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Visit to newly built Old Age Home at Sodepur, 26th Apr'25

Minutes

1713 RFM dated 25th Apr, 2025

Attendees:

Venue:	Anya Theatre, Salt Lake	
Month:	Apr'25	
RY 2024-25		
RCSLDT	Member present	12
	RFM#	1713
	Date of Meeting	04/25/2025
Srl.No	Member	
1	Anasua Sarkar	<input type="checkbox"/>
2	Bhaskar Dasgupta	<input type="checkbox"/>
3	Bhaskar Guha	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4	Debdip Dey	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	Deepak Mitra	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6	Indumoti Choudhury	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7	Itu Upadhaya	<input type="checkbox"/>
8	Kum Kum Bose	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
9	Mala Chakraborty	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
10	Prantick Roychowdhury	<input type="checkbox"/>
11	Rahela Jaiswal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
12	Reshme Dey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
13	Rina Brahma(Saha)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
14	Sailendra Nath Dewan	<input type="checkbox"/>
15	Sharmila Mitra	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
16	Shomik Sen	<input type="checkbox"/>
17	Siva Kumar	<input type="checkbox"/>
18	Soumen Bhaumik	<input type="checkbox"/>
19	Swapan Kr Bhaduri (Dr.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
20	Tapas Kr. Bhattacharya	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
21	Tutun De	<input type="checkbox"/>
22	Ujjayini Das Sarma	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Honorary Member		
1	Sibansu Mohan Chaki	<input type="checkbox"/>

Discussion Points:

- The President called the meeting to order and the National Anthem was led by Rtn. Reshmi.
- President mentioned that the next day i.e. on 26.4.25, a trip to Sodepur has been planned. A home for the elderly destitute has been constructed by NGO Jagoroni, where the furniture donated by Rtn. Mala and Rtn. Sharmila would be officially handed over to the Jagoroni team members.

- The President reminded the members about a meeting with the District Governor, on 2nd May, and requested everyone to join the meeting at DG's residence at Sarat Bose Rd.
- The T.B. Project was discussed. It's in collaboration with the Government, therefore the details would be furnished in due course. However, it was decided that nutritious food items would be provided to the patient for 6 months as and when one would be identified.
- NGO Uttara has approached our Club for a project. They have taken up the noble cause of creating awareness about health and hygiene of women in slum areas. Suggestions have come up for donation for buying the materials worth Rs.5000/- and handing them over to the members of this organization.
- Rtn. Swapan was asked to elaborate about the RCC at Sonarpur. He mentioned that he has already had talks with Shashya Shyamala Krishi Bigyan Kendra. The proposal for improving the livelihood of the villagers has been forwarded and approved by the monks of Belur Math, who have extended their help to KBK.
- Several areas have been identified where our Club would be able to help. After the selection of the village, the beneficiaries for the improvement of livelihood or education or health would be identified to help them to become self-sufficient.
- Rtn. Mala was asked to talk about the upcoming fellowship program on the 23rd of May. She informed the members about the change of plans where individual singers would be requested to participate and the program would end with a Shruti Natak. The dinner would be sponsored by Rtn. Tutun and Rtn. Itu.
- Next date of the meeting has been fixed on 9th May'25.

Project - Visit to newly built S.C. Sen Old Age Home by Jagoroni at Sodepur - 26th Apr'25

The president, first lady and other Rtns. visited the newly constructed old age home at Sodepur by NGO Jagoroni. Good deeds done selflessly are a rarity these days. We got a first-hand experience of how even the most difficult task can be achieved by sheer determination and dedication. It's a reminder to the downtrodden that there are hands to hold when they reach out.

Kudos to Mr. Ashim Roy Chowdhuri who is the force behind this achievement. He overcame all challenges through sheer perseverance and reconstructed a dilapidated building into an airy, spacious and large building.

This building can house about a hundred old destitutes, both men and women, with all facilities including visitors' area, sick rooms, dining area etc. The dormitories are airy and cheerful, Our heartfelt appreciation and congratulations to the team, who have taken up such a difficult and noble task.

Our club has donated a few furniture in this Old Age Home (courtesy Rtn Sharmila Mitra) which include bed, tables, chairs, sofa sets, etc



Fellowship – A Day Outing to Mangaldhara, a resort by the Ganges at Barrackpore - 1st May'25

A long-cherished wish of our club members and their families to go on a day outing was finally fulfilled on May 1st, 2025.

Members of RCLSDT, along with their families, visited the beautiful Mangaldhara Resort in Barrackpore. The resort is located on the banks of the River Ganges and features two charming houseboats.

