

The charter presentation of a club is a red letter day in the history of a new club and comes only once. We stand at a very unique moment in the history of Rotary.

Our club was admitted to Rotary International on 30th June, 2005, possibly the last club to be chartered in the centennial year of Rotary and also the first club of the second century of Rotary.

As a young club, we received our Charter on 30th June 2005 when Rotary around the world was in the first year of the second century of its existence. We may be a small, fledging club, but we are confident that we become a significant part of the first chapter of the new history book of Rotary's second 100 years, in the premier, the then R.I. District 3010 and now bifurcated and renumbered as R.I. District 3011 with effect from 1st July 2015.

We are aware of our responsibilities and the many challenges facing us. Our Rotarians distinguish themselves by discharging their responsibilities to their club, their community, our country and our world, as also to R.I. District 3011 and Rotary International. We face the challenges by doing the right things in the right way with great determination, courage and commitment, all the time focusing on our mission.

It is now our time to add to the glorious history of Rotary Club of New Delhi. It is our actions which will determine what will be said of our club in the future. We are relatively a new club 16th years old wine in a new bottle—not new only in name but also new in the way we think and act. We are innovative and flexible; we are open to new, refreshing and stimulating ideas. We shall dare to try new ideas and will change in response to the changing needs of our community.

Yes, we are so to speak, old wine, but not in a new bottle. We have, what many consider, too many past presidents. The senior Rotarians and past presidents are undoubtedly old wine, but a wine of rare and the finest vintage—a collector's pride and delight. We are an old wine with a difference.

Many of us have embraced Rotary to our hearts and made it a part of our lives and will be ever willing to assist the newer members to do so in double quick time.

Our club will proactively support new members to become Rotarians and develop and nurture them to take over the mantle of leadership, vibrant and dynamic leaders to serve at the club level—and beyond.

We will provide the infrastructure and support system to enable the young new members to achieve their full potential as our future leaders. We feel that we have a vested but enlightened self-interest in these fine young men and women who will lead us with distinction in the not so distant future.

We are not, and will not be, afraid to grow; we are proactively scouting for younger members to bring in new blood.

What is our strength? Undoubtedly, our members are our strength because they have a sense of responsibility and are willing and able to accept the responsibilities to their club, their community and to themselves. Each member has the commitment and dedication to make Rotary Club of New Delhi one of the best clubs of R.I. District 3011, a club which every member will be proud to belong to.

Each and every member, young or old, new to Rotary or a Rotarian of many years standing, is dependable, reliable and available.

Together we will set standards for others to meet with clarity of vision and single minded devotion.

As we finalise and undertake our goals for this coming year, we are fully aware that we have to take positive action and not carry out ideas by merely talking about them.

Our club has the proud privilege of having achieved a rare hattrick by having been adjudged as the BEST CLUB in R.I. Dist. 3010 continuously for three consecutive years 2006–07, 2007–08 and 2008–09, indeed a unique distinction for a nascent club and thereafter further two times in the years 2011–12 and 2012–13. We were again awarded the BEST CLUB recognition in along with the BEST PRESIDENT award from District Governor in 2015 -16 & 2016–17. We were declared BEST CLUB six times