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We Welcome

PRESIDENTS & SECRETARIES AND MEMBERS OF ROTARY CLUB OF AVYANNA, ROTARY CLUB OF MAYFAIR, ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA METROPOLITAN AND ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA VICTORIA FOR THE JOINT REGULAR MEETING



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Rotary Club of Calcutta Metropolitan



**Rajnish Mehta, President**  
Rotary Club of Calcutta Victoria

FEBRUARY IS PEACE BUILDING AND CONFLICT PREVENTION

## VOCATIONAL EXCELLENCE AWARDS CEREMONY ON 11.1.2025

The 1691st Regular Meeting of RCCM, headed by President Rtn Sashi Dhacholia and Secretary Rtn Rajiv Tibrewal, celebrated 'Vocational Service month' by honouring individuals from various fields for their contributions through an award ceremony conducted by PP Rtn Subir Dutta.



### **DR VK NEVATIA**

Year 2025's award winners felicitation for Vocational awards began with Rtn Dr VK Nevatia nominated for his lifetime service as consultant orthopaedic surgeon. His introduction and journey was shared by PP Rtn Raju Poddar, from being born in Bhatinda, Punjab, to completing his medical education in Patiala, working in Delhi, Iran, Kolkata.

Chairman Emeritus, Mahavir Seva Sadan, Shri JS Mehta, spoke about their 40 years association and shared how Dr VK Nevatia, was invited by MSS, agreed to serve as medical director. He helped with polio corrective surgeries and played a key role in 4 lakh artificial limbs donated till date. He has been recognised by President of India for his contribution. The service provided by him is worth crores which he makes it priceless with his attitude to serve with a smile. His service extended beyond humans and the beneficiaries of his service have been horse and dogs too.

Dr Nevatia shared how the core value of giving and doing good was imbibed in him in his childhood which subconsciously guided him through various decisions in life. It was destiny that brought him to Kolkata and it is the company of good friends in Rotary and MSS that led him to contribute. It was persuasion by his wife, Mrs Lata Nevatia that made him continue his visits to various hospitals and serve free of cost, including taking leadership at Rotary.

He is pride of Rotary Club of Calcutta Metropolitan and we are privileged as Metropolitans to have his association as our extended family.



### **DR NARESH GOYAL**

Next recipient of vocational award, Dr Naresh Goyal nominated for his lifetime service as consultant physician. President Rtn Sashi Dhacholia, shared Dr Goyal's journey of serving for four decades with a reputation of not advising unnecessary medicines or tests and example of his great diagnosis was recommending a test just by looking at Rtn Sashi Dhacholia's wife and treating her for thyroid, something their family doctor missed, or recommending Rtn Sashi Dhacholia, to get discharged from a hospital when doctors advised him into ICU, and even helping him battle depression.

President mentioned his personal views of how loves the commitment of Dr Goyal, something he has seen from their younger years as they are childhood friends. His passion for PACE matching grants, global grants, becoming international cadre in district 3291 and various other roles at club and district level.

Dr Goyal shared the life lessons that he got by becoming a doctor. First one, never break the trust of the patient because he comes to you with all their faith. Second being helpful all the time. Third, as we grow older, the goal needs to be health. Fitness becomes a necessity to do good in the world. He shared about the influence of Dr Neerja Rateria, on whose persuasion he joined Rotary and starting enjoying doing projects. Rtn Jayanta Chatterji,

Rtn Deepa Willingham and Rtn James Lewis who continue to be his inspiration of serving above self. Rtn Madan Mohan Mohanka demonstrating the way philanthropic work needs to be the focus and Dr Goyal intends to continue making a difference and serving the community. He is pride of Rotary district 3291 and our privilege to call him a fellow Metropolitan.



### **PARTHO SAROTHY CHOWDHURY**

Our next recipient of vocational award Pandit Partho Sarothy Chowdhury, a maestro of Sarod, carrying forward the rich legacy of Hindustani classical music. PP Rtn Jayanta Chatterji shared deep insights about the journey of Pandit Partho Sarothy, highlighting key milestones of him being trained by two legendary icons, Ustad Dhyanes Khan, and Bharat Ratna Pt. Ravi Shankar, performing all over the world for more than 50 years, including places like Carnegie Hall, Albert Hall, music festivals, concerts with great gurus and icons like Ustad Zakir Hussain and Ustad Vilayat Khan. His mastery in sarod is unparalleled and beyond his role as a performer, he is a teacher, nurturing a new generation of musicians and safe guarding rich heritage of sarod. He has stood as a rock not allowing fusion or digital mixing to creep into his music to maintain the purity of Indian classical music. As he said, "I am a humble student of music. I started as an 8-year-old boy and performed at age of 9 years. Grateful to convert my passion into my profession.

