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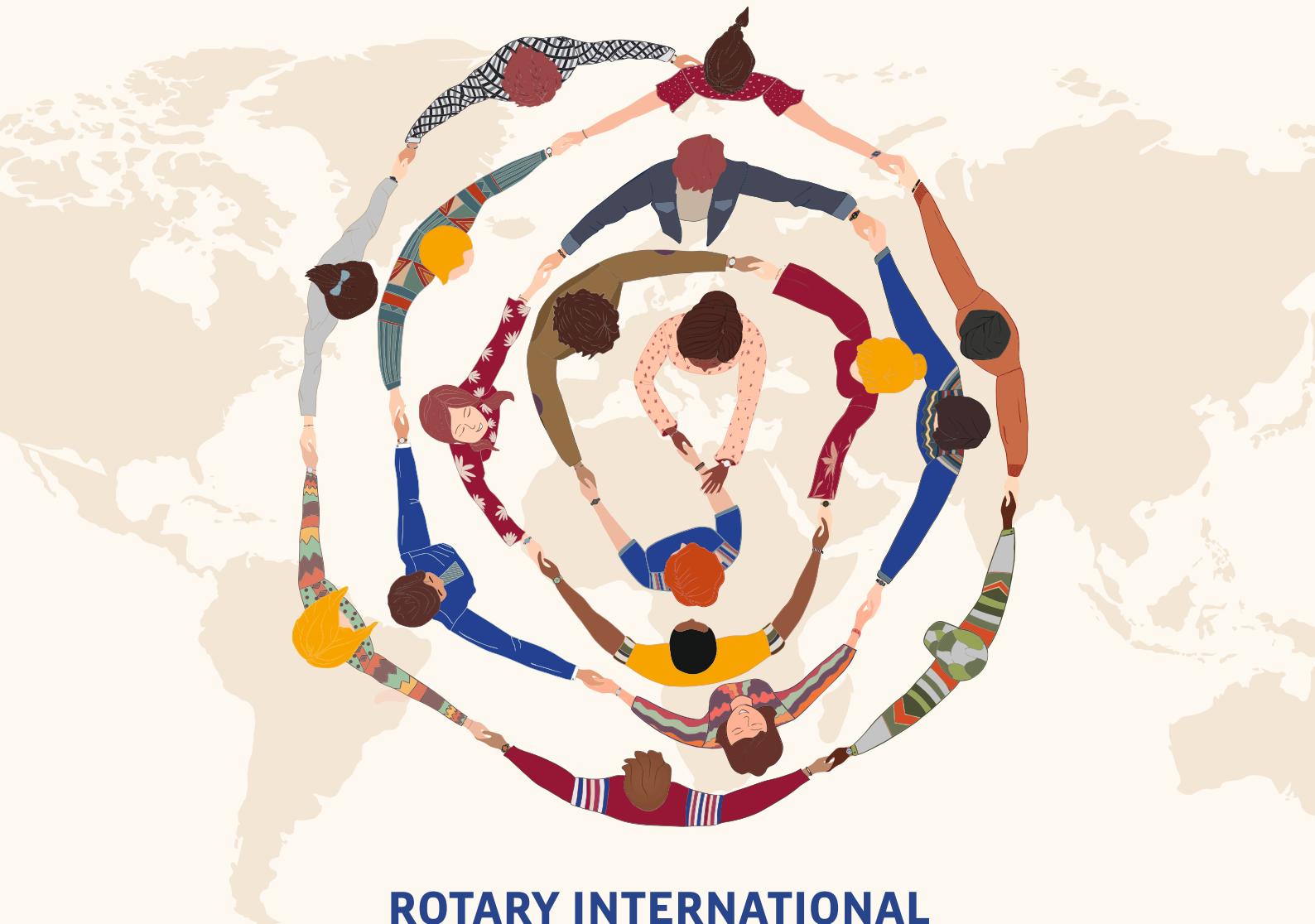


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# CHOWRENGHEE TIMES

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ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA CHOWRENGHEE



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL  
District 3291



### VIDHI BERI

#### President 2025-26

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

I take this opportunity to highlight our impactful September and October projects and meetings. In these months, we successfully completed 5 pediatric heart surgery support and two mega health camps with our new partner hospital Neotia Newtown, promising the beginning of a new meaningful support relationship. Our ongoing upgradation, support and teacher training at RCV Uluberia is continuing at an encouraging pace. We had major eye-checkup and cataract screening camp organized in partnership with local health professionals and our Rotary Joynagar Eye Hospital, providing free spectacles to the community members at Amtalla.

