

THE MIDTOWNER

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From Editor's Desk

Embracing the Rotary Spirit of 2025-26 : Unite for Good



Dear Midtown Family,

A new Rotary year begins—and with it, a fresh opportunity to recommit ourselves to what truly matters: service, fellowship, and impact. I am humbled and excited to serve as your Editor this year. To me, this bulletin is not just a summary of activities—it is a space to celebrate our purpose, our people, and the quiet strength we carry as Rotarians.

This year, under the leadership of RI President Francesco Arezzo, we are guided by the theme “Unite for Good.”

At its heart, this message is both a reminder and a challenge: to look beyond boundaries, ideologies, and differences—and come together for something larger than ourselves.

In his inspiring message at the 2025 Rotary International Assembly, President-elect Mário César Martins de Camargo said

“In a world increasingly divided by politics, geography, and ideology, Rotary stands as a beacon of unity and hope. Through service projects, we bring together people of every background—across races, religions, and professions—in a shared mission to do good in their communities.”

Unity in Action: An Article on the Power of Coming Together

In today's world, unity is no longer just a virtue—it's a necessity. We are living in an age where communities are fractured by differences in opinion, economic disparity, and cultural isolation. Yet, in the face of this division, Rotary chooses to be a unifying force.

Rotary projects around the world are tangible proof that unity is not only possible—it's powerful.

- In Uganda, multiple Rotary clubs across continents came together to fund and build a solar-powered water system for a village that had never experienced clean water before. The project was coordinated across languages, borders, and time zones—showing that shared intent can overcome every obstacle.
- In Turkey and Syria, when devastating earthquakes struck in early 2023, Rotary clubs swiftly mobilised to provide medical aid, shelter, and emotional support to displaced families. Not only did this bring relief—it brought hope and humanity in the face of disaster.
- In India, a Rotary-led initiative connected dozens of clubs from different regions to organize over 1,000 heart surgeries for children from underserved communities. Doctors, donors, volunteers—all came together, not for credit, but for the cause.

These are not just stories—they are blueprints of what we, as Rotarians, are capable of when we stand united.

The beauty of Rotary lies in its diversity. We are entrepreneurs, professionals, artists, doctors, homemakers—and yet, we come together with one vision: to serve. That unity, that selfless collaboration, is what transforms lives—not just of those we help, but our own.

As Editor, I promise to reflect this spirit in every issue. The Midtown bulletin will not only be a record—it will be a reminder. Of the magic we create when we choose to unite. Of the joy in giving, and the strength in togetherness. Of what it means to be part of something far greater than ourselves.

Let this year be filled with meaningful connections, purposeful projects, and moments that remind us why we serve.

Let's Unite for Good—and let Midtown be the shining example.

Minutes of the 23rd Regular and 2169th Continuous Meeting of Rotary Club of Calcutta Midtown

held on Thursday, 26th June, 2025 at 6.30 PM at Room No. 1, Saturday Club

- Meeting called to order: President Rtn. Preeti Agarwal called the 23rd regular and 2169th continuous meeting to order.
- National Anthem: National Anthem was sung by all.
- Confirmation of previous Meeting Minutes: The minutes of last meeting were floated over WhatsApp and was proposed by Rtn. Dr. Surinder Kapoor and Seconded by Rtn. Sudhir Chand.
- Presidents Gratitude message: President said, **that it's been a fantastic journey & she has truly enjoyed leading the amazing group of leaders.** Each one brought their own strength, time, energy which made all the difference. She said, we all worked hard, planned, and executed the plans and saw the results and all this was done together with full heart. President said, she has so much of gratitude for each and everyone for contributing and believing in the vision. She thanked everyone for making it such a meaningful year for her.
- Secretary's Report: Rtn. Ruchira Bhuwalka announced the attendance: **21 members were present making it 42%**
- Meeting Closed: President Rtn. Preeti closed the meeting.

Minuted by:
Rtn. Ruchira Bhuwalka
Secretary (2024-2025) RCCM

Regular Rotary Midtown meeting held on 26th June



Birthdays



16th July

Rtn Samirr Doshi



18th July

Rtn Hardeep Singh

Anniversaries



15th July

Rtn. Rudraksh & Simran Gupta



11th July

Rtn. Biman & Chandan Chakraborty



Rotary  **4 Way Test**
of the things we think, say, or do:
Is it the **TRUTH**?
Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?