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Mr. R Bandyopadhyay, an IAS officer of 1974 batch, had an illustrious career in Indian Administrative Service throughout and retired from IAS as Secretary, Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) Government of India, in 2011. Later he functioned as Member, Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT) till January 2016. His academic background is also equally impressive with a first class First in M.Sc Physics from Calcutta University, a Post-M.Sc from Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics, Calcutta and a Masters' in Development Studies in the University of East Anglia, Norwich, U.K. Before joining as Secretary, MCA, he functioned as Secretary, Department of Public Enterprises (DPE) in the Ministry of Heavy Industry and Public Enterprises, Government of India. He has also functioned in the Ministry of Telecommunications, Planning Commission, Ministry of Steel, and Ministry of Industry in Government of India at different levels.



In the State of West Bengal, he functioned as Principal Secretary/Secretary in the Power, Urban Development, Water Investigations and Development, Industrial Reconstruction, Planning and Development Departments at various points of time. At the field level, he has worked as SDO/ADM/DM (Burdwan and Bankura)/Divisional Commissioner in the State of West Bengal.

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Mr. Bandyopadhyay has functioned, in addition to his normal duties, as the Chairman of the Board of Directors in International Centre for Promotion of Enterprises (ICPE), Ljubljana, Slovenia; a member of the Board Management of Institute of Public Enterprises (IPE), Hyderabad; a Member of the Board of Governors in Indian Institute of Management, Calcutta (IIMC); a Member of SEBI, the premier Market Regulator. Sri Bandyopadhyay has also functioned as Chairman of the Quality Review Board (QRC), a statutory Board to review & improve the quality of the Chartered Accountants.



Mr. Jawhar Sircar is hospitalized. He will not be available tonight as guest speaker. Members of RC Howrah pray for his speedy recovery.

Minutes of RWM No. 3692 dated February 21st, 2024 at 7p.m. at R. C. Hall.

Rtn. Dr. Debasis Sanyal was on chair. He called the RWM No. 3692 to order sharp at 7=00p.m. and welcome all the members present. On his request Secretary PP Rtn. Shibnath Dey lead the National Anthem. President placed the future projects to be undertaken during March & April, 2024 and he also spoke about the club short tour at "Shantiniketan" scheduled to be on April 5th, 6th & 7th 2024 & Club Drama. PP Rtn. Dr. Dilip Kumar Datta and PP Rtn. Kanak Lal Seal spoke about the Closing ceremony of Platinum Jubilee & publication of Memoir in presence of galaxy of PDG, DG & DGND. PP Rtn. Maya Paul place her plan and programme "POLIO AWARENESS RALLY" on March 3rd, 2024. PP Rtn. Dilip Kumar Das brief the joint programme with IIPA, Howrah Chapter on February 28th, 2024 at Rotary Community Hall from 7=00p.m. Key note speaker Sri Jahar Sarkar and other speaker Dr. Sujay Chakraborty, the topic will be "Heritage buildings of West Bengal" and also place the financial position of our club. PP Rtn. Dr. Anil Kumar Paul, Chairman of Platinum Jubilee Committee, formally closed the Platinum Jubilee Ceremony & dissolved the platinum jubilee committee, he also says that he never see this type of gorgeous & colourful programme at

our community hall in his rotary life. PP Rtn. Subhrangshu Datta informed that the outside repairing work and colour painting of our club building will expected to be start on second week of March, 2024. Secretary PP Rtn. Shibnath Dey carried the club business. PE Rtn. Gopa Gayen offered vote of thanks.