Our DG Dr. Ramendu Homchaurdhuri personally came to support our annual fundraiser Parampara and was extremely impressed by the decor and organisation. A notable addition to our club was our new RCC Vikas Jyoti in the Ghoramara, Sunderbans region. Club Secretary Vineet Bagaria spear headed the recce of the area and identified a partner NGO to implement needs at ground level. Dr Amit Mukherjee, a senior Rotarian from Jamshedpur is supporting us with his experience and knowledge of work in the area and we will be enabling the infrastructure and livelihood needs in the coming months. These achievements underscore our unwavering commitment to community health and education. Thank you for your continued dedication and service!

Warm regards,

**Vidhi Beri**

President (2025-26)



THE ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA CHOWRENGHEE  
  

**Service Projects : Sept' 2025**

|    |                                   |  |
|----|-----------------------------------|--|
| 6  | Cervical Cancer                   | Joynagar                                 |
| 6  | Family Health Camp                | Joynagar                                 |
| 9  | Uthe Sabke Kadam (USK)            | Amoragori                                |
| 10 | Pediatric Heart Surgery (Arika)   | Neotia, New Town                         |
| 11 | Nutrition Awareness Workshop      | Daffodil's High School (Teach For India) |
| 14 | Cycle Donation to USK beneficiary | MSS                                      |
| 18 | Club Foot                         | Shambhunath Pandit Hospital              |
| 19 | Dialysis Project                  | KSS                                      |
| 21 | Uthe Sabke Kadam (USK)            | MSS                                      |
| 23 | Pediatric Heart Surgery (Ankita)  | Neotia, New Town                         |

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**Service Projects : Oct' 2025**

|    |                                       |                              |
|----|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 6  | Skills Training Workshop              | RCV, Uluberia                |
| 10 | Health Camp (by NBNWCC)               | Nepalgunje                   |
| 11 | Indus Valley Teachers Training        | RCV, Uluberia                |
| 11 | Computer Donation                     | Manovikas Kendra             |
| 12 | Uthe Sabke Kadam (USK)                | MSS                          |
| 17 | Diwali Meet                           | Manovikas Kendra             |
| 17 | Club Foot for USK                     | Shambhunath Pandit Hospital  |
| 19 | Saree Distribution                    | Goramara, Sunderbans         |
| 19 | Spectacles Distribution               | Amtalla                      |
| 22 | Hearing Aid Distribution              | Rotary Joynagar Eye Hospital |
| 22 | Health Awareness (Session 1)          | KMC school of TOD            |
| 24 | World Polio Day                       | Amoragori                    |
| 26 | Blankets & Mosquito Nets Distribution | Goramara, Sunderbans         |
| 29 | Dental Camp                           | Nepalgunje                   |
| 30 | Dialysis Project                      | KSS                          |

## BRIDGING GAPS IN HEALTHCARE

From diagnosis to effective solutions- regular meeting on 6th Sept at Bengal Rowing Club Loft. An informative dialogue and moderated session by Ms Moumita Roy Chowdhury, Operation Head at Neotia Group and pediatric cardiologist Dr Nilanjan Dutta.



## ROTARY CHARITY BOWL

A bowling competition was held on 13th Sept at That Place. It was a wonderful event with family members even competing against each other. Teams were sponsored & players auctioned and the money raised was used to support a Paediatric heart surgery. Following are the RCB '25 awardees

### INDIVIDUAL WINNERS -

1. **Emerging Player:** Riaan Juneja
2. **Special Performance:** Rishabh Sanghvi, Satyam Sureka, Gauri Himatsingka, Mudita Kajaria and Sakshi Khettry
3. **Most Spares:** Himanshu Ajmera
4. **Most Strikes:** Raghav Gulati
5. **Best Bowler (F):** Manisha Srivastava
6. **Best Bowler:** Akhilesh Kajaria



### TEAM WINNERS -

- 4th : Rolling Tigers
- 3rd Bronze: Mighty Ducks 862 points
- 2nd Silver: Strike Force 925 points
- 1st Gold: Pin Pals: 982 points



Thanks to team owners for your generous contribution towards the Charity Bowl. The proceeds from this event have transformed the lives of families through the pediatric heart surgery of little children from villages near Kolkata.

