



# ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA MIDWEST

## UNITE FOR GOOD

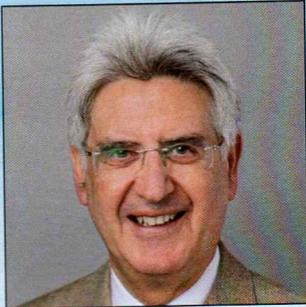
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## MESSAGE FROM RI PRESIDENT (2025 - 26)

Cari amici,

Two weeks ago, I was in my living room playing with my grandchildren. A few days later, I was on a plane to Calgary, suddenly carrying the responsibility of leading this incredible organization. Life comes fast, but so often, it brings us exactly where we're meant to be.

We begin this year with a clear message: **Unite for Good**. It is a simple phrase, but a powerful one. Because behind every successful Rotary effort, every act of service, every new member welcomed, every global challenge met – there are two things that matter most: friendship and trust.

This is how we build strong clubs. It's how we create meaningful partnerships and transform global problems into local solutions. It's also how we lead—not through titles or applause, but with humility, humanity, and heart. But let me be honest with you— this kind of leadership is not always easy. We're human and yes, we make mistakes. We sometimes disagree, but in Rotary, we are called to something greater. Let us reflect on the full vision of Rotary:

*Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change  
— across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.*

That last part is essential, because transformation doesn't start with strategy. It starts with character and the way we treat one another. It starts with how we listen, how we support, and how we serve.

This year, I ask you to lead with that spirit. To grow Rotary through relationships. To make your clubs more welcoming, more flexible, more open to new ideas. To think big

—but also to think beyond one year. Our term is short, but our impact can be lasting if we plan and act with continuity and vision.

Let us remember our key priorities: membership, polio, and peace. We are closer than ever to ending polio. We cannot stop now. We must keep the promise we made to the children of the world. And as for peace—Rotary has been building it for over a century. Every clean water system, every youth exchange, every maternal health project is a step toward peace.

I joined Rotary as a young professional, eager to help but terrified of public speaking. My fellow Rotarians believed in me and encouraged me to take on new roles, and in doing so, Rotary changed my life. It gave me

**We meet fortnightly at Commune, Kolkata at 6.30 PM**

courage and purpose, but above all, it gave me you: my friends, my team, my family around the world.

So now, my friends... take out your dreams tucked away in a drawer, especially those you thought were too big or bold to achieve. Let's bring them into the light. Let's **Unite for Good**—for our clubs, our communities, and our world. And let's make this a year not only of service, but of joy, of connection, and of love.

With gratitude and affection,

**Francesco Arezzo**

President, Rotary International, 2025-26

## KNOW OUR DISTRICT GOVERNOR, 2025-26

### Dr. Ramendu Homchaudhuri

A passionate philanthropist, Dr. Ramendu Homchaudhuri has dedicated his life to better health, education, and wellness for all. His journey in Rotary International began in 2006 with the Rotary Club of Calcutta Sun City, where he served as President for two consecutive terms (2009-2011). A Level 2 Major Donor, his commitment to service has led to impactful projects that transform lives.

#### **Pioneering the Transit Trauma Care Project**

Dr. Homchaudhuri initiated the Transit Trauma Care Project in partnership with Kolkata Police and the Government of West Bengal. The deployment of 12 ambulances across accident-prone areas in Kolkata has saved countless lives by providing immediate emergency care during the Golden Hour.

#### **A Visionary in Thalassemia Eradication**

Recognized for his work in Thalassemia Awareness and Prevention, Dr. Homchaudhuri has conducted seminars, screening programs, and awareness campaigns across West Bengal, Assam, Odisha, and Bangladesh. His goal is to eradicate this 100% preventable genetic disorder through early screening and genetic counseling.

#### **Transforming Lives in Rural Bengal**

For the past three years, Dr. Homchaudhuri has been driving sustainable development in Dhaska, Purulia, alongside Hridham NGO. His contributions include:

Providing potable water through pond excavation and water conservation initiatives, Enhancing education for local children, Empowering villagers with income-generating activities to improve livelihoods.

#### **Leadership and Recognition in Rotary**

In recognition of his service, Dr. Homchaudhuri was unanimously elected as District Governor Nominee and will assume office as District Governor of Rotary District 3291 in 2025-26. His vision includes expanding healthcare, strengthening education, and enhancing community welfare programs.

#### **A Distinguished Medical Career**

Despite his humanitarian commitments, Dr. Homchaudhuri continues to practice as a highly respected Orthopedic Surgeon. He holds degrees from Gauhati University (MBBS, 1970), Calcutta University (DGO), and Banaras Hindu University (MS - Orthopedics). His expertise, compassion, and dedication make him a trusted name in his field.

#### **Family: The Pillar of Strength**

Dr. Homchaudhuri is supported by his wife, Dr. Bandana Hom Chaudhuri, a renowned pediatrician and fellow Rotarian. She has served as President of Rotary Club of Calcutta Sun City and actively contributes to District 3291 administration. They are proud parents of a doctor daughter and a post-doctoral research scholar son in the USA.

#### **A Legacy of Service and Inspiration**

Dr. Homchaudhuri's life is a testament to selfless service, leadership, and humanitarian dedication. His ever-smiling, energetic persona continues to inspire, leaving a profound impact on countless lives.

## MESSAGE FROM DISTRICT GOVERNOR (2025 - 26)

**Dear Rotarians,**

It is with great pride and heartfelt warmth that I extend my congratulations to the incoming President, Secretary, and the newly installed team of Rotary Club of Calcutta Mid West.

