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		PP Rtn Dr Naresh Goyal
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6.	CRFC	PP Rtn Dr Naresh Goyal

ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA METROPOLITAN COMMITTEE FOR 2025-2026

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Rtn Subir Dutta

Rtn Jayanta Chatterji Rtn Pradeep Kapoor Rtn Dr. Naresh Goyal Rtn Harsh V Rungta

FUND RAISING

Rtn Madan Mohanka Rtn Jayanta Chatterji Rtn Rakesh Kumar Goel Rtn Dr. Naresh Goyal

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Rtn Jayanta Chatterji Rtn Runjhun Gupta Rtn Shipra Mehta Rtn Poulomi Dutta Rtn Nabanita Sen

RLI

Rtn Dr. Naresh Goyal Rtn Sashi Dhacholia

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Rtn Poulomi Dutta

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Rtn Sashi Dhacholia Rtn Jayanta Chatterji

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Rtn Sashi Dhacholia

Rtn Poulomi Dutta

Rtn Nabanita Sen

Rtn Runjhun Gupta

REPORT OF THANKSGIVING MEETING ON 28TH JUNE 2025

'Thanks giving meeting', is a tradition of thanking the outgoing team led by the President and the Secretary and wishing the new Team all the success for their term.

President Rtn Sashi Dhacholia, opened the meeting giving an update of all activities and completed projects. It was then passed to the emcee for the day, Birthday boy, Rtn Subir Dutta, who reversed the order of sharing by inviting the new members followed by the seasoned members. Every Metropolitan present, PP Rtn Raju Poddar, IPP Rtn Rakesh Kumar Goel, PP Rtn Jayanta Chatterii, PP Rtn Harsh Rungta, Rtn Dr V K Nevatia, PP Rtn Utpal Chatterjee, PP Rtn Dr Somen Ghosh, PP Rtn Subir Dutta, Rtn Jayanta Neogi, Rtn Renu Todi, Rtn Narendra Berlia, Rtn Nabanita Sen, Rtn Poulomi Dutta, Rtn Vivek Anand, Rtn PK Agarwal, PP Rtn Dr Naresh Goel, Rtn Rajshree Jain, Rtn Namrata Bengani and yours truly Rtn Runjhun Gupta expressed gratitude to the outgoing President Rtn Sashi Dhacholia, for running a smooth term which seemed to have gone in auto mode with members feeling no pinch or pressure.

President Rtn Sashi Dhacholia was applauded for his maturity in handling the role successfully, second time as the President. Known as Rotary Encyclopaedia, ever ready with all information, having created a fantastic network and visibility across various clubs in the district-3291, which led to the participation of RCCM as partners in many club projects during his term.

He was appreciated for traveling all the way for the club meetings, projects and District programs from



Birthday cake was cut for PP Rtn Subir Dutta



Rtn Runjhun Gupta updating about Charter Night

Newtown area. There were times when he would be there to represent RCCM, holding the flag high alone. This was reiterated by President Rtn Sashi Dhacholia in his closing remarks, "Whenever RCCM needs me, as a loyal Metropolitan, I will always be there! He was thanked for the dedication, commitment and passion in preparing and printing the Metro Voice for every meeting with reports and pictures.

The incoming President Rtn Rajshree Jain, gave an emotional share, summarising her current situation and expressed her vision for her term. Incoming Secretary Rtn Namrata Bengani, shared her excitement for the upcoming term, with the added note of how her family is also becoming additionally supportive to help her.

It all ended on a happy note, celebrating all the success of the term with cake cutting along with guidance to make the incoming term more even more rocking, as everyone pitched in with their support.

President Rtn Sashi Dhacholia, gave all Metropolitans present, a small gift as a token of gratitude for all the support through the entire term with multiple fellowships.

Secretary Rtn Rajiv Tibrewal, was appreciated for the timely sharing of upcoming events

Heartiest Congratulations, President Rtn Sashi Dhacholia, Secretary Rtn Rajiv Tibrewal and Secretary Rtn Pradip Kapoor for a wonderful 2024-25 and wishing President Rtn Rajshree Jain, Secretary Rtn Namrata Bengani and Treasurer Harsh Rungta a great RY-2025-2026.

By Rtn Runjhun Gupta



President Rtn Sashi Dhacholi and Secretary Rtn Rajiv Tibrewal and Incoming President Rtn Rajshree Jain and Incoming Secretarty Rtn Namrata Bengani



A view of Metropolitans



Another view of members



Rtn Renu Todi addressing the audience



Rtn Vivek Anand sharing his thoughts



Rtn Poulomi Dutta addressing the members



PP Rtn Subir Dutta conducting the proceedings



Rtn Jayanta Neogi addressing the members



Rtn Nabanita Sen is her address



Rtn Narendra Berlia sharing his thoughts



Rtn Rajiv Tibrewal sharing his views



Another view of Metropolitans listening the speakers



PP Rtn Utpal Chatterjee sharing his views



PP Rtn Jayanta Chatterji addressing the Metropolitans



Rtn Pradip K Agarwal sharing his thoughts



PP Rtn Raju K Poddar in his address



IPP Rtn Rakesh K Goel aharing his thoughts



PP Rtn Dr Naresh Goyal sharing his thoughts



PP Rtn Subir Dutta sharing his views



PP Rtn Dr Somen Ghosh in his address



President Rtn Sashi Dhacholia in his deep thoughts



President felicitating IPP Rtn Rakesh K Goel



PP Rtn Harsh V Rungta addressing the members



PP Rtn Dr V K Nevatia sharing his thoughts



President felicitating Rtn Renu Todi



President felicitating Rtn Dr Naresh Goyal



President felicitating PP Rtn Jayanta Chatterji



President felicitating PP Rtn Dr Somen Ghosh



President felicitating Rtn Runjhun Gupta



President felicitating Secretary Elect Rtn Namrata Bengani



President PP Rtn Utpal Chatterjee



President felicitating Rtn Narendra Berlia



President felicitating PE Rtn Rajshree Jain



President felicitating Rtn Poulomi Dutta



President felicitating Rtn Pradip K AGarwal





President felicitating PP Rtn Subir Dutta



President felicitating PP Rtn Dr V K Nevatia

President felicitating his Secretary Rtn Rajiv Tibrewal

DISTRIBUTED ONE WHEEL CHAIR ON 1.7.2025 COURTESY MAHAVIR SEVA SADAN

When Mira Mondal, a 65-year-old home maker, was detected with cancer, it became a nightmare for the family, when doctors recommended chemotherapy sessions. While the sessions were expensive, they made her extremely weak and she was not able to move around. Not being able to afford further help at home, his son reached out, asking if he could get a wheelchair. I reached to IPP Sashi Dhacholia to check with Rotary District, and they mentioned they were not giving it anymore. He then suggested to check with PP Rtn Dr V K Nevatia and one call from PP Rtn Dr Nevatia



to MSS helped us to get it in few hours' time and when I saw the son get emotional after Mr Tiwari from MSS handed it to him.

I realised what it meant to him. Thank you, Immediate Past President Rtn Sashi, Dhacholia for promptly checking and Heartfelt gratitude to PP Rtn Dr VK Nevatia for making it possible, in helping make a difference to one life, one family. Feeling Proud Metropolitan.

By Rtn Runjhun Gupta



REPORT ON BLOOD DONATION CAMP ON 1.7.2025

RCCM started with bang on day one of RY-2025-2026 by participating as Co-host to the Blood Donation Camp organized by the District-3291, which was held on 1.72025. It was very interesting to note that more than 50 Clubs of the district participated in this project. This



shows how Rotarians are concerned about health welfare.

President Rtn Rajshree Jain with Secretary Rtn Namrata Bengani and IPP Rtn Sashi Dhacholia, PP Rtn Roshni Beriwala and Rtn Nabanita Sen joined this project.









	Forthcoming Events			
	CLUB			
26.07.2025	Regular Meeting			
15.08.2025	Joint Regular Meeting with MSS			
30.08.2025	Regular Meeting			

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

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23.07.2025 Rtn Pradeep Lata







13.07.2025 Rtn Dr Abhay Kumar and Ann Suman Kumari



PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE – JULY 2025



Francesco Arezzo President 2025-26

Francesco Arezzo is an orthodontist in private practice and owns an agricultural enterprise that produces extra virgin olive oil in Sicily.

Arezzo is a graduate of the University of Padua and a member of the Italian, European, and American orthodontics associations, as well as the Italian and European lingual orthodontics associations. He is a dentistry graduate of the University of Cagliari, where he also received a master's in lingual orthodontics.

He has served as vice president of the National Association of Italian Dentists for the province of Ragusa and was the founder and head for seven years of the Ragusa delegation to the National Trust for Italy.

Arezzo is also the owner of an agricultural enterprise and producer of extra virgin olive oil in the Monti Iblei region of Sicily. He has been vice president of the administrative council of the consortium controlling and regulating quality production of oil in that region. He owns two boutique hotel settlements there. He enjoys modern art and opera.

A Rotary member for 36 years, Arezzo has served as vice chair of the Joint Strategic Planning Committee and as RI director, chair of the 2023 Melbourne Convention Committee, learning facilitator, and district conference presidential representative, among other roles.

He is married to Anna Maria Arezzo-Criscione, an entrepreneur in the tourism field. They have two daughters and two grandchildren. His daughter Raffaela spent a year in Florida as part of a Rotary Youth Exchange. Francesco and Anna Maria are Benefactors and Major Donors to The Rotary Foundation.





TRUSTEE CHAIR'S MESSAGE – JULY 2025



Holger Knaack Trustee Chair 2025-26

When you joined Rotary, chances are it was because you wanted to make a lasting difference. Arch Klumph felt the same way.

When he proposed The Rotary Foundation in 1917, he envisioned more than just a fund. He saw an enduring vehicle for Rotary members to serve their communities and create lasting change. More than a century later, that vision thrives, thanks to your dedication and to the Foundation's unique structure, which empowers members to identify and solve global problems at every level.

Today, I am not asking you for a donation. Instead, I invite you to look at The Rotary Foundation with fresh eyes. Imagine a charity governed by its own members. A global mission carried out by those very members. A foundation that reflects the shared values of its members - ensuring clean water and literacy for all, eradicating the scourge of polio, building local economies through entrepreneurship, and making the world more peaceful through conflict resolution training.

Doesn't this sound like an interesting charity? The Rotary Foundation is trusted around the world because we have earned that trust. After our successful Programs of Scale initiative in Zambia, the Gates Foundation and World Vision invited us to lead again - resulting in the \$30 million Rotary Healthy Communities Challenge across four African nations.

We are efficient, strategic, and guided by dedicated professional staff and passionate volunteers. Our Foundation consistently receives top marks from Charity Navigator. And the Gates Foundation matches our \$50 million annual commitment to polio eradication 2-to-1, depositing \$100 million into our account each year. That is trust, delivered.

Even in conflict zones, we are there. In Gaza, a single confirmed polio case triggered a humanitarian pause in the war, allowing health workers to vaccinate children and quell an outbreak. Rotary helped fund that urgent response. Once again, we proved to be a reliable partner in a crisis.

We can be proud that we made a difference. Now we look ahead to our ambitious \$500 million fundraising goal for 2025-26. We can reach it together, as we boldly support a Foundation that is doing bold things.

Rotary is not going anywhere, because Rotary is everywhere! That is our strength. That is our unique opportunity. Be part of the legacy of The Rotary Foundation. It is one that Arch Klumph would be proud of. It is a legacy that has changed the world and will continue to do so, as long as we are all part of it.

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