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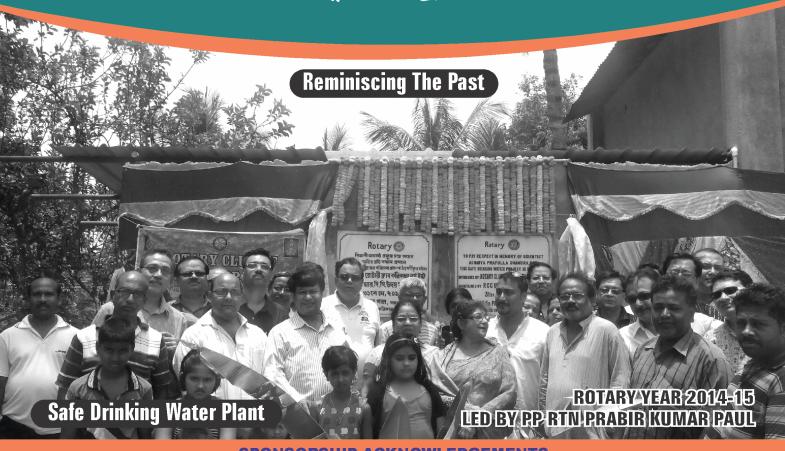
We meet every alternate Thursday at THE ANTELOPE, 3, Ho Chi Minh Sarani, Kolkata - 700071 at 8.00 pm.

Rtn Angana Paul President Rtn Sabyasachi Roy Secretary PP Rtn Chandra Kumar Paul

PP Rtn Subhashis Ghosh

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Rtn Rathindra Nath Dev

## **ROTARY NEWS**

### Eco-brick by eco-brick, Interactors in Peru learn the magic of Rotary

As Raquel Lozano Fernández explained, the mission was twofold. The 2024-25 president of the Rotary Club of Lima, Peru, Lozano is also the adviser for the Interact Club of Abraham Valdelomar, which is sponsored by the Lima club. Under the guidance of Lozano and other Rotarians, the Interactors embarked on an ambitious



Britani Alejos Cucho, a student at Bellavista school, compresses scraps of plastic into a recycled plastic bottle to create an eco-brick. The eco-bricks will later be used to make tables and chairs for the school.

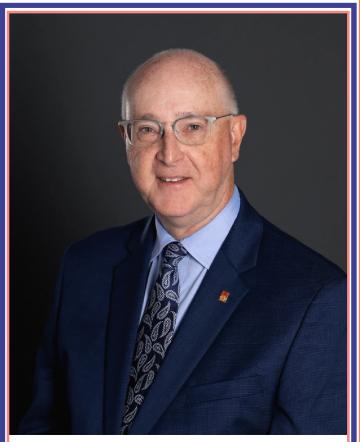


Interactors Camila Velazquez Castilla and Joaquin Camacho Solis show off a chair constructed from the eco-bricks.

project to transform plastic bottles and other recyclable materials into eco-bricks. The bricks were then used to create tables and chairs for the Bellavista school in Independencia, a municipality north of Lima's city center.

As part of the project, the Interactors included the Bellavista students in crafting the eco-brick furniture, thereby providing a useful lesson in environmental sustainability. But that was only one facet of the project. Under the guise of la gincana — connection-based games, songs, and activities — the Interactors also conducted social-emotional workshops with the younger students, thereby picking up lessons in leadership and confidence building along the way.

As for the relationship between the older and younger students, the Rotary staff duo report that the kids were all happily, well, "interacting." Mission accomplished.



**Larry Lunsford**, a member of the Rotary Club of Kansas City-Plaza, Missouri, USA, has been selected to become Rotary International President for 2027-28.

# **Know your ROTARY**

# **ROTARY & PEACE**

- WHY DOES ROTARY FOCUS ON PEACE?
  - Peace is one of Rotary's 7 Areas of Focus, True peace is not just the absence of war but the presence of justice, equity, opportunity, and dignity for all.
- WHAT IS POSITIVE PEACE?

