



As a new Rotary year (2023-2024) has just seen the light of the dawn, let us all join our hands together for a wonderful service year for all those who are distressed and needy. We, at RCCJ, hope to move to a new sunrise, under the able leadership of our new RIP, DG, and our Club President and Secretary.

On this occasion, let us all welcome our new RIP, DG, our Club President and Secretary, and certainly our new members wholeheartedly, so that together we can rise above self and contribute immensely for the betterment of our society at large.

-Dr. Souvik

## MINUTES OF THE 2103rd MEETING OF ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA JADAVPUR, HELD AT MACKLYN LOUNGE, CALCUTTA ROWING CLUB, 28TH JUNE, 2023 AT 7 PM

President Rtn. Pausali Paul called the 2103rd meeting of RC Calcutta Jadavpur (RCCJ) to order. The meeting was held at Macklyn Lounge, Calcutta Rowing Club on 28.06.23 at 7pm.

On the request of the President, Rtn Paromita Das Dutta led the singing of the National Anthem.

President welcomed DISTRICT GOVERNOR 2024-25, Assistant Governor Zone 20, Honorary members and members and their partners to the meeting.

President then talked in brief about the projects done in last fortnight:

- That on 23rd June, a 184 litre refrigerator had been donated to Matri Bhawan for restoration of emergency medications for the two Neo natal ICU units of the hospital. She also discussed about various possibility of further work in the field of mother and child care
- That on 26th June, a cheque of Rs. 1.50 Lacs was donated to Rammohan Library for three two-ton air conditioner for the room to preserve rare collection of books, manuscripts, paintings and long-playing records. She was happy to inform that Rtn. Samirendu Dutt made an individual donation of Rs. 50000 in this account.
- A cheque of Rs 600 was donated to Aradhya Das, a Cancer survivor to pursue her singing classes as a part of rehabilitation. This was a personal donation by Rtn. Partha Sarkar.
- A cheque of Rs. 2000 was donated to Dev Sahoo, a Cancer Survivor to pursue his drawing classes in Nehru Children's Museum. This was donated by President.

- A cheque of Rs 30,000 had been donated to RCFC for supporting an orthopaedic operation of a child patient. Rtn Samirendu Dutt made a personal donation of Rs. 20000 and President made a personal donation of Rs. 10000 on this account.

President then happily declared that RCCJ had bagged first prizes in Community Services, Water, Cancer Support and Rotaract Support, appreciation certificate in Bulletin and Literacy. Rtn. DR. Kunal Ray got acknowledged for his service as ZS and Rtn Partha Sarkar got acknowledged for being Cancer Chair.

President then requested Rtn Manas Kumar Ghosh to introduce guest Ushna Ghatak to the members. Then on her request Ushna spoke about her vision to the audience.

In Club Business, Secretary Dr. Mainak Sengupta declared that the next RCM cum Installation ceremony would be held on 13th July at Park Palace.

Minutes of 2102nd RCM were confirmed.

President and secretary then thanked everyone for having a wonderful Rotary Year.

Meeting ended with vote of thanks to all present.

### Ideas, Feedback & Suggestions



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## ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT [RIP] - 2023-24



Rtn. R. Gordon R. McNally  
RCCJ Family whole-heartedly  
welcomes  
Rtn. R. Gordon R. McNally, Rotary  
International President for the  
Rotary Year 2023-24....may  
Service above Self reach its  
culmination under your  
guidance, Sir!!

**Congratulations  
and Best wishes  
for a successful  
Rotary Year ahead.**

## Know your District Governor

(RID 3291) – 2023-24



Hiralal Yadav joined Rotary Club of Hooghly in the year 1995. He served as the President of the Rotary Club of Hooghly in the year 1998-1999 & 1999-2000. He is a past Rotaractor. He graduated from Calcutta University. He is a Ply Wood Manufacturer.

He revived the sick club which was recommended to be closed by the then District Governor. He established Rotary Hooghly Eye

Hospital in the year 2000 with only eight members in a rented building. The Rotary Hooghly Eye Hospital became so popular, that a more spacious building was required. He constructed a well-designed 3 storied building for Rotary Hooghly Eye Hospital in the year 2013. Now, Rotary Hooghly Eye Hospital is a complete Eye Care Centre and pride of Rotary District 3291. In the last two decades he has helped eighteen clubs in India and two clubs in Bangladesh to establish Eye Hospitals. He is the Chairman of Rotary Hooghly Eye Hospital, Rotary Gangadharpur Eye Hospital & Kuchaikot Rotary Eye Hospital-Bihar. He is also the Chief advisor/Technical Advisor of 17 Rotary Eye Hospitals.

