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MESSAGE OF DISTRICT GOVERNOR 3291



Rtn Amar Kumar Malhotra President 2023-24 Rotary Club of Belur RID 3291

Dear President Amar,

I am joined by Deepali in congratulating you as you don the mantle of leadership of your Club. Taking up a new responsibility is always a challenge and I am sure that you will rise to such a challenge!

I take the opportunity to thank your outgoing President and all your Club members for the dedicated service rendered by your Club during Rotary year 2022-23 as we Imagined Rotary!

Rotary, my friend is a unique journey! Rotary gives us colossal opportunities to make new friends, strengthen our bonding with existing friends and together - we get the opportunity to serve mankind to the best of our abilities!

Rotary International President for 2023-24, Rtn. R. Gordon McInally has given us a vibrant theme "CREATE HOPE IN THE WORLD". Our world leader's goal is to restore hope to help the world heal from destructive conflicts and to help achieve lasting change. He has emphasized the need for peace and continuity, including working toward diversity, equity and inclusion, while not neglecting our mission to end polio! His feels that Rotary should exist everywhere in a style to suit everyone who has the desire to be part of Rotary and to help us Rotarians do good in the world.

I consider myself TREMENDOUSLY fortunate to have the opportunity of working with him! The major initiative introduced by my GURU in Rotary, our own Rtn. Shekhar Mehta and followed by his predecessor Rtn. Jennifer Jones – "Empowering Girls" will also remain as his focus area. His other two focus areas are Mental Health and Building Peace through Virtual Exchanges.

The clarion call "Create Hope in the World" is there for you my friend! Let us capture the attention of the world and lead the way toward possibilities far beyond our current expectations, to Create Hope in the lives of humankind!

Best regards, Yours in Rotary Service

Hiralal Yadav District Governor 2023-24 Rotary District 3291

R. Gordon R. McInally

RI President Rotary Club of South Queensferry West Lothian, Scotland

R. Gordon R. McInally is presidentelect of Rotary International. He was educated at the Royal High School in Edinburgh and at the University of Dundee, where he earned his graduate degree in dental surgery. He operated his own dental practice in Edinburgh until 2016. Gordon was chair of the East of Scotland branch of the British Paedodontic Society and has held various academic positions. He has also served as a presbytery elder, chair of the Queensferry parish congregational board, and commissioner to the general assembly of the Church of Scotland.

Gordon joined Rotary in 1984 at age 26. A member of the Rotary Club of South Queensferry, he has served as president and vice president of Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland (RIBI). He has also served RI as a director

and on several committees, including as an adviser to the 2022 Houston Convention Committee and chair of the Operations Review Committee. Gordon says he looks forward to working with members to build new Rotary clubs and groups. "My vision is that Rotary should exist everywhere in a style to suit everyone who has the desire to be part of us and to help us do good in the world," he says.

Gordon is a patron of the UK-based nonprofit Hope and Homes for Children and led a partnership between that organization and RIBI to support children in Rwanda who had been orphaned in the genocide there. He is a patron of Trade-Aid, an initiative of the Rotary Club of Grantham Kesteven, Lincolnshire, England, that provides sustainable humanitarian aid to individuals, families, and businesses in the developing world. He is also an ambassador for Bipolar UK, a national mental health organization.

In his free time, Gordon enjoys rugby, good food and wine, and stick dressing, the traditional Scottish craft of making walking sticks.

Gordon describes The Rotary Foundation as "the fuel that provides the energy to do Rotary service." He and his spouse, Heather, also a Rotarian, are Paul Harris Fellows, Major Donors, and Benefactors of The Rotary Foundation. They are also members of the Bequest Society.

Gordon wishes to dedicate his presidency to making the world a better place for his granddaughters, Ivy and Florence, to live and thrive.

KNOW YOUR ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT



KNOW YOUR DISTRICT GOVERNOR

Hiralal Yadav

District Governor 2023-2024



Hiralal Yadav joined Rotary Club of Hooghly in the year 1995. He served as the President of the Rotary Club of Hooghly in the year 1998-1999 & 1999-2000. He is a past Rotaractor. He graduated from Calcutta University. He is a Ply Wood Manufacturer.

He revived the sick club which was recommended to be closed by the then District Governor. He established Rotary Hooghly Eye Hospital in the year 2000 with only eight members in a rented building. The Rotary Hooghly Eye Hospital became so popular, that a more spacious building was required. He constructed a well-designed 3 storied building for Rotary Hooghly Eye Hospital in the year 2013. Now, Rotary Hooghly Eye Hospital is a complete Eye Care Centre and pride of Rotary District 3291. In the last two decades he has helped eighteen clubs in India and two clubs in Bangladesh to establish Eye Hospitals. He is the Chairman of Rotary Hooghly Eye Hospital, Rotary Gangadharpur Eye Hospital & Kuchaikot Rotary Eye Hospital-Bihar. He is also the Chief advisor/Technical Advisor of 17 Rotary Eye Hospitals.

Presently 55000-60000 surgeries are being done in these Eye Hospitals & 4 lakhs to 4.50 lakhs patients are being treated in the OPD & in Out Reach camps. His dream is to arrange Eye Check-up for 10 lac patients & eye surgeries for 1 lakh patients.