Rtn. Dr. Debasis Sanyal
Signature of President

Rtn. Shibnath Dey
Signature of Secretary



CLUB NEWS

- PETS/SETS/TETS for the Rotary Year 2024-25 will be held at ITC / Sonar on 25th Feb'24. Registration – Rs.2450/-
- PP Rtn.Prajapati Mondal and PP Rtn.Santanu Banerjee will also be away to Gorakhpur w.e.f. 29th Feb'24 to 5th March'24 on a/c of their personal commitment.
- RC Howrah donated Rs.1 lac for the construction of pre-primary school building maintained by RCC Bidhichandrapur, on 4th Feb'24. The detail report will follow in next bulletin. PP Rtn.D.K.Das, PP Rtn.Shibnath Dey, PP Rtn.Maya Pal, PP Rtn.Subhrangshu Datta, PE Rtn.Gopa Gayen, Rtn.Gopa Mondal, Rtn.Anima Datta and PP Rtn.Santanu Banerjee attended this ceremony of financial assistances.
- There will be one Joint meeting with IIPA, Howrah Chapter on 28th Feb'24 (RWM No 3693) and a discussion has been organised on “ Heritage buildings of W.B.” On that evening, the key note speaker will be Sri Jahar Sarkar, Rajya Sabha, M.P. Dr. Sujoy Chakraborty, Chairman, BOA, HMC will also speak on “ Heritage buildings of Howrah District”. Members may please join the RWM. Hi-tea will be served on that evening.
- Third President ,Secretary, AG and ZS meet of RID 3291 was held at Rotary Sadan on 18th Feb'24. Our Club Secretary Rtn.Shibnath Dey attended the same.



District News

- Official DG visit of our club for the Rotary Year 2023-24 will be held on 27th March'24 evening . Members are requested to save the date and attend the club on DG visit evening along with their spouses and enjoy the fellowship dinner along with our beloved DG Rtn. Hiralal Yadav and his team.
- First blood bank of central Howrah has been opened on 16th Feb'24. This was inaugurated by Janab Firhad Hakim Shab , Hon'ble Mayor of Kolkata at 4 p.m. on that day. The inaugural ceremony was made in august presence of Sri Arup Kr.Roy, Minister-in-Charge, Govt.of W.B, Dr.Sujoy Chakraborty, Chairperson BOA HMC and various galaxy of important personalities of HMC and Rotary District 3291. R.C.Kolkata donated Rs.1 cr in this project. Rtn.Maya Pal, Rtn.Anima Datta, Rtn.Subhrangshu Datta ,Rtn.Monojit Sen and Rtn.Shibnath Dey attended this inauguration ceremony from RC Howrah. We congratulate these members for their participation to witness this very important event of our RID 3291.
- People of Kolkata are coming together to support the cause of “ Children with cancer “at a very special concert on 23rd Feb'24 at Rabindra Sadan, 6 p.m.onwards ,organised by Life beyond cancer and initiated by members of Rotary club. where cancer survival kids will perform a dance recital . Actress Rituparna Sengupta and Padmabhusan Usha Uththup also will perform there. For tickets you can contact hall at 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.



International News

- Rotary at a glance - (as on 18-12-2023)**

No. of Rotarians all over the world	-	11,86,961 nos	-	1,75,066 nos (India)
No. of Rotaractors all over the world	-	1,67,857 nos	-	58,876 nos (India)
No. of Interactors all over the world	-	3,45,644 nos.		
No. of Rotary clubs (world)	-	37,123 nos.	-	4,658 nos (India)
No. of Rotaract clubs (world)	-	11,061 nos	-	2,895 nos (India)
No. of Interact Clubs (world)	-	15,028 nos	-	5,191 nos (India)
No. of RCCs (world)	-	13,227 nos.	-	6,997 nos (India)
No. of Rotarians (RID 3291)	-	3905 nos.		
% of Women Rotarians (RID 3291)	-	25,53%		
- Rotary in South – Asia as on 18th Dec'23 :-** Rotarians -- 1,99,628 nos , Rotary Clubs – 5,745 nos ,% of Women Rotarians – 15.63 % , Rotaractors – 77,104 nos , Rotaract Clubs – 3919 nos , Interact Clubs – 5,926 nos , No.of RCCs – 7,547 nos .

TO-NIGHT'S PROGRAMME

Joint seminar with IIPA, Howrah Chapter

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