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From Editor's Desk

Building Rotary for a World That Is Changing

The world Rotary serves today is not the world in which Rotary began—and it will not be the world of tomorrow. Social expectations evolve, technology reshapes connection, and communities face challenges that are increasingly complex. Yet Rotary's relevance has endured because it has never been static.

The strength of Rotary does not lie solely in its history, but in its capacity to adapt without losing its core values. Innovation, continuity, and partnership are not competing ideas; they are interdependent forces that allow Rotary to grow while remaining grounded.

Innovation is not change for its own sake. It is the willingness to listen, to question established methods, and to respond thoughtfully to emerging needs. New club models, new ways of engaging members, and new approaches to service ensure that Rotary remains accessible to diverse generations and professions. Innovation allows Rotary to stay meaningful in a rapidly shifting world.

Continuity, however, gives innovation direction. Leadership in Rotary changes annually, but responsibility does not. When each Rotary year builds upon the work of the previous one, projects mature, strategies deepen, and communities experience sustained impact. Continuity is not uniformity—it is alignment around shared goals that extend beyond individual tenures.

Partnership completes this framework. Rotary's most significant achievements have always been collective efforts. Collaboration with institutions, professional bodies, global organizations, and local communities expands Rotary's reach and effectiveness. Partnerships bring expertise, scale, and perspective—transforming good intentions into lasting solutions.

Equally important is Rotary's role as a unifying force. In a world often divided by ideology, identity, and interest, Rotary brings people together through shared service. It creates space for dialogue, cooperation, and mutual respect—demonstrating that diversity, when anchored in common values, becomes a strength rather than a challenge.

Ultimately, Rotary's future depends on its members—their openness to evolve, their commitment to continuity, and their willingness to collaborate beyond traditional boundaries. By embracing these principles, Rotary does more than respond to change; it helps shape a future where service remains relevant, ethical, and impactful.

Warm regards,
Rtn. Simran Gupta
Editor
Rotary Club of Calcutta Midtown

Minutes of the 10th Regular Meeting for the Year 2025 - 2026 and the 2179th Continuous Meeting of Rotary Club of Calcutta Midtown

Date : 15th January, 2025 | Time : 7:00 PM | Venue : Peacock Room, Punjab Club

Presiding Officer: President Hitesh Dani | Attendance: 38% (18 members present)

1. Call to Order

President Hitesh Dani called the meeting to Order.

2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed by Rtn Radhika Sahani and seconded by Rtn Rakesh Sahani.

3. Appointment of Sergeant at Arms

President Hitesh appointed Rtn Bhupesh Kapoor as the Sergeant at Arms for the meeting.

4. Project Cervical Cancer Vaccine Awareness and Administration

A. President reported about the Cervical Cancer Administration Camp which was held at the Apollo Clinic on the 3rd January 2026.

88 girls were vaccinated and the project was attended by Rtn Dr Surinder Kapoor, Rtn Shalini Agarwal, Rtn Nirmal Agarwal, Rtn Samir Doshi, Rtn Mayuri and the President himself. The camp was in association with the Rotary Club of Garden Reach and Park Point also.

The President also informed the members that Apollo has agreed to vaccinate any staff children of Midtown members and the only criteria is to inform them 1 day in advance and the time has to be between 4 to 6 p.m any day.

B. President also informed the floor about another Cervical Cancer Administration Camp held on 22nd December 2025, where the 160 girls who were vaccinated earlier received their second Dose. 40 new girls were also given the first Dose.

C. President also informed the Floor that another Cervical Cancer Vaccination Camp will be held on 25th January 2026 at Agarpara where 88 Boys and Girls will be vaccinated.

5. Project Cleft Lip Surgery Camps

A Cleft Lip Awareness Camp which was to be held at Godha on 5th January was postponed to 18th January 2026 .

6. Project Cleft Lip Surgery Camps

President informed the floor that our Regular Free Eye Camp will be held on 8th January 2026 from 10 a.m to 2 p.m at our Thakurpukur RCC. This camp is in association with The Rotary Club of Budge Budge. Rtn Rakesh Khanna is heading this Project.