### TEAM OWNERS:

1. Vyana Warriors - **Abhenav Khettry & Vidhi Beri**
2. Mighty Ducks- **Aditya Beri & Sandeep Poddar**
3. Rolling Tigers- **Ravi Kajaria & Anshuman Kanoria**
4. Storm Strikers- **Rajiv Jindal & Aashish Jhunjhunwala**
5. Euphoria Kings- **Gaurav Himatsingka & Ajay Kumar Jain**
6. Pin Pals- **Himanshu Ajmera & Meenu Juneja**
7. Alley Cops- **Anil Kishorepuria & Sangita Todi**
8. Strike Force- **Vineet Bagaria & Pawan Kejriwal**



## PARAMPARA PRET

A successful one day fund raiser Diwali edit exhibition Parampara Pret was held on 8th Oct at the Taj Bengal. It was well attended with many happy shoppers. DG Dr. Ramendu Homchaudhuri and Lovey Burman, celebrated entrepreneur of Kookie Jar inaugurated the show for an auspicious beginning to our very successful bi-annual fundraiser. An enthusiastic design team curated a truly spectacular display inviting audiences into the exhibition. Our Stree Unit handicrafts were on display along with innovative Diwali themed terracotta diyas made by Rtn. Aditi Saraogi. The inauguration to finale of the event was truly satisfying for the Parampara team which is growing in love and involvement each year. Parampara core team members include Rita Punwani, Sadhana Agarwal, Sangeeta Sood, Sangita Todi, Ritu Almal, Manisha Srivastava. The design and decor further includes Manisha Poddar and Aditi Saraogi.



## ART EMPOWERED LIVELIHOODS

A journey in rural social enterprise- regular meeting on 11th Oct at BRC. Nari Shakti & many other awards recipient and our club member Ambica Beri spoke about how she started an internationally renowned sculpture open air gallery and park: Art Ichol in Maihar. The concept of the space is to empower livelihoods through art and the use of industrial scraps & natural materials is the USP of the space. She introduced sustainable living enterprise through her centre for rural upliftment & empowerment. Her session was moderated by President Vidhi Beri & Rtn Sangeet Kothari. The members learned about a historically significant hub for spiritual and cultural patronage in India situated in Madhya Pradesh. Many members are looking forward to attending the Rotary Annual Retreat to Maihar.



## RAJASTHANI RENDEZVOUS

Diwali fellowship was held on 14th Oct at Inia. It was well attended & members came dressed in Rajasthani & traditional attire & enjoyed dancing to the beat of Rajasthani music & enjoyed the traditional fare. Rtn. Meenu Juneja graciously opened her heart and doors to the club members to celebrate the festival of Diwali together. Laxmi Bajaj and her son began the evening with singing ghoomar numbers and our choreographer Sharmishta helped bring us all into rhythmic Ghoomar movements as we swayed to the music. Even as they dabbled in ghazals, Sanjay Dalmia and Anshu Saharia protested to bring back up the tempo and allowed us to sway again. There was not a dull moment on the dance floor, while non dancers occupied card tables to enjoy their hand at poker. Members enjoyed the specially curated Rajasthani menu for the occasion by the Fellowship Committee. The raffle conducted at the fellowship raised a sum that was contributed towards the Clubfoot Project. We have had many generous contributions towards this cause post the raffle. Notably Rtn. Anil Kishorepuria, Rtn. Rajiv Ginodia and PP Ritu Almal further donated to the cause.



## TURNING CHALLENGES INTO PURPOSE

Journey of an invincible human- regular meeting was held on 25th Oct at Kaee Contemporary Gallery.

