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President's Message



Dear Fellow Rotarians,
Wishing You a Very Happy New Year 2026!

As we step into the New Year 2026 together, I do so with a heart full of gratitude and optimism. Each new year brings fresh hope, but it also renews the quiet promise we make as Rotarians. A promise to serve with integrity, to lead with humility, and to place fellowship

and compassion at the centre of all that we do. I am deeply proud of the commitment, wisdom, and warmth each one of you brings to our Club. May this new year bless you and your families with good health, inner peace, and enduring happiness. May your professional journeys be marked by clarity of purpose, ethical success, and well-earned growth, and may your personal lives be enriched with love, balance, and fulfilment.

The Rotary motto, "One Profits Most Who Serves Best", captures a timeless truth that every Rotarian understands deeply through lived experience. It reminds us that the richest rewards in life are not counted in material gains, but in trust earned, lives touched, and friendships strengthened through service. When we serve selflessly, we discover a profit far greater than personal success. We gain purpose, goodwill, and the quiet satisfaction of making a meaningful difference. In Rotary, service binds us together as friends, inspires us to look beyond ourselves, and leaves behind a legacy of compassion and integrity. It is in giving, caring, and standing together for the common good that we truly prosper, both as individuals and as a fellowship united by service.

January reminds us of the quiet power of Vocational Service, a cornerstone of Rotary that speaks directly to who we are beyond our titles and designations. Each of us carries a profession not merely as a means of livelihood, but as a tool for service. When we uphold high ethical standards, respect the dignity of every honest occupation, and use our skills to guide, mentor, and uplift others, we transform work into purpose. This month, let us celebrate integrity in the workplace, recognise excellence through vocational awards, and extend a guiding hand through career mentoring and professional support. By applying our professional expertise to real community needs, we reaffirm that true leadership is measured not by personal success alone, but by how meaningfully we use our vocation to serve society.

As your President, I look forward to a year where we stand shoulder to shoulder, united by friendship and inspired by service. Let us make 2026 a year of meaningful action and thoughtful leadership, where our projects touch lives with dignity, and our fellowship strengthens our resolve. May we continue to grow not just in numbers, but in spirit, empathy, and impact. I wish each one of you a truly rewarding New Year. May your aspirations find direction, your efforts find recognition, and your service continue to create lasting good in the world.

Yours in Service,
Dr (CA) Joydeep Mookerjee
President (RY 25-26)

Editor's Message



Wishing You a Fantastic New Year 2026!

As we welcome the New Year 2026, I extend my warmest wishes to every member of our Rotary family. May the year ahead bring you good health, happiness, and peace of mind, along with professional fulfilment and personal joy. May your efforts be rewarded with

success, your homes be filled with warmth and laughter, and your journeys, both personal and professional, be guided by clarity, purpose, and positivity. It is a privilege to share this Rotary journey with such a committed and caring fellowship, and I look forward to a year of shared growth and meaningful service.

January, as Vocational Service Month, invites us to reflect on the ethical foundations that define Rotary. Our professions are not merely sources of income. They are expressions of our values. By upholding high ethical standards in our businesses and workplaces, we build trust, credibility, and respect. Ethics in vocation is not about perfection. It is about consistency, fairness, and the courage to do what is right even when it is difficult. Through our daily professional conduct, we quietly demonstrate Rotary's values to the wider world.

Vocational Service also reminds us to recognise the dignity and worth of every useful occupation. No job is small when it contributes honestly to society. As Rotarians, we are called to see our own vocations as powerful avenues for service. Whether through mentoring young minds, offering career guidance, recognising excellence, or applying our skills to community needs. When we view our work as a means to serve, vocation becomes purpose, and service becomes a way of life.

The Rotary motto, "One Profits Most Who Serves Best," reflects a profound philosophy that has guided our organisation for more than a century and continues to shape the Rotarian spirit today. It teaches us that true success is not measured by what we accumulate, but by the value we create for others through service. When we give our time, apply our talents, and extend compassion without expectation, we experience a deeper form of fulfilment, one rooted in purpose, connection, and shared progress. This is the enduring Rotary promise. That in serving others, we enrich our own lives and leave behind a legacy that quietly makes the world a better place for those who follow.

Let us be Rotarians not just in name, but in action, stewards of hope, architects of enduring change.

Together, we serve and grow stronger.

In fellowship and service,
Warm regards,
Ria Mookerjee
Editor, RC Ballygunge

4th January 2026 : Blood Donation Camp



A blood donation camp was organised by the Rotary Club of Ballygunge, in association with কবি সুকান্ত জন্ম শতবর্ষ কমিটি as a meaningful initiative dedicated to saving lives and serving the community. The programme reflected a shared commitment to social responsibility, bringing together Rotarians, volunteers, and members of the local community in a spirit of cooperation and compassion. Through meticulous planning, disciplined execution, and enthusiastic participation, the camp was conducted smoothly and with a strong focus on donor care and safety. This collaborative effort stood as a powerful example of how partnerships rooted in shared values can translate goodwill into tangible, life-saving impact.

The venue was 75, Samar Sarani, Kolkata 700050. The total number of persons who donated blood was 43, and the total expenses were Rs. 15,050/-

PP Jayanta Chattopadhyay led from the front with exemplary commitment and quiet determination, taking personal responsibility for almost every critical aspect of the blood donation project. From planning and coordination to on-ground execution, his hands-on involvement ensured that every detail was managed with precision and care. His ability to

anticipate challenges, mobilise resources, and motivate others set the tone for the entire initiative. Through his selfless leadership and unwavering focus, he almost single-handedly ensured the smooth, efficient, and successful conduct of the blood donation project, truly reflecting the Rotary spirit of service in action.

Minutes of the 2537 Regular Meeting held on 18th December 2025 At Cozy Room, International Club, Kolkata

- i. The President called the 2537th RWM to order.
- ii. The President requested all to rise for the National Anthem, and the same was sung in chorus by the members.
- iii. As requested by the President, PP Asit Bhol became the Secretary of Meeting Number 2537.
- iv. The President also informed that a blood donation camp shall be organised on 4th January 2026.
- v. The President informed that the project of "Cycle Rickshaw Van" will be taken up by the end of January 2026.
- vi. The President informed that PP Rtn. Amitava Chakraborty shall be contesting in the forthcoming DGND election on 9th January 2026, and he requested all members to wholeheartedly support his candidature.
- vii. The President reminded all that the theme for the SHANTIHI event on 28th February 2026 will be 'EDUCATION AND PEACE' and the fact that the Auditorium of the Rotary Sadan has been booked for the upcoming SHANTIHI event.
- viii. The President confirmed that all the dues related to RI, District and the Rotary News Trust have been paid.
- ix. The President requested payment of the 1st SAD dues.
- x. The President informed that the next meeting will be held on 8th January 2026.
- xi. The President informed that all efforts would be made to have weekly RWMs from 1st February 2026, and in January 2026, there would be three RWMs.
- xii. The Minutes of the last two meetings were confirmed.
- xiii. Happy Announcements were done by The Secretary PP Asit Bhol.
- xiv. The Secretary handed over to the President for business.
- xv. The President terminated the 2537th RWM and called to order the Annual General Meeting of the Club.

Happy Announcements

Birthday's in January

PP Dr. Amlan Bhattacharjee	01st Jan
Rtn. Suman Sen	02nd Jan
PP Asit Baran Bhol	04th Jan
PP Indrani Gupta	30th Jan

Anniversary's in December

Rtn. Tanulal Chakrabarti	18th Jan
Rtn. Suman Sen	19th Jan
PP Dr. Amlan Bhattacharjee	30th Jan