS Bhola
7206200099
rtnnpsingh@gmail.com

DISTRICT EDITOR
Rtn. Mohinder Paul Gupta
M-98144 31388
Email: mohindergupta@gmail.com

ROTARY DISTRICT
3080 PUBLICATION
Send all reports, correspondence,
information and photographs to:

Rtn. Rajpal Singh, Sardar Mill Store,
Railway Road, Saharanpur-247001
Send e-copy of all the reports at
rpsinghsre@gmail.com

Send photographs for publications in
Governor's Monthly Letter at
rotary3080gml@gmail.com

Published on behalf of
Rotary International District 3080
Rtn. Rajpal Singh, Railway Road,
Saharanpur-247001

RI EXCHANGE RATE FROM 1ST SEPTEMBER 2024 US\$ 1 = RS 84.00

SEP 2024 **MAGIC MAKERS** 3



Urchick's grandmother's house in Slovakia.



The meaning of family

The *Magic of Rotary* is belonging, and it's a feeling that can appear when you least expect it.

Earlier this year, I was in Slovakia serving as a president's representative during a six-week trip through Europe. When I wrote to Katarina Cechova, governor of District 2240 at the time, I mentioned that my grandmother Veronica Zilka grew up in a small village in the area before settling in the U.S.

It wasn't long before Cechova tracked down my grandmother's village, Jakubova Vol'a. She even organized a visit for me, where I received an unforgettable Slovakian welcome.

When I entered the community center of Jakubova Vol'a, a small crowd of people dressed in traditional Slovakian clothing greeted me. They sang with beautiful and powerful Central European voices that reminded me of my grandmother.

A lot of families play cards or games when they get together. When I was young, my father would pick up his accordion and lead my family in song. My grandmother would sing along with her impressive voice.

When I walked into the community center and heard traditional music from my childhood — when I saw a woman play the accordion the way my dad played — I suddenly felt like a little girl sitting at my grandmother's house in Monessen, Pennsylvania. I burst into tears of joy at the memories.

But the magic didn't stop there. District Governor Cechova really outdid herself. A local genealogist worked with a videographer to make a short film

about my grandmother. We watched the video together in the community center.

When the video ended, I turned around and saw a man standing in the back of the room. I quickly learned that this stranger, Frantisek Zilka, was my second cousin. His grandmother and mine had been sisters. I felt like I had been struck by lightning.

I visited my newfound cousin's home, which happens to be the home where my grandmother was born. There, he shared old photographs I had never seen of my dad, my uncle, and my grandmother.

Since then, I can't stop thinking about my family of Rotary. When I refer to you as my family, I'm not just being kind. I really think of everyone in Rotary as my family. But I never would have imagined that my Rotary family would introduce me to long-lost personal family.

Sitting in that community center listening to traditional Slovakian music from my childhood filled me with joy and a profound sense of belonging. I am so grateful to District Governor Cechova and everyone who helped create that magical experience.

As members of Rotary, we have a unique opportunity to share the same magic with each other and with the world. I encourage you to consider how you can help spread that magic and ensure other members of your club — other members of our Rotary family — feel like they truly belong.

STEPHANIE A. URCHICK
President, Rotary International



September is a special month for Rotary as we observe Basic Education and Literacy Month, one of our organization's key areas of focus. This month, we are reminded of the transformative power of education in improving lives and fostering strong, sustainable communities. Through education, individuals gain the skills and knowledge necessary to overcome poverty, secure better livelihoods, and contribute meaningfully to their societies.

WHY BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY MATTER : Education is not just a tool for personal advancement; it is a cornerstone of development. When we empower individuals with the ability to read and write, we enable them to break free from the constraints of poverty and create better futures for their families. Educated individuals are more likely to engage in informed decision-making, secure higher-paying jobs, and improve their overall quality of life.

CELEBRATING TEACHER'S DAY : In honor of Teacher's Day on September 5th, several clubs across District 3080 have celebrated the invaluable contributions of educators. Teachers are often unsung heroes, shaping the future one student at a time, and it is essential to recognize their efforts in shaping our future leaders.

HOW ROTARY CLUBS CAN CONTRIBUTE : District 3080 has already made great strides in promoting education, and I encourage all clubs to

participate in these initiatives:

- Organize literacy campaigns: Clubs can raise awareness about the importance of literacy through local campaigns.

- Partner with local schools: By supporting schools with volunteers, supplies, and resources, Rotary can help improve the quality of education at the grassroots level.

- Support adult education: Providing adult literacy programs allows individuals to gain basic reading and writing skills, opening up new opportunities for them.

- Celebrate success stories: Highlighting individuals who have benefitted from Rotary's education initiatives can inspire more people to get involved and show the tangible impact of our efforts.

LOOKING AHEAD : As we move forward, let us continue to make a difference in the lives of those who need it most. Every book we donate, every classroom we support, and every literacy initiative we champion contributes to building a more equitable and peaceful world.

Together, we can ensure that one student, one community, and one world at a time, Rotary helps pave the path to a brighter future through the gift of education. Let's continue this journey of empowering minds and transforming lives.

Rajpal Singh
District Governor, RID 3080

FIRST LADY OF THE DISTRICT



INDERBIR KAUR

As spouses of Rotarians, we are in a unique position to offer meaningful support to Rotary's mission, particularly during Basic Education and Literacy Month. Rotary's work in this area is not only vital to community development but also a profound expression of compassion and service to others. As partners, we can contribute to these efforts, using our time, skills, and influence to uplift Rotary's initiatives.

WHY EDUCATION AND LITERACY MATTER : Education is the cornerstone of every society. It opens doors, nurtures growth, and builds a foundation for the future. Yet, in many parts of the world, countless children and adults still lack access to basic education.

THE ROLE OF SPOUSES IN SUPPORTING THESE INITIATIVES : As spouses, we play a vital role in extending Rotary's reach. We are the silent strength behind our partners, offering encouragement, creativity, and active involvement. Here are a few ways we can contribute:

1. **Advocacy and Awareness:** By using our platforms, whether through social media, community groups, or personal networks, we can help raise awareness about the importance of literacy.

2. **Volunteering:** Many of us have talents that can be leveraged to directly support literacy initiatives. Whether it's teaching, organizing events, or assisting in literacy campaigns, our involvement can enhance the impact of Rotary's programs.

3. **Mentoring and Support:** Encouraging young people to pursue education is crucial. We can serve as mentors, guiding children and young adults in our communities toward academic and vocational success.

4. **Collaborating with Rotary Clubs:** Engaging with our local Rotary clubs to organize literacy-related events or fundraisers can amplify the efforts being made.

CELEBRATING SUCCESS TOGETHER : Rotary's commitment to education has led to many success stories worldwide. Whether it's the establishment of libraries in underserved areas, the provision of scholarships to deserving students, or literacy training for adults, each success story is a testament to the collective efforts of Rotarians and their families.

A CALL TO ACTION : This month, I encourage all spouses of Rotarians to step forward and join hands in Rotary's literacy mission. Whether you choose to volunteer, advocate, or mentor, your contribution will make a lasting difference. By supporting the next generation's access to education, we are building a foundation for a more just, equal, and empowered world.

Let's continue to inspire and support one another, as we work together for a brighter future through education and literacy.

KNOW YOUR PRESIDENT

Rotary Club of Baddi

Rtn. KAVITA BANSAL

Mrs. Kavita Bansal, the President of the Rotary Club, Baddi leading the club in its 25th year of installation. Born and raised in Dehradun, she completed her post-graduation in Chemistry and later pursued her M.Phil. from Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla. Her professional journey started with teaching Chemistry in Kendriya Vidhyalaya, Rajban. Thereafter, she taught in Degree College, Nalagarh and then worked in a PCB manufacturing unit as a Head of Quality Control, where she worked for nine years before transitioning to education again. Since 2000, she has successfully run a senior secondary school in Nalagarh.

A dedicated teacher of the Art of Living, Mrs. Bansal promotes mindfulness, stress management, and holistic well-being. She is also a certified yoga instructor, accredited by the AYUSH Ministry, conducting regular online yoga classes to promote physical and mental health. In addition, Mrs. Bansal is a certified Pavitra teacher, educating women on menstrual hygiene and guiding them on how to manage menstrual cycles through specific yoga postures, further demonstrating her commitment to empowering women and promoting overall wellness.

Mrs. Kavita Bansal is not only a dedicated social worker but also an ardent environmental activist with a deep love for nature. She consistently inspires her students to connect with the environment, encouraging them to explore and appreciate the beauty of nature, starting from their own backyards. Passionate about mushrooms, she often embarks on mushroom walks, sharing her enthusiasm and



knowledge with others. Under her mentorship, her students have excelled in environmental initiatives, earning prestigious accolades such as the Change Maker Awards for the Environment and the SDG State Hero award, showcasing her profound impact on both education and environmental stewardship.

