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MALIK GUEST HOUSE, KOLKATA

RI President 2025-26 visits RID 3291

On October 1st, 2024, Rotary International (RI) President for 2025-26, Mário César Martins de Camargo, visited Kolkata in Rotary International District (RID) 3291 at GD Birla Sabhaghar. The event, hosted by the District Governors (DGs) and District Governors-Elect (DGEs) of Zone 6. The event saw a focus on two significant projects: Paediatric Heart Surgery and the launch of the Adult Literacy Project, both of which highlight Rotary's commitment to healthcare and education.

During the event, RI President Mário César Martins de Camargo shared his vision for Rotary in 2025-26, focusing on expanding Rotary's global impact through service and collaboration. A talk show moderated by Past RI President Rtn Shekhar Mehta offered a dynamic exchange, with Rtn Mehta posing thought-provoking questions to President Mário, further outlining his plans for the future of Rotary. The Rotary Club of Behala was represented at this prestigious event by Rtn Sanghamitra Dutta Gupta and Rtn Shakuntala Hazra, marking the club's active participation in this important discussion for Rotary's future.



HAPPY ANNOUNCEMENTS BIRTHDAYS



03 October 2024
Rtn Shuvratav
Mitra

09 October 2024
IPP Rtn Debarshi
Dutta Gupta



10 October 2024
Rtn Shamsheer
Singh Kapany

03 October 2024- Aishwani
Daughter of Rtn. (Dr) Anindya Basu

11 October 2024- Mr. Rohin Son of
PP. Rtn. Prasunjit Mukherjee

13 October 2024- Mr. Hamandeep
Son of PP Rtn. Amarjit Singh
Thethi

ANNIVERSARY



06 October 2024
Mrs. Inderpal &
PP Rtn. Amarjit
Singh Thethi.

****Wishing all best wishes****



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CHANDANPIRI VISIT

On September 28, 2024, PP Rtn Anirudha Gupta, PP Rtn Amaresh Bhattacharya, PP Rtn Kaushik Bhattacharya and his spouse Sunetra, PP Rtn Bikash Dutta, and President Rtn Angshuman Bhattacharya visited Chandanpiri to review the progress of our ongoing toilet project, a collaborative effort with EIRWT of District 3291. After a productive discussion with the President and Secretary of the RCC regarding the project's current status, the team visited several beneficiary households where water tanks and connecting pipelines had been installed. One beneficiary demonstrated the entire system, showing how water is pumped from a nearby pond to overhead storage and flows through a tap connected to the toilet.

The club members were pleased with the project's progress. Of the 43 toilets scheduled for completion, 41 have been finished, and the remaining two are expected to be completed within a week. Once these are finalized, we will have reached our target of connecting 100 toilets. Preparations are already in place to begin the installation of an additional 57 toilets. The RCC has been requested to gather the necessary documentation from identified beneficiaries to facilitate the next phase.

In addition, our club donated 30 sarees to the RCC for distribution to local women ahead of the upcoming Puja festivities, thanks to the generous contributions of PP Rtn Anirudha Gupta and PP Rtn Bikash Dutta. Chocolates and ice creams were also distributed among the children at the Ashram, courtesy of our members.

During the visit, we met with a new vendor identified for our Roshni project. The vendor demonstrated a solar-powered lighting system designed to be installed on fishing boats, providing illumination for night fishing trips. The RCC President will consult with beneficiaries to gather feedback on the system's functionality. As a pilot, the vendor will install one unit on a fishing boat to evaluate its effectiveness during night fishing operations. Additionally, the RCC President has been asked to report back on issues that have emerged with the 10 solar-powered systems previously installed, and to coordinate with the original vendor for necessary repairs.

The RCC has also expressed interest in joining us for our upcoming mega project on Cervical Cancer Vaccination. We will reach out to them once the project is officially launched. Lastly, the President of the RCC extended an invitation for club members to join the Durga Puja celebrations at their Ashram.



ENGAGING FUTURE LEADERS

INTERACT CLUB OF BRIDGE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

“
**YOUTH OF TODAY ARE
 THE LEADERS OF
 TOMORROW**
 -NELSON MANDELA
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On September 24, 2024, members of the Rotary Club of Behala visited the Interact Club of Bridge International School to engage in discussions on planning and future collaboration between the two clubs. The meeting focused on fostering cooperation for upcoming projects and sharing ideas for impactful service initiatives.

During the session, the Rotarians highlighted the mission and work of Rotary, emphasising how the organisation makes a difference in communities worldwide. They also spoke about the importance of Interactors as future leaders, encouraging them to continue their active involvement in service projects.



The Rotary Club of Behala was represented by Secretary Rtn Shuvratav Mitra, President-Elect Rtn Sanghamitra Dutta Gupta, PP Rtn Kaushik Bhattacharya, Rtn Shakuntala Hazra, and Rtn Arup Dasgupta. The meeting was an inspiring exchange, paving the way for strong future collaboration between the Rotary Club of Behala and the Interact Club of Bridge International School.



The upcoming event with Interact Club of Bridge International school was finalised for a visit to the Hope Foundation on Monday 7th Oct, 2024 9 am onwards

MINUTES OF MEETING

**2680 TH
REGULAR CLUB MEETING**

MINUTES OF THE 2680 TH REGULAR CLUB MEETING OF ROTARY CLUB OF BEHALA –HELD ON 19TH SEPTEMBER 2024 AT MALIK GUEST HOUSE FROM 6:30 PM ONWARDS.

- 2680 th RCM of RC Behala was called to order by Club President Rtn Angshuman Bhattacharya started .
- The National Anthem was sung by all, led by PP Rtn Debabrata Joardar
- President Rtn Angshuman talked about project Virangana and special mention was made for Ms. Sunetra, spouse of PP Rtn Kaushik Bhattacharyya for playing an important role in executing the project
- Samagam report was presented by PP Rtn (Dr) Siddhartha Chakraborty
- President informed all members about the official DG Visit which has been confirmed on 30th January 2025
- Secretary invited all members to be part of the visit to Interact club of Bridge International school on 24th September 2024
- Club outing in winter was discussed and President and Secretary to decide on final date and keep members posted on the same
- Rtn Arup Dasgupta encouraged members to participate in Kolkata Marathon on 15th December 2024
- Club Bijoya Diwali Get together was discussed and tentative date finalised on the weekend of 8-9 November 2024
- President encouraged all members to be part of upcoming events.
- President terminated the meeting to the next.

- **Attendance :**

- **Total Club Members-** 37
- **Members Present** - 14

