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## UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

**Annadaan**  
30th December

**Charter Day Celebration**  
on 5th January, 2024

**District Conference**  
6-7th January, 2024

## NEXT RWM

will be merged with  
CHARTER DAY'S  
CELEBRATION on  
05 th January, 2024



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Time surely flies when we are doing work that gives us satisfaction and happiness. The past six months of compassion and sincerity to serve humanity have taught us a lot about life and how precious every moment is. I am overwhelmed by your love, support and understanding at every step of this memorable journey of friendship and service. All our past events like Pre COTS ,COTS ,Club Installation, Bhagwat Katha for Humanity, Sandook, Hosting Golf for literacy, Independence Day celebration, Diwali Meet and Fellowship Trip to Gujarat were a huge success because of the consistent and constant support of my club members . It's a wonderful experience to ride the ship with greater strength and firm resolve to care and share more.

As we step into the 2nd second half of our journey to create Hope in the world, this part is more important and answerable too, as we have to deliver many inspirational, commendable and result oriented projects and activities. I look forward to a more gratifying, rewarding, and meaningful year ahead. We still have another six months to set new landmarks and milestones and leave a legacy of good work and service.

Dear all, our District Conference will be held from 5-7th January , 2024 and I request members to register for this most awaited event of the District. Looking forward to meeting you all at "Jashn -E -Mahanagar" celebrating Charter day of our club on 5 th January at the Terrace of Vivara apartment.

Friends, there are blessings every day. Find them. Create them. Treasure them. Spread them.Wish you all a very Happy New Year -2024 !!

- Rtn. Jyoti Mahipal

## Last RWM

Since our childhood we have been taught that "Prevention is Better than Cure"...Our health is the most precious thing, and we prioritize the same... More light on this was thrown by our very eminent and renowned physician Dr. Kunal Sarkar, at our RWM held on 8th December at HHI. It was an evening filled with vital information mixed with wit, humor, and fun. Dr. Kunal Sarkar highlighted the importance of taking care of our Heart Health so that it does not lead to any complications in our life ahead. He focused on diet, exercise, and lifestyle. The audience also got an opportunity to know a lot about the history of Heart Health in the World. Dr. Sarkar very vividly cleared the queries of the members too.

The birthday and anniversary cake cutting by the members and partners who had recently celebrated their special day, made the evening worth it.

By Rtn Payal Agarwal



## HIGHLIGHTS

President's Message | Last RWM | Introducing our Board For 2024-25 | Healing Little Hearts | Netralaya | Annadaan Mahadaan Bloodline | Rotary Foundation Seminar | Pulse Polio | Project Pediatric Cancer | Spotlight | Puzzle corner | Minutes | Condolences Birthday & Anniversary

# INTRODUCING OUR BOARD FOR 2024-2025

Dear Friends,

Each year at this time we are introduced to the incoming Board members.

This year too we met as a nominating committee. As there were no applications from the floor, the nomination committee below decided on the Board:

*Shekhar Mehta Chairman*

*IPP Manish Biyani*

*President Jyoti Mahipal*

*PP Ashok Agarwal*

We congratulate Incoming President Pramila Dugar and her team and wish them a great year ahead. Also assuring them of our full support from every member and family of the club. This is a great team that will surely take the club to greater heights.

*Shekhar Mehta*

*Chair, Nominating Committee.*



**Pramila Dugar**  
President



**Jyoti Mahipal**  
IPP



**Sanjay Bhalotia**  
Vice-President



**Sandeep Bagrecha**  
Club Secretary



**Sanghamitra Ghosh**  
Jt. Secretary



**Mahinder Singhal**  
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Dir. Club Admin 2



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Director Membership



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Director Service Projects (Medical)



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Director Service Projects (Non Medical)



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**Pradeep Agarwal**  
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**Kamlesh Agarwal**  
Sergeant-at-Arms



**PP. Dr. R.P. Vidhawan**  
Advisor to the Board



**PP. Raakesh Jain**  
Advisor to the Board



## Healing Little Hearts

On 13th December, Master Somu Mal, an 8 yearsold boy from Sahaganj, PS - Chinsurah, District - Hooghly, underwent Heart Surgery at Narayana Superficiality Hospital, Howrah under our project - Healing Little Hearts. His father works as a labor (masonry) and his monthly income is Rs 4,000/-.



