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# MAHANAGAR Magic

*August is Membership &  
New Club Development Month*

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## Citrus-Themed RWM with a *Zest of Friendship*



*Young at Heart*



*"The foundation upon which Rotary is built is friendship; on no less firm foundation could it have stood."*

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# LAST RWM



The citrus-themed Friendship Day celebration on July 28th at Cafe I Can Fly, organized in collaboration with the RWM, was a delightful success, bringing a vibrant sense of community and joy to all who attended. Conceived by our President Pramila ji, the event's bright and cheerful theme perfectly captured the sweetness and zest of friendship. The venue was adorned with vivid yellow and orange decorations, meticulously arranged by Shalu, Shalini, Shusma, and myself. We planned various games, with Savita lending a helping hand. However, the interaction among members was so engaging and lively that we only played a few games – a testament to the camaraderie and spirit of the event. No Rotary event is complete without music, and our Rotary singing stars didn't disappoint. They took over the floor, and everyone joined in, singing their favorite friendship songs, truly capturing the essence of the day. It was a Sunday evening well spent with dear club friends. Here's to many more refreshing and memorable celebrations together!

~By Rtn Puja Agarwal

## UPCOMING EVENTS

1. 11th August : Project GST Plantation Drive at Shikarpur, Rajarhat.
2. 15th August : Flag hoisting at Maddox Square with underprivileged children at 8 a.m. Fellowship in the evening at Haldiram Banquets from 6 pm onwards.
3. 30th August : Next RWM with Dr Rahman Sadique

## HAPPY *Birthday* TO YOU ALL

10<sup>th</sup> August Rtn. Mahesh Sonthalia  
12<sup>th</sup> August Rtn. Dr Rampal Vidhawan  
13<sup>th</sup> August Rtn. Jyoti Kumar Bajaj  
15<sup>th</sup> August Rtn. Laxmi Kant Balasaria  
15<sup>th</sup> August Rtn. Naresh Kumar Jalan  
20<sup>th</sup> August Rtn. Sanjay Bhalotia  
20<sup>th</sup> August Rtn. Amit Agarwal

11<sup>th</sup> August Aruna Balsaria  
13<sup>th</sup> August Renu Modi  
14<sup>th</sup> August Sanju Dokania  
15<sup>th</sup> August Madhu Agarwalla  
17<sup>th</sup> August Sudha Rawat  
21<sup>st</sup> August Manju  
24<sup>th</sup> August Jyoti Sureka  
27<sup>th</sup> August Saurav Choudhary

# GUEST SPEAKER



*Dr. Rajesh Kumar is an Indian Police Service Officer of the 1990 batch of West Bengal Cadre. He is presently posted as the Member Secretary of the West Bengal Pollution Control Board.*

*Dr. Kumar did his Bachelors degree in Commerce from Commerce College, Jaipur, Rajasthan. He did his Post Graduation degree in Accountancy and Finance from the University of Rajasthan. Dr. Rajesh Kumar is a qualified Chartered Accountant and a fellow member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. He is a qualified Cost Accountant and a fellow member of the Institute of Cost Accountants of India*

*also known as ICWA earlier and ICAI now. He did his Ph.D. in Finance from University of Rajasthan. Dr. Kumar also holds a degree of MBA in Finance as well as Human Resources.*

*As an IPS Officer he served in several positions. He was Superintendent of Police of Murshidabad and Howrah District in West Bengal. He has served as DIG of Police and IGP in the Intelligence Branch of West Bengal. He has to his credit a unique Community Police Model in West Bengal which is described in a brief documentary "Anya Police - A different Police" on YouTube. He was heading the Criminal Investigation Department (CID) of West Bengal in 2016 and 2017. He streamlined the functioning of the organization by developing several software and mobile applications. He has served as the 41st Commissioner of Police of Kolkata and conducted the 2019 Parliament Election very smoothly. He has also served as DGP Traffic and Road Safety of West Bengal Police.*

*He served as the Financial Adviser and Director Finance of Damodar Valley Corporation. He has also served as Private Secretary to Urban Development Minister, OSD to Rail Minister and OSD to Minister of Culture at Govt of India from 2009 to 2014.*