Presently 55000-60000 surgeries are being done in these Eye Hospitals & 4 lakhs to 4.50 lakhs patients are being treated in the OPD & in Out Reach camps. His dream is to arrange Eye Check-up for 10 lac patients & eye surgeries for 1 lakh patients.

He has served Rotary District 3291 in different capacities and was invited as Guest Speaker in the Training Sessions and Conferences of Rotary District 3250 & 3291. He is a great supporter of "The Rotary Foundation" & was instrumental in successfully completing 82 Global Grant Projects for different Rotary Clubs in India, Bangladesh, Singapore & UK. He had made arrangements to construct many tube-wells to provide safe drinking water in the remote villages of Hooghly.

He also gave new life to 27 needy children by arranging Heart Surgeries in R. N. Tagore Heart Research – Kolkata & at Narayana Hridayalaya - Bangalore. He was instrumental in setting up a Primary School at Hooghly Railway station for Underprivileged children in the year 2014. He also supports an orphanage – "Vivekananda Ashram" for the last 23 years. He has worked with District Administration of Hooghly in the implementation of Central Government Development Schemes as Nominated Member of the District Vigilance & Monitoring Committee 2012 to 2019.

He is a Major Donor and recipient of the highest Award of the Rotary International – "Service Above Self Award".

He is married to Deepali. She is an active member of Rotary Club of Hooghly.

## Message of District Governor

(RID 3291) 2023-24 for RCCJ



Dear President Paromita,

I am joined by Deepali in congratulating you as you don the mantle of leadership of your Club. Taking up a new responsibility is always a challenge and I am sure that you will rise to such a challenge!

I take the opportunity to thank your outgoing President and all your Club members for the dedicated service rendered by your Club during Rotary year 2022-23 as we Imagined Rotary!

Rotary, my friend is a unique journey! Rotary gives us colossal opportunities to make new friends, strengthen our bonding with existing friends and together - we get the opportunity to serve mankind to the best of our abilities!

Rotary International President for 2023-24, Rtn. R. Gordon McNally has given us a vibrant theme "CREATE HOPE IN THE WORLD". Our world leader's goal is to restore hope to help the world heal from destructive conflicts and to help achieve lasting change. He has emphasized the need for peace and continuity, including working toward diversity, equity and inclusion, while not neglecting our mission to end polio! His feels that Rotary should exist everywhere in a style to suit everyone who has the desire to be part of Rotary and to help us Rotarians do good in the world.

I consider myself TREMENDOUSLY fortunate to have the opportunity of working with him! The major initiative introduced by my GURU in Rotary, our own Rtn. Shekhar Mehta and followed by his predecessor Rtn. Jennifer Jones – "Empowering Girls" will also remain as his focus area. His other two focus areas are Mental Health and Building Peace through Virtual Exchanges.

The clarion call "Create Hope in the World" is there for you my friend! Let us capture the attention of the world and lead the way toward possibilities far beyond our current expectations, to Create Hope in the lives of humankind!

Best regards,

Yours in Rotary Service

**Hiralal Yadav**  
District Governor 2023-24  
Rotary District 3291



## Message of District Governor Elect

(RID 3291) 2024-25 for RCCJ



### Dear President Rtn Paromita Das Dutta

Hearty congratulations on assuming office as the President of Rotary Club of Calcutta Jadavpur for 2023 – 2024 with Rotary International President Rtn R Gordon R McNally at the helm, taking over from the first-ever lady President of Rotary International Rtn Jennifer Jones. A joyous moment indeed!!

Being “people of action”, we all are essentially in Rotary for hands-on service. I am sure that you will take up both meaningful and sustainable projects based on the seven “Areas of Focus”, in addition to stressing upon the three important verticals, namely, Public Image, Membership and The Rotary Foundation.

I am positive that you and your vibrant team will support our very able and hardworking District Governor Rtn Hira Lal Yadav throughout the Rotary Year, and “Create Hope in the World” and around our community, imagine Rotary the way you have never done before, and continue making a difference, being an inspiration to connect and open opportunities for others, and serve to change lives!!

It will be my unique pleasure to work with you and the members of your club in the coming years with the common goal of serving humanity.