**POSITIVE Peace** means addressing root causes of conflict:

It includes access to food, water, education, healthcare, and inclusive communities.

HOW DOES THE ENVIRONMENT CONNECT TO PEACE?

Climate stress + resource conflicts (water, land, migration).

Protecting ecosystems reduces conflict and promotes cooperation.

**WHAT IS ROTARY DOING FOR PEACE?** 

Peace Fellowships & Centers worldwide. Community peace-building projects (dialogues, youth clubs, pledge walls).

Partnering with schools, NGOs and governments for conflict resolution.

# HOW CAN VISITORS PROMOTE PEACE?

Take the Peace Pledge at our booth.
Support youth peace clubs.

Plant a Peace Tree / Peace Pole

# Congratulations! Team RCCNE

We extend our heartfelt Thanks to each and every club member for their contribution that helped us to achieve this and the district team 2024-25, for the recognition.



Project Report - Joint Project

RCCNE participated in a Joint Project with RC Calcutta South West at Calcutta Deaf and Dumb School on 14th of August, 2025. We provided food packets and chocolates to the students and teachers. Chocolates were sponsored Rotary Food Bank and Food Packets by PP Rtn Prabir Kumar Paul. PP Rtn Chandra Kumar Paul, PP Rtn Ramprasad Chattopadhyay, Rtn Sabyasachi Roy were present along with President Rtn Angana Paul.



### **Family Corner**

We wish our Past President



## Project Report - Joint Project

RC South Calcutta conducted an awareness camp on Breast and Cervical Cancer in Khayadaha, where we participated as a Co-Host.



#### Project Report - Independence Day Project

Rotary Club of Calcutta North East celebrated Independence Day with the students of Cossipore Institution, beginning the day with the hoisting of the Flag. The students presented a delightful cultural program featuring patriotic songs, poem recitations, and yoga performances. To mark the occasion, food packets and chocolates were distributed among the students and staff, spreading joy and warmth. The event beautifully combined the spirit of patriotism with community bonding. President Rtn Angana Paul, Rtn Sukanta Khan and Past President Rtn Vivekananda Bhowmick were present on the occasion, representing RCCNE's commitment to service and solidarity.



#### Project Report - Mega Health Check Camp

Rotary Club of Calcutta North East successfully organised a Free Health Check-up Camp in association with the Hindu Mahasabha Durga Puja Committee, Inner Wheel Club of Chowringhee Queens, Inner Wheel Club of Girish Park Urbia, and Inner Wheel Club of Calcutta North East. The medical support for the camp was extended by Desun Hospital.

The camp offered a range of free health services, including general health check-ups, basic blood tests, ECG, and dental check-ups. Additionally, free medicines were distributed to beneficiaries as per doctors' prescriptions.

District Governor Rtn. Dr. Ramendu Hom Chaudhuri graced the occasion and shared valuable insights on Rotary's ongoing health initiatives. Past District Governor Rtn. Mukul Sinha and Rtn. Sujata Gupta, Joint Secretary - Projects, were also present and extended their support. Mr. Rajesh Sinha, Ward Councillor of Ward 25, and Mrs. Ruby Sinha attended the event as special guests.

On this occasion, President Rtn. Angana Paul generously donated USD 237.93 to The Rotary Foundation (Polio Plus Fund), continuing the club's contribution towards the global fight to eradicate polio.

The camp was a resounding success, marked by active participation, collaborative efforts, and Rotary's unwavering commitment to community health and service. The camp was attended by 22 members of the club.

As compiled by Rtn Ahana Ghosh, CICO '25.



# ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA NORTH EAST MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING NO. 1629

Date: 14th August, 2025

Venue: The Antilope, 3, Ho Chi Minh Sarani, Kolkata

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#### Call to Order

President Rtn Angana Paul called the meeting to order.

The National Anthem was led by **Rtn Arup Chatterjee**, with all members joining in respect.

#### President's Address & Project Reports

President Rtn Angana Paul welcomed the club members and presented a report on following projects done.

