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1719TH REGULAR MEETING

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*We
Welcome*

**PRESIDENTS & MEMBERS OF
ROTARY CLUB OF BELUR
ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA MAYFAIR
ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA METROPOLITAN AND
ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA PRESIDENCY
FOR THE JOINT REGULAR MEETING**



President Rtn Sharad Dugar
RC of Belur



President Rtn Mamata Mohnot
RC of Calcutta Mayfair



President Rtn Rajshree Jain
RC of Calcutta Metropolitan



President Rtn Rajesh Bothra
RC of Calcutta Presidency

FEBRUARY IS PEACEBUILDING AND CONFLICT PREVENTION MONTH

VOCATIONAL EXCELLENCE AWARDS CEREMONY ON 31.1.2026

The Rotary Vocational Excellence Award recognizes individuals who demonstrate outstanding achievement, ethical standards, and dedication in their profession, going "above and beyond" to serve their community and embody Rotary's motto of "Service Above Self" in their work, often highlighting innovation, leadership, and positive impact.

KEY ASPECTS OF THE AWARD

Recognition of Excellence:

Celebrates individuals who consistently achieve high standards and make significant contributions in their vocations.

Community Service Focus:

Recipients often exemplify service through innovative solutions, leadership, and a positive, willing spirit in their professional roles, benefiting their communities.

Diverse Fields:

Awards are given across various sectors

WHAT IT RECOGNIZES

Going Above & Beyond: Serving others with a positive and willing spirit.

Leadership & Motivation: Demonstrating ability to lead or inspire others towards excellence.

Innovation: Addressing challenges with novel perspectives and innovative solutions.

Ethical Standards: Upholding high ethical standards in business and service.

For the Rotary Year 2025-2026, Lifetime Achievement Vocational Excellence Awards were conferred upon four distinguished individuals for their outstanding contributions across humanitarian service, community development, animal welfare, and medicine:

1. **PP Rtn Sashi Dhacholia- Lifetime Achievement for all Rotary activities in the Service of Humanity**

Rtn. PP. Dr. Naresh Goyal, a childhood friend and close family associate, spoke about PP. Rtn. Sashi Dhacholia, highlighting his deep-rooted association with Rotary, describing it as a way of life rather than a role. A three-time Club President, PP. Rtn. Dhacholia is serving as Editor Emeritus at the District

level and continues as the Chief Editor of his Club, reflecting decades of dedication and service.

2. **Rtn Jayanta Neogi- Lifetime Achievement for all Rotary activities in the Service of Humanity**

Rtn. PP. Jayanta Chatterjee, while speaking on Rtn. Jayanta Neogi, traced his pivotal role in the inception of the Piyali Learning Centre. He described Rtn. Neogi as the foundational force and guiding pillar of the initiative, who led its planning, fostered trust and collaboration among villagers, and continues to remain actively associated with the centre.

3. **Ms Sharda Radhakrishnan- Lifetime Achievement being the Voice and Shelter of Animals of the World**

Club Secretary Rtn Namrata Bengani spoke about Mrs. Sharda Ramakrishnan, highlighting her unwavering dedication and compassion in building and nurturing Chhaya Animal Hospital. She spoke of Mrs. Ramakrishnan's tireless efforts in providing medical care, shelter, and nourishment to animals, driven by deep love and commitment to animal welfare.

4. **Dr Pushpa Lodha- Lifetime Achievement in the field of Medical.**

Rtn. PP. Dr. Nivetia, speaking about his old acquaintance, Dr. Pushpa Lodha, reflected on Dr. Lodha's journey from a conservative background at a time when women pursuing professional careers was uncommon. With the encouragement of her husband, a renowned doctor, Dr. Lodha went on to become a respected physician, admired not only for her medical excellence but also for her warmth, resilience, and sharp sense of humour.

Each awardee was felicitated with a stole, memento, and certificate of appreciation, while flower pots were presented to their spouses in recognition of their constant support. The ceremony saw enthusiastic participation from Rotarians across various clubs and family members of the awardees, making the occasion both inspiring and memorable. We are thankful to all.

Rtn Nabanita Sen



View of Head table with Vocational Excellence Awardee



PP Rtn Sashi Dhacholia reporting Joint Meeting with MSS

GLIMPSE OF VOCATIONAL EXCELLENCE AWARDS CEREMONY ON 31.1.2026



PP Rtn Subir Dutta as Emcee conducting the proceedings



PP Jayanta Chatterji introduced Jayanta Kumar Neogi



Rtn PP Jayanta Chatterjee felicitated Rtn Jayanta Kumar Neogi with Stole



President Rtn Rajshree Jain presenting Memento to Rtn Jayanta Kumar Neogi



Rtn Jayanta Kumar Neogi in his address



Rtn PP Dr Naresh Goyal introduced PP Rtn Sashi Dhacholia



PP Rtn Dr V K Nevatia also spoke about PP Rtn Sashi Dhacholia



PP Rtn Dr Naresh Goyal presenting Stole to PP Rtn Sashi Dhacholia

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President presenting Memento to PP Rtn Sashi Dhacholia



PP Rtn Sashi Dhacholia addressing the audience



Secretary Rtn Namrata Bengani felicitated Spouse of PP Rtn Sashi Dhacholia



A view of audience



Another view of audience



Secretary Rtn Namrata Bengani introduced Sharda Radhakrishnan



Secretary Rtn Namrata Bengani felicitated Sharda Radhakrishnan with Stole



President presenting Memento to Sharda Radhakrishnan

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President felicitated Spouse of Sharda Radhakrishnan with Flower Pot



Sharda Radhakrishnan in her address



Audience enjoying the proceedings



Another view attending Rotarians



PP Rtn Dr V K Nevatia introduced Dr Pushpa Lodha



Secretary Rtn Namrata Bengani felicitated Dr Pushpa Lodha with Stole



President presenting Memento to Dr Pushpa Lodha



Another view

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Dr Pushpa Lodha made interesting speech



Group photograph of all Vocational Excellence Awardees



Visiting PP Rtn Vinod Hariwal of RC Jaipur Mid Town in his address



PP Rtn Dr Naresh presented token of love by way of Flower Pot to PP Rtn Vinod Hariwal



PE Rtn Runjun Gupta gave Vote of thanks



Secretary Rtn Namrata Bengani conducting Club business



Group photo with all Vocational Excellence Awardees & Rotarians from other Clubs



Group photo with Rotarians from various Clubs

GLIMPSE OF VOCATIONAL EXCELLENCE AWARDS CEREMONY ON 31.1.2026



Another view of Group photo



Celebration time



35 PP Rtn Sashi Dhacholia with family members



Group photograph with visiting rotarians

MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY GREETINGS



20.02.2026
Rtn Rajiv Tibrewal
and Ann Ashoo

20.02.2026
Rtn Ashoo Tibrewal
and Rtn Spouse Rajiv



23.02.2026
PP Rtn Subir Dutta
and Ann Anindita

25.02.2026
PP Rtn Maitrayee Ray
and Spouse Ashish



Forthcoming Events

CLUB

- 28.02.2025 Regular Meeting
- 14.03.2026 Regular Meeting
- 28.03.2026 Regular Meeting



21.02.2026
Rtn Manju Mohanka

25.02.2026
Rtn Pradip Kapoor



FELLOWSHIP ON 31.01.2026



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