He has served Rotary District 3291 in different capacities and was invited as Guest Speaker in the Training Sessions and Conferences of Rotary District 3250 & 3291.

He is a great supporter of "The Rotary Foundation" & was instrumental in successfully completing 82 Global Grant Projects for different Rotary Clubs in India, Bangladesh, Singapore & UK. He had made arrangements to construct many tube-wells to provide safe drinking water in the remote villages of Hooghly. He also gave new life to 27 needy children by arranging Heart Surgeries in R.N.Tagore Heart Research –Kolkata & at NarayanaHriduyalaya - Bangalore. He was instrumental in setting up a Primary School at Hooghly Railway station for Underprivileged children in the year 2014. He also supports an orphanage – "Vivekananda Ashram" for the last 23 years. He has worked with District Administration of Hooghly in the implementation of Central Government Development Schemes as Nominated Member of the District Vigilance & Monitoring Committee 2012 to 2019.

He is a Major Donor and recipient of the highest Award of the Rotary International – "Service Above Self Award".

He is married to Deepali. She is an active member of Rotary Club of Hooghly.



FROM THE DESK OF PRESIDENT

Fellow Belurians

I am humbled by the confidence and trust placed in my leadership abilities by Club members, so as to elect and entrust me as the 57th President of the Rotary Club of Belur.



It is with gratitude and honour that I accept to take up the responsibility.

I thank Immediate Past President Amitabh Mohan for his work during the last year and all officer bearers as well as members who have functioned tirelessly.

I pledge to do my best to lead the club to greater heights with members continually serving above self so as touch and change the lives of persons and communities in need.

To achieve this, we all need to collectively embrace the call of Rotary International President Rtn Gordon McInally "Create Hope in the World". We thus have to dream big, and harness the connections and the power of Rotary to turn those dreams into reality.

Warm Regards

Yours truly,

Rtn Amar Malhotra

KNOW YOUR PRESIDENT



Rtn AMAR KUMAR MALHOTRA was Born on 25th of December at Kolkata. His father late Nand Kishore Malhotra and mother Rekha Malhotra migrated to Calcutta in the 60's and decided to make this City of Joy their home. Amar did his schooling from Daulat Ram Nopany Vidyalaya Kolkata and graduated with honours from St. Xavier's College, Kolkata. Having a strong inclination towards business he got into his family business with his father at an early age of 16 and has since then been managing it successfully. Currently he has diversified into import of teas as well as construction. He has two sisters both of whom are married and live at Ludhiana and Toronto respectively.

An ardent traveller, he loves to visit places across the world to experience nature and exploration. Working for the welfare of humanity is something which has always been close to his heart, and to put this compassion into action he joined Rotary Club of Belur in the year 2011. He was introduced by Ganesh Jasoria. A reserved person previously, Amar never used to socialise much but with Rotary he got a platform to open up as he could meet people from all walks of life. At the same time, he was able to work and serve for the underprivileged which together helped a great deal in building his persona.

Married to Swati, their conjunction happened at Delhi in the year 2000. They are proud parents of two sons Yash, who is the eldest and Raghav. Yash is pursuing his BBA graduation at NMIMS besides preparing for CFA and younger son is studying in the tenth standard at DPS Megacity, Kolkata.



Shekhar Mehta President, Rotary International:2021-22

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Dear President Amar.



Congratulations on taking over the mantle of leadership of your club

You are privileged, as being the President, you have the unique opportunity of leading your club. For more than 118 years Rotarians around the world have Served Above Self to bring smiles on faces of millions of people. Presidentship is your humble opportunity to serve hands on as well as to motivate others to serve well. Make the most of this opportunity. I am sure, as you lead your club, you will serve the community, the city and its people and ensure that Rotary connects the community and to the world. And in doing so you will Create Hope in the World to Serve to Change Lives in community.

With regards, Shalulah Marild Shekhar Mehta



District Governor Flect 2024-2025 Rotary International District 3291 Rotary Club of Calcutte Victoria

Member, Arch Klumph Society - Trustees Circle, TRF, 2018 Professor & Unit Head, Dept of Obstetrics & Gynaecology, Vivekananda Institute of Medical Sciences, Kolkata

26 June 2023

Dear President Rtn Amar Kumar Malhotra

Hearty congratulations on assuming office as the President of Rotary Club of Belur for 2023 - 2024 with Rotary International President Rtn R Gordon R McInally at the helm, taking over from the first-ever lady President of Rotary International Rtn Jennifer Jones. A joyous moment indeed!

Being "people of action", we all are essentially in Rotary for hands-on service. I am sure that you will take up both meaningful and sustainable projects based on the seven "Areas of Focus", in addition to stressing upon the three important verticals, namely, Public Image, Membership and The Rotary Foundation.

I am positive that you and your vibrant team will support our very able and hardworking District Governor Rtn Hira Lal Yadav throughout the Rotary Year, and "Create Hope in the World" and around our community, imagine Rotary the way you have never done before, and continue making a difference, being an inspiration to connect and open opportunities for others, and serve to change lives!!

It will be my unique pleasure to work with you and the members of your club in the coming years with the common goal of serving humanity.

Dr Simran joins me in wishing you and your esteemed members all the very best for a super successful Rotary Year 2023 - 2024.