## Annadaan Mahadaan

Mahanagar organized Project Annadaan Mahadaan on 13th December near Chittaranjan Cancer Hospital. It was sponsored by Rtn Raj-Seema Somani and it benefited nearly 300 people.



## Netralaya

Happy to inform that our grant for Rs. 42.64 lacs have been approved for eye surgeries. Now nearly 2,000 people will get their Eye Surgeries FREE of cost at our Netralaya. Once again, Mahanagar friend Nancy Barbie joined hands for this grant.



## Bloodline

During this period (01.12.2023 to 13.12.2023), our Club Carried out Two Blood Grouping Camps and registered 80 SOS donors for our Bloodline.

1st Camp conducted at "Baitulmal Tikiapara" 67, Belilious Road, Pilkhana, Howrah-711101 on 3rd December 2023 and Registered 27 SOS donors.

2nd Camp conducted at "All India Civil Accounts Emp" Kolkata - 700001 on 7th December and Registered 53 SOS donors.

We also met the needs of 10 patients.





## Rotary Foundation Seminar

On 11th Dec, Rtn Ashok Singhvi -Foundation Director and President Jyoti Mahipal attended a foundation Seminar at Swabhumi.

The mission of The Rotary Foundation is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty. The Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation supported solely by voluntary contributions from Rotarians and friends of the Foundation who share its vision of a better world.



## Pulse Polio

Polio drops were administered to nearly 300 children at Ganesh Talkies area on 10th December 2023. We have also distributed 'Meri Kitaab' to 300 children on the same day.



## Project Pediatric Cancer

On 13th Dec, there was a report on the Pediatric Cancer Project – Life Beyond Cancer in a leading Bengali newspaper, Anandabazar Patrika.



# SPOTLIGHT

**Rtn. Sanghamitra Ghosh**

I am Sanghamitra Ghosh, just 18 months old in this club but the warmth and affection which I get from the members make me feel that I have been with you all since the last 18 years.

I joined Rotary to serve the underprivileged people of our society as I believe serving people is the only way to serve God. My husband and business partner Kallol Ghosh, son Swastik Ghosh and daughter Shuvangee Ghosh are already members of the Interact club of Rotary International and love to serve mankind and support me in this enlightening journey. Being a member of this club is an honor. I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to Sanjay Bhalotia and Kavita Bhalotia for giving me this auspicious opportunity.

Professionally I am a financial planner partner in Escalated Wealth Distributors LLP. located in Kasba. We assist people to generate passive income through various financial instruments with consideration to their risk appetite.

*-By Rtn Sanghamitra Ghosh*

# Puzzle corner

## Puzzle 13

### Crack the logical password ?

- Password is 5 - digit number
- The 4<sup>th</sup> digit is 4 more than the 2<sup>nd</sup> one
- The 3<sup>rd</sup> digit is 3 less than the 2<sup>nd</sup> one
- The 1<sup>st</sup> digit is 3 times the 5<sup>th</sup> digit
- 3 pairs of digits sum up to 11

## Answer for Puzzle 12

Thursday. The only day they both tell the truth is Sunday; but today can't be Sunday because the lion also tells the truth on Saturday (yesterday). Day by day, the only day one of them is lying and one of them is telling the truth with those two statements is Thursday.

