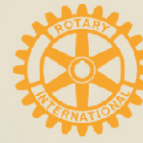


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RI President : Rtn. Stephanie A. Urchick

District Governor : Rtn. Paritosh Bajaj

Chartered in 1980  
Charter No. 15407

## About the Installation Ceremony

Exchange of collar, for the year 2024-25 is scheduled to take place on July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at Kanha Shyam, 4:15 p.m onwards. Incoming team and the outgoing is supposed to be joined by the members of the club. Hon' ble Mr. Justice Arun Tandon will be gracing the ceremony as the chief guest. MOC of the ceremony is Divya Bhartaria.

## About The Chief Guest



Hon'ble Mr. Justice Arun Tandon was born on December 30<sup>th</sup>, 1955. He graduated in Science in the year 1977 and completed his degree in Law in the year 1980 from Allahabad University. He was enrolled as an advocate on August 6<sup>th</sup>, 1980. He practiced in Service, Excise, Tax and Educational matters at Allahabad High Court. He served as Administrative Judge for the district in Jalaun at Orai. He was elevated as Additional Judge in Allahabad High Court on January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2004 and took an oath as Permanent Judge on August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2005. He retired from the services on December 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

## Message from the Chief Guest

Justice Arun Tandon (Retd.)  
Allahabad High Court.



3, Patrika Marg, Civil Lines,  
Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh.

### MESSAGE

### ***Congratulations!***

New team of office bearers of Rotary Allahabad Mid-Town for the year 2024-25 under the Presidentship of Radha Saxena is scheduled to take oath of the office on 07.07.2024.

Institutions like Rotary are visualized as champions for promoting welfare of less privileged class of the society, be it by assistance in the field of medicine, education, donations to various needy/charitable institutions. Such effort of the Rotarians, I have no doubt, under the new team shall continue.

I take this opportunity to emphasize that more concrete efforts from the Rotarians are required for providing opportunities for the education of the weaker sections of the society, in every manner possible. I believe a democracy of illiterates is no democracy.

Yours,

(ARUN TANDON)

Date: 25.06.2024 at Prayagraj.

## Message from RI President



Dear fellow Rotary leaders:

As we begin a new year of service, let us not forget the importance of every one of Rotary's members.

We need your leadership now more than ever if we are to make every club and district an irresistible experience. Rotary has a chance to capture the world's attention and realize

possibilities beyond our expectations. But we must build on the work that has come before us if we are to reach our goals, such as defeating polio and unlocking the power of girls and women.

Rotary offers people of action a chance to connect and find belonging, and this fellowship gives us the potential to improve our communities and the world. By following Rotary's Action Plan and helping make sure all members feel a sense of belonging in their club, you have a special opportunity to inspire members to new heights of service.

Our ability to create lasting change begins with our family of Rotary. Together, it is within our power to bring healing in a divided world.

Join me in making Rotary a source of strength for those who need it most, within and beyond our membership. Let this be the year we harness *The Magic of Rotary*, and let Rotary be known as an organization that takes care of its members as well as the people we serve. It is within your power to help make Rotary a beacon of goodwill and fellowship in every community. Remember that your work can and will change the world with *The Magic of Rotary*.

**-Stephanie A. Urchick**

Rotary International President, 2024-2025

## Introduction of the President - 2024-25



Radha, was born to Shri Aroon & Smt. Leena Dave in Kolkata and is the oldest of 3 children. She is blessed with her mother's beauty and father's charms and suave mannerisms. Even in her childhood Radha always had a very compassionate heart and served at old age homes and Little Sisters of the Poor.

She was inspired by her mother's long standing, weekly, volunteer service work at a Non-Profit Gujarati Hospital where Leena ji used to tirelessly ensure that all outpatient medical requirements, inventory and accounts were maintained for over 25 years. This served as her inspiration to serve humanity at large. Of course none of this was possible without the able support, encouragement and cooperation from Aroon ji.