Kind regards.

Yours-in-Rotary

Dr Krishnendu Gupta

District Governor Elect, 2024–2025 Rotary International District 3291



Dear President

Amar Malhotra and Members of Rotary Club of Belur,

I am writing to you with immense joy and admiration on behalf of the Rotary Club of Singapore and District 3310. It is with great pleasure that I extend my heartfelt congratulations and best wishes on the auspicious occasion of the 57th Installation of your esteemed Club.

In reflecting upon our longstanding partnership, which dates back to my tenure as President of my Club in 2013, I am truly grateful for the opportunities we have had to collaborate closely. Together, our Clubs have forged a bond that is founded on a shared vision to create hope in the world and an unwavering commitment to the principles of Rotary.

Your Club, dear friends, has consistently exemplified the true spirit of service. Time and time again, your exceptional leadership and passionate Members have showcased an unwavering dedication to the ideals of Rotary. Your profound understanding of the power of service has translated into transformative projects that have touched countless lives and uplifted communities. It is inspiring to witness your ability to imagine Rotary, envisioning a world where kindness, compassion, and selflessness prevail.

As we stand on the precipice of another chapter in your Club's journey, I have no doubt that President Amar Malhotra and the Board of Directors will continue to steer your Club towards even greater heights of excellence. Together, let us embrace the boundless possibilities that lie before us, as we work hand in hand to create a brighter future for those in need.

The path we tread may not always be easy, but it is our shared determination and unwavering belief in the power of service that will propel us forward. Let us remain steadfast in our commitment to fostering fellowship, igniting positive change, and leaving a lasting impact on the lives we touch. Together, we have the power to shape a world brimming with hope and possibilities.

In closing, I eagerly anticipate the countless ventures, collaborations, and milestones that await us in the years ahead. May our Clubs continue to be beacons of inspiration, illuminating the way for others to follow. Let us unite our strengths, our passions, and our unwavering spirit as we embark on this incredible journey together.

Congratulations and Best Wishes,

Dr Shahul Hameed

Past President, RC Singapore, District Governor Nominee (Governor for RY 2025-26) RI D3310

Dear President Amar,

Congratulations on your continuation of the position of the President of the Club for 2023-24!

It is indeed an honor to lead such a reputed club of the District 3291 and RC Belur happens to be my Club as well where the members are a close knit family and projects are diverse reaching

out to a large section of the community. I am sure you are all set and prepared to take up the challenges and have your Goals and Targets set in My Rotary. Swati is the such a wonderful support to you and I am sure you both will Lead the Way to bring laurels and accolades to

Even though you are so well versed with everything that the District Governor is looking for as a DMC of the District 3291 - it is my duty to ask you to strategise as follows:

- Stress on programs and projects to retain a hundred percent of your members.
- 2. Increase your membership strength by 10 percent of the Club Membership Strength or 10 members whichever is higher.
- 3. Bring in Lady Members to improve the gender ratio in the Club and make the meetings colorful.

The District Membership Team and your AG / ZS will assist you in all possible manner and I am there too.

More members means more Hands to Serve and More Resources in terms of Time, Ideas and Funds besides the fresh ideas and enthusiasm that is found among the new members.

If you and your Club wish to create an impact in the community - you need to strengthen yourself and your Time starts now......

Wish you all success as you move forward to serve and Create Hope in the World - a Hope that Rotary means Service and Rotarians are here to help!!

Warm personal regards,

PDG Ravi Sehgal

To

Rtn. Amar Kr. Malhotra President 2023-24, Rotary Club of Belur, Rotary District 3291



Dear President Amar,

Rotary Greetings.

I am happy to learn that you have been elected as the Club President and taking the command of a vibrant Club for the Rotary Year 2023-24 under the dynamic leadership of DG Hira Lal Yadav.

Dear Amar, you are the class of Inspired Leaders. In the journey called Rotary, you can count on me, whenever and wherever you require my services to CREATE HOPE in the WORLD.

Wishing you and all your wonderful Club members, best wishes for a successful Rotary year ahead.

Rajendra Khandelwal

District Governor, 2010-11, RI District 3291

PDG Debasish Mitra

National Committee Member-India National Polio Plus Committee District Resource Coordinator-Youth

President Rotary Belur R I District 3291 2023-2024



Dear President Amar Kumar Malhotra,

Greetings!

My hope in sharing this note with you is that it will inspire and motivate you to be all that you can be; that even when you face challenges to persevere; to encourage you to set your goals and stay focused on achieving them; and a reminder to realize that you are born to succeed. And, most importantly as you work to achieve your goals enjoy life!

With the awakening of a new dawn on 1st July 2023 the Team 2023-24 will commence its journey onto the world of service ceremoniously under your dynamic leadership. Work hard in silence & let success make the noise.

I am reminded of those wonderful words of Emily Dickson "If I can stop one heart from breaking I shall not live in vain – If I can ease one life the aching or cool the pain or help one fainting robin into its nest again - I shall not line in vain."

Papia & I wish you and the inspiring members of your Club a great journey ahead as you celebrate the Mantra for the year - Create Hope in the World.

Stay Safe - Stay Blessed.