Dr Simran joins me in wishing you and your esteemed members all the very best for a super successful Rotary Year 2023 – 2024.

Kind regards.

Yours-in-Rotary

### Dr Krishnendu Gupta

*District Governor Elect, 2024–2025  
Rotary International District 3291*

## Message of Club President

RCCJ, 2023-24



I am proud to be a Rotarian! I am most honored and humbled to be elected President of the Rotary Club of Calcutta Jadavpur 2023 – 2024. With the help and support of my Board members and fellow Club members, I will do my best to “Create Hope in the World”. Our club has been built on a strong leadership foundation, and I am fortunate to have a membership that is fully committed to the Rotary

ideal of Service Above Self, and continues to go the extra mile in building the club, and carrying out the many worthwhile projects that we undertake for the benefit of our community.

Let me take this opportunity to congratulate Immediate Past President Pausali and her Board for a very successful Rotary year. I plan to formulate a Strategic Plan and implement it for Community service. This would be a “formally written”

Strategic Plan for our club to follow and it will provide guidance for me as well as future club presidents in terms of setting and achieving our goals.

I would also like to congratulate each of the new Board members. Our fellow club members have shown their confidence in you and me by selecting us to our respective positions, and I look forward to serving with you. I have already seen the energy, enthusiasm, and commitment that you bring to the Board. Each of the Directors has already begun activities in their respective avenues of service. Our Secretary is not “new” to the job. He had been a Past President in the Club and brings a wealth of knowledge to the Board through her many years of service. I expect that our Sergeant-At-Arms will fill our coffers with fines from the “bad-boys”. Our Treasurer will have a lot to keep track of. I am grateful for your support and I look forward to an exciting year of service with all of you.

Our President of Rotary International, Gordon McNally selected the theme “Create Hope in the World” for the 2023 – 24 Rotary year. In doing so, I’m sure he had in mind the shared commitment of every Rotarian to provide “Service Above Self” and wants to turn Ethos into Action.

As DG Hiralal Yadav so eloquently said, Our compassion and our ability to open our hearts to those in need combined with our commitment to share our time, talent, and treasures with those who are less fortunate is what causes ordinary Rotarians such as ourselves to do the extraordinary things that we do. It’s what makes Rotary so magical.

Our club is widely known for its lively meetings, the fellowships that we hold regularly and the “All time HIT” Natok we staged last year is proof positive that we are a fun-loving club. I shall endeavor to keep the fun and fellowship in our meetings, in our club projects, and our fellowship events.

In summary, our primary focus for the year will include:

Membership Development and Retention.

Public Image.

Projects and Fundraisers. Especially our Flagship project on Pediatric Cancer “Life beyond Cancer”

The Rotary Foundation.

The Family of Rotary.

Disaster Management and Mangrove plantation

Club Training and Leadership.

Youth Programs.

Health and

Education.

There are many needy people throughout our community and the world whose only hope will come from Rotary. Let us all leave here ready to make their lives better in any way that we can. As Rotarians, it will not be good enough to give only what we have left over or what we can spare, but we must truly give of ourselves with new vigor in support of the ideals of Rotary. Let us lead the way as Rotary shares its legacy of “Service Above Self” and “Create Hope in the World.”

### Rtn. Paromita Das Dutta

#### “Share the Magic and Joy of Rotary”

*Thank God for His blessings.*

*I look forward to serving.*



## MESSAGE OF IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT RCCJ, 2022-23



**Rtn. Pausali Paul**

After IMAGINING ROTARY through RY 2022-23, it's now time to CREATE HOPE IN THE WORLD this year. All the very best to Madam President, Rtn. Paromita Das Dutta, Secretary Rtn. Dr. Partha Pratim Roy and team for another successful year ahead. I am sure we will work hand in hand together joyfully & knitted as always under your able leadership in this year and keep the RCCJ flag hoisted ever and ever.

