

## PDG RAMESH AGGARWAL

Ramesh joined Rotary at the age of 27 in 1988-89, as a member of the Rotary club of Delhi City in Rotary District 3010. He served as President in 1998-99. He was instrumental in the formation of the Rotary Club of Delhi Ashoka in District 3012 during 2000-2001, and has served the club in various capacities since, including mentor, advisor and counselor.

His spouse and he are the members of the Arch C. Klumph Society. For various services rendered and his commitment to the cause of Rotary, he has been honored with many awards and recognitions. He was recognized with the Rotary International Four Avenues of Service Award in 2004-05 and the

Best Rotarian Award of the District 3010 in 2007-08 and District 3012 in 2016-17. For his unparalleled support to TRF, RI recognized him with "The Rotary Foundation Meritorious Service Award" in the year 2013-14. He has been bestowed with Rotary International's highest honor "Service Above Self" Award during 2015-16 for his selfless service and unstinted commitment to Rotary.

During his tenure as Governor in 2012-13, RI District 3010 achieved a net membership growth of about 10%. The District succeeded in raising over 1 million US Dollars for TRF, which was the highest collection in the District till then and the second highest in zones 4 & 6A. He served as the District Trainer of the District 3012 for the two consecutive terms from 2015-17. He has also served as the District Representative for COL 2016 and Member of RI Director 2019-21 Nominating Committee for Zone-4. He is serving as the District Chair for Membership of the District 3012 for the 4th time in 2020-21. He is also as the secretary of Rotary Blood Bank in Delhi, a joint venture of Rotary Districts 3011 & 3012.

Ramesh has served beyond the District level in many capacities including Deputy Sergeant-At-Arms at the 2007 South Asia Goodwill Summit New Delhi, Registration Committee Chair at the 2012 Polio Summit New Delhi, Promotion Committee Chair, Zone 4 at the 2013 Zonal Rotary Institute Singapore, and the Vice-Chair for the Light up Rotary Seminar at the 2014 Zonal Rotary Institute Chennai to name a few. He was the treasurer of the Rotary News Trust in 2012-13. He served as the Assistant Rotary Public Image Coordinator (ARPIC) for zone 4, for two years consecutively from 2013 to 2015. He has also served as the RI President's Representative to RI District 1550 at Maastricht in Netherlands in 2014-15 and to RI District 2981 in 2017-18. He also served as the Hospitality Committee Chair at the Kuala Lumpur Rotary Zonal Institute 2017.

Currently he is serving as the Chair of the WinS India Recognition Committee, member of TRF WASH in Schools Committee for a five-year term ending in 2021, member of TRF WASH Major Gifts Initiative Committee and TRF Cadre of Technical Advisors for a two year terms ending in 2022. He also serves on the Board of WASRAG as the Director for three years 2<sup>nd</sup> consecutive term ending 2023. He is also serving as the Advisor of the Western India Division of RLI (Rotary Leadership Institute. He also serves as the Chair of WASH Warriors (earlier known as Rotary India Sanitation Mission)

He is a passionate speaker and has a distinction of addressing several Zonal Institutes, District Conferences, District Training Assemblies & District seminars on WinS and other subjects on Rotary. He has been a panelist on breakout session on WinS at Seoul, Atlanta, & Hamburg Rotary Conventions. He regularly appears on DD National TV shows to speak on WinS and various other matters concerning the society.

Ramesh completed his schooling in the tiny Himalayan state of Sikkim, where he was born and raised. He qualified as an architect in 1986, completing a B. Arch. (Hons.) degree with distinction, from the Chandigarh College of Architecture. He also holds a post-graduate M. Arch. Degree from the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA). While there, he had the opportunity to serve as a member of the prestigious admission committee at UCLA, for postgraduate admissions in architecture, a rare honor for an Indian there. He is a member of the Council of Architecture and a Fellow of the Indian Institute of Architects.

Ramesh is the Managing Director of Ramesh Aggarwal and Associates Private Limited and several other companies promoted by the family. He is a builder, engaged in the development of residential apartments in South Delhi and high-tension electric transmission line and sub-station works in Sikkim. Ramesh is married to Nanda, a homemaker and an Arts graduate from the prestigious Loreto College in Darjeeling. Their daughter

Bhavika, studied architecture at the School of Planning and Architecture, New Delhi, and holds Master of Fine Arts in Design from the School of Visual Arts, New York. Their son Vishwam, studied electronics and communication engineering from the Vellore Institute of Technology, Tamil Nadu and holds Master of Science in Engineering in Control Systems from Arizona State University, Tempe, US. Bhavika and Vishwam are both Paul Harris Fellows.