She is married to Mr. Dinesh Bansal, an industrialist and a passionate Rotarian. Together, they have two grown children. Her son, Anubhav, an electronics engineer, manages the family's PCB unit, while her daughter, Navya, a data analyst, contributes significantly to the school's operations. Anubhav is married to Mansi, a software consultant with E&Y.

Mrs. Bansal's in-laws, Mr. Pawan Kumar Bansal and Mrs. Krishna Bansal, are respected retired professors actively involved in social service and charitable work.

As she steps into the role of Rotary Club President, Mrs. Bansal is expected to lead with innovation and dedication, ensuring this milestone year is one of growth, community engagement, and upholding the values of the Rotary Club.

रोटरी का जादू सिर चढ़ कर बोलता है।

' वियोगी होगा पहला कवि,
आह से उपजा होगा गान ।
निकल कर आंखों से चुपचाप,
बही होगी सरिता अनजान ॥'

सरिता अर्थात् पीड़ा, करुणा और प्रेम की अनुकृति। इसी अनुकृति में से जन्म लेते हैं वे सभी प्रोजेक्ट्स जिनका लक्ष्य होता है - निस्स्वार्थ सेवा अर्थात् - '**SERVICE ABOVE SELF** तथा रोटरी का जादू i.e. **THE MAGIC OF ROTARY**'

अपने 40 वर्ष के रोटरी क्लब ऑफ अंबाला के सक्रिय कार्यकाल में इस जादू का अनुभव मैंने बार - बार किया है।

वर्ष 1984 में जब मुझे रोटरी क्लब ऑफ अंबाला की सदस्यता ग्रहण करने के लिए आमंत्रित किया गया था तो कुछ ही दिनों के पश्चात् क्लब मीटिंग में स्थानीय सैनिक हवाई अड्डे के ए. ओ. सी. की पत्नी श्रीमती आशा डे को एक वार्ता के लिए बुलाया गया। वे अमेरिका से मूक एवं बधिर बच्चों के शिक्षण संबंधी समस्याओं पर एक कार्य-शाला में भाग ले कर लौटी थीं।

उन्होंने श्रव्य एवं दृश्य उपकरणों के माध्यम से एक सारगर्भित किंतु भाव - विह्वल कर देने वाली वार्ता दी। अंत में, प्रभावी वार्ता के लिए श्रीमती डे के प्रति आभार व्यक्त करने के लिए ज़ोरदार ताड़ियों का राउंड चला। शोर खत्म होने के बाद श्रीमती डे अपने स्थान पर खड़ी हुईं और अपनी गंभीर आवाज़ में प्रशंसा के लिए धन्यवाद देते हुए बोलीं, - लेकिन आपके सवाल से, मुझे तो क्षणभर के लिए, यह लगा कि आप सब लोग जो यहां बैठे हैं

मूक एवं बधिर होने के साथ - साथ नेत्र हीन भी हैं। आप यह सोच रहे हैं कि विश्व के सभी मूक एवं बधिर बच्चे सिर्फ अमेरिका में ही होते हैं। अपने आसपास अंबाला में रहने वाले ऐसे बच्चे आपको न दिखते हैं और न उनकी आवाज़ आपको सुनती है। उनकी कही बात लोगों के दिल को लग गई। क्लब के पूर्व प्रधान दिवंगत डॉक्टर जय देव जी बताया करते थे - ' मैं दो रात सो नहीं सका। उनके शब्द बार-बार मेरे कानों में गूँज रहे थे। आखिर परेशान हो कर मैंने अपने उन साथियों, जो उस मीटिंग में उपस्थित थे, से बात की तो पता लगा कि उनमें से अधिकांश का यही हाल था। ' क्लब की स्पेशल मीटिंग बुलाई गई। फैसला लिया गया कि रोटरी क्लब ऑफ अंबाला मूक एवं बधिर बच्चों के लिए एक स्कूल शुरू करेगा। इस प्रकार पवित्रधाम (Rotary School for Hearing Impaired) का जन्म हुआ। यह स्कूल



आज भी 100 बच्चों के साथ चल रहा है। छात्रावास की व्यवस्था है। यहां के बच्चे नॉर्मल बच्चों के साथ मुक्क़ाबिला करते हैं और इनाम जीतते हैं। अपनी रोज़ी रोटी स्वयं कमाते हैं। कई बच्चों के घर इसी स्कूल में पढ़ते - पढ़ते बसे हैं। आज वे अपने बच्चों के साथ खुशी का जीवन



व्यतीत कर रहे हैं। क्या यह रोटरी का जादू नहीं है?

इसी प्रकार मेरी पत्नी श्रीमती स्नेह लता बंसल को वर्ष 1997 में कैंसर हुआ। जिस प्रकार कैंसर की लड़ाई हम पति - पत्नी तथा हमारे समूचे परिवार को पंद्रह वर्ष तक लड़नी पड़ी, उसका साक्षी क्लब का हर सदस्य बना। हमारी पीड़ा को पूरे क्लब, विशेषकर डॉक्टर जय देव तथा उनके परिवार, ने महसूस किया। यह पीड़ा अंबाला में रोटरी अंबाला कैंसर एंड जनरल अस्पताल की जनक बनी। आज यह अस्पताल, पूरे क्लब

मेंबर्स के प्रयासों के कारण, अंबाला का पी. जी. आई., कहलाता है। सैंकड़ों परिवार प्रतिदिन इस अस्पताल की सेवाओं का लाभ उठा रहे हैं। स्कूल व अस्पताल की स्थापना व संचालन के लिए डॉक्टर जय देव तथा उनके परिवार के योगदान को देखते हुए रोटरी क्लब ऑफ अंबाला के अनुगृहीत



DR. JAI DEV MEMORIAL ROTARY AMBALA HOSPITAL

Tel: 0171-269009, Mobile: 90340 56793, Email: info@rotaryhospital.com
Opposite Dusshera Ground, Mill Road, Ambala Cantt



सदस्यों द्वारा अब रोटरी अस्पताल का नाम बदल कर ' डॉक्टर जय देव मेमोरियल रोटरी अंबाला हॉस्पिटल ' कर दिया गया है। क्या यह रोटरी का जादू नहीं है?

कैंसर के कारण मेरी पत्नी श्रीमती स्नेह लता बंसल के असामयिक निधन ने एक और करुणापूर्ण प्रोजेक्ट स्नेह - स्पर्श को जन्म दिया। इसके अंतर्गत घरों में पड़े तथा अस्पताल पहुंचने में असमर्थ लाइलाज कैंसर रोगियों की उनके घरों में मुफ्त देखभाल पिछले 10 वर्ष से निर्बाध चल रही है। रोटरी क्लब ऑफ अंबाला ने, स्नेह - स्पर्श को अपने स्थायी प्रोजेक्ट के रूप में अपना रखा है। मेरे और मेरे परिवार के लिए, यह रोटरी का कभी न भुलाया जा सकने वाला, जादू है।

आज मैं आपके साथ स्नेह - स्पर्श की पहल पर रोटरी क्लब ऑफ अंबाला द्वारा प्रारंभ किए गए एक नवीन प्रोजेक्ट ' सर्विक्स कैंसर प्रतिरोधी मुफ्त टीकाकरण अभियान ' पर चर्चा अवश्य करना चाहूंगा। इसके अंतर्गत 9 से 14 वर्ष तक आयु की अविवाहित कन्याओं को प्रजनन अंगों के

कैंसर से आजीवन सुरक्षा उपलब्ध कराने के लिए एच. पी. वी. वैक्सीन के दो टीके 6 मास के अंतराल पर मुफ्त लगाए जाते हैं। अब से कुछ समय पहले तक यह वैक्सीन विदेशों से आयात की जाती थी। इस लिए इसकी कीमत बहुत ज्यादा थी। अब यह भारत में बनने लगी है। पर कीमत अभी भी दो डोज की चार हज़ार से कम नहीं है। स्नेह - स्पर्श- रोटरी फाउंडेशन, रोटरी इंटरनेशनल, रोटरी एवं इनरक्वील क्लब्स ऑफ अंबाला तथा जन - सहयोग से यह टीके मुफ्त लगवा रहा है। भारी लागत के कारण, शायद, भारत सरकार भी एच. पी. वी. वैक्सीन को अपने राष्ट्रीय टीकाकरण अभियान में शामिल नहीं कर पाई है। हालां

कि प्रधान मंत्री श्री नरेंद्र मोदी तथा वित्त मंत्री श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण इस आशय की घोषणा कर चुके हैं।

