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Rotary
District 3291



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PEACEBUILDING AND CONFLICT PREVENTION

February is a special month for the Rotary community as it is designated as Peace and Conflict Prevention / Resolution Month. During this time, Rotarians across the world celebrate their commitment to promoting peace and resolving conflicts



Conflict and violence are unfortunately all too common in our world, leading to displacement and suffering for millions of people, particularly women and children. The Rotary family is dedicated to addressing the root causes of conflict, such as poverty, lack of education, and unequal distribution of resources, and works tirelessly to build peace and prevent conflicts from escalating.

Rotarians provide training to adults and young leaders to help prevent and mediate conflicts and offer aid to refugees who have fled dangerous areas. During this month, Rotarians take the time to reflect on their efforts and recommit to promoting peace and reducing conflict in their communities and beyond. Through their efforts, Rotarians are helping to create a brighter, more peaceful future for us all.

Minutes

1731 RFM dated 6th February, 2026

Attendees:

Venue: Anya Theatre, Salt Lake

Month: Feb'26

Member Present: 15

Sl No.	Member	06-02-2026
1	Anasua Sarkar	X
2	Bhaskar Dasgupta	X
3	Bhaskar Guha	✓
4	Debdip Dey	✓
5	Deepak Mitra	✓
6	Gautam Mukherjee	X
7	Indumoti Choudhury	✓
8	Itu Upadhyaya	X
9	Kumkum Bose	✓
10	Kumar Srivatsan	X
11	Mala Chakraborty	✓
12	Prantick Roychowdhury	X
13	Rahela Jaiswal	✓
14	Reshme Dey	✓
15	Rina Brahma (Saha)	✓
16	Sailendra Nath Dewan	✓
17	Sharmila Mitra	X
18	Shomik Sen	X
19	Siva Kumar	X
20	Soumen Bhaumik	✓
21	Soumik Das	✓
22	Tapas Kr. Bhattacharya	✓
23	Tutun De	✓
24	Ujjayini Das Sarma	✓
25	Chaitali Mukhopadhyay	X
Honorary Member	Sibansu Mohan Chaki	

Discussion Points:

- The President called the meeting to order.
- The National Anthem was sung.
- The President updated the members on the details of the seminar on GERIATRIC CARE held on 21.1.2026 in the Urmila Restaurant. The doctor's session was very interactive. AROHI KOLKATA was the host club, RCSLDT, Rotary club Salt Lake Midtown and Endeavour Kolkata were the co-hosts.
- On 31.1.2026 the club members distributed various gift items as prizes for a school sports event in the Kasba area. Snacks and drinks were distributed amongst the participants.

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- The President expressed his interest on visiting a school in a remote village in Purulia and contribute for the construction of a school building over there.
 - The President put forward a proposal for distributing essential grocery items in NATUN GHAR, a home for elderly women.
 - The Picnic at Ganga Bitan Uluberia was thoroughly enjoyed by all the members and the President thanked Rtn. Rahela Jaiswal for the excellent logistics arranged by her.
 - The date for the installation of the incoming President was announced by Rtn. Deepak Mitra as July 23rd 2026.
 - The President elect Rtn. Mala Chakraborty announced the names of the board members for the year 2026- 2027.
 - Next meeting will be held on 20.2.2026 at Rtn. Kumkum Bose 's residence at 6.30 pm.

Fellowship @Kunal's Wedding Reception:

February 18 marked the much-awaited wedding reception of our beloved Kunal Mitra, youngest son of Rtn. Sharmila Mitra. The celebration was held at the beautifully decorated banquet hall of Tollygunge Club, which created a truly elegant and festive ambiance for the evening.

Members of the RCLSDT Club, along with their families, graced the occasion to bless the newlyweds and share in the joy of togetherness. The atmosphere was vibrant and cheerful, with everyone looking glamorous and in high spirits. The pleasant weather further enhanced the charm of the evening. The arrangements were impeccable, and the culinary spread was both lavish and deliciously tempting. Guests relished a delightful array of lip-smacking starters, followed by a grand and sumptuous dinner buffet that left everyone thoroughly satisfied.

As the evening drew to a close, it was time to bid adieu to the radiant newlyweds and the gracious hosts, carrying home wonderful memories of a truly joyous celebration.



From Editor's Desk

What is Artificial Intelligence?

AI technology (Artificial Intelligence) refers to computer systems and software capable of performing complex tasks that typically require human intelligence. It enables machines to learn from data, reason, solve problems, understand language, and make decisions autonomously. Key components include machine learning and neural networks.

How AI Technology Works

- **Data Consumption:** AI systems analyze massive amounts of data to identify patterns and trends.
- **Learning and Adaptation:** Through machine learning, algorithms improve their performance over time without direct human reprogramming.
- **Actionable Output:** AI makes predictions, recommendations, or decisions based on analyzed data

Core Components and Subfields

- **Machine Learning (ML):** Systems that learn from data to improve accuracy.
- **Deep Learning:** A subset of ML using multi-layered neural networks to simulate human brain function.
- **Natural Language Processing (NLP):** Enables machines to understand and interpret human language.
- **Computer Vision:** Allows AI to interpret and understand visual data from the world.

Common Applications

- **Virtual Assistants:** Siri, Alexa, and chatbots.
- **Recommendation Engines:** Content suggestions on Netflix, YouTube, and Amazon.
- **Generative AI:** Tools like ChatGPT that create text or images.
- **Autonomous Systems:** Self-driving cars and automated robots.
- **Security:** Fraud detection in banking and surveillance.

Dates to Remember

Mark your calendar

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
26	27	28	29	30	31	01
02	03	04	05 ANNIVERSARY - Bhaskar Das Gupta (Atreyee)	06 MEETING - RFM	07	08 BIRTHDAY - Sibansu Mohan Chaki
09	10	11	12	13	14 ANNIVERSARY - Raheela (Raj) & Tutun (Nirmal) & Satkosia Trip	15
16	17	18	19	20 MEETING - RFM	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	01
02	03	Notes:				