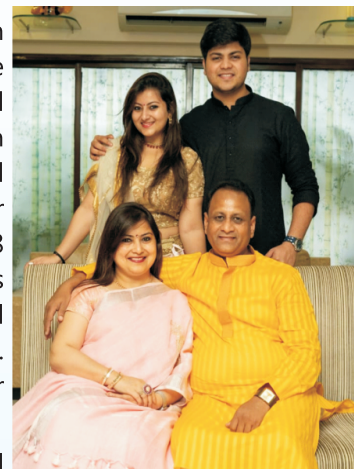
She is a gifted dancer with oodles of patience and in her youth, she participated actively in Gujarati Garba competitions and stage shows and won the Champion of Champion tournament in 1993 at Kolkata. She completed her schooling from Modern High School and B.Sc. in Human Development and Child Psychology from J.D. Birla College in 1996. She stood 2nd in college Her loving nature, compassion, patience and willingness to share her knowledge and skill transpired her into teaching; she taught dance forms such as Bharatnatyam, Kathak and Gujarati traditional Garba along with modern dance forms and also led her to get herself trained as a Primary School & Nursery Teacher at NTT. She stood 1st at NTT exams. She taught at "Happy Hours" and "IPEM School" at Prayagraj.

The reason her heart is so compassionate is for the simple reason that Radha commenced her spiritual journey at the age of 16 years while she was just a teenager and started expanding her

consciousness and aura through her meditation practices. The spiritual manna has developed and blossomed her heart. She has been meditating for over 34 years and has been a certified trainer for Heartfulness meditation for over 8 years conducting numerous programs in schools, colleges, and many organizations such as St. Joseph, YMCA, Sanskar International, engineering college.

All these multifarious activities and achievements in her life could not have been possible without the able support of her better half, Rotarian Mr. Manu Saxena who is a practicing advocate at Prayagraj High Court and her two beautiful and supportive children, Shagun and Radhamani who are both busy with their professional careers. Shagun working in Honda cars as an HR past 3yrs and son Radhamani is practicing law in Allahabad High court Her holistic lifestyle is balanced and moderate as she delicately finds the time for self-evolution, however, as she is living in the society, her penchant desire to serve humanity and at the same time enjoy her lifestyle, she lives life King size. She has been invited to judge numerous dance competitions, fashion shows and debates while being a counsellor, teacher and Heartfulness trainer.

She is easily able to juggle all these myriad responsibilities, has donned the hat of Secretary of Rotary Mid Town (2021-22) and been responsible and sponsored many charitable and noble causes and now will be taking over as the new President for the year 2024-2025 for further these noble service programs.



## Introduction of the Secretary - 2024-25



Rtn. Neeruj Chugh belongs to one of the old none business families of Allahabad. The Chugh family has been in the business of books Retailing and Publishing since the past 75 years under the name of Universal Book Depot.

Rtn. Neeruj Chugh completed his schooling from St. Joseph's College in the year 1991, graduated from Allahabad University and there on completing MBA from Symbiosis University, Pune. His interest in sports has led him to activities like Badminton, Cricket and Swimming. He loves travelling and reading books (both fiction and non-fiction) and as he says "Books are in his blood". He also ventured into the Real Estate Consultancy business in the year 2012 under the name and style of- EARTH REALITY which is the leading Real Estate Consultancy of Prayagraj. He has recently also expanded out into Construction and Development of Multi-story Apartment near the new Yamuna Bridge- Naini.

His family consists of his Father- Mahesh Chugh, Wife- Pooja Chugh and two beautiful Daughters- Pavini Chugh and Niveeta Chugh.

He has been involved in charitable causes on the personal basis since long and joined Rotary Midtown to follow this further through the Rotary platform. He has been Director Membership in 2019-20 and 2021-22 and Director Public Image in 2023-24.

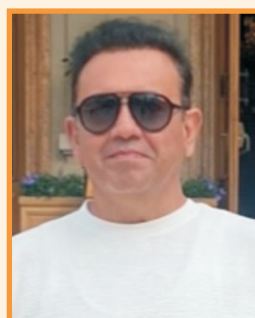
Looking for being of more service as the New Club Secretary.