Warm regards Debasish



Rotary International



Rajani Mukerji Major Donor Recipient of 'Service Above Self' District Governor 2013-14, otary International, District - 329

Date: 15/06/23

Dear President 2023-24 Amar,

Ballari joins me in congratulating you as you take up the responsibility of leading your Club in following the theme for the year, 'CREATE HOPE in the WORLD'.

District looks up to your club for some meaningful service to the mankind. I'm sure under your able leadership **Rotary Belur** would gift a memorable year to the district.

As we have stepped into the second century of Rotary Service, strengthening our Clubs, our very roots, has become the order of the day! To retain members and strengthen our clubs, we must keep in mind, every Rotarian joined Rotary to contribute something for a cause and has some expectations from the Rotary Club; to retain members, make sure that every member of the club is involved an satisfied. General Secretary of 'Rotary International' & 'The Rotary Foundation', Lohn Howke, urged Rotaries to think up of they suppose flexibility and focus. John Hewko, urged Rotarians to think out of box, embrace flexibility, and focus on engagement rather than attendance! We need to change!

You would have to device an innovative ways to run and manage the club; a new thought, how to take up Service Projects!

Ballari joins me in wishing you and your team a great happening year ahead.

With best regards

Rajoni

Yours-in-Rotary Service

Rajani Mukerji

District Governor 2013-14 District Rotary Public Image Chair 2023-24, D-3291 Member, National Advisory Committee, Rotary India Literacy Mission

To.

Amar Malhotra

President, 23-24, RC Belur

Dear Amar,

Greetings.....

Leadership in Rotary always has been a unique experience of having known so many important aspects of human life. At times you might feel overwhelming but these aspects will enlighten you with most cherished learning curve in your life.

Our World leader Gordon McInally has presented us a unique theme in this Rotary year "To Create Hope in this world" which is very apt under the backdrop of pandemic and War.

Hope is the soil in which peace can thrive and we as Rotarian must shoulder that responsibility to create hope in our clubs / communities and off-course within ourselves. In 2023 - 24 as Director of RI, I would suggest to you a few important aspects to make your year meaningful and productive.

- 1. Ensure 100% retention of members through engage-
- 2. Take projects on Girl's empowerment and on mental health issue
- 3. Go for a sustainable need-based project on environ-
- 4. Embrace DEI policy of Rotary in all your actions & meetings

I wish the team of RC Belur (2023 - 24) to have great success in all aspects of service to create hope in this World.

Thanks with regards,

Yours-in-Rotary,

Anirudha Roychowdhury

RI Director, 2023 - 25, Zones 5 & 6

Prabir Chatterjee

District Governor 2021-22 District Resource Coordinator 23-24 Zonal Chair, rotaryindia.org (Zone 6) 22-24 District Coordinator, RILM (Adult Literacy) 22-24





15th June, 2023

Rtn. Aloke Kumar Kanodia

President 23-24 Rotary Belur District 3291

Dear President Aloke

Rubena joins me in congratulating the respected and ever-enthusiastic Rotary Belur family on this wonderful occasion.

I wish each one of your Club Member the same Joy and fulfillment that I have personally enjoyed over these many years as a Rotarian.

Aloke, you are selected by the members of your Rotary Club to guide its affairs during the year 2023-24 and as a President of your club, you need to be thinking ahead to the coming year(s) as well that will help and shape your Club's future.

I wish you all the best along with your Rotary Belur Family Members for a meaningful Rotary year and assuring my unending support to CREAT HOPE in the WORLD.

With best regards,



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CICO

ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM

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EXECUTIVE CORE COMMITTEE

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> PP Subhash Agarwal PP Shashi Seth

Rtn Kailash Kr. Tekriwal

Rtn Vijay Sharma

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PP Subhas Agarwal

PP Naveen Khandelwal, PP Shashi Seth, PP Diwakar Sharma

LIST OF AWARDS

Support to District - 3rd prize

Bulletin - 1st prize

Interact - 2nd prize

Family of Rotary - Appreciation

Vocational Training -Appreciation

Computer literacy - Appreciation

Environment Care - Appreciation

Disease prevention & treatment -Appreciation

Water - Appreciation

Peace & Confluct Resolution

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Peace and conflict resolution - Appreciation

Happy School - Appreciation



Eye care - Appreciation

Advisor - Rtn Rakesh Bhatia

Endowment/Major Gift - Rtn Ramesh Tiwari

Appreciation: Ajay Kr Agarwal

Sankar Ramalingam

Interact



Happy School

Family of Rotary

MEMBERS IN DISTRICT - 2023-24

- PDG Ravi Sehgal (District Membership Co-ordinator)
 - PP Gourishankar Sarda (Advisor Four Way Test)
- PP Pramod Kumar Sharma (District Secretary- Finance)
 - PP Naveen Khandelwal (Addl. DS -Finance)
- PP Rakesh Bhatia (District Secretary Projects-Non Medical)
- PP Kishan Kumar kejriwal (Chairman-District conference)
 - PP Ajay Agarwal (Assistant Governor-Admin.)
 - PP Shankar Ramalingam (AG service-TRF)
 - PP Indra Goenka (Zonal Secretary)
 - PP Ramesh Tiwari (Chair Endowment/ Major Gift)
 - PP Aloke Kanodia (Chair Legal aid Services)
 - PP Pratima Saraf (Chairman-Self Help Group)
 - PP Nirmal Saha (Ambassador)
 - IPP Amitabh Mohan (Co-ordinator Annual unds)
- Rtn Piyush Doshi (Co-Chair-Public Relations & Public Image)
 - Rtn Jaya Butta (Co-Chair-Dental & Cleft Lip Care)