On 7th August, a dengue awareness and mosquito net distribution project was conducted at Jagaron Samiti Club, Nandigram, Medinipur, where members also visited a nearby primary school in need of renovation.

On 14th August, RCCNE jointly celebrated Pre-Independence Day with the Rotary Club of Calcutta South West at the Deaf and Dumb School, Kolkata, where food and chocolates were distributed to the students. The food packets were sponsored by PP Rtn Prabir Kumar Paul.

The President then announced upcoming projects. On 15th August, Independence Day celebrations will be held at Cossipore Boys School with flag hoisting, student performances, and teacher felicitation. On the same day, RCCNE will co-host a District program at Town Hall with a contribution of ₹3,000. Members were invited to attend.

#### President's Announcements - Upcoming Projects

President Rtn Angana Paul shared details of several upcoming initiatives. On 15th August, the club will once again celebrate Independence Day at Cossipore Boys School, Baranagar, starting at 10 AM with flag hoisting, a cultural program by students, distribution of gifts and chocolates, and teacher felicitation.

On the same day, RCCNE will co-host a Districtorganised program at Town Hall, Kolkata, by contributing Rs.3,000. Members interested in attending are requested to submit their names to the program coordinator.

A Mega Health Check-up Camp is scheduled for 24th August at Girish Park, Kolkata, in collaboration with the Hindu Mahasabha Sarbojanin Durga Puja Committee. The camp will offer general health, cardiac, dental, and diabetic consultations with the support of Desun Hospital and Cipla Ltd. Three Inner Wheel Clubs—IWC Calcutta North East, IWC Girish Park Urbia, and IWC Chowringhee Queens—will join as co-sponsors. Public outreach through hoardings and handbills will be undertaken to ensure wide participation.

RCC Kankinara will organize an Eye Check-up Camp, tentatively on 7th September. RCCNE aims to include free cataract screenings and surgeries for 100 beneficiaries, with support requested from the Eye Hospital of RC Hooghly.

RCCNE received a request from the Rotary Club of South Calcutta to join them in their upcoming Awareness Camp on Breast & Cervical Cancer, scheduled to be held on 23rd August 2025 at Khayadaha Gram Panchayat, Sonarpur. RCCNE will participate as a Co-host in this important initiative. As part of our collaboration, RCCNe will contribute a sum of Rs. 2,000 towards the event.

The President also shared the encouraging news that a new Interact Club is in progress at The Scottish Church Collegiate School, Kolkata. The initial meeting with the school authority was positive, and the proposal has been accepted in principle.

Hilsa Festival has been proposed as a fellowship event for club members and their families, tentatively scheduled for August or September. PP Rtn. Sudip Kumar Dutta has been tasked with exploring options and finalizing the date.

#### Treasurer's Report

The President invited Club Treasurer, PP Rtn. Chandra Kumar Paul, to present his report. He provided an update on the current status of member dues and also collected donations from members in support of the upcoming Mega Health Check-up Camp. The list of donors will be shared in the club's official group.

#### **Secretarial Business**

Club Secretary Rtn Sabyasachi Roy extended greetings and thanks to all members present.

He confirmed the minutes of the previous meeting, offered birthday and anniversary wishes to members and their families, and announced that the next regular meeting will be held on 28th August 2025.

#### Conclusion

With no other business to address, President Rtn Angana Paul concluded the meeting and invited all members to join the fellowship gathering.

#### **Sponsorship Acknowledgements**

**BLISS:** PP Rtn Shubadip Roy

Fellowship: Rtn Arup Kumar Chatterjee

Snacks: PP Rtn Hara Prasad Garg

Minutes Prepared by: Rtn Sabyasachi Roy, Secretary

## Birthday Greetings

30 Aug : Sharmila Halder, W/o Rtn Subasish Halder 04 Sep : Indrani Dutt, W/o Rtn Sujit Dutt 10 Sep : Kanisha, D/o Rtn Kalyan Saha