*Dr. Rajesh Kumar has been awarded the President's Police Medal for Meritorious Services and Medal for Outstanding Services by the Chief Minister of West Bengal. His efforts in improving the Environment got the award for Most Improved State in a Survey by India Today Group in December 2019.*

*The motto of Dr. Rajesh Kumar is "अब कुछ बनने का नहीं, कुछ करने का सपना है".*

*He is available on Twitter on his handle @RajeshKumarIPS.*

**Rotary**  
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**ROTARY WEEKLY MEETING**

**Dr. Rajesh Kumar (IPS)**

Guest Speaker  
Dr. Rajesh Kumar IPS  
Member Secretary of WB Pollution Control Board  
Ex DIG & IGP of West Bengal

Friday, 9th August 2024  
7 pm

Hotel Hindusthan International

Pramila Dugar  
President

Sandeep Bagrecha  
Club Secretary

THE MAGIC OF ACTION

**Rotary**  
Calcutta Mahanagar

**Environment**

**Project GST**  
Grow and Save Trees

On 11th August  
Sunday, 10 am  
Durga Puja Prangan  
Sikharpur, Rajarhat  
Kolkata 700135

**About Project**

We shall do plantation and distribute saplings of 1000 fruit bearing trees to local villagers. This is our noble way to celebrate birthday of our members.

**SANJAY DUGAR**  
Chairman

Pramila Dugar  
President

Sandeep Bagrecha  
Club Secretary

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# PROJECTS



## Shelter Kit



The Rotary Club of Calcutta Mahanagar, in collaboration with the India Humanity Foundation, has served more than 75,000 victims of over 30 disasters through the Shelter Kit initiative. This initiative aims to support people affected by various disasters by providing essential items for their recovery. Recently, 100 kits were dispatched to Wayanad to assist those impacted by local events. Each kit is priced at Rs. 8000 and includes essential items to aid those in need.

If you are interested in contributing, you can sponsor a kit at Rs. 8000 each. The contents of the kit are as follows :

### LIST OF ITEMS - SHELTER KIT

Sl.no	Item	Quantity
1	Steel Trunk	1
2	Tarpaulins (15X12)	2
3	Linen/ Bed sheet	2
4	Mosquito Net	1
5	Rope	1
6	Lock & key	1
7	Emergency Torch	1
8	Candles (box of 6)	1
9	Track Pants	2
10	Saree	1
11	Blouse	1
12	Petticoat	1
13	Night Gown	1
14	T-Shirts	2
15	Towel	1
16	Children's Bermudas	2
17	Children's vests	2
18	Plastic lock	1
19	Steel Vessel (Vagona/Patila/Gamla)	1
20	Cauldron (Kadai)	1

Sl.no	Item	Quantity
21	Steel Plate	4
22	Spatula (Karchi/Khunti)	1
23	Steel Glasses	4
24	Kitchen Tong (Pakad/Sanrashi)	1
25	Rice Pot with lid (Handi with lid)	1
26	Ladle (Karchchul/ Hata)	1
27	Kerosene Stove	1
28	Knife	1
29	Match box	1
30	Soap	1
31	Toothpaste	1
32	Washing Soap	1
33	Bucket (12 ltrs)/10lit	1
34	Jug	1
35	Jerrycan (5 ltrs) for kerosene	1
36	Jerrycan (5 ltrs) for water	1
37	Mug	1
38	Zeoline Bottle	1
TOTAL		50

For more information or to make a contribution, please contact Rtn. Shashi Agarwal at 9831217034.



## Annadan Mahadan

28.07.2024



On his birthday, Rotarian Deepak Chaudhary served meals to the residents of Navneer, an old-age home located in Chetla. This gesture of kindness and generosity brought joy and comfort to the elderly residents, highlighting the spirit of giving and community service that Rotary Club of Calcutta Mahanagar embodies.

30.07.2024



Meals were provided to 350 needy people at Dhapa through the Roti-on-Wheels van, sponsored by Rotarian Sangamitra Ghosh and her family. This initiative reflects the ongoing commitment of the Rotary Club of Calcutta Mahanagar to support the community and address hunger among the underprivileged.