## Welcome to Rotary Allahabad Midtown

Following members are added to our Rotary family :



**Name** : Shilpi Mitchel  
**Spouse** : Lt. Mitchel Innes  
**Classification** : Salon owner



**Name** : Rohit Malik  
**Spouse** : Ruchika Malik  
**Classification** : Jeweller  
**Name of Firm** : Malik Fine Jewels

## District Governor's Message



Dear Radhaji,

At the very outset kindly accept my heartfelt wishes for having been chosen to lead your vibrant club in the year 2024 - 25. I can dare say that under the able guidance of you and your team the club shall attain newer and significant heights. When I sit to pen down this message I am reminded of my 1<sup>st</sup> day in this wonderful organization. My journey as a rotarian to the club president and then to the AG of my zone and then finally having been appointed as the District leader has been like a walk in a dreamland.

My journey of 21 years in this impactful organization has given me a changed outlook towards life, some life cherishing moments, life long association with intellectuals like you and above all has helped me to become a better human being. I am sure that 1.2 million rotarians around the globe shall be striving in the best possible way in which they can to serve the mankind. We rotarians do believe that God has been kind to us by giving us a chance to pay the debt which we owe to our society. At the end, I would once again like to congratulate the entire team of Allahabad Midtown and I strongly believe that this year shall be full of learning and impactful events for the club.

Regards

**Rtn. Paritosh Bajaj**

District Governor 2024 – 25, RI District 3120

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## Message from the Club President 2023-24



"Mighty Midtowners", as the name suggests is not only a club of common goal headed individuals but a comprehensive amalgamation of futuristic mindset, believing in walking baby steps to achieve BIG. Our core strength is in the TEAM.

T-Together we can      E-Evolve Together      A- Aspire Together      M-Meet and Greet

Emerging with self-esteem and fostering supportive teammates, my vision from 1st July 2023 envisaged to lift others; "Involve each one" "meet and greet"; and consciously evolve each member to embrace the essence and soul of Rotary. Significantly, I embraced the leadership quote by Jack Welch.

"Before you are a leader, Success is all about growing yourself. When you become a leader, Success is all about growing others.

My journey as the club leader was a joyous and a loved one. Personifying the true spirit to work together for the social cause was the committed sculpture valuing the chiseled product.

Empowering the basics templates.

- a) Accountability
- b) Planning with detailing
- c) Chiseled perfection in the projects.
- d) Bringing members together
- e) Public Image of our club.

The valuable encouragement that I retain still in me by all the seniors; peers and young members, infused in me a constant thirst to do better and better.

Creating a purposeful journey, speaking less and believing in karma was my focus. Whatever big or small, we could do as a team, made each one happy. Adding accolades to the club's success as the "diamond club of the district "goes beyond saying "together we can".

All cheers to Mighty Midtowners.

**Amrita Agarwal**

President 2023-2024

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## Message from the Club Secretary 2023-24



It gives me a great feeling to reflect on the incredible journey I have completed as the Secretary of Rotary Allahabad Midtown. I am filled with deep gratitude and profound appreciation for the rich experiences and relationships that have shaped in these past years.

First and foremost, I want to express my heartfelt thanks to each of you, my fellow Midtowners. Your unwavering dedication to our shared values of service, integrity and fellowship has been truly remarkable and noteworthy. Whether it was organizing fundraising events, participating in community service projects or advocating for important causes, your contribution has made a profound impact on the lives of those we serve. Together, we have faced challenges, celebrated successes and made a significant difference in our community and beyond. It has been a privilege to serve alongside such passionate individuals who embody the spirit of Rotary.

I am also immensely grateful to senior Rotary stalwarts from within our club and the District and also the entire board for their guidance, support and leadership throughout my term. Their wisdom and vision have been instrumental in guiding our club to new heights and I am proud of what we have accomplished together. I must also extend my gratitude to my family and friends for their unwavering support and understanding during my tenure as Secretary. I am reminded of the words of Rotary founder Paul Harris: "Whatever Rotary may mean to us, to the world it will be known by the results it achieves."

As I pass the torch to my successor, I am filled with hope and excitement for the future of our club and and I look forward to continuing to serve Rotary in whatever capacity I can and the positive impact we will continue to make in our community and beyond. Thank you once again for your support, friendship, and dedication. It has been an incredible journey.