Dr Amit Mukherjee - an orthopaedic surgeon, a motivational speaker & cancer warrior was the speaker. He enthralled RC Chowchenghee Rotarians by talking about his experiences and learning to listen to one's inner self (Atmaram) and not be a puppet to the monkey mind (totaram). Members present were truly inspired by the man who has this spirit of 'never say die' and keeps coming back for more. His work in rejuvenating Adivasi villages and Sunderbans is a remarkable testament to the human spirit and service beyond the self. He is guiding our club with the new RCC at Ghoramara, Sunderbans and is specially visiting us from Jamshedpur.



## MEMBER's ACHIEVEMENT

Our club is proud of Rtn Sudeshna Roychowdhury who has become the 1st Lady Vice President in 40 years of St. Xaviers College Alumni Association.



## THE ROTARY FOUNDATION



PP Manisha Srivastava &  
PE Sangita Gulati at the  
CSR Awards with  
PDG Hiralal Yadav

### Contributions

- \$3,000 - Rtn. Pravin Agarwal
- \$1,000 - Rtn. Vineet Bagaria
- \$1,000 - Rtn. Vidhi Beri
- \$1,000 - Aashish Jhunjhunwala

## SERVICE PROJECTS SEPTEMBER

### 1. Joynagar Health Camp (*Healthy Families, Happy Communities*)

Camp was organized on 6th in association with Neotia Hospital. Parents and children from the community were given free health checkups, awareness & guidance. Required medicines were distributed free. 150 children were treated with general medicines and their malnutrition diagnosis checkups were done too.



### 2. Cervical Cancer Awareness

The camp was also held on 6th. PP Manisha Srivastava was present. 250 mothers and young adults, teenagers attended the awareness camp. This camp is part of our global grant for cervical cancer and will be followed up with two doses of the cervical cancer vaccine.



### 3. USK Amragori

A handicap camp part of USK GG, at Amoragori Juba Sangha was organised on 9th for 50 beneficiaries conducted by MSS. The artificial limbs were prepared there & fitted with 2 days. It was attended by PP Manisha Srivastava, President Vidhi Beri and Secretary Vineet Bagaria.



### 4. Arika Heart Surgery

Arika Kumari had a heart device closure on 10th as part of our initiative to support the Neotia Newtown hospital in mother and child health. Our club is focusing on infant and child care from rural and remote areas where we are specifically trying to give access to marginalised communities and their children for enhanced medical care.



### 5. Nutrition Awareness

President Vidhi Beri conducted on 11th a talk on nutrition & health for children (2-5) & parents at Daffodil High School under Teach for India initiative. The school encourages the children to come back with food charts as part of their continuous learning about health and self care.



### 6. Cycle Donation

Artificial limb beneficiary Gautam Vishwas received a cycle on 14th sponsored by Rtn Varda Goenka & PP Piyush Agarwal



### 7. Club Foot Project

Visit to Shambhunath Pandit Hospital on 18th for club foot project by IPP Gaurav Gupta and Rtn Neerza Jhunjhunwala along with Interactors from BDMI. 100 children are supported through this project. Rtn Neerza distributed sweets & treats to them.





### 8. Dialysis Center KSS

Monthly visit to Kolkata Swasthya Sankalp on 19th for dialysis treatment support by Rtn Devashish Dabriwal and PE Sangita Gulati.



### 9. Uthe Sabke Kadam USK

Visit to MSS on 21st by PP Vikram Tantia, Secretary Vineet Bagaria & member Sonal Kasera for artificial limbs project.



### 10. Ankita Heart Surgery

Neotia Newtown hospital visit on 23rd by Secretary Vineet Bagaria and Satellite Club Treasurer Priyanjali Bagaria to meet 1year Ankita Sarkar. whose paediatric heart surgery for VSD device closure was supported by our Charity Bowl fundraiser.

## SERVICE PROJECTS OCTOBER



### 11. RCV Teacher Training

On 6th at RCV, Mrs Daksha Mehta a former junior school head of Gems Academy, Dubai conducted a workshop on use of teaching aids & sponsored all the learning & teaching aids. PP Nita Sethia was present.

### 12. Nepalgunje Health Camp

A mega health camp was conducted on 10th by 6 doctors & 2 coordinators from Neotia Hospital with 168 beneficiaries. It was attended by President Vidhi Beri and Secretary Vineet Bagaria. Health check up for mother & child was for weight, nutrition, area specific diseases, deworming, diabetes & BP. Prescribed medicines were given free.