A club installation is not merely a ceremonial transition; it is a reaffirmation of our commitment to Service Above Self. As each new team takes charge, it carries forward the legacy of leadership, fellowship, and impactful service. I urge you to dream boldly, act compassionately, and lead inclusively—ensuring that your club becomes a lighthouse of hope and change in your community.

Let us embrace innovation while cherishing Rotary's timeless values. Work hand-in-hand with your members,

reach out to the youth, collaborate with partners, and most importantly—listen to your community. The world needs Rotary now more than ever.

Wishing you a successful and meaningful Rotary year ahead.

Yours in Rotary,

**Dr. Ramendu Hom Chaudhuri**

District Governor, RID 3291

Rotary Year 2025-26

## MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT (2025 - 26)

First of all I would like to thank the Rotarians of my club for selecting me to lead the club in 2025-26.

When I joined Rotary in the year 2018 my inspiration was to serve community with my own capacity. Later I realised that in Rotary sky is the limit of rendering services in many avenues. I am not sure that to what level I will be able to elevate our club but very hopefully that with the help of all members and District, we will be able to do some remarkable projects this year.

Thanking all members and Dist officials once again.

**Madhuparna Basu**

President

## Club Board 2025-26

President - Madhuparna Basu

IPP - Anish Dutt Sarma

Secretary - Soma Chatterjee

Treasurer - Arnab Basu

Club Membership - Suvendu Biswas

Club Public Image - Goutam Sen

Service Projects - Shiladitya Basu

Foundation - Arnab Basu

Sgt At Arms - Arkodeb Bhattacharya

Club Trainer - Asoke Kr. Basu

Club Executive Secretary - Kuntala Ghose

CICO - Arnab Basu

## Projects 2025-2026



**Soma Kazi donating blood on 1st July at the Blood donation camp at Rotary Sadan**



**Tree plantation held on 19th July at Rabindra Sarobar**



Peace Building & Conflict Prevention



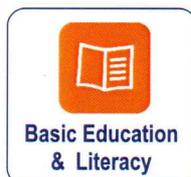
Disease Prevention & Treatment



Water Sanitation & Hygiene



Maternal & Child Health



Basic Education & Literacy

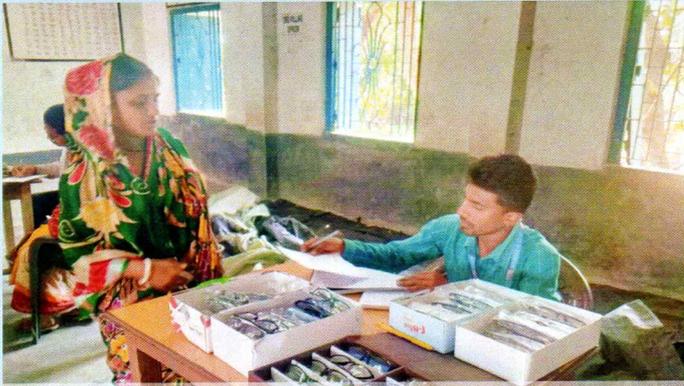


Community Economy Development

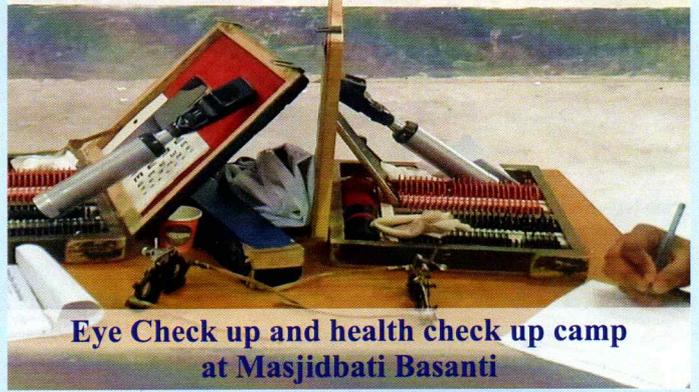


Support the Environment

# Glimpses of Rotary Year 2024-2025



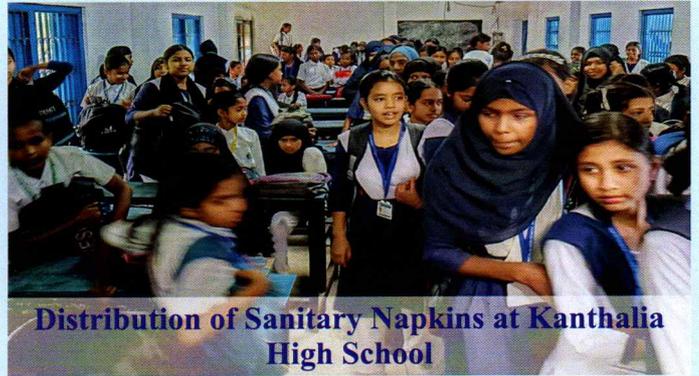
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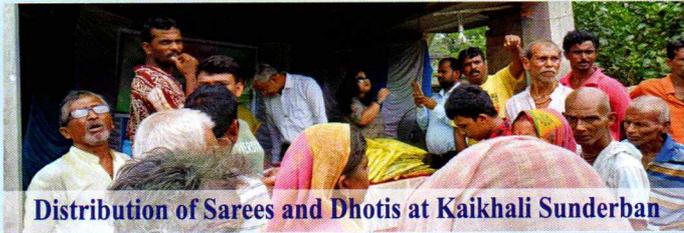
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Distribution of Sanitary Napkins at Kanthalia High School



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Distribution of Sarees and Dhotis at Kaikhali Sunderban



Under 14 Football tournament on 23 April 2025



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## Welcome Our New Member



*Bannya Chatterjee*