## Snippets of activities, RCCJ 2022-23

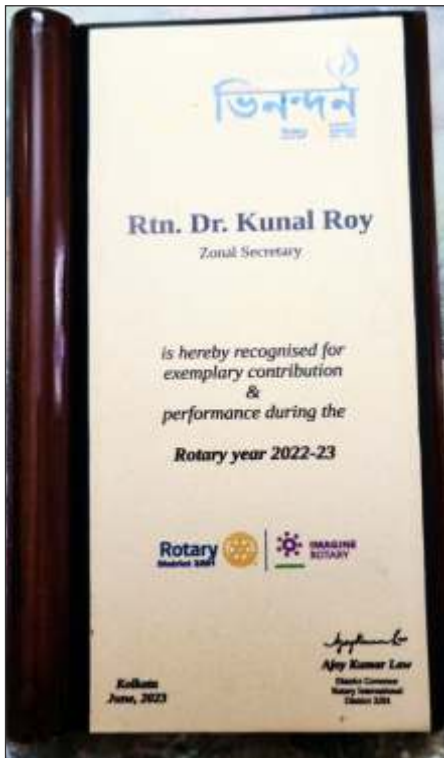


**Rtn. Pausali Paul**  
President, RCCJ



**Rtn. Dr. Mainak Sengupta**  
Secretary, RCCJ

**1st  
Prize for  
Rotaract**



## Happy Birthday Wishes

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| <b>Rtn. (Dr.) Jharna Ray</b>                  | <b>11th July</b> |
| <b>Rtn. Manas Kumar Ghosh</b>                 | <b>16th July</b> |
| <b>Mrs. Pratima Dutt</b>                      | <b>16th July</b> |
| [Spouse of Mr. Samirendu Dutt (Hony. Member)] |                  |
| <b>Rtn. Manasij Bandopadhyay</b>              | <b>17th July</b> |
| <b>Rtn. (Dr.) Kunal Ray</b>                   | <b>19th July</b> |

## Happy Anniversary Wishes!!

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| <b>Mr. Sambhu Narayan Banerjee (Hony. Member)</b><br><b>&amp; Mrs. Krishna Banerjee</b> | <b>7th July</b>  |
| <b>Rtn. Manas Kumar Ghosh &amp; Mrs. Arpita Ghosh</b>                                   | <b>14th July</b> |
| <b>Rtn. (Dr.) Aditi Nag Chaudhuri &amp; Dr. Debnath Chaudhuri</b>                       | <b>25th July</b> |





### Construction Activities

Toilet inauguration at Sondhi School, RCC-Canning, Mid-day meal shed at AHV School



### Monthly Science Club & Computer Classes at VDBHASH

### Academic support to Pathshala, Panthaniwas



Monthly Tuition Classes

Literacy awareness campaign rally

Computer classes

Donating Bags, Book and clothing



Copy distribution at RCC, Canning

Cultural program on literacy at Pathshala

Felicitation of eminent teachers

Financial support to a rural school for BITM visit

Donating AC machines to Rammohan Library

Other Activities



### Cervical Cancer Screening and Awareness Camps

Fatehpur Gram Panchayet I

RCC, Chowbhaga

### Financial support to Paediatric cancer patients



**JOIN THE MISSION - LET'S FIGHT PAEDIATRIC CANCER**  
**NO CHILD SHOULD DIE OF CANCER**  
 100% FREE OF COST TO PATIENTS

As one of the lead clubs of the mission Rotary Club of Calcutta Jadavpur supported the treatment and diagnostic tests for 80 patients from Tata Medical centre, SGCCRI, ICH and SSKM

Donation of Wheel-Chair to ICH

Recreational activities with patients at SGCCRI

Continuous Financial support to survivors for rehabilitation



### General Health and Disease screening & Awareness Camps

Health camp at RCC Canning

Talks on nutrition and thalassemia

Nutrition awareness camp

Health camp at Rainbow Home





Felicitating general physicians



Blood donation camp



Mosquito net distribution



Cataract screening and surgery



Donating a refrigerator to an old age home



Donating a refrigerator To Matribhevan, Kolkata



Financial support to RCFC for orthopaedic surgeries of the needy



MoU signed with IPGMER, NRS and UNIPATH



**ROTARY HELP DESK**  
LIFE BEYOND CANCER  
MONDAY & WEDNESDAY  
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Deep Tube-well sinking in 4 villages at South 24 Egn. ~ A CSR project with BC Sen Jewellers



WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE



Workshop on mushroom cultivation and apiculture at RCC Canning



Workshop on composting at RCC Chowbaga



Training seminar on career in computers at St. Ninian's Sch



Putting up a Vertical Garden at St. Ninian's School with Rotaractors and Interactors



Mini-workshop on water conservation with young leaders from Rotaract Club of Jadavpur



On 15th February, RCCJ was the lead host to organize the Annual Fundraiser Program:  
**Love Unconditionally ~ ভালোবাসি নিঃশর্তে,**