We drove to the resort early in the morning and spent the entire day there, enjoying



the scenic surroundings and each other's company. We all celebrated Rtn. Debdip's birthday on the houseboat with a delicious homemade cake lovingly prepared by Ann Mousumi. It was a truly memorable

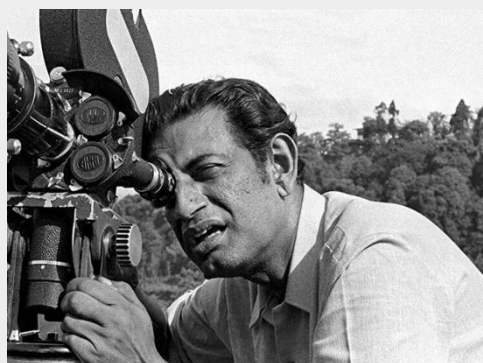
outing, and full credit goes to Rtn. Prantik for organizing the trip single-handedly.



From Editor's Desk

Remembering Satyajit Ray on his Birthday – 2nd May which we proudly call “Ray Day”

Satyajit Ray was a legendary Indian filmmaker, writer, and artist, widely regarded as one of the greatest directors in the history of world cinema. Born in Kolkata on 2nd May 1921, Ray made his directorial debut with *Pather Panchali* (1955), a film that brought Indian cinema to global attention. Over his career, he directed over 30 films, including the acclaimed *Apu Trilogy*, and was also known for his literary works, particularly the creation of the characters *Feluda* and *Professor Shonku*. His contributions earned him numerous national and international honors, including an Honorary Oscar and India's highest civilian award, the *Bharat Ratna*.



Here is the list of numerous awards won by Satyajit Ray.

International Awards

1. Honorary Academy Award (Oscar) – 1992
 - a. Presented by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences for his lifetime achievement in cinema. Ray was the first Indian to receive this honor.
2. Berlin International Film Festival (Berlinale)
 - a. Silver Bear for Best Director – *Abhijan* (1962)
 - b. Silver Bear Extraordinary Jury Prize – *Mahanagar* (1964)
 - c. Silver Bear for Best Director – *Charulata* (1965)
 - d. Berlinale Camera Award for Lifetime Achievement – (1984)
3. Cannes Film Festival
 - a. Best Human Document – *Pather Panchali* (1956)
 - b. Special Jury Prize – *Apur Sansar* (1959)
 - c. Served as a Jury Member in 1982
4. Venice Film Festival
 - a. Golden Lion for Best Film – *Aparajito* (1957)
 - b. Silver Lion – For several films including *Charulata*
 - c. Golden Lion Honorary Award for Lifetime Achievement – (1982)
5. British Academy of Film and Television Arts (BAFTA)
 - a. Several nominations for Best Foreign Film
 - b. BAFTA Fellowship – (1987), the highest honor given by BAFTA
6. UNESCO Award

- a. Recognized for promoting cultural understanding and international harmony through cinema

National Awards

1. Best Feature Film
 - a. For films such as Pather Panchali, Apur Sansar, Charulata, Seemabaddha, among others.
2. Best Director
 - a. Multiple wins for Mahanagar, Pratidwandi, Jana Aranya, and others.
3. Best Screenplay and Best Music Direction
 - a. Recognized for his exceptional work in films like Ghare Baire, Shatranj Ke Khilari, and Goopy Gyne Bagha Byne.

Civilian Honors and Lifetime Achievement Awards

1. Bharat Ratna – 1992
 - a. India's highest civilian award, presented shortly before his passing.
2. Dadasaheb Phalke Award – 1985
 - a. The most prestigious award in Indian cinema, honoring lifetime contribution.
3. Padma Bhushan – 1965
4. Padma Vibhushan – 1976
5. Ramon Magsaysay Award – 1967
 - a. Often referred to as Asia's Nobel Prize, awarded for outstanding contributions to journalism, literature, and the arts.

Dates to Remember

Mark your calendar

May

2025

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
28	29	30	01 ANNIVERSARY - Anasua (Subrata)	02	03	04
05	06	07 BIRTHDAY - Swapan Kr, Bhaduri	08	09 Meeting - RFM	10	11
12	13 BIRTHDAY - Reshme Dey	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23 RFM & GET TOGETHER - Family get together	24	25
26 BIRTHDAY - Siva Kumar	27	28	29	30 ANNIVERSARY - Indumoti (Amitava)	31	01
02	03	Notes:				