प्रोजेक्ट बड़ा है। खर्च बहुत ज्यादा है।

किंतु इसका अंबाला में शुरू होना किसी जादू से कम नहीं है।

बचपन में एक भजन मुझे बहुत प्रिय था। जब - तब मैं इसे गुनगुनाता रहता था। बोल थे - ' बड़े प्यार से मिलना सब से, दुनिया में इंसान रे, क्या जाने, किस भेस में, बाबा मिल जाएं, भगवान रे ? ' जादू यह है कि भगवान किस वेश में, कब और कैसे मिलते हैं? पता बाद में चलता है। मेरे जीवन में पहले भगवान मेरे दादा श्री केवल राम जी थे। इन्होंने अपने पिता श्री सालिग राम जी की अंतिम इच्छा पूरी करने के लिए, अपने रिहायशी मकान का निर्माण स्थगित कर, उन्हीं पैसों से अपने गांव साहोंड़ा में धर्मशाला बनवाई। दूसरे भगवान मेरे पिता डॉक्टर चतर मुनी बंसल जी रहे। इन्होंने योग्य एवं प्रतिभावान चिकित्सक होते हुए भी अपने पिता की आज्ञा मानते हुए सेना में अफसरी के पद को ठुकरा कर, कसौली जैसे छोटे शहर में, लोगों की सेवा करने में अपना सर्वस्व जीवन लगा दिया। तीसरे भगवान, हमारे वे ट्यूटर बाबू बनारसी दास



डिस्ट्रिक्ट गवर्नर श्री राजपाल सिंह एवं श्रीमती इंदरवीर कौर की उपस्थिति में सर्विक्स कैंसर प्रतिरोधी मुफ्त टीकाकरण शिविर

जी, जो पेशे से नहीं शौक से, अध्यापक थे। ये हमारी ट्यूशन से मिलने वाले 30 रुपए प्रति मास से कहीं ज्यादा हमें खिलाने - पिलाने पर खर्च कर देते थे। हमारे जीवन को सही दिशा में मोड़ने के लिए इन्होंने अथक परिश्रम किया। चौथे भगवान रोटरी क्लब ऑफ अंबाला के पूर्व प्रधान दिवंगत डॉक्टर जय देव जी। ये प्रेम, सेवा, करुणा तथा निस्स्वार्थ सेवा का श्रेष्ठ तथा अनुकरणीय उदाहरण बन कर अपने जीवन के अंतिम क्षणों तक हमारी प्रेरणा के अजस्र स्रोत के रूप में हमारे समक्ष उपस्थित रहे।

अब आगे की कथा सुनें।

हमारे क्लब के सदस्य तथा मेरे अभिन्न मित्र श्री अजय गुप्ता तथा उनकी पत्नी रेखा गुप्ता बहुत नेक तथा अति सेवाभावी दम्पति हैं। अपने पिता के असामयिक निधन तथा परिवार में कैसर के कारण अनेक सदस्यों की अकाल तथा कष्टपूर्ण मृत्यु का दंश ये कई बार झेल चुके हैं। अनेक वर्षों से वे अपने जन्म दिन व वैवाहिक वर्ष गांठ के अवसरों पर कोई न कोई समाजोपयोगी प्रोजेक्ट आयोजित करने का प्रयास करते हैं। विवाह की 25 वीं वर्ष गांठ पर उन्होंने कैसर रोगियों को डॉक्टरी तथा उनके परिवारों को आर्थिक सहायता उपलब्ध कराने के लिए एक राहत शिविर आयोजित किया था। यह कार्यक्रम अत्यंत उपोयोगी सिद्ध हुआ था। मरीजों ने इसे बहुत पसंद किया था। इस बार उनके विवाह की 30वीं वर्ष गांठ थी। कहने लगे कोई और समाजोपयोगी कार्यक्रम सुझाओ।

**सर्विक्स कैसर प्रतिरोधी
मुफ्त टीकाकरण अभियान**

मेरे मस्तिष्क में सर्विक्स कैसर प्रतिरोधी मुफ्त टीकाकरण का यह प्रोजेक्ट पिछले



रोटे० अजय एवं आई. डबल्यू रेखा

दो - तीन साल से चक्कर काट रहा था। अनायास ही मेरे मुख से निकला कि प्रोजेक्ट तो है किंतु महंगा है। वे बोले - बताओ। मैंने प्रोजेक्ट की रूपरेखा बताई। उन्हें पसंद आया। कहा, शुरू कर लो। मैंने कहा - पैसा कहां से आएगा? जवाब मिला - 5 लाख रुपए मैं दे दूंगा। मेरा हौंसला बंधा। मैंने इस के बारे में जानकारी इकट्ठी करनी शुरू की। नेट पर रीटा



डी. जी. एन. रीटा कालरा

कालरा जी, पूर्व प्रधान, रोटरी क्लब ऑफ चंडीगढ़ मिडटाऊन का नाम सामने आया। आपने ऐसे ही कार्यक्रम के लिए ग्लोबल ग्रांट ली थी। मैंने चंडीगढ़ निवासी अपने मित्र तथा जी. एम. एल. के डिस्ट्रिक्ट

एडिटर श्री मोहिंदर गुप्ता जी को फोन करके रीटा जी के बारे में बात शुरू की। बोले, बहुत बढ़िया और नेक महिला हैं। नंबर मैं आपको भेज रहा हूँ। बात करो। 5 मिनट बाद ही उन्होंने नंबर भेज दिया। मैंने तुरंत रीटा जी को फोन मिलाया। दूसरी ओर से



डी. ई. श्री मोहिंदर गुप्ता

शिष्टापूर्ण उनकी आवाज़ आई। अपना परिचय देने के बाद रेफरेंस के तौर पर मैंने उन्हें बताया कि सात साल पहले अमेरिका निवासी मेरे छोटे भाई डॉक्टर रवि बंसल ने रोटरी अस्पताल, अंबाला द्वारा एम. आर. आई. मशीन खरीदने में सहयोग देने के लिए अपने 4 सीटर, सिंगल इंजिन वाले, छोटे वायुयान को खुद अकेले उड़ा कर पूरी पृथ्वी की परिक्रमा की थी। इस सिलसिले में वे अंबाला आए थे। आपके क्लब ने उन्हें उस वक्त वार्ता के लिए आमंत्रित किया था। मैं उनके साथ तब आपकी मीटिंग में आया था।

रीटा जी को याद आ गया। बोलीं - हां, वह स्पीच मैंने सुनी थी। फोन करने का मेरा मंतव्य जान कर उन्होंने मेरी बात ध्यान से सुनी और मुझे इस प्रोजेक्ट में हर संभव सहयोग का आश्वासन देते हुए कहा - जितनी वैक्सीन आप खरीद कर लगावाएंगे उतनी वैक्सीन मैं बची हुई ग्रांट में से आप को मुफ्त दूंगी।

साथ के साथ उन्होंने ने इस प्रोजेक्ट से संबंधित सारे कागज़ात व्हाट्सप्य कर

दिए। हमने सरकार से इस टीकाकरण की अनुमति के लिए आवेदन भेज दिया। स्थानीय सिविल सर्जन ने हमारे आवेदन पर अपनी रिकमेंडेशन लगाते हुए निदेशक, स्वास्थ्य विभाग, हरियाणा को लिख दिया। जवाब मिलने में हो रही देरी को देखते हुए हमने हरियाणा के पूर्व गृह एवं स्वास्थ्य मंत्री श्री अनिल विज से संपर्क किया। उन्होंने हमारी समस्या को समझते हुए तुरंत निदेशक महोदय से संपर्क किया। कुछ शर्तों का पालन करने की हिदायत के साथ अगले दिन हमें अनुमति मिल गई। इसके अलावा एक अच्छी बात यह हुई कि अगले एक सप्ताह में ऐसी अनुमति हरियाणा के सभी 22 जिलों को दे दी गई।

किंतु हमारी असली परीक्षा इस के बाद प्रारंभ हुई। जिससे भी हम टीकाकरण की बात छेड़ते, वही इसके दुष्प्रभावों के बारे में अपनी आशंका ज़ाहिर करता। लगा कि हमारा यह अभियान शायद आगे न चल पाए। तभी मैंने अपनी पोती महक को यह वैक्सीन लगवाई। उसे साथ ले कर घर - घर जाने का अभियान शुरू किया। क्लब मेंबर्स, जो कि किसी भी रोटरी क्लब की वास्तविक शक्ति होते हैं, ने हमारा बहुत साथ दिया। वे भी हमारे साथ घर - घर गए। इस प्रकार लोगों के दिल से हम वैक्सीन का डर निकालने में सफल हुए।

आखिर मुफ्त टीकाकरण शिविर लगा

शनिवार, 29, जून, 2024 को डॉक्टर जय देव मेमोरियल रोटरी अंबाला हॉस्पिटल में इस टीकाकरण का पहला शिविर लगा। इसमें 102 बच्चियों को वैक्सीन लगाई गई। अब तक 12 जुलाई, 14 जुलाई और 21 जुलाई, कुल 108 और बच्चियों को यह