### 13. RCV Indus Valley Training

On 11th RCV teachers had a training workshop conducted by teachers of Indus Valley World School. PP Meena Bansal was present.



### 14. Artificial Limbs USK

Mahavir Seva Sadan visit by Rtn. Neerza and Aashish Jhunjhunwala on 12th to meet 20 beneficiaries of USK project.



### 15. Computer Donation

A 14 generation computer system was donated on 11th to Manovikas Kendra to help in their diagnostics and data processing work. This is a cutting edge AI technology enabled hardware that will transform the nature of research and diagnostics in the future of autism spectrum studies and implementation.



### 16. Manovikas Kendra Diwali Meet

A Diwali carnival was held on 17th at MVK, attended by Chief guest Dr. Krishnendu Gupta, Rtn Binod Khaitan, SSA Principal Gargi Bannerjee, IPP Gaurav Gupta and President Vidhi Beri. There were performances by MVK students, interactors from Sri Sri Academy & Shri Shikshayatan.

### 17. Shambhunath Club Foot Project

Secretary Vineet Bagaria and PP Vikram Tantia visited project on 17th with consultant Alokeparna Ghosh to plan recording the beneficiaries history and improvements of their club foot. 100 club foot children will be supported through our USK 3 project.

### 18. Saree Distribution

On 19th in our new RCC Ghoramara, Sunderbans for Diwali sarees sponsored by Anita Agarwala & Minu Saree, were distributed.



### 19. Spectacles Distribution

Free eye checkup and spectacles by Rotary Joynagar Eye Hospital were distributed at RCC Amtalla on 19th to 63 beneficiaries.



### 20. Joynagar Hearing Aids Project

At Rotary Joynagar Eye Hospital on 22nd attended by PP Manisha Srivastava, hearing aids provided by Amplifon were distributed to 12 beneficiaries.



### 21. Health Awareness

Monthly HA workshops was conducted by President Vidhi Beri on 22nd at KMC school of TOD Pinjra project session 1. This was a unique beginning with mother and child together in session engaging in solutions and dialogue together. The session was participative and illustrative of challenges and possible alternatives to food choices. TFI handed over sattu packets as a high protein food source for them to take back home.



### 22. Polio Awareness

On 24th World Polio Day, an awareness campaign is being conducted by Amragori RCC by banners and mike announcements in nearby villages.



### 23. Blankets & Mosquito Nets Distribution

They were distributed at RCC Goramara, Sunderbans on 26th, by Secretary Vineet Bagaria and Dr. Amit Mukherjee. Solar energy project was also inaugurated.



### 24. Dental Camp

On 29th Rtn. Dr. Ashok Surana with a team of 5 Drs helped organise a dental camp at Salpukuria, Nepalgunj. Colgate sponsored the dental kits for 150 students. President Vidhi Beri was present

### 25. Dialysis Support

Monthly visit to KSS done on 30th. We subsidised and supported 933 patients with kidney ailments this month.



### 26. USK Beneficiary Asma

Many artificial limbs beneficiaries of USK project have been given support for education or for their vocations. Asma Khatun, a bright student's education expense is being supported.



## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



### September

|      |                     |
|------|---------------------|
| 1st  | Neotia Dinesh       |
| 4th  | Kanoi Nisha         |
| 4th  | Sujata Jhunjhunwala |
| 7th  | Jain Alka           |
| 9th  | Kariwal Vivek       |
| 14th | Todi Sangita        |
| 14th | Agarwal Pravin      |
| 19th | Himatsingka Gaurav  |
| 27th | Chitlangia Archana  |
| 30th | Modi Meenakshi      |

### October

|      |                    |
|------|--------------------|
| 6th  | Saraogi Aditi      |
| 7th  | Kajaria Ravi Kumar |
| 7th  | Daruka Sanjeev     |
| 15th | Surana Ashok       |
| 16th | Jalan Divya        |
| 17th | Devashish Dabriwal |
| 23rd | Kanoria Neeraj     |
| 23rd | Almal Ritu         |
| 29th | Gaurav Kumar Gupta |

## Birthdays of the Month

### Anniversaries of the Month

October | 23th Jairath Leena & Vikram