Music is a universal language and sarod is not merely an instrument, it is a sacred link between the artist and divine and I need your continuous support to pursue journey of my music." It was an honour to have his presence as he was felicitated with an applause and request for performance, which he agreed with modesty and humility.



### **PROF. MAQSOOD SIDDIQI**

Final recipient of vocational award Prof Maqsood Siddiqi for his lifetime contribution to scientific research. PP Rtn Utpal Chatterjee, shared personal interactions with Prof Siddiqi, who with 45 years of scientific research, teaching, public health, and institutional management experience in India and abroad, has created landmark research in the field of cancer, with his current interests including breast cancer awareness and the ongoing research trial on HPV vaccination in India.

Prof Siddiqi shared cancer research continues to be his passion and focus area of his research is finding the various causes for cancer, finding prevention and cure for the same. He said he realised that lot of work was not happening in the right direction and the hospitals seemed more interested in the entry of the patients. Hence post his retirement, like minded individuals got together an organisation focused on prevention, screening, and advocacy of cancer related health conditions and cure. They have made a conscious effort to cover north eastern part of India as a lot of support and awareness was missing there.

He invited Rotary to collaborate to help create better awareness and reach to support the research and cause. It was a privilege to have his presence and we were grateful for the doors to meaningful service that opened with this felicitation by the senior member of RCCM, PP Rtn Maitrayee Ray.

**Report by VP Rtn Runjhun Gupta**

# GLIMPSE OF VOCATIONAL EXCELLENCE AWARDS CEREMONY ON 11.1.2025



A view of Head table



Emcee PP Rtn Subir Dutta conducting the Vocational Excellence Award Ceremony



A view of audience



Another view of audience



Audience enjoying the proceedings



PP Rtn Raj Kumar Poddar introducing Dr V K Nevatia



PP Rtn Dr V K Nevatia addressing the audience



PP Rtn D V Nevatia presented with stole



PP Rtn DR V K Nevatia presented with Memento



Ann Lata Nevatia being presented with Flower Pot

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President Emeritus J S Mehta of Mahavir Seva Sadan congratulating Dr V K Nevatia



President introducing PP Rtn Dr Naresh Goyal



PP Rtn Dr Naresh Goyal addressing the audience



PP Rtn Naresh Goyal presented with Stole



PP Rtn Dr Naresh Goyal was felicitated with Memento



Rtn Rajshree Jain as Ann of Dr Goyal presented with Flower Pot



A view of audience



Audience in rapt attention



PP Rtn Jayanta Chatterji introducing Partho Sarothy Chowdhury



Partho Sarothy Chowdhury in his address

## GLIMPSE OF VOCATIONAL EXCELLENCE AWARDS CEREMONY ON 11.1.2025



Partho Sarothy Chowdhury being presented with Stole



President felicitating Partho Sarothy Chowdhury



Secretary presenting Flower Pot Partho Sarothy Chowdhury



PP Rtn Utpal Chatterjee introducing Maqsood Siddiqi



Maqsood Siddiqi in his address



PP Rtn Maitrayee Ray presenting Stole to Maqsood Siddiqi



Maqsood Siddiqi being felicitated by the President



Maqsood Siddiqi being presented with Flower Pot by Secretary Rtn Rajiv Tibrewal



Emcee PP Rtn Subir Dutta being felicitated with Flower Pot

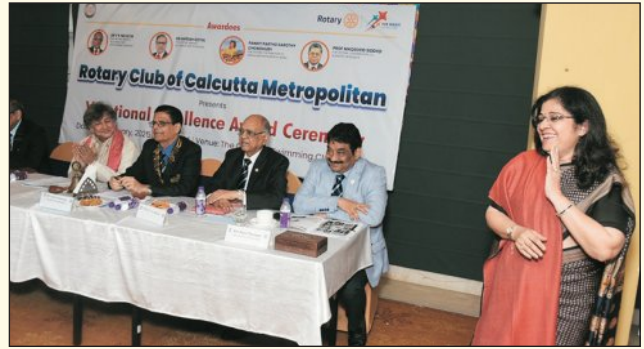


J S Mehta & Vijay Choraria of MSS being felicitated

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Inner Wheel President Dr Seema Setha being felicitated



PE Rtn Rajshree Jain gave vote of thanks



A Group photo Vocational Excellence Awardee



Group photo with Metropolitan

## Congratulations



### PP RTN UTPAL CHATTERJEE

**UNPRECEDENTED:** Our very own Rtn Utpal Chatterjee became the first recipient of the highest honour in Journalism at the Press Club of Kolkata before a packed auditorium. In his candid manner, he kept his mesmerised audience in rapt attention with his revelations as an internationally acclaimed Journalist.