**Members who participated are:**  
Sweta chowdhary, Pradeep Agarwal, Neelam jalan, Kavita Bhalotia, Kamlesh Agarwal.

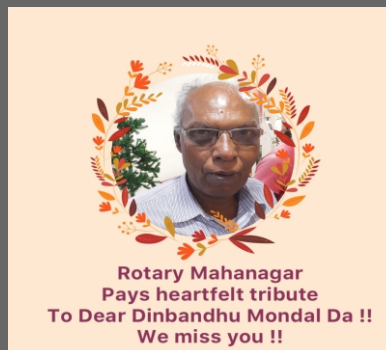
**And the winners are:**  
1. Sweta chowdhary  
2. Pradeep Agarwal

## MINUTES OF THE 1356TH WEEKLY MEETING OF ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA MAHANAGAR HELD ON 8TH DECEMBER 2023 AT HOTEL HINDUSTHAN INTERNATIONAL

1. President Jyoti Mahipal called the meeting to order.
2. The national anthem led by Sweta Choudhary was rendered by all.
3. President welcomed guest speaker Dr Kunal Sarkar.
4. Minutes of the last weekly meeting were confirmed by Rtn. Sanjay Dugar.
5. President informed members about the various projects and activities of the last week.
6. President expressed her heartfelt thanks to Rtn. Mahinder Singhal for sponsoring Rs. 30,000 for health check-up at Kutubpur.
7. President also spoke about meeting the recipient of Mother Teresa Award Winner Rtn. Heidi Kuhna from San Francisco.
8. President announced that the next RWN will take place on the 22nd of December, where the new board will be announced, and requested all members to attend.
9. Charter day celebration will be held at the terrace of Vivara Apartment near Marriott on 5th January and there is an annual district conference of our district on 6th and 7th January.
10. President announced our forthcoming fellowship retreat to Rann of Kutch from 17th-21st December.
11. Club Secretary Ritu Choudhury conducted Club Business.
12. The guest speaker for the evening, Dr Kunal Sarkar, a practicing cardiologist delivered a very informative speech on how to keep our heart healthy and happy.
13. Shero of the week award was given to Neena Gupta and Puzzle Winner of the week was announced to be Rtn. Ashok Singhvi and Neena Agarwal.
14. Maximum Attendance Award was given to Rtn. Vinod Mahipal.
15. The meeting concluded with the cake-cutting session for the anniversary couples and Birthday boys and girls.
16. There being no other business, the meeting was terminated.

## CONDOLENCES

*Mondal da was very much part of our Mahanagar family for many years. He served a lot of Presidents term closely making our work easier, a good soul, he departs with good memories with our club, may God rest his soul in peace.*



### Some kind words for Mondal da from our President :

*Mondal da was like finding a diamond in a coal mine.*

*He was a very hardworking person who always worked with honesty and total dedication and on top of it a person who himself believed in giving and serving with a smile.*

*He joined us when everyday banking, courier work, collection of payment etc. was routine and he would work from early morning till late evening without any tantrums.*

*Apart from these he was a very good writer and poet also. I remembered the song he composed for the members of Rotary Mahanagar at one of the Thanksgiving parties.*

*Since he left our job due to medical issues, we have always felt his absence as he was very methodical, well prepared and used to organize all the basic requirement of meetings which every president to whom he served will appreciate. My heartfelt gratitude to few members who stood beside him in his difficult time. May his soul rest in peace and may the family get enough strength to bear this loss. Rotary Mahanagar will always remember ever smiling and ever helpful Mondal da.*

## Happy Birthdays

22nd Dec	Pinki Sinha
22nd Dec	Gopal Modi
22nd Dec	Rtn. Rashika Jain
26th Dec	Rtn. Satish Bansal
27th Dec	Rtn. Sachin Agarwal
27th Dec	Swati Agarwal
29th Dec	Vivek Choudhary
02nd Jan	Lajo Lodha
03rd Jan	Nisheeth Totla
04th Jan	Usha Agarwal

## Happy Anniversaries

26th Dec	Vikram & Rashmi Doogar
01st Jan	Sanjay & Deepali Bhandari

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