PROFILE OF NEW MEMBER

Swati Malhotra

Profession : Tea Trading Enterpreneur

and Specialty packaging

Phone : 99030 20814 DOB : 17th October Anniversary : 16th April

Spouse : Amar Kumar Malhotra

Son : Yash Malhotra Son : Raghav Malhotra

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Hobbies : Loves, travel and music

Believes in : "Keep smiling, because life is a beautiful thing

and there's so much to smile about"

DISTRICT TEAM: 2023-2024, RID3291

S/N	ROTARIAN	ROTARY CLUB	SERVING AS
1	Madan M. Maity	Midnapore	Chief Aide to Governor
2	Ashim Guha Roy - Tinku	Salt Lake City Calcutta	Additional Chief Aide to Governor
3	Tapan Kumar Roy	Garden Reach	Additional Chief Aide to Governor
4	Ajit Sarawgi	Purulia	Special Aide to Governor
5	Chandan Naha	Barrackpore	Special Aide to Governor
6	Sriratan Jhawar	Central Calcutta	Special Aide to Governor
7	Purnendu Roy Choudhury	Calcutta	Aide to Governor
8	Nasim Haider	DomkalMurshidabad	Aide to Governor
9	Anirudha Guha	Calcutta Metro South	SecretaryGeneral
10	BrotindroMullick	Calcutta Endeavour	Addl Secretary General
11	Shayak Gupta	Calcutta South East	District Executive Secretary
12	Amartya Ghosh	Tollygunge	Addl DS - Admin
13	Bhaswati Ray	Calcutta South Central	Addl DS - Admin
14	Dr Sudipta Chandra	Geetanjali Kolkata	DD – Projects (Medical)
15	Dr Minakshi Banerjee	Calcutta Kankurgachi	DS – Projects (Medical)
16	Dr Abhijit Choudhury	Belvedere Gardens Calcutta	Addl DS – Projects (Medical)
17	T Srinithi	Calcutta South City Towers	DD – Projects (Non-M)
18	Rakesh Bhatia	Belur	DS-Projects (Non –M)
19	Deepak Mitra	Salt Lake Downtown	Addl DS -Projects (Non –M)
20	Sanjeeb Gandhi	Calcutta Renaissance	DD –Coordination
21	Barnali Banerjee	Calcutta Harmony	DS – Coordination
22	Amrita Paul	Calcutta South Circle	AddIDS – Coordination
23	Partha Pratim Saha	Salt Lake City Calcutta	DD – Events
24	Ashish Agarwal	Calcutta Yuvis	DS – Events
25	Tuhin Podder	Salt Lake City Calcutta	Addl DS – Events
26	Surojit Kala	Calcutta Old City	DD – Logistics
27	Arkaprovo Ghose	Calcutta Endeavour	DS – Logistics
28	Pranay Agarwal	Calcutta Mahanagar	AddIDS – Logistics
29	Amitava Chakraborty	Ballygunge	DS-Technical Support

DOCTOR'S DAY - 1st JULY, 2023

WHEEL CHAIRS PROJECT
MEMBERS AT AUROPOTA FOR DISTRIBUTION OF WHEEL CHAIRS TO BENEFICIARIES



















OUTGOING SECRETARY REPORT



Secretary's Message

The year gone by was a basket of experience to be cherished and nurtured. The vision and support received from President Amitabh, the entire Core Team and Board Members of Rotary year 2022-23 was unimaginable. A special mention goes to the Editorial team and our CICO who burnt the midnight oil in meeting deadlines. "To err is Human and to support is Belurian" This motto has left a lasting impression on my association with the Club as Secretary during the year. It has also presented before me a humungous task to keep the Belurian flag flying high with the responsibility of being the President Elect for the year. A heartfelt gratitude to the Belur family.

President Amar remember we are one and always by your side. The vision of Belur being Numero Uno is what, we have all 'The Three A', dreamt of and will not leave any stone unturned to achieve. Lets continue the journey......

My report on the Club's activities during Rotary year 2022-23 is annexed hereto.

Yours in Rotary

Rtn Anand Agarwal, Secretary 2022-23

Snapshot of activities during Rotary Year 2022-23

VOCATIONAL SERVICE

- Rotary Club of Belur Bal Vikas Kendra, a centre of specially-abled children run and supported by RC Belur has taken a new shape this year with introduction of Computer classes, Physical activities with a Mini Gym and music classes in addition to other regular activities. Our members continued involvement and support has allowed the children to nurture and grow. Childrens day programme was celebrated with our members at RCBBVK campus.
- Felicitation of 7 (seven) Doctors and equal number of Chartered Accountants on Doctors and CA day to kick start the Rotary Year 2023-24
- Signing of MOU for training of Optometrist under 'Optometrist Training project' in association with Susrut Hospital under which a total of 69 Optometrists were trained and provided employment during the year
- Nurses Training programme has been undertaken in association with Rotary Vocational Service Trust and Rotary Club of North Calcutta where 40 nurses are being trained out of which 4 are from our RCC at Arupota