He was widely covered in The Times of India edition dated 30.1.2025.  
RCCM is proud of him.

## Why join Rotary?



We bring together people across generations who share the ideals of service, leadership, diversity, friendship, and integrity. We create lasting change in the world, in our community and make a difference.

**IT DOES NOT MATTER IF YOU ARE A ROTARIAN OR NOT, you have benefited from Rotary!**

*Rotarians are making the world a safer, healthier and better place to be.*

**If you only knew**  
*what the "Rotary Foundation" has done, you would consider it your favorite charity.*

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## LEG FOR LEGLESS- CONTINUOUS PARTNER IN SERVICE SINCE INCEPTION

The legacy of "LEG FOR LEGLESS" project being carried since inception-1986 both by Mahavir Seva Sadan and Rotary Club of Calcutta Metropolitan. This is one of the pilot projects of RCCM resulting in so many projects doing together for Artificial Limbs, Callipers, Polio Corrective surgeries, Tri-cycle and scholarship for physically challenged, Rehabilitation of Cerebral Palsy Children and out station camp both in India and abroad.

Any International visitor from Rotary will ensure the visit to Mahavir Seva Sadan. We are having our Joint meetings with Mahavir Seva Sadan every year on Republic Day (26th January) and Independence Day (15th August). This is prime example of Partner in Service for so many years.

The Joint meeting started with the Flag hoisting at their place in presence of District Governor Nominee Rtn Tapas Bhattacharya of RID-3291, President Emeritus Shri J S Mehta & President Shri Vijay Choraria and members of Mahavir Seva Sadan, President Rtn Sashi Dhacholia and members of Rotary Club of Calcutta Metropolitan, Inner Wheel of Calcutta Metropolitan, Guests and beneficiaries, who are provided with Artificial Limbs, Callipers etc.

After welcome brief address by President Shri Vijay Choraria about the journey of Mahavir Seva Sadan especially with Rotary Club of Calcutta Metropolitan.

President Rtn Sashi Dhacholia Medical announced that equipment under GG 19-80213 for Rehabilitation of Cerebral Palsy Children amounting to Rs.18,74,100.00 has been delivered to MSS Rehabilitation & Research Centre at Joka. We are also working for Change of Scope for an unspent amount for some instruments which is no longer required. We are working for the GG for USD 58,000/- for Artificial Limbs, Polio Corrective Surgeries etc. Hopefully it will be done before June-2025.

Chief Guest DGN Rtn Tapas Bhattacharya was highly impressed with the 38 years of synergy between Mahavir

Seva Sadan and RCCM, and applauded all the recommended work done. He requested MSS and RCCM to share the profile and contract note on the project to make it a district project. He wanted name of the contact person and President suggested name of PP Rtn Dr V K Nevatia, who has been involved with MSS since inception as the medical doctor. DGN also addressed the present beneficiaries and their families, thanking them for their trust and shared that both MSS and RCCM were playing the medium of God in helping make a difference to their lives and they could do the same by spreading awareness to as many people as they could who could benefit from this information to get the needed help. Even during his visit through the unit, he was amazed that the beneficiaries were the ones employed to create more artificial limbs to support the community further and even create items of utility like bags out of waste, saying he had not seen anything like this before and left more committed to take this project further. We are grateful for his support.

He talked about importance of collaboration, the prime example is of MSS and RCCM. The partnership is equally playing an important role to execute various social projects. DGN Rtn Tapas Bhattacharya was presented with Replica of Leg. He also requested RCCM and MSS to provide him about the details of their project on Artificial Limbs etc. to enable him to make the District-3291 project also.

There was demonstration of beneficiaries, who are provided with Artificial Limbs and callipers. They were also presented with lifelong Card, which will ensure them free artificial limbs.

DGN and President of RCCM distributed the scholarships to the needy physically challenged students.

After the President of RCCM done his Club business and the Acting Secretary Rtn Runjhun Gupta making necessary Club announcements, the meeting was terminated.



