



**ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA METROPOLITAN**

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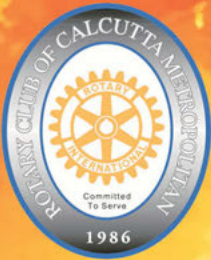
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**1708TH REGULAR MEETING**

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**आशाएँ - DARE TO DREAM**

**WE WELCOME**

**DG RTN DR RAMENDU HOMCHAUDHURI  
AS CHIEF GUEST AT THE JOINT  
REGULAR MEETING & FLAG HOSTING  
WITH MAHAVIR SEVA SADAN**

**WE ALSO WELCOME**

**PRESIDENT SHRI VIJAY CHORARIA  
AND PRESIDENT EMERITUS**

**SHRI J S MEHTA**

**OF MAHAVIR SEVA SADAN FOR FLAG HOISTING  
ON THE OCCASION OF INDEPENDENCE DAY**

**SERVICE IN PARTNER**

- ARTIFICIAL LIMBS AND CALLIPERS
- REHABILITATION OF POST-POLIO SURVIVORS
- REHABILITATION OF CERBRAL PALSY CHILDREN

**AUGUST - MEMBERSHIP AND NEW CLUB DEVELOPMENT MONTH**



## REPORT ON VISIT TO ST IGNATIUS HIGH SCHOOL ON 7.8.2025

A long overdue visit to St Ignatius High School (A Unit of the Philanthropic Society of the Orthodox Church), A Christian Missionary School situated at Julpia Road, Village: Bakeswar, ONGC More, P.O. Nepalgunge, P.S. Bishnupur, District: 24 Parganas South-00 103 (near to IIM, Joka) took place on 7.8.2025. This is Co-educational English Medium School and Affiliated to the ICSE Board, New Delhi. There are more than 600 students upto Class X. The campus is spread out more than 4 acres. The Good thing is that plenty of Infrastructure is available to do any activities within the premises. What impressed us entire campus was neat and clean.

Rtn Raju Bharat desired that the Club should help the school to start the Vocational Training for the students as well as to the nearby community. He also wanted open an Eye Clinic in the premises of Greek Orthodox Church situated near Kalighat. We also discussed about opening Health Check-up facility in the campus. Rtn Raju Bharat, IPP Rtn Sashi Dhacholia, PP Rtn Dr Naresh Goyal PP Rtn Subir Dutta and Rtn Poulomi Dutta visited the school and we have a detailed talk with Mr Amit Ghosh, Boys Hostel In-Charge and Ms Arati Pramanik, Sceretary of the School how to take forward the matter.

We are working on the details how to start the Vocational Training Centre with subjects where students are keen for training. We also working how to help the senior students to pursue the higher studies by way of sponsorship.

Let us hope we start the activities very soon with positive thoughts.





**ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA METROPOLITAN  
PROJECTS FOR PHYSICALLY & MENTALLY CHALLENGED PERSONS (as on 10.08.2025)**

Sl no	MG/GG no	Name of the Project	Project Cost in \$		Project Cost in INR		Remarks
<b>MATCHING GRANTS</b>				<b>LEG FOR LEGLESS</b>			
1	7155	Calipers and shoes for Polio victims	18000		792000		CLOSED
2	13990	Artificial limbs	20000		900000		CLOSED
3	18865	Jaipur limbs and Polio Calipers	19084		877864		CLOSED
4	21660	Artificial limbs and Calipers	48000		2256000		CLOSED
5	23521	Artificial limbs and Calipers	34000		1632000		CLOSED
6	70741	Artificial limbs and Calipers	54479		2621488		CLOSED
7	77399	Artificial limbs and Calipers	60827	<b>254,390</b>	3106134	<b>12,185,486</b>	CLOSED
<b>GLOBAL GRANTS</b>							
1	15-28467	Leg for Legless	55419		3436000		CLOSED
2	14-11658	Rehabilitation of Post Polio Syndrome Survivors	144343		8805000		CLOSED
3	19-80213	Rehabilitation of CP Children (Cerebral Palsy Children)	107144	<b>306,906</b>	7500000	<b>19,741,000</b>	OPEN
		<b>Total</b>	<b>USD \$</b>	<b>561,296</b>	<b>INR</b>	<b>31,926,486</b>	



## TRUSTEE CHAIR'S MESSAGE – AUGUST 2025



**Holger Knaack**  
Trustee Chair 2025-26

When most people join Rotary, they know little, if anything, about The Rotary Foundation.

Membership Month is a great time to highlight the powerful connection between membership and our Foundation.

People who are drawn to Rotary care deeply about their communities and want to make a substantive difference. They're looking for meaningful, hands-on ways to serve - and the Foundation helps make those opportunities possible.

Cause-based Rotary clubs are one exciting way new members are finding purpose in Rotary, and these clubs also bring fresh energy and activity to our Foundation. I invited Marisol Chianello, president of one such club, to share her perspective:

"As a non-profit attorney, I long believed I didn't have the time to be part of Rotary. But when I heard about a new cause-based e-club - the Rotary Club of Mental Health and Wellness District 5280 - I felt I had to be part of it.

In just three years, our club has done a lot to support mental health needs in Southern California and awarded thousands of dollars in scholarships to graduate students in the field, including one this year to a student in Uganda.

Just a few months ago, we were approved for our first global grant to provide a mix of in-person and digital mental wellness support to survivors of the 2023 earthquakes in south-eastern Turkey.

Through our service, we've attracted new members from across the United States, including women and younger members who might not have otherwise joined Rotary. Cause-based clubs like ours offer a meaningful entry point for people committed to a specific cause - backed by the global reach and Foundation support of Rotary."

Marisol's story reminds us what's possible when Rotary service meets Foundation support. I wonder how many cause-based club members knew the full extent of Foundation resources when they began. How many existing clubs could partner with these groups on grants?

As we build new Rotary and Rotaract clubs and welcome new members, let's keep The Rotary Foundation at the forefront. The Foundation enriches the membership experience, supports club growth, and deepens our impact.

The Rotary Foundation is more than just a source of funding; it is an invitation to endless opportunities. It's a living expression of who we are as Rotary.

The Foundation, too, can be a vital part of every member's experience when they join us or start a new club.

## Forthcoming Events

### CLUB

**06.09.2025** Regular Meeting at The Calcutta Swimming Club at 4.00 PM. Guest Speaker will be DG Rtn Dr Ramendu Homchaudhuri

**15.09.2025** Regular Meeting

## BIRTHDAY GREETINGS



**18.08.2025**

PP Rtn Harsh V Rungta

**21.08.2025**

Rtn Dr Mary D'Cruz



**24.08.2025**

PP Rtn Rakesh Kumar Goel

**25.08.2025**

Rtn Vivek Anand



**27.08.2025**

PP Rtn Utpal Chatterjee

**31.08.2025**

PP Rtn Maitrayee Ray



**01.09.2025**

Rtn Partha Sarthi Ganguli

**Sponsored by : PP RTN. SUBIR DUTTA**

**We meet every Saturday at 2.00 pm at The Calcutta Swimming Club, 1, Strand Road, Kolkata-700 001**

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