## Homoeopathy

31.07.2024



12 patients were healed.



## Healing Little Heart

02.08.2024



Mst. Satyaki Mondal, a four month boy from 24 Parganas (S) was admitted at RN Tagore Hospital for a heart surgery. He underwent a successful surgery on the 6th of August '24.



## Project Food Bank

05.08.2024



Millets and food items were distributed to 650 people at Vivekananda Park.



## Bloodline

05.08.2024



Blood donation & blood group testing was conducted in corporation with the Central Blood Bank & Rotary Club of Calcutta Metropolitan Bloodline at Prasad Roy Samity Markert, Baguiati, Chal Bazar







## Vocational Center



Tailoring class provided to 9 women in the 1st Batch and 17 women in the 2nd Batch at Jalaram Trust Vocational Centre.



## OPENING CEREMONY OF COMPUTER TRAINING CENTRE



My Dear Fellow Rotarians!!

What a splendid start to the day as we took a step towards "Empowering the Community by Inaugurating Computer Training Centre, Followed by a Spiritual Visit and Bonding Lunch". Dance performances and poetry recitations of young children showed the cultural legacy of Bengal.

In a heartwarming display of community spirit, our club in association with RCC Shikharpur Sukanta Sanskriti Sangha inaugurated its brand-new computer training centre on Sunday, August 4, 2024. The centre with a Capacity of FOUR Computers and a printer, aimed at bridging the digital divide and enhancing employability skills, was formally opened in the presence of esteemed guests, club members, and residents.

The inauguration ceremony commenced with a ribbon-cutting ritual, performed by PRIP Shekhar Mehta, who praised the club's initiative in addressing the growing need for digital literacy. The centre, equipped with state-of-the-art computers and software, will offer training sessions to individuals of all ages, focusing on basic computer skills and programming.

### Members Present :-

PRIP Shekhar Mehta, President Pramila - Sanjay Dugar; Pradip - Manju Agarwal, Sandeep Bagrecha, Sanjay Bhalotia, Mahindra Singhal, Rakesh Jain, Surendra-Shashi Agarwal and Ratan Agarwal.

~By Rtn. Ratan Agarwal



Regular computer classes are being held at Star Welfare Society.



## Netralaya



Left to right Joyjit Mukherjee (Csr Manager) and Amitava Dutta (EA to Director)



DTC Projects Pvt Ltd, a real estate company, assisted a large number of eye patients in commuting to and from Sundarban to Mahanagar Netralaya during the month of July. First Squint Surgery at RMN, thanks to Dr. Chandani Chakraborty and congratulations to Rotary Mahanagar Netralaya team :- for Excellent work, hope to do many more in future.

It was quite a tedious operation involving 5.5 hours.



## Project Food Bank

Chocolate distribution at two Bagu junior schools. Children are looking so happy.



**MINUTES OF THE 1376<sup>TH</sup> REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING OF ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA MAHANAGAR HELD ON SUNDAY, 28<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2024 AT ICANFLY CAFÉ**

- The meeting was called to order by President Pramila Dugar. Approximately 50 members including spouses were present for the meeting. The National Anthem was led by Suman Kedia.
- The President Pramila Dugar delivered the welcome address highlighting all the projects undertaken in that week. The project of Medical Health Camp held under the directorship of Rtn Girish Soni was highly praised and applauded.
- The upcoming projects like the Inauguration of Computer Training Centre and GST drive was also discussed and members were asked in join in large numbers for these projects.
- Friendship Day celebration took place with lots of interactive games, music and yummy food. It was well curated and planned by Rtn Anuja Banthia, Rtn Puja Agarwal, Shalini Bagaria and Shalu Agarwal.
- The Club Business was conducted by Secretary Sandeep Bagrecha and the meeting was adjourned by President Rtn Pramila Dugar.



**19<sup>th</sup> August**  
**INTERNATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHY DAY**  
**OPEN COMPETITION**  
*For all the Travel Enthusiasts*

Share your adventure pictures with us and we will feature the **WINNERS** in our next bulletin. **Entry closes on 15<sup>th</sup> August.**  
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