GLOBAL GRANTS

- Continuance and completion of our Global Grant #1990112 – Roshni – Eradication of Avoidable Blindness which was delayed during the Covid 19 pandemic. The final report is due for submission. A new Global Grant on Eye with a vision of Total Eradication of Avoidable Blindness in a cluster is being envisaged and will be soon sent for RI approval
- Global Grant #1869981 on Wash in Schools Wins continued during the year and is also almost completed with one last school toilet block construction in progress.
 A new Global Grant under wash with 10 new schools and 10 existing schools has been submitted and waiting final approval from RI. This will help our existing ten schools to move further in becoming a Happy school and getting a star rating under the Rotary International norms.

 Global grant projects on Cleft Lip, Integrated Village development and Mental health is already in the progress stage and will be finalised after discussion with our International partners.

COMMUNITY SERVICE – NON MEDICAL

- Shoes and socks and other educational materials were distributed to school children at Aror Nityananda School at Debra under our 'Children Dignity Project'. This project brought forward the heart and soul of Belur with its spontaneity as the collection of funds and execution of this project was completed in under one month.
- Our club's flagship project during the year was the first fully automated free Water Kiosk for cold drinking water together with Digital clock and temperature meter at a prominent location in the city. The club will carry on this project and has targeted 11 more such water kiosks in the coming year.
- Wheel chairs were distributed to identified beneficiaries in association with Kolkata Police and KSB Charitable trust
- Distribution of reusable and environment friendly Sanitary napkins to Kolkata Empowerment Foundation
- Chalo Gaon ki Aur Samridh Gaon Samridh Bharat

 We conducted a Reccee on Integrated Village
 Development Project, a project consisting of Bio Gas plant, Water harvesting and Fruit tree plantation towards empowerment of the community and promoting green fuel and tree plantation for environment
- Educational kits were distributed sponsored by 'Dew Drops' to a school in Kharagpur during our excursion for Village development programme
- Educational material were distributed to the children at RCC Arupota
- Mosquito nets and blankets were distributed by member

COMMUNITY SERVICE – MEDICAL

- Our club started a new regular weekly Free Allopathy medicine medical clinic under Project Saathi Primary Health at our RCC Arupota under our newly formed Spouse circle lead by Ann Dr Mithu Deb Sharma
- In addition to above our Homeopathy clinic at Liluah was in regular service to the local community
- Organ Donation project initiated by Ann Chhaya Agarwal, another initiative of the Spouse circle, where members have come forward and donated their organs. The project stall was put up at the District Training Assembly which received accolades from the District
- Blood donation camps were organised in association with Rotaract and Interact and Saroj Gupta Cancer Hospital
- Free blood testing camp was organised at RCC Arupota

CLUB SERVICE

- During the year we conducted a total of 28 Regular Club meetings. We experimented with non conventional RCM like ones held in Asha Bhawan with launch of our Wash project, discourse and Kirtan with ISKCON and Brahma Kumaris, talk shows over Thalassemia and Organ Donation projects, with Susrut Hospital celebrating Doctors day and CA day, at MCKV with Blood Donation and tree plantation, fellowship with Chetan Sharma to name a few.
- Special RCM at Holding Hands a centre of 55+ citizens
- Cots was held at Bengal Club followed by Installation programme at HHI
- Club assemblies like Charter Day at Silver Spring club, Diwali celebration at Saturday Club, Picnic at President's lawn and Holi at Haldiram
- We held 4 (four) regular Board meetings of the club including one Joint Board meeting with the Incoming Board of 2023-24
- District Training Assembly 2023-24 was hosted by our Club under the leadership of PP Rtn Ramesh Tiwari and PP Rtn Pramod Sharma

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

- International partners from Singapore, Bangladesh and Indonesia were hosted by our club during installation
- President Amitabh Mohan visited Varanasi and interacted with RI President Jennifer Jones
- Our club hosted our international partner and sister club members from Rotary Club of Singapore
- Secretary Anand Agarwal visited Singapore and attended the RCM of sister club Rotary Club of Singapore
- Rtn Sundeep Choraria and Secretary Anand Agarwal visited Vietnam and exchanged club flag with Rotary Club of Hanoi

WATER SANITATION AND HYGIENE

 The WASH project at Asha Bhawan was inaugurated where toilet blocks and drinking water will be provided at two centres of Asha Bhawan. The project is in association with the Prabashi Bharatiya at California, Rotary Club of Danville/Sycamore and Lead partner Rotary Club of Belur together with other clubs of the district.