7. Scholarship Cheque handed over to Medical Student

President requested Dr Lalita Sheth to handover the cheque from Mr. O.P. Agarwal to Ashish Sahoo, who is a Medical student. Rtn O.P. Agarwal and Rotary Club of Calcutta Midtown have been giving him Scholarship for his Medical Studies.

A cheque of Rs.33,000/- was handed over to him and he was requested to say a few words.

8. Secretary's Time

Attendance: 38% (18 members present)

Birthdays for the Month

- 23rd January : Rtn. Raja Garg

Anniversaries for the Month

- 16th January Sudhirji and Neeraji.
- 21st January Manoj and Minal Kedia.
- 21st January Madhur and Shilpa Jhavar.
- 29th January Raja and Ritu Garg.
- 29th January Gulatiji and Nirmalji.

9. Sergeant's Time

Sergeants' collection Rs.5600/-

10. Meeting was closed by the President

Reported by Mayuri Mody Doshi (Secretary 2025-26)

Recorded by
Rtn. Mayuri Mody Doshi
Secretary 2025-2026



THE FOUR WAY TEST
OF THE THINGS WE THINK, SAY, DO

- 1 Is it the **TRUTH**?
- 2 Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
- 3 Will it build **GOODWILL & BETTER FRIENDSHIP**?
- 4 Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

Regular Rotary Midtown meeting held on 15th January



Minutes of the 11th Regular Meeting for the Year 2025 - 2026 and the 2180th Continuous Meeting of Rotary Club of Calcutta Midtown

Date : 23rd January, 2026 | Time : 6:00 PM | Venue : Zoom

Presiding Officer: President Hitesh Dani | Attendance: 23% (11 members present)

1. Call to Order

President Hitesh Dani called the meeting to Order.

2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed by Rtn. Shalini Agarwal and seconded by Rtn. Surinder Kapoor.

3. Appointment of Sergeant at Arms

President Hitesh appointed Rtn. Bhupesh Kapoor as the Sergeant at Arms for the meeting.

4. Project Cervical Cancer Vaccine

President also informed the Floor that the Cervical Cancer Vaccination Camp held on 25th January 2026 at Agarpara, where 88 Boys and Girls were vaccinated successfully. A formal report has already been circulated. The same organisation has also requested vaccinations for another School which has 1700 students, which the floor suggested we could do if funds are enough.

5. Project Cleft Lip Surgery Camps

A Cleft Lip Awareness Camp was held at Godha on 18th January 2026. Leaflets were distributed, and parents of patients were briefed in detail about the surgery, etc.

6. Free Eye Camp held at RCC

President informed the floor that our Regular Free Eye Camp was held on 8th January 2026 from 10 a.m to 2 p.m at our Thakurpukur RCC. This camp is in association with The Rotary club of Budge Budge. Rtn Rakesh Khanna headed this Project. Rtn Radhika and Rakesh Sahani, Rtn Rakesh Khanna were present for the project. Total number of patients examined were 151, and out of which 14 patients were detected with Cataract. These patients will be operated free of cost by Midtown at the Budge Budge Eye hospital in the near future. Powered Specs will be provided to 100 patients.

7. Secretary's Time

Attendance: 23% (11 members present)

Anniversaries for the Month

- 29th January: Raja and Ritu Garg
- 29th January: Gulatiji and Nirmalji

8. Sergeant's Time

No Fines on Zoom Meetings.

9. Meeting was closed by the President

Reported by Mayuri Mody Doshi (Secretary 2025-26)

Recorded by
Rtn. Mayuri Mody Doshi
Secretary 2025-2026

Project

Cleft Lip Health Camp at Godda on Sunday, 18th January

Total 18 patients

10 new patients for surgery | 3 for nutrition

5 for speech therapy.



Project

An Eye Camp was successfully conducted on Sunday, 18th January

Total 151 patients | 100 Powered Spectacles provided

14 patients detected for cataract

Operation at Budge Budge Eye Hospital



Birthdays



18th Feb

Rtn. Radhika Sahani



20th Feb

Rtn. Vikram Poddar

Anniversaries



9th Feb

Bilan and Hardeep Singh



26th Feb

Lipika and Kalyan Sarkar



15th Feb

Shalini and Nirmal Agarwal