वैक्सीन लग चुकी है। नए स्केड्यूल के अनुसार कोई भी व्यक्ति 9 से 14 साल तक की बच्चियों के टीकाकरण के लिए रजिस्ट्रेशन, शनिवार के अलावा, किसी भी कार्य दिवस को, सुबह 10 बजे से दोपहर 2 बजे के बीच, अस्पताल पहुंच कर करवा सकता है। बच्ची का आधार कार्ड साथ होना ज़रूरी है। बच्चियों तथा उनके अभिभावकों की सुविधा के दृष्टिगत, वैक्सीन हर रविवार को 1 बजे से 3 बजे के बीच लगाई जाती है। आम जनता से सभी प्रकार का भरपूर सहयोग मिल रहा है।

हमने अपने लिए जो दो सिद्धांत निर्धारित किए हैं वे यह कि वैक्सीन बिना किसी भेदभाव के सब को मुफ्त 'पहले आए, पहले पाएं' के आधार पर लगाई जाएगी। दूसरा टीकाकरण 'जब तक पैसे मिलते रहेंगे, तब तक चलता रहेगा।'

मैंने यह कथा इस लिए सुनाई कि रोटरी फाउंडेशन द्वारा मानव समाज के कल्याण के लिए किए जा रहे कार्य स्थानीय रोटरी क्लबों द्वारा जहां - जहां भी शुरू किए जा सकें, अवश्य शुरू होने चाहिए। स्पष्ट चिंतन, दृढ़ संकल्प तथा नेक नियति से शुरू किया गया हर सामाजिक कार्य सफल होता है। एक उर्दू कवि का यह शेर हमेशा याद रखना चाहिए -

मैं अकेला ही चला था,
जानिबे मंज़िल मगर।
लोग साथ आते गए
और कारवां बनता गया।

रोटरी क्लब ऑफ अंबाला में तो यह कथन शत-प्रतिशत सत्य होते हुए मैंने स्वयं देखा है। हमारे आर. आई. मंडल 3080 के वर्तमान अध्यक्ष श्री राजपाल सिंह



डिस्ट्रिक्ट गवर्नर राजपाल सिंह

सदाशयी, युवा तथा उत्साह से लबरेज़ व्यक्ति हैं। ऐसे किसी भी प्रयास को उनका समर्थन मिलना अवश्यभावी है। देर पहल करने की है। रोटरी क्लब ऑफ अंबाला, यहां से मनोनीत हुए सहायक मंडलाध्यक्ष श्री नरेश भारद्वाज, हमारे प्रधान श्री दिनेश सेठी, हमारे पूर्व प्रधान श्री ए. डी. गांधी, श्री पी. सी. जैन, डॉक्टर के. के. जैन, डॉक्टर विनय मल्होत्रा, डॉक्टर देश बंधु, श्री प्रदीप जैन, श्री इंद्र देव, श्री विजय गुप्ता, श्री नरेश ढींगरा, श्री आर के शर्मा, श्री इंद्रजीत गुगलानी, श्री पंकज गुप्ता तथा मुझ सहित सभी सदस्य आपको हर संभव सहयोग का आश्वासन देते हैं।

मित्रों, जादू का डंडा आपके पास है। उठाओ और शुरू हो जाओ। रोटरी का जादू अपने आप सिर चढ़ कर बोलेगा। इसे कहते हैं 'The Magic Of Rotary'



सुभाष बंसल

प्रधान (1999-2000)
रोटरी क्लब ऑफ अंबाला
मोबाइल: 9812345068
bansal.subhash46@gmail.com

A Journey of Compassion and Collaboration



Memorandum of Understanding signed between RCAA, the Rotary Club of Chandigarh, and the Ministry of Health of Ethiopia, the stage was set for a mission that would leave an indelible mark on the healthcare landscape of the region.

On August 11, 2024, a contingent of 25 dedicated professionals, including 18 doctors specialized in orthopedics, urology, pediatric laparoscopic surgeries, dermatology, and six volunteers, set forth on their 25th mission to Africa—the fourth one to Ethiopia. They carried with them not just 45 boxes of medical supplies and equipment, but also a wealth of knowledge, expertise, and a deep-seated desire to make a difference.

The team received a warm and gracious welcome upon their arrival in Addis Ababa, with President Kalifa Manneh of the Rotary Club of Addis Ababa, accompanied by several esteemed Rotarians, greeting them with colorful flowers. Every detail of their arrival was meticulously coordinated, ensuring a smooth

In a remarkable display of international solidarity, the Rotary Club of Addis Ababa (RCAA) partnered with the Rotary Club of Chandigarh, India, to embark on a mission that transcended borders and touched lives in profound ways. The mission, funded by a generous \$141,000 USD Global Grant from The Rotary Foundation, was the culmination of years of

experience, meticulous planning, and an unwavering commitment to service.

The collaboration between RCAA and the Rotary Club of Chandigarh was built on a foundation of trust and shared purpose, having previously conducted three successful Medical VTT missions in Ethiopia and similar initiatives in 17 African countries. With a



ETHIOPIA MEDICAL MISSION



transition from India to Ethiopia, thanks to the tireless efforts of local Rotarians and representatives from the Ministry of Health. A big support from Ethiopian Airlines who supported the team with five free tickets besides extra baggage to each delegate to accommodate the weight of the supplies in terms of medicines and equipment. The three Hospitals organized the free stay in Hotel for all the delegates of mission.

The mission commenced with an introduction of the team during a club meeting, where President Kalifa, along with distinguished Rotarians, acknowledged the importance of this collaborative effort. Led by Rtn. Madhukar Malhotra as Project Chair and Rtn. Kuldeep Dhawan as Medical Director, the team was ready to embark on their mission of training local doctors and performing critical surgeries across three hospitals in Addis Ababa: St. Paul Millennium Hospital, Alert Hospital, and Black Lion Hospital.

August 11th held special significance, not just as the start of the mission but also as the birthday of Rtn. Rajendra K. Saboo, past Rotary International

President. The occasion was marked with a cake ceremony, a fitting celebration of both his birthday and the commencement of this noble endeavor.

With the dawn of each day, the team's commitment to service became evident. Starting at 7:30 AM, they visited their respective hospitals, where they conducted life-saving surgeries and led training sessions, transferring invaluable knowledge to the local medical teams. The equipment donated during the mission played a pivotal role, enabling procedures that had never been performed in Ethiopia before.

August 15, 2024, was another day of significance, as the team celebrated India's Independence Day with a flag ceremony at the Indian Embassy in Addis Ababa. Their work continued in the hospitals, a testament to their dedication to the cause. This gesture of solidarity was deeply appreciated by H.E. Anil Kumar Rai, Indian Ambassador to Ethiopia, who spent time with the team and patients at St. Paul Millennium Hospital, recognizing their efforts in person.

Amidst their relentless work, the team found time for respite. On a cool, drizzly Sunday

morning, the Rotary Club of Addis Ababa organized a city tour to recharge the team after seven days of intense work. They visited the serene Entoto Natural Park, where the breathtaking scenery and the tranquility of the surroundings offered a much-needed break. The team indulged in coffee and tea, sang songs, and danced, creating memories that would stay with them long after the mission ended.

The medical interventions carried out by the team were nothing short of extraordinary. At Black Lion Specialized Hospital, the orthopedic team, composed of five doctors, tackled complex cases involving trauma, joint infections, bone tumors, and more. Their expertise led to 62 successful surgeries, each one a testament to their skill and dedication. One particularly heartwarming case involved a 35-year-old woman who had been unable to walk for years. The team was able to straighten her leg in a single sitting, bringing her joy and a newfound sense of hope.

At St. Paul Millennium Medical College, the urology team, composed of five specialists, introduced cutting-edge techniques like laparoscopic and cystourethroscopy surgery, which

SEP 2024 MAGIC MAKERS 13

ETHIOPIA MEDICAL MISSION

had never been performed in Ethiopia before, even in private hospitals. They completed 59 surgeries, including a groundbreaking procedure on a five-year-old child diagnosed with a stone in the abdomen. This was the first time such a laparoscopic procedure had been conducted in the country, setting a new standard for pediatric care.

Meanwhile, the plastic surgery team at Alert Comprehensive Specialized Hospital undertook 21 surgeries, focusing on



reconstructive procedures that would change lives. Among the most remarkable cases was that of a 60-year-old man who had lost his nose to skin cancer. The team meticulously reconstructed his nose using tissue from his forehead, restoring not just his appearance but also his dignity. Another extraordinary case involved a 25-year-old man who had lost the use of his right arm after being shot in a war zone. In an eight-hour surgery, the team reconstructed his nerves using microsurgery, giving him back the ability to work and live a normal life.

The mission wasn't limited to surgeries alone. A dedicated technician from the team repaired equipment across all three hospitals, restoring \$200,000 worth



of machinery that had been lying idle due to a lack of expertise. This effort ensured that the local teams could continue to provide high-quality care long after the mission ended.

As the mission drew to a close, the Ministry of Health organized a dinner to honor the delegates. Dr. Mekdes Daba, Minister of Health, presented certificates of appreciation, recognizing the immense contribution of the team

to the people of Ethiopia. The Rotary Club of Addis Ababa also held a separate ceremony, further expressing their gratitude for the life-changing work carried out during the mission.