PEACE BUILDING AND CONFLICT PREVENTION

- Upon the initiation of our President, the first ever Rotary Action Group of District 3291 on Mental Health has been formed
- A project on peace building and conflict prevention was initiated with Rotary Club of Varanasi
- Regular Mental Health clinic was also started during the year by president Amitabh Mohan at HLS India

ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC IMAGE INITIATIVES

- Pan India Environment awareness initiative was launched under "Save our Soil" project in association with Concern for Earth where two bikers -father son duo- travelled from Kolkata to Leh-Ladakh with multi city campaigning and promoting the awareness on tree planting, waste disposal and environment protection. A number of Rotary clubs on the route took part in the campaign.
- Har Ghar Tiranga campaign with a car rally in the city of Kolkata on Independence day
- Paper envelopes with Thalassemia awareness campaign launched and distributed to various medical stores
- Permanent Website on Thalassemia awareness launched fully created designed and funded by our club

BELUR AT DISTRICT

- President with his team participated in the District Holi meet at Purulia
- Secretary and Rtn Sundeep Choraria joined the district in the International tour of District to Vietnam
- Co host at District Conference 2022-23
- Co host of the Membership Seminar
- Co host of the Grants Seminar
- Co host of the RCC Seminar
- Co host of woman empowerment project of RC Avyanna
- Co host in seminar on Education for All with RC Chowringhee
- Co host on RC Green city
- Host of District Training Assembly 2023-24

BOARD MEETING







SIGNING OF MOU









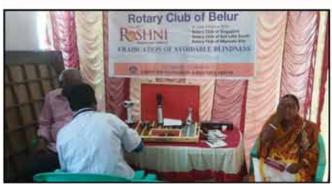






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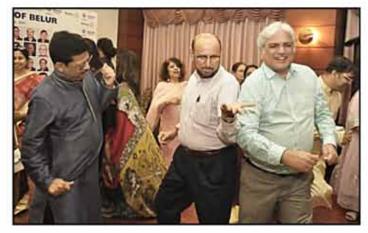
FELLOWSHIP AND FESTIVITIES



























RCB Bal Vikas Kendra











OUTGOING PRESIDENT



Dear Friends Greetings to all!

As my term as the President of our esteemed Rotary Club of Belur comes to an end, I would like to extend my heartfelt appreciation to each and every one of you for your unwavering dedication and commitment to our noble cause throughout the year. It has been an incredible journey filled with several accomplishments

and impactful projects.

Today, as we gather for the installation ceremony of the new President, it is a momentous occasion that marks not just the beginning of a new rotary year, but also a continuation of our collective efforts towards making a positive difference in our community. I am confident that our incoming President Amar Malhotra will steer our club with great dedication, wisdom, and passion, bringing forth new ideas and initiatives to foster even greater positive change.

I would like to express my deepest gratitude to our incoming President for willingly taking up this significant responsibility. Your enthusiasm, knowledge, and leadership skills will undoubtedly inspire us all to reach new heights and make a remarkable impact in the lives of those who need it the most. Compleme ts for choosing your board of directors & the core Team, with a good mix of experience and youth. Your vision is clearly visible in the balance.

To our new President and his team, I extend my heartfelt congratulations on your well-deserved appointment. I have no doubt that you possess the qualities required to lead our Rotary Club of Belur with grace and determination. I am confident that under your guidance, we will continue to uphold the values and principles of Rotary, and work together to create a better world for those in need.

I assure you on behalf of entire Rotary Club of Belur family, of our unwavering support as we embark on another fruitful and fulfilling year. Together, we can achieve greatness and leave a lasting impact on the lives of those we serve.

Once again, my sincere appreciation to all the Belurians for your constant support and involvement during my tenure as the President. It has been an incredible honor and privilege to lead such a remarkable group of individuals.

I wish you all a successful installation ceremony and a prosperous year ahead.

Yours in Rotary & Beyond

Rtn Amitabh Mohan President 2022-23, Rotary Club of Belur

INCOMING SECRETARY



Friends

I want to thank members with great pleasure and humbleness for having bestowed upon me the responsibility of Secretary of our esteemed club in its 57 th year.

I was well aware of the good work Rotary carried out for the betterment of mankind as a whole. My joining Rotary movement was a step in the same direction, to serve people in a unified manner in whatever little way I could. I therefore, consider myself very fortunate, to have been given the opportunity for it will help me interact and serve people across a wide spectrum of society more vividly than ever before.

Under the dynamic leadership of our President Rtn Amar Malhotra, we will together have an eventful year.

Regards,

Yours truly,

Rtn Suresh Khunteta, Secretary 2023-24

OUTGOING EDITOR

RY 2022 23 was A New Year as Covid ended and it was a new start for all. Many were out of practice of their daily responsibilites and duties, inspite of that Rotary Belur did wonders and must thank the team 2022 23 - President Amitabh, Secretary Anand, Treasurer Rajesh, bulletin publisher Ajay and all Belurians for feeding me with reports and news which were duly edited and published in our Friendship bulletin. My sincere thanks also goes to DG Ajoy Kr Law for the District Appreciation memento and to Awards Chair PDG Raj Kumar Rajgharia for the honour bestowed, by awarding us the 1st prize in bulletin. Thank you all.





MINUTES OF THE 2499TH REGULAR CLUB MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF BELUR HELD AT - CONCLAVE, KOLKATA ON 24TH JUNE, 2023, SATURDAY AT 6PM

No of Attendees – 38 members and spouses

Invocation to God by - PP RTN H K Prasad

President Amitabh Mohan called the last RCM of Rotary year 2022-23 to order and requested members to rise for the National Anthem. President requested PP RTN H K Prasad for invocation to God. President requested the senior most member RTN PP G S Sardaji to take his seat at the dais. First Lady Nivedita Mohan was also requested to take a seat at the dais.

President then gave a brief report on the events and projects of the Club. President then requested Secretary Anand Agarwal to conduct the club business. The minutes of RCM 2498 were confirmed and approved. Secretary informed the members that today was also the birthday of President Amitabh Mohan. Secretary further gave brief of the forthcoming district awards function and our installation. He also gave a brief outline of the next Rotary International Convention to be held at Singapore from 21st – 24th May 2024 and requested members to join in large numbers as this convention is hosted by our sister club Rotary Club of Singapore.

The proceedings was then handed over to PP Rakesh Bhatia to conduct the Thanksgiving meeting. PP Rakesh Bhatia then requested members present to put forward their views. Members recorded their appreciation towards President Amitabh and applauded his commitment to our club during the Rotary year 2022-23 despite a busy travelling schedule. A few anecdotes and appreciation by members are as follows

Rtn PP G S Sarda - Amitabh is radiant and has never die spirit

Rtn PP H K Prasad - Khanbhe Khade Kiye Amitabh ne

Rtn PP Kunal Ved - Club saw a combination of AAA in the continuity plan

Rtn Mahish Bhatter - Amitabh ji Muskurahat se kaam karte hain Rtn Suresh Kunteta - Felt like a family member of the club Rtn Jaya Butta - Really good coach to take club forward

Rtn PP Shashi Seth - Applaud the leadership in the way the clubs business was conducted

Rtn Rajesh Agarwal - Sky is not enough for Amitabh Rtn Nirmal kr Saha - Enjoyed rotary thoroughly this year

Smt Santosh Singhal - Appreciated the way Amitabh brought her together in the club

Rtn PP Lohia ji - commented on the never die spirit
PDG Ravi Sehgal - Presidentship ends but leadership begins

And many more

Rtn Piyush Doshi gifted a self curated photo frame defining the letters AM in Amitabh Mohan

Rtn Santosh Mohta gifted Jade plants to President, Secretary, President Elect and Secretary elect

First lady Nivedita detailed her journey with President Amitabh during the year and gave a beautiful expression of herself with a song.

Secretary Anand informed the members about the unique achievement of President Amitabh by starting and being part of the FIRST Rotary Action Group of District 3291 on Mental Health which was President's dream and got approval of the Dist 3291 board.

President Amitabh then gave his Thanksgiving speech and recorded the appreciation towards the members of the club in supporting him throughout the year. He handed over specially designed Certificates of Appreciation and a T-Shirt to place on record his acknowledgement.

The RCM was terminated and President requested all members present to join for fellowship and dinner.

Rtn Amitabh Mohan, President

Rtn Anand Agarwal, Secretary



- Navin Khandelwal 7 July
- Kailash Kumar Tekriwal 13 July

SPOUSE BIRTHDAY

- Rashmi Devi Patwari -14 July
- Chhaya Agarwal 8 July
- Radha Krishna Bubna 17 July
- Kanchan Neotia 8 July
- Gaurav K Kejriwal-17 July



- •Sandeep and Bandana Saroff- Ist July
- Dr Ratish Chandra and Sreeradha Paul- 4th July
 - Manish and Shailja Bhatter- 4th July
 - ●Sunil and Kavita Jain- 6th July



6.00 PM	Registration
7:00 PM	Lighting of Lamp and Ganesh Vandana
7:05 PM	Installation Meeting Call to be called to order
	by IPP Amitabh Mohan
7.07 PM	
7:06 PM	National Anthems
7:10 PM	Welcome Address Installation Chairman by PP Aloke Kumar Kanodia
7:13 PM	Address by outgoing President by Amitabh Mohan
7:18 PM	Annual Report by outgoing Secretary by Anand Agarwal
7:25 PM	Introduction of incoming President by IPP Amitabh Mohan
7:27 PM	Poem by PP Nirmal Saha on President by Amar Kr Malhotra
7:30 PM	Installation and Changeover ceremony of Rtn Amar kr Malhotra as President and IPP Lapel Pin to IPP Amitabh Mohan
7:33 PM	Address by President by Amar Kr Malhotra
7:42 PM	Introduction and Presentation of the Team 2023-24 by President Amar Kr Malhotra
7:50 PM	Club Business by Secretary Rtn. Suresh Chandra Khunteta Release of Roster.
7:52 PM	Introduction of DGN(Dist.3310) Guest of Honor Dr Shahul Hameed by PP Rakesh Bhatia
7:55 PM	Induction of Honorary Members
8.00 PM	Induction as a member and introduction of Ms Swati Malhotra by membership Chair PP Sankar Ramalingam,
8:04 PM	Address by DGN Dr Shahul Hameed
8:12 PM	Introduction of DGE Dr. Krishnendu Gupta by PP Ramesh Tiwari
8:14 PM	Address by DGE Dr. Krishnendu Gupta
8:20 PM	TRF CRFC Ajay Kr Agrawal
8:23 PM	Introduction of DG Hira lal Yadav by PDG Ravi Sehgal
8:26 PM	Address by DG Hira Lal Yadav
8:40 PM	Vote of Thanks by PE Rtn. Anand Agarwal and termination of the