**Ritu Kamal Agarwal**

## Message from the Club Editor 2024-25



It is the time of "Rotary Year" when we say goodbye to the old team and welcome the new one. On behalf of all the Rotarians, the editorial team of Midtown wishes the incoming a wonderful year. As last year 2023-24, this year also myself take the responsibility as the Editor of Midtown and I feel privileged to be a part of the team again. The main motto of Rotary 2024-25 is "The Magic of Rotary" and I am sure under the able and enthusiastic leaders like Rtn. Radha Saxena as President and Rtn. Neeruj Chugh as Club Secretary we will be able to spread the magic with our services towards the society.

**–Rtn. Swati Kharbanda**

## Feather in the cap - Team of 2023-24

### LIST OF AWARDS AND AWARDEES

#### TITLE AWARDED TO

- a. Vocational Service - Rotary Club Of Allahabad Midtown
- b. Literacy - Rotary Club Of Allahabad Midtown
- c. Supporting the Environment - Rotary Club Of Allahabad Midtown
- d. Membership development & Retention - Rotary Club Of Allahabad Midtown
- e. Rotary Public Image - Rotary Club Of Allahabad Midtown
- f. Participate in District Events- Rotary Club Of Allahabad Midtown
- g. Community Service - Rotary Club Of Allahabad Midtown
- h. The Rotary foundation Service - Rotary Club Of Allahabad Midtown
- i. Club Service - Rotary Club Of Allahabad Midtown
- Diamond President Award - Rtn. Amrita Agrawal
- Host Club President - Rtn. Amrita Agrawal
- Diamond Club Award- Rotary Club Of Allahabad Midtown
- Diamond Assistant Governor Award - Rtn. Divya Bartaria
- Gold Secretary Award - Rtn. Ritu Kamal Agrawal
- a. Active Lady Rotarian - Rtn. Shefali Agrawal
- b. Active Lady Rotarian - Rtn. Pallavi Agrawal
- c. Active Lady Rotarian - Rtn. Rati Tiwari
- d. Active New Member - Rtn. Ashutosh Chaudhri
- e. Active New Member - Rtn. Anoop Chauhan
- f. Active New Member - Rtn. Anil Narsarya
- g. Active New Member - Rtn. Dr. Arpit Bansal
- h. The Award of Honour - Rtn. Saurabh Puri
- i. Club Activity Report - Rotary Club Of Allahabad Midtown
- j. District Governor's Club Visit- Rotary Club Of Allahabad Midtown
- k. Star of the Club - Rtn. Dr. Ritesh Agrawal
- l. Host Club President - Rtn. Amrita Agrawal
- m. Host Club Secretary - Rtn. Madhu Agarwal
- n. Host Club Secretary - Rtn. Saurabh Puri
- o. Conference Chairman- Rtn. Vinayak Tondon
- p. Conference Secretary - Rtn. Saurabh Puri
- q. Host Club PETS and SETS- Rtn. Sudhir Potdar
- r. Chairman PETS and SETS - Rtn. Pankaj Jain



### Happy Birthday

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| 3 <sup>rd</sup> July - Sanskaar Gupta      | 18 <sup>th</sup> July - Piyush Bhutani     |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> July - Dr. Ankur Kesarwani | 18 <sup>th</sup> July - Yashovardhan Gupta |
| 10 <sup>th</sup> July - Anand Agarwal      | 19 <sup>th</sup> July - Ankita Chaddha     |
| 11 <sup>th</sup> July - Deepak Bhargava    | 20 <sup>th</sup> July - Vineet Agarwal     |
| 13 <sup>th</sup> July - Dr. Arpit Bansal   | 28 <sup>th</sup> July - CA Amit Agarwal    |

### Happy Anniversary

- 1<sup>st</sup> July - Dr. Ashutosh Chaudhary & Dr. Asha Chaudhary  
 6<sup>th</sup> July - Amit & Anu Goel  
 8<sup>th</sup> July - Rakesh & Chitra Kohli