Reflecting on the mission's success, Dr. Alemtsehay Getachew, head of the Dermatology department at ALERT, expressed heartfelt gratitude for the team's dedication and the lasting impact of their work. The donation of dermatological drugs and the training provided were particularly appreciated, as they would continue to benefit patients long after the team's departure.

As the team prepared to return to India on August 22, 2024, they did so with a deep sense of fulfillment. Over the course of 12 days, they had not only provided critical medical care but had also empowered local healthcare

professionals with the skills and knowledge to continue this work. This mission was more than a series of medical procedures; it was a bridge of compassion, connecting continents and communities in the shared pursuit of a healthier, more hopeful future.



Compiled and edited by
IPP Rtn. Anil Chadda,
Rotary Club Chandigarh
RID 3080 akcoffice@yahoo.com

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT IN ROTARY CLUBS

Ensuring Accountability and Efficiency

Financial management is a critical aspect of any organization, and Rotary Clubs are no exception. Effective financial management ensures that Rotary Clubs can fulfill their mission of providing service to communities around the world, fostering peace, and promoting high ethical standards. This article explores the key principles and best practices for financial management within Rotary Clubs.

Principles of Financial Management in Rotary

1. **Transparency:** Transparency is essential in financial dealings to build trust among members and donors. Regular financial reports and audits help ensure that all transactions are accounted for and open to scrutiny.

2. **Accountability:** Clubs must hold officers and members accountable for financial decisions and transactions. Clear roles and responsibilities, along with regular oversight, are necessary to prevent misuse of funds.

3. **Compliance:** Adherence to local, national, and international laws and regulations is crucial. This includes compliance with tax laws, reporting requirements, and Rotary International guidelines.

4. **Sustainability:** Financial practices should ensure the long-term viability of the club. This involves prudent budgeting, diversifying income sources, and maintaining reserves.

Best Practices in Financial Management

1. **Budgeting and Planning:** Develop an annual budget that aligns with the club's goals and objectives. Regularly review and adjust the budget to reflect changes in income and expenditure.

2. **Record Keeping:** Maintain accurate and detailed records of all financial transactions. Use accounting software to track income, expenses, assets, and liabilities.

3. **Internal Controls:** Implement internal controls to safeguard assets. This includes separation of duties, requiring dual signatures on checks, and conducting regular audits.

4. **Financial Reporting:** Provide regular financial reports to the club's board and members. These reports should include income statements, balance sheets, and cash flow statements.

5. **Fundraising:** Diversify fundraising activities to ensure a steady flow of income. This can include events, grants, sponsorships, and member contributions.

6. **Investment Management:** If the club has significant reserves, consider developing an investment policy. This policy should outline the club's risk tolerance, investment objectives, and strategies.

Roles and Responsibilities

• **Treasurer:** The treasurer is responsible for managing the club's finances, including budgeting, record-keeping, and financial reporting. They also ensure compliance with legal and Rotary International requirements.

• **Finance Committee:** A finance committee can provide additional oversight and support to the treasurer. This committee typically includes members with financial expertise.

• **Board of Directors:** The board oversees the club's financial management, approves budgets, and reviews financial reports.

They ensure that financial practices align with the club's strategic goals.

Challenges and Solutions

• **Fraud and Mismanagement:** To prevent fraud, establish strict internal controls and conduct regular audits. Encourage a culture of ethical behavior and transparency.

• **Fluctuating Income:** Plan for income variability by maintaining reserves and diversifying fundraising activities.

Implementing a flexible budget can also help manage unexpected changes.

• **Regulatory Compliance:** Stay informed about relevant laws and regulations. Regular training for the treasurer and finance committee members can help ensure compliance.

Conclusion : Effective financial management is vital for the success and sustainability of Rotary Clubs. By adhering to principles of transparency, accountability, compliance, and sustainability, and by implementing best practices in budgeting, record-keeping, and internal controls, Rotary Clubs can ensure they are well-positioned to serve their communities now and in the future. Regular oversight and continuous improvement in financial practices will help maintain the trust and support of members and donors, enabling Rotary Clubs to achieve their mission of making a positive impact worldwide.



by Rtn. Dr. Neena Sablok
Rotary Paonta Sakhi

Rakhi Celebration 2024 in District 3080

Behold, a grand spectacle unfolded in the illustrious District 3080, where the vibrant threads of tradition intertwined with the spirit of unity. The auspicious occasion of Rakhi, that sacred celebration of siblinghood, was embraced with unprecedented fervour as all the esteemed Rotaract clubs within the district joined hands in a magnificent collaborative effort.

At the helm of this extraordinary endeavour stood the visionary Community Service Director, Rtr. Aman Garg, whose unwavering dedication and exemplary leadership illuminated the path for this momentous undertaking. Under his astute guidance, the district transformed into a tapestry of colours, emotions, and shared purpose. This resplendent affair shall forever be etched in the annals of



Rakhi Celebration in Zone-1 with the Himachal Pradesh Governor Host Club- Rotaract Club HPNLU. Co Host- Rotaract Club Shimla Midtown & Rotaract Club UCBS

District 3080's history, a shining beacon of what can be achieved when hearts and hands unite in the spirit of service and celebration. The echoes of this grand Rakhi festivity will

undoubtedly resonate for years to come, inspiring future generations of Rotaractors to reach for the stars and embrace the power of collaboration.

MAJOR PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN BY ROTARACT CLUBS



The Rotaract Club of UCBS took on an exhilarating adventure across Leh-Ladakh! From the awe-inspiring Khardung La Pass the picturesque Nubra Valley and the

mesmerizing Pangong Lake to the vibrant roads of Manali, this journey was all about exploration, bonding, and creating lifelong memories. As part of our Rotaract



club activities, we promoted environmental awareness and supported local communities throughout our route.

District Assembly of DRR Rtr. Shashank Kaushik (3080)



Rotaract District Assembly 3080- DRR Rtr. Shashank Kaushik (2024-25) and his District Team

The installation ceremony “Sharanga” marked the ascension of Rtr. Shashank Kaushik to the esteemed position of District Rotaract Representative (DRR). This vibrant event featured the ceremonial collaring of the new DRR, symbolizing his induction into office.

The name “Sharanga” draws inspiration from the “Celestial Bow” of “Lord Shree Vishnu”, symbolizing “strength, resilience, and victory.” Sharanga is revered for its unparalleled strength and divine power. It is not just a weapon; it is a symbol of righteousness, resilience, and victory over challenges.

Wielded by avatars like Lord Shree Ram and Shree Krishna, “Sharanga embodies the ability to overcome adversity and champion noble causes.”

In the spirit of Sharanga, this assembly aims to illuminate, inspire, ignite, and impact our community, resonating with our district’s theme. The highlight of the ceremony was Rtr. Shashank’s inspiring address, where he unveiled his visionary motto: “Illuminate, Inspire, Ignite, Impact.” These four powerful words encapsulate his aspirations for the district’s future:

1. Illuminate: Shedding light on pressing issues and opportunities

for service

2. Inspire: Motivating Rotaractors to reach their full potential

3. Ignite: Sparking passion and enthusiasm for community service

4. Impact: Creating meaningful, lasting change in community

This concise yet potent vision sets the tone for Rtr. Shashank’s tenure, promising a year of growth, innovation, and impactful service for District 3080.

DG Rtn. Rajpal Singh, DRCC Rtn. Mohit Singla, Rtr. Shashank Kaushik, IPDRR Rtn/Rtr. Chinmay Abhhi and the District Council along with the Rotaract Club members.



Hosted by Rotaract Chandigarh Midtown and Rotaract Chandigarh University.
Co- Host Rotaract Rayat College of Law, Rotaract Gobind Singh College for Women.

Indians Make Up 20% of TIME 100 AI List, but their impact in India unclear



Ninety-one members of the Time 100 AI 2024 list were not on last year's list, an indication of just how quickly the field of artificial intelligence (AI) is changing. Just two months after Time launched last year's list, all of us witnessed one of the most dramatic recent events in the business world, a moment that drew the world's attention to the individuals leading AI. In November 2023, OpenAI's board shocked the industry by firing Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Sam Altman amid questions about his integrity. After his

subsequent return to the company, Mr Altman was recognised as TIME's 2023 CEO of the Year.

The 2024 list features leaders, innovators, thinkers, and shapers who make up the chosen 100. Interestingly, there are a large number of Indians and Persons of Indian Origin (PIO) on the list.

The top of the Leaders segment has Sundar Pichai, CEO of Google & Alphabet, and Satya Nadella, CEO of Microsoft — both of whom need no introduction. Joining them among the Leaders is Rohit Prasad of Amazon, formerly the team leader for Alexa and now the head scientist for Artificial General Intelligence at the tech retailer. The Innovators list includes Aravind Srinivas, CEO of Perplexity; Shiv Rao, CEO of Abridge; Anant Vijay Singh, product lead at Proton; and Lina Khan, chair of the Federal

Trade Commission, who is of Pakistani origin, not Indian.