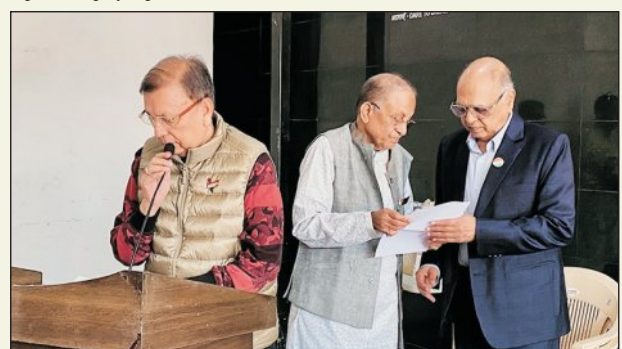
DGN Rtn Tapas Bhattacharya being welcomed by RCCM and MSS members



Flag Hoisting by dignitaries



DGN Rtn Tapas Bhattacharya as Chief Guest



President of MSS Vijay Choraria giving brief about MSS

## LEG FOR LEGLESS- CONTINUOUS PARTNER IN SERVICE SINCE INCEPTION



A view of audience



Chief Guest DGN Rtn Tapas Bhattacharya talking to the beneficiaries



Beneficiary showing his artificial leg



Another beneficiary with Artificial Limbs



Another view of audience



A view of Head table



Chief Guest DGN Tapas Bhattacharya being felicitated



Chief Guest enquiring about well being after putting the Artificial Leg



Another beneficiary showing his Artificial Leg



Beneficiary showing how Artificial leg can be binded



Beneficiary was given Lifetime Card for free Artificial Limbs



## LEG FOR LEGLESS- CONTINUOUS PARTNER IN SERVICE SINCE INCEPTION



Audience enjoying the proceeding



Chief Guest distributing Scholarship for Physically Chllnged Students for studies



Replica of Artificial Leg was given to Chief Guest



Chief Guest addressing the audience



President Sashi Dhacholia briefing the Chief Guest about projects done for Artificial Limbs etc



Chief Guest DGN Tapas Bhattacharya addressing the audience



Acting Secretary Runjhun Gupta making Club announcement



DGN Tapas Bhattacharya visiting Cerebral Palsy block



Chief Guest visiting the workshop



DGN Tapas Bhattacharya shaking hands with the Liftman who is having artificial hand

## A CARNIVAL WITH A PURPOSE: LITTLE ARTISTS IN ACTION! PLC WINTER CARNIVAL 2025 WAS MORE THAN JUST FUN

On the crisp morning of January 24, 2025, PACE Learning Centre opened its gates to a world of joy, creativity, and community spirit with its much-awaited **Winter Carnival**. The event, filled with enthusiasm and warmth, proved to be an unforgettable experience for students, teachers, parents, and the entire PLC team. Organized with precision and passion, the carnival became a testament to the boundless potential of young minds and the collective efforts of an inspiring community.

### A Platform for Talent: The Inter-School Competition

The highlight of the carnival was undoubtedly the **Inter-School Competition**, which featured two engaging contests: “**Go as You Like**” and “**Sit and Draw**”. Students from various schools participated with immense enthusiasm, bringing their creativity to life.

“**Go as You Like**” encouraged students to dress up as their favourite characters, historical figures, or imaginary personas. The stage was graced by young minds embodying a spectrum of themes, from famous personalities to social messages. The confidence and storytelling skills displayed by these young participants were commendable.

“**Sit and Draw**” allowed students to unleash their artistic talent on paper, creating breath-taking pieces of art. The themes ranged from environmental awareness to dreams for the future, showcasing the unfiltered thoughts and creative prowess of young artists.

These competitions not only nurtured students’ confidence but also provided them with a **platform to express themselves and think beyond boundaries**.

### Creativity on Stage: Skit Presentation and Inter-School Skit Competition

One of the most heart-warming moments of the carnival was the **Skit Presentation and Inter-School Skit Competition**. The performances were a fusion of **drama, humour, and social messages**, leaving the audience spellbound. Through compelling narratives, students showcased pressing societal issues, cultural heritage, and even light-hearted comedies that kept the crowd entertained.

This segment of the carnival emphasized the **importance of storytelling, teamwork, and confidence-building**, allowing students to cultivate **public speaking skills and stage presence**. The resounding applause after every skit reflected how deeply the performances touched the hearts of the audience. Also, we got the principal of South City International School (SCIS), Satabdi Bhattacharjee Madam as the chief guest and an uplifting motivator.

### A Glimpse of Talent: Handmade Crafts and Food Fair

Another fascinating part of the carnival was the **exhibition of handmade crafts, dress materials, and processed food items**. The display of creativity was awe-inspiring—teachers and students put their heart and soul into creating unique, **handmade products that reflected culture, tradition, and artistic finesse**.

From beautifully designed **handmade jewellery and intricate artwork to elegant dