



# ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA METROPOLITAN

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## Forthcoming Events

### CLUB

- 07.06.2025** Regular Meeting & COTS  
**17.06.2025** Charter Night at The Saturday Club at 6.30 pm  
**24.06.2025** Installation & Regular Meeting at The Kenilworth Hotel at 6.30 pm  
**28.06.2025** Thanks Giving & Joint Board Meeting

### DISTRICT

- 25.5.2025** District Training Assembly for RY-2025-2026 at Dhono Dhanyo Auditorium (DDA). Registration Charges Rs.2450/-

## BIRTHDAY GREETINGS



- 05.06.2025** Rtn Dr Abhay Kumar  
**17.06.2025** Rtn Dr Naresh Goyal  
**19.06.2025** Rtn Jayanta Kumar Neogi

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARY GREETINGS



- 10.06.2025** Rtn Narendra Berlia & Ann Sarita  
**18.06.2025** Rtn Bal Kishan Nevatia & Ann Neelam  
**22.06.2025** Rtn Pradip Kumar Agarwal & Ann Sima

## THE 4 WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say, or do:

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

## KNOW YOUR SPEAKER DR. CHANDRIMA ROY



Dr. Chandrima Roy in a rare blend of aesthetics and excellence. \*Kobitay Kathalap\* is her namesake and she has taken performance poetry to a different level globally. Received national scholarship from Bal Bhawan, Govt of India and became Bengal Champion in all Bengal competition in recitation in three consecutive groups. Chandrima has presented almost all the luminaries of Indian classical music as an emcee. Her poetry presentation has travelled from USA to Bangladesh, Malaysia, Singapore to Sri Lanka and all prestigious stages of India. She interviewed two Noble Laureates and the then president of India APJ Abdul Kalam.

Besides all her cultural acumen, she is doctorate of engineering and a professor of electronics and communications Engineering for a decade now.

**TOPIC: A BRIDGING APPROACH BETWEEN ELOCUTION, ACADEMICS, AND ECOSYSTEM**

**MAY IS YOUTH SERVICE MONTH**

## REPORT ON DISTRICT GOVERNOR OFFICIAL CLUB VISIT ON 3.5.2025

The Rotary Club of Calcutta Metropolitan had the privilege of hosting District Governor AKS Rtn Dr. Krishnendu Gupta (RID 3192) for his official club visit and performance review on May 3, 2025. He was accompanied by First Lady Dr. Simran Gupta, ZS Rtn Sheela Janakiram (Zone-14), District Executive Secretary Rtn Amitava Chakraborty, and District Treasurer Rtn Kaushlendra Kumar Jha.

The Governor conducted a thorough review of the Club's performance for Rotary Year 2024-25, appreciating impactful initiatives and offering strategic recommendations for future growth.

### Key Areas of Appreciation:

- o Empowering girls' education, sanitation, and hygiene
- o Supporting Cerebral Palsy Children
- o Providing Artificial limbs & Callipers to the differently-abled at Mahavir Seva Sadan
- o Promoting senior literacy in rural villages
- o Medical equipment
- o Running of Schools at PACE Learning Centre and 3 Schools at Barasat etc.

### Strategic Recommendations by DG Dr. Krishnendu Gupta:

- o Membership growth to strengthen the Club's reach and impact
- o Contributions to the District Rotary Fund, enhancing eligibility for Global Grant projects
- o Renewed focus on Pulse Polio campaigns to aid national eradication efforts
- o Launching Cervical Cancer vaccination drives for girls aged 9-14, with parental consent
- o Establishing a Club Endowment Fund to ensure sustainable community service.

DG also inducted Rtn Shipra Mehta as member of the Club proposed by Rtn Runjhun Gupta. She was pinned by the First Lady Dr Simran Gupta of our District-3291. A warm welcome to Rtn Shipra Mehta as a Metropolitan of the Club.

The meeting concluded with words of encouragement and appreciation from the District Governor. Our Club's achievements were credited to the leadership of President Rtn. Sashi Dhacholia and the entire Metropolitan.

As we prepare for Rotary Year 2025-26 under incoming President Rtn. Rajshree Jain, we remain committed to excellence in service, inspired by the vision and guidance of our District leadership.

By Rtn Poulomi Dutta



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## WE WELCOME RTN SHIPRA MEHTA AS METROPOLITAN

With an Honour for Rtn Shipra Mehta, when she was inducted by the First Lady of the Rotary District-3291 in presence of District Governor AKS Rtn Dr Krishnendu Gupta. She was proposed by Rtn Runjhun Gupta. Our heartfelt congratulations to her. Her classification is

Family Business. She has shown keen interest in joining the Rotary activities. We are sure by her presence; the Club will be enriched with the experience and dedication. Let us welcome Rtn Shipra Mehta as a Metropolitan and our best wishes to her.



## REPORT ON SAMAGAM-III BY RID-3291 HELD ON 17.5.2025 & 18.5.2025

Samagam-III held by Rotary District-3291 under the leadership of AKS DG Rtn Dr Krishnendu Gupta was held on 17.5.2025 and 18.5.2025 at Hotel Sonar Bangla situated at Joypur Forest.

Joypur forest is one of the lesser-known, pristine and rarely visited forests in Bankura District, West Bengal. It is a dense forest comprising Sal, Palash, Mahua, Neem trees. Fauna such as deer, elephants and various birds are found here. Joypur forest is a manmade forest sprawling across acres of land."

The First day simply belonged to our always smiling DG AKS Rtn Dr Krishnendu Gupta, who after a long time, played the piano with some melodious numbers.

It was a really well-crafted Samagam-III, enjoyed it at the fullest. Under the leadership of our AKS District Governor

Rtn Dr Krishnendu Gupta it was a perfect blend of energetic people's synergy. Great connection with fellow Rotarians from across the district. We thoroughly enjoyed the camaraderie, interactions, and memories created.

A memorable trip to Terracotta Temples Bishnupur as a break out trip. We were really amazed by the craftsmanship by the artistes.

The venue of Hotel Sonar Bangla, delectable food and comfortable accommodation were excellent. Kudos and three Cheers to the core team, who worked tirelessly to ensure seamless experience for all of us.

My DG AKS Rtn Dr Krishnendu Gupta and First Lady Dr Simran Gupta, a Perfect 10 to both of you and the entire core team who worked wonderfully to make all arrangements perfect.



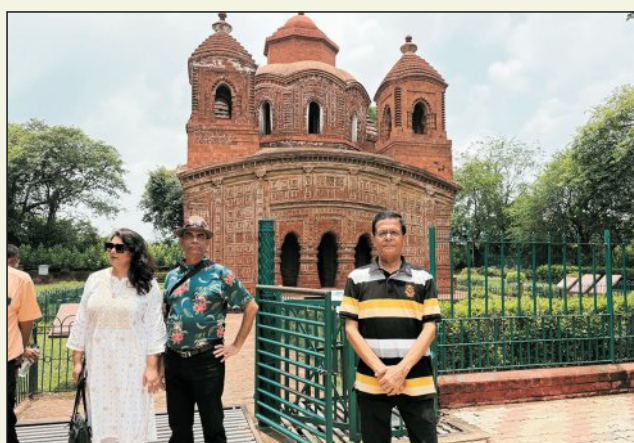
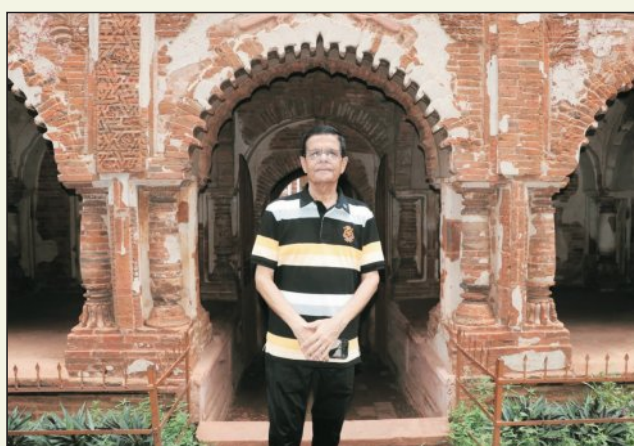
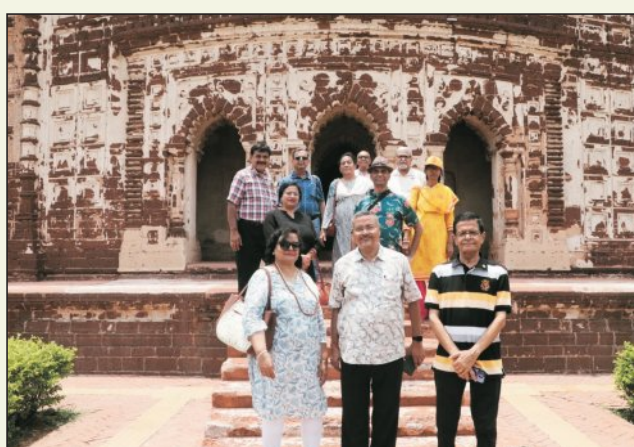
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## GLIMPSE OF VISIT TO BISHNUPUR TEMPLES ON 18.5.2025



## A HEARTWARMING VISIT AND BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

On May 5th, 2025, Mr. O.P. Tania, the owner of Bhartia Electric Steel Castings Ltd, visited our campus alongside Rtn. Madan Mohanka, PLC President Rtn. Jayanta Chatterji, and Rtn. Runjhun Gupta. Our students showcased their talents through various projects and experiments, impressing the guests.

The day was made even more special because it was Rtn. Jayanta Chatterji's birthday! Students welcomed him with balloons and a joyous "Happy Birthday" chorus. Runjhun Ma'am had thoughtfully planned a delightful surprise for him. The warm welcome, campus tour, and interactions left a lasting impression on everyone involved. Mr. Tania took the time to share his experiences while engaging with our students.

A cake-cutting ceremony, organized by Rtn. Madan Mohanka added to the festivities. Rtn.

Arundhati Ma'am's kind gesture of feeding cake to Jayanta Sir made the moment even more memorable. The motivational words from our guests, along with Runjhun Ma'am's heartfelt poem, touched everyone present.

Our teachers prepared traditional Bengali dishes and served them in clay pots, which the guests thoroughly enjoyed. Rtn. Madan Mohanka also distributed chocolates to all the students, further enhancing the day's joy. Additionally, Arundhati Ma'am sponsored chicken curry, pulao, and sweets in honour of Jayanta Sir's birthday.

Lastly, our guest of honour, Tania Sir, recognised our secondary board examinees, all of whom successfully qualified for the Madhyamik exam with remarkable scores. Mohanka Sir announced that he would support any student wishing to pursue higher studies.

We are grateful for the visit and celebration, which strengthened our bonds and created unforgettable memories. Thank you, Jayanta Sir, for being our guiding light, and thank you to our honoured guests for making the day so special!

By Mahashweta Maity  
Vice Principal, PLC



## WORKSHOP ON TECHNOLOGICAL SOLUTIONS TO DISASTERS USING STEM KITS

A hands-on workshop titled "Technological Solutions to Disasters Using STEM Kits" was conducted by Dr. Mousiki Kar, Associate Professor of Electronics and Communication Engineering from Heritage Institute of Technology for the students of Classes VIII to XI of PACE Learning Centre (PLC) on May 14, 2025 at our school campus. The session focused on the importance of disaster preparedness and demonstrated how STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) can be effectively used to develop low-cost technological solutions for real-world problems.

The workshop began with an interactive introduction to natural and man-made disasters, emphasizing their impact and the urgent need for early detection and rapid response systems. Students learned about various types of disasters including earthquakes, floods, gas leaks, and cyclones, and how technological interventions can minimize the risks.

The core of the workshop centered around hands-on activities, where students explored and built simple yet functional alert systems using STEM kits assisted by the volunteers.