The Thinkers list has Amba Kak, co-executive director of the AI Now Institute. Under her leadership, the AINow Institute is emerging as one of the leading critics of the industry. She has been known to say that understanding technology policy isn't about studying the ins-and-outs of neural networks: "It's about understanding power." In 2023, the institute released a seminal 103-page-report discussing how AI is concentrating power within the tech industry. Since then, Ms Kak has advocated producing a US Food and Drug Administration-style body to regulate new AI models, interrogated the impact of the data-centres used to power AI on climate change, and released policy frameworks for governments on how to tackle the social risks of AI. All commendable stuff.

Also in the Time Thinkers count is Dwarkesh Patel, a 23-year-old Bay Area resident, who has built one of the most deeply researched podcasts on AI. Mr Patel has quickly become known for his thorough and technical explorations of the subject, becoming vital listening for those working on the technology — including Jeff Bezos and Mark Zuckerberg.



GUEST ARTICLE

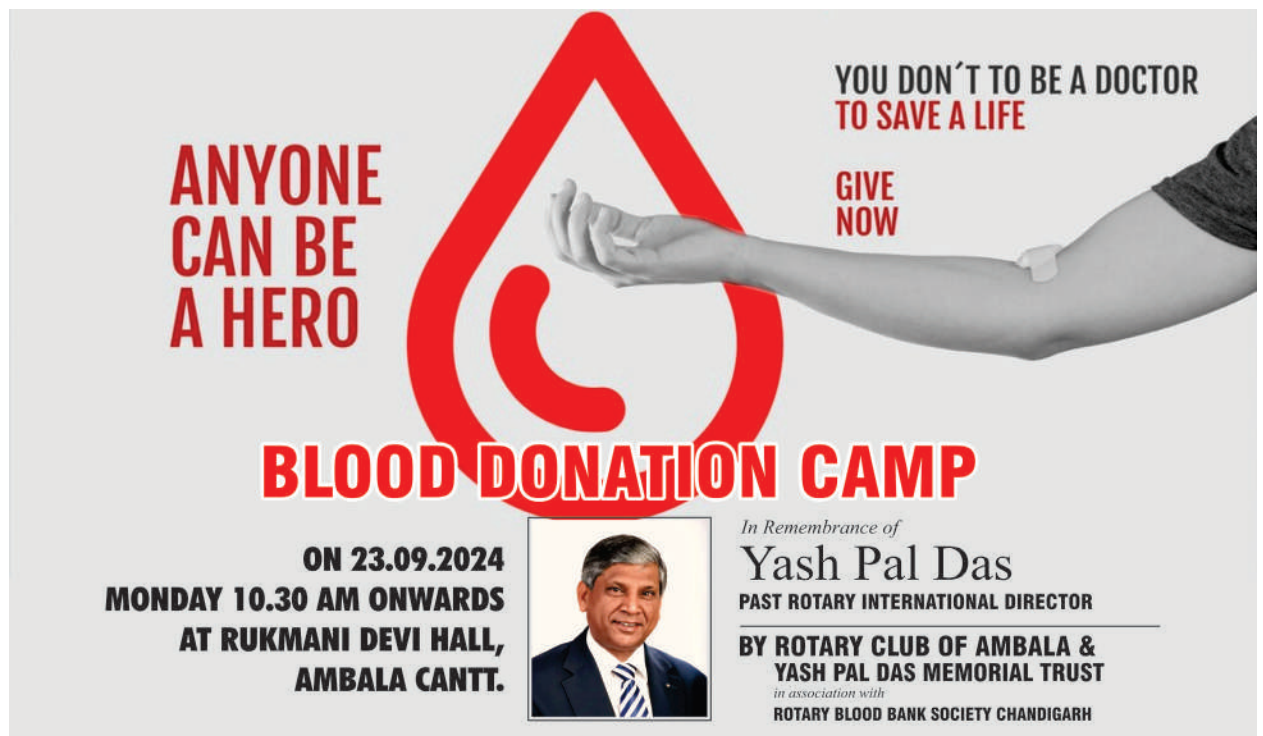
The Shapers list is headed by Amandeep Singh Gill, United Nation Secretary General's Envoy on Technology. The ex-IFS officer, who studied in Chandigarh, has written extensively about the impact of AI on modern life and the necessity for establishing appropriate regulatory frameworks to ensure AI plays a positive role in the future. He has also spoken at global forums about the potential impact of AI on the Global South and India's role in shaping how AI could develop within the bloc.

Arati Prabhakar, director US Office of Science & technology Policy; Divya Siddharth, co-founder Collective Intelligence Project, and Vinod Khosla, founder Khosla Ventures, are all in the Shapers list with Ashwini Vaishnaw, India's Union Minister for Electronics & Information

Technology, Nandan Nilekani, and Bollywood actor Anil Kapoor — who won a landmark victory at the Delhi High Court recently over unauthorised AI use of his likeness. He had sought protection over the use of his iconic phrase, “jhakaas,” or “awesome”, in Hindi — first uttered in the 1985 Hindi film, Yuddh. The Court ruled in his favour by restraining 16 defendants from using, in any manner, “Anil Kapoor's name, likeness, image, voice or any other aspect of his persona to create any merchandise, ringtones ... either for monetary gain or otherwise.”

The TIME 100 AI list is an interesting assortment of titans. Indians make up about 20 per cent of the coveted list, which is pretty commendable. The moot question, however, is whether all these august personalities are really

helping shape the contours of AI in India in any which way. Most of those on the list are far removed from their country of origin, with the exception of Minister Vaishnaw. The Indian government has also allocated over \$1.2 billion to support its nascent AI sector. Most of the country's AI efforts have been funnelled through its “IndiaAI” initiative, managed by Mr Vaishnaw's ministry. The ministry aims to secure over 10,000 graphic processing units, the chips that power most AI technology, to increase the country's computing capacity; provide finance for local startups; increase access to high-quality datasets; expand access to AI educational opportunities for Indians; and develop its own state-of-the-art AI models. One hopes he succeeds.




ANYONE CAN BE A HERO

YOU DON'T TO BE A DOCTOR TO SAVE A LIFE

GIVE NOW

BLOOD DONATION CAMP

**ON 23.09.2024
MONDAY 10.30 AM ONWARDS
AT RUKMANI DEVI HALL,
AMBALA CANTT.**



In Remembrance of
Yash Pal Das
PAST ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR

**BY ROTARY CLUB OF AMBALA &
YASH PAL DAS MEMORIAL TRUST**
in association with
ROTARY BLOOD BANK SOCIETY CHANDIGARH

ALAKHNANDA VALLEY



Senior Citizens Award Ceremony



AMBALA



Protest Candle March



Masks and Gloves handed to Dr. Jaidev Memorial Rotary Hospital

AMBALA INDL AREA



Debate on Bhavi Bharat at B D Senior Secondary School, Ambala Cantt.



Blood Donation Camp

BADDI



Tree Plantation with Interact Club



2nd Blood Donation Camp

CHANDIGARH



Independence Day to Young Cancer Patients at PGI Sarai



Tree Plantation at Govt School Sector 23

CHANDIGARH MIDTOWN



Blood Donation Camp



TB Nutrients Distribution at Sec 6, Civil Hospital Panchkula

CHANDIGARH UPTOWN



Affixing of Reflectors on Cycles with collaboration of Chandigarh Traffic Police For road Safety to Save Life



Workshop on Mental Health for Girls

CHEEKA



Tuberculosis Treatment and Nutrition Supply



Tree Plantation Drive

CLASSIC CHANDIGARH



Tree Plantation Drive



Adolescent Health & Mental Well Being Camp

CLUB MATTERS

DEHRADUN CENTRAL



"Save the Himalaya" Pledge



Celebrated Teachers' Day

HARDWAR



Annapurna Day at Anndh Vidyalaya



Second Blood Donation Camp

JIND MIDTOWN



Celebrated Teachers Day



Providing Green Fodder to Cows

CLUB MATTERS

KALKA HERITAGE



Blood Donation Camp



Independence Day Celebration

KARNAL



Celebrated 15th August



KHARAR



Tree Plantation Drive



Donated Tri-Cycle to Widow Tarsem Kaur at Independence Day

KURUKSHETRA



Celebrated 15th August



Dental Checkup Camp

LADWA



Chaaya Project



Kalakriti 2024 by Rotary, Rotaract and Inner Wheel Club

MORINDA



Independence Day at the under construction Rotary Bhavan



Tej Festival at Sewing School

CLUB MATTERS

MUSSOORIE



Rotary Mussoorie Inter School Talent Contest



12th Run For Nation as part of Independence Day Celebrations

NAHAN



Langar Sewa to Kawad Yatra Devotees



Blood Donation Camp

PANCHKULA



Mammography Test Camp



Tree Plantation with Rotary Image Building

PANIPAT CENTRAL



Celebrated 15th August with Blind School Students



PANIPAT RAINBOW



Distributed 500 Sanitary Pads at Arya Girls Sr. Sec. School



15th August Celebrated

RADAUR



15th August Celebrated



Celebrated Teej

RISHIKESH CENTRAL



Kawad Seva Bhandara



Blood Donation Camp

RISHIKESH DIVAS



Inaugurated Bag Less Classes in Bhagwati Devi Saraswati Shishu Mandir, Rishikesh



Organised a Health Check-up Camp

RISHIKESH ROYAL



Celebrated 15th August



Donation of 2 Wheel Chairs to Railway Station for Disabled Travellers

ROOPNAGAR



Blood Donation Camp in Baba Bhaniara Wala Village Dhamana Roopnagar



Sampled 300 Plants in Village Dakala on Katli Road Roopnagar

ROORKEE



Food for Bagadias



Fans Distributed in Girls School

ROORKEE CENTRAL



Celebrated 15th August



Tree Plantation Drive

ROORKEE MIDTOWN



Celebrated 15th August at Government Primary School No. 11, Ganeshpur, Roorkee with Flag Hoisting and Distribution of Refreshment to all.

ROORKEE UPPER GANGES



Stationery Distribution at Dedi Ram Junior High School Khanjarpur



Bhandara at Apna Ghar Ashram for the Mentally Challenged

SAHARANPUR CENTRAL



Tree Plantation Drive



Medical Check-up Camp at L. Mont. School., Janak Nagar, Saharanpur

SAHARANPUR CONTINENTAL



Cleft Lip and Cleft Palate Surgery Camp



SAHARANPUR HARMONY



Tree Plantation



Celebrate Independence Day at KCCP Arya Kanya Girls Inter College, Gill Colony, Saharanpur

SHIMLA



Chess Championship



Heartline Project

SHIMLA HILL QUEENS



Celebrated Independence Day



Organ Donation Awareness Program

SHIMLA MIDTOWN



Tree plantation at Cremation Ground Summer Hill



Celebrated Independence Day 15th August with the inmates of Himachal Hospital of Mental Health and Rehabilitation

SILVERCITY MOHALI



Free Langar Sewa



Tree Plantation Drive

CLUB MATTERS

DOON VIKAS



15th August Celebrated

NAHAN SANGINI



Given Rs. 20000 to A Brilliant Girl Zainab as First Installment for her admission to Nursing College

NAHAN SIRMOUR HILLS



Tree Plantation Drive

PAONTA SAHIB



Rotary and Sanjay Kanwar helped Child in Heart Surgery Operation

SHAHABAD MARKANDA



Celebrated 15th August

CLUB INSTALLATIONS

PAONTA SAKHI



PEHOWA



SAHARANPUR CENTRAL



Rotary and Spirituality: A Path of Service Beyond Self

Rotary is a global organization of service-oriented individuals united by the common goal of improving lives and making the world a better place. At its core, Rotary embraces the principle of Service Above Self, a value that resonates deeply with the spiritual dimension of life. While Rotary is not affiliated with any religious doctrine, the work it does and the values it promotes often mirror the tenets found in many spiritual and religious traditions around the world.

THE SPIRITUAL FOUNDATION OF SERVICE : Service is a central theme in spirituality. Many spiritual traditions emphasize selflessness, compassion, and the importance of helping others. In Rotary, these values come to life through its humanitarian projects and its focus on uplifting communities.

SERVICE AS A SPIRITUAL PRACTICE : For many Rotarians, service is not just an act of charity but a form of spiritual practice. Whether it's digging wells in water-scarce regions, providing literacy programs to underprivileged children, or promoting peace in conflict zones, these acts are often seen as ways to transcend the ego and embrace the broader, interconnected world.

THE ROLE OF FELLOWSHIP IN SPIRITUAL GROWTH : The bonds formed among Rotarians, whether through local clubs or international events, create a network of support and shared purpose. In many ways, this fellowship mirrors the spiritual gatherings found in religious communities, where individuals come together to support each other in their personal and collective journeys.

ROTARY'S GLOBAL MISSION AND SPIRITUAL VISION : Rotary's work in areas such as peacebuilding, disease prevention, and conflict resolution further highlights its alignment with spiritual ideals. The pursuit of peace is a deeply spiritual mission, as it involves fostering understanding, reconciliation, and the well-being of all people.

CONCLUSION: A JOURNEY OF INNER AND OUTER SERVICE : Rotary, though not explicitly a spiritual organization, provides a path that many find to be spiritually fulfilling. Its focus on service, fellowship, and ethical leadership touches on the profound aspects of human life that transcend material concerns and tap into the deeper spiritual purpose. Whether one views Rotary through a lens of faith or a desire to improve the world, the work it does fosters a sense of connectedness, compassion, and meaning.

FROM THE EDITOR



MOHINDER PAUL GUPTA



FOR ROTARIANS, THE JOURNEY OF SERVICE IS BOTH AN OUTWARD EXPRESSION OF MAKING THE WORLD BETTER AND AN INWARD JOURNEY OF PERSONAL AND SPIRITUAL GROWTH. THROUGH ROTARY, MEMBERS ARE NOT ONLY AGENTS OF CHANGE BUT ALSO SPIRITUAL SEEKERS WHO FIND JOY AND FULFILLMENT IN HELPING OTHERS.



Rotary
RID 3080



THE MAGIC
OF ROTARY

RI District 3080 Theme
2024 - 25



RID 3080

PROJECTS

Rotary RID 3080

THE MAGIC OF ROTARY

RI District 3080 Theme 2024-25

Service with Enjoy

Project
Hi Tech Artificial Limbs
(Global Grant)

Contact Person
PDG Rtn. Raman Aneja
9996800021



Rotary RID 3080

THE MAGIC OF ROTARY

RI District 3080 Theme 2024-25

Service with Enjoy

कटे होंठ
Project Muskan
Cleft Lip & Pellet

Contact Person
Rtn. Anil Madan
9837420054
Rtn. Dr. S. S. Makkar
9815717272



अभिराम से पहले अभिराम के बाद
कटे तालू

अभिराम से पहले अभिराम के बाद

Rotary RID 3080

THE MAGIC OF ROTARY

RI District 3080 Theme 2024-25

Service with Enjoy

Project
Burn Injuries
(Global Grant)

Contact Person
Rtn. Dr. S.S. Makkar
9815717272



Rotary RID 3080

THE MAGIC OF ROTARY

RI District 3080 Theme 2024-25

Service with Enjoy

Project
Heart Line

Contact Person
Rtn. Anil Chaddha
9814013641



DISTRICT PROJECTS

Rotary
RID 3080

RI District 3080 Theme
2024-25

Service with Enjoy

Project
Pink Toilet
(CSR Grant)
Contact Person
Rtn. Salil Chopra
9878053821



Rotary
RID 3080

RI District 3080 Theme
2024-25

Service with Enjoy

Project
Sanitary Pad
(CSR-ONGC)
Contact Person
Rtn. R.S. Cheema
9814012454
Rtn. Sunil Kansal
9872012763



Rotary
RID 3080

RI District 3080 Theme
2024-25

Service with Enjoy

Project
Bone Marrow Operation For
Thalassemia Effected Children
Contact Person
Rtn. Dr. Sunil Sadiq
9812037733
Rtn. Tajinder Singh Walia
9729811000



Rotary
RID 3080

RI District 3080 Theme
2024-25

Service with Enjoy

Project
मूक एवं बधिर बच्चो का स्कूल
मुफ्त शिक्षा सांकेतिक भाषा द्वारा
Contact Person
Rtn. Naresh Bhardwaj
9812022630



Rotary
RID 3080

RI District 3080 Theme
2024 - 25

Service with Enjoy



Rotary
RID 3080

RI District 3080 Theme
2024-25

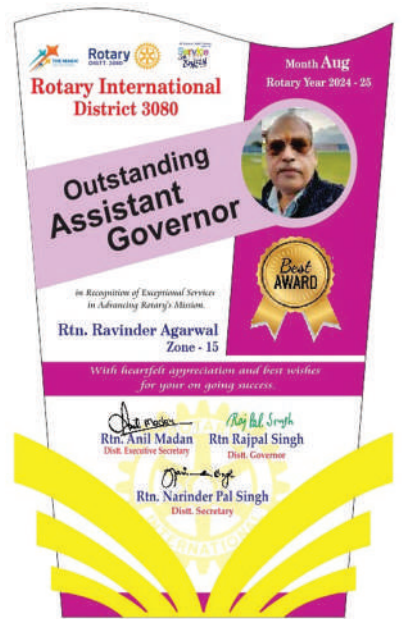
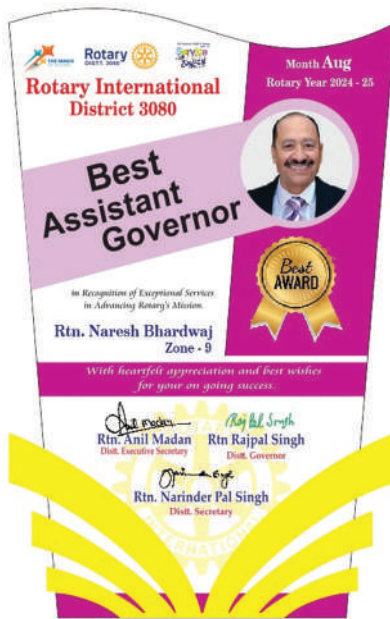
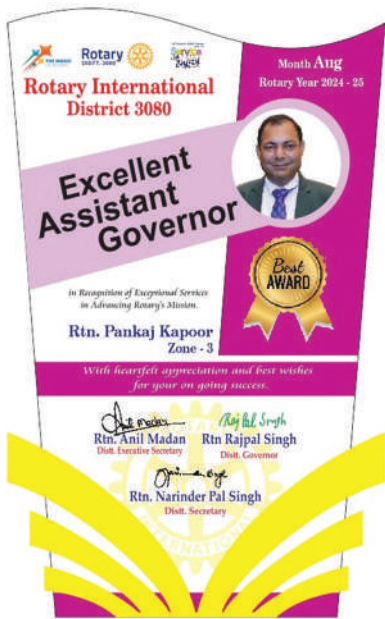
Service with Enjoy

Comming Projects
Computer Labs
School Benches
& many more projects to come.

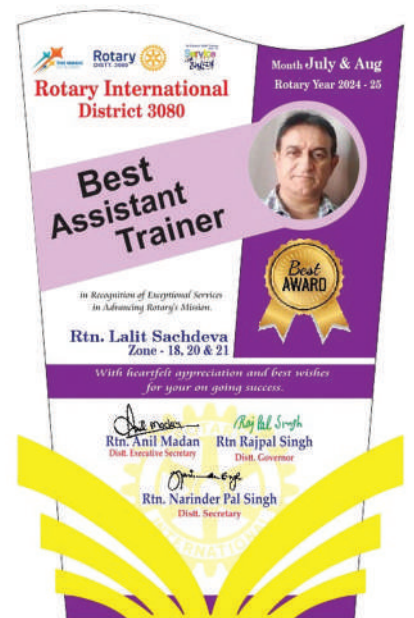
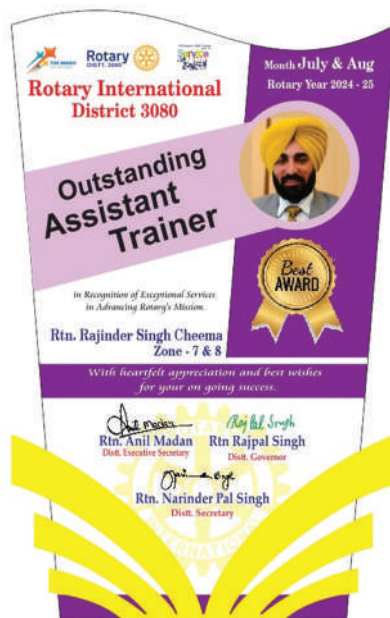
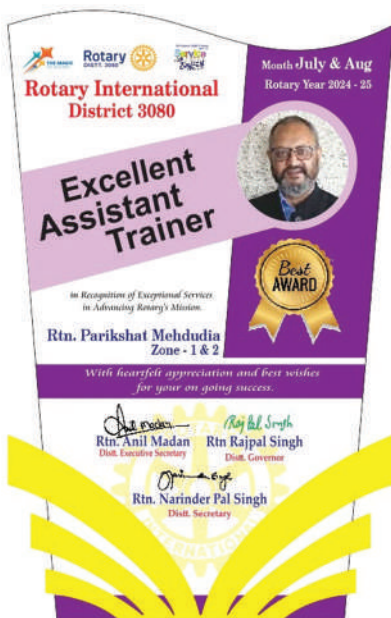


RID 3080
P
R
O
J
E
C
T
S

Assistant Governors



Assistant Trainers



ACHIEVEMENT

PRESIDENT'S CATEGORY 1

Rotary International District 3080

Month Aug
Rotary Year 2024 - 25

Best President



Best AWARD

In Recognition of Exceptional Services in Advancing Rotary's Mission.

Rtn. Kulnar Singh
Rotary Club Ropar Central
Category 1

With heartfelt appreciation and best wishes for your on going success.

Rtn. Anil Madan (Dist. Executive Secretary) Rtn. Rajpal Singh (Dist. Governor)
Rtn. Narinder Pal Singh (Dist. Secretary)

Rotary International District 3080

Month Aug
Rotary Year 2024 - 25

Excellent President



Best AWARD

In Recognition of Exceptional Services in Advancing Rotary's Mission.

Rtn. Parmod Goyal
Rotary Club Gangoh
Category 1


With heartfelt appreciation and best wishes for your on going success.

Rtn. Anil Madan (Dist. Executive Secretary) Rtn. Rajpal Singh (Dist. Governor)
Rtn. Narinder Pal Singh (Dist. Secretary)

Rotary International District 3080

Month Aug
Rotary Year 2024 - 25

Outstanding President



Best AWARD

In Recognition of Exceptional Services in Advancing Rotary's Mission.

Rtn. Tann Jain
Rotary Club Rishikesh Divas
Category 1

With heartfelt appreciation and best wishes for your on going success.


Rtn. Anil Madan (Dist. Executive Secretary) Rtn. Rajpal Singh (Dist. Governor)
Rtn. Narinder Pal Singh (Dist. Secretary)

PRESIDENT'S CATEGORY 2

Rotary International District 3080

Month Aug
Rotary Year 2024 - 25

Best President



Best AWARD

In Recognition of Exceptional Services in Advancing Rotary's Mission.

Rtn. Vijay Kumar Dhall
Rotary Club Chandigarh Uptown
Category 2


With heartfelt appreciation and best wishes for your on going success.

Rtn. Anil Madan (Dist. Executive Secretary) Rtn. Rajpal Singh (Dist. Governor)
Rtn. Narinder Pal Singh (Dist. Secretary)

Rotary International District 3080

Month Aug
Rotary Year 2024 - 25

Excellent President



Best AWARD

In Recognition of Exceptional Services in Advancing Rotary's Mission.

Rtn. Surendra Prasad Ojha
Rotary Club Chandigarh Central
Category 2


With heartfelt appreciation and best wishes for your on going success.

Rtn. Anil Madan (Dist. Executive Secretary) Rtn. Rajpal Singh (Dist. Governor)
Rtn. Narinder Pal Singh (Dist. Secretary)

Rotary International District 3080

Month Aug
Rotary Year 2024 - 25

Outstanding President



Best AWARD

In Recognition of Exceptional Services in Advancing Rotary's Mission.

Rtn. Arvind Singh Rajara
Rotary Club Haridwar
Category 2

With heartfelt appreciation and best wishes for your on going success.


Rtn. Anil Madan (Dist. Executive Secretary) Rtn. Rajpal Singh (Dist. Governor)
Rtn. Narinder Pal Singh (Dist. Secretary)

PRESIDENT'S CATEGORY 3

Rotary International District 3080

Month Aug
Rotary Year 2024 - 25

Best President



Best AWARD

In Recognition of Exceptional Services in Advancing Rotary's Mission.

Rtn. Jafinder Kapur
Rotary Club Chadigarh
Category 3


With heartfelt appreciation and best wishes for your on going success.

Rtn. Anil Madan (Dist. Executive Secretary) Rtn. Rajpal Singh (Dist. Governor)
Rtn. Narinder Pal Singh (Dist. Secretary)

Rotary International District 3080

Month Aug
Rotary Year 2024 - 25

Excellent President



Best AWARD

In Recognition of Exceptional Services in Advancing Rotary's Mission.

Rtn. Puneet Gupta
Rotary Club Panipat Midtown
Category 3


With heartfelt appreciation and best wishes for your on going success.

Rtn. Anil Madan (Dist. Executive Secretary) Rtn. Rajpal Singh (Dist. Governor)
Rtn. Narinder Pal Singh (Dist. Secretary)

Rotary International District 3080

Month Aug
Rotary Year 2024 - 25

Outstanding President



Best AWARD

In Recognition of Exceptional Services in Advancing Rotary's Mission.

Rtn. Dinesh Sethi
Rotary Club Ambala
Category 3

With heartfelt appreciation and best wishes for your on going success.

Rtn. Anil Madan (Dist. Executive Secretary) Rtn. Rajpal Singh (Dist. Governor)
Rtn. Narinder Pal Singh (Dist. Secretary)

Together,
we end polio



**WORLD
POLIO DAY
24 OCTOBER**



Register your
World Polio Day event