These included:

- Gas Leak Alarm System using MQ-2 gas sensors
- Earthquake Alert System using vibration sensors
- Flood Alert System with moisture sensors
- Automatic Street Light using light-dependent resistors (LDR)

Participants were introduced to basic circuit-building skills and the concept of sensors-devices that detect physical changes in the environment and trigger alarms or responses accordingly. Students actively engaged in building circuits, adjusting sensitivity through potentiometers, and understanding the practical applications of each system.

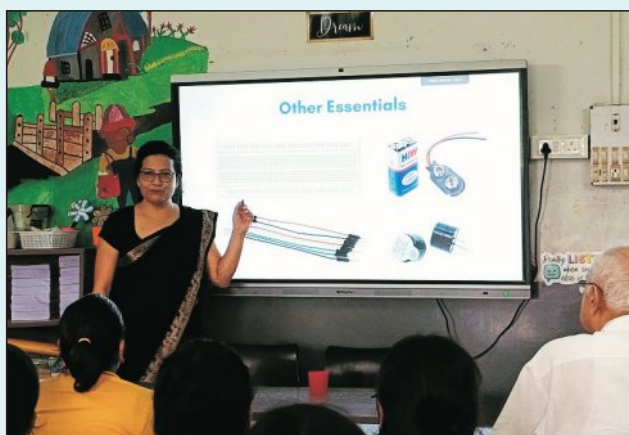
After the hands-on session, an assessment was conducted to evaluate students' understanding and application of the concepts introduced during the workshop. Volunteers assisted the students in comprehending the Chat GPT prompts provided as part of the questionnaire. This ensured that the students could engage meaningfully with the AI-based questions and apply their learning effectively. The questionnaire was thoughtfully designed with relevant and insightful questions, allowing students to demonstrate their grasp of the workshop content. Their enthusiastic participation and thoughtful responses reflected their genuine interest and growing confidence in using technological tools for academic and real-world applications.

The workshop not only helped develop technical skills but also fostered problem-solving, collaboration, and innovation among students. It concluded with a discussion on the future scope of using advanced sensors and microcontrollers to improve the efficiency of these systems.

This initiative by the Heritage team provided students with valuable insights into how science and technology

can be harnessed for community safety and resilience. It was an enriching experience that encouraged young minds to think critically and creatively about solutions to global challenges. Thanks a lot to Dr. Mousiki Kar and her team of volunteers from Heritage Institute and of course our president Rtn. Jayanta Chatterji Sir who was present throughout the session and expressed a keen interest in conducting such training and activities systematically, emphasizing the importance of continuity and sustainability in skill development. This enthusiastic support highlights a shared vision to empower students with practical knowledge and ensure long-term impact through regular engagement.

By Mahashweta Maity  
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## RABINDRA-NAZRUL JAYANTI CELEBRATION AT PACE LEARNING CENTRE

On 9th May, 2025, the students and staff of PACE Learning Centre gathered in the auditorium to celebrate Rabindra-Nazrul Jayanti, an occasion to honour the birth anniversaries of two legendary Bengali poets-Kaviguru Rabindranath Tagore and Rebel Poet Kazi Nazrul Islam. Although Nazrul's birthday falls on 24th May, both poets are commemorated together as pillars of Bengali culture and literature.

The works of Tagore and Nazrul are deeply woven into our lives from childhood. We grow up immersed in their songs, stories, and philosophies. In today's troubling times-marked by war and uncertainty-we find courage and unity in their words. Their creations remind us to rise above caste, creed, and religion and stay united.

As part of the celebration, we chose to dramatize "Totakahini" (The Parrot's Tale)-a powerful story by Rabindranath Tagore. Through this performance, we aimed to reflect on the purpose behind the founding of Santiniketan, a school built on the ideals of creativity, freedom, and holistic education. PACE Learning Centre shares a close philosophical bond with the Santiniketan model, and this dramatization served as a tribute to that connection. Rupsa Das, in the character of the king in the drama, was exceptionally outstanding.

The event was both inspiring and thought-provoking, reinforcing the timeless relevance of these two great poets in our lives today.

By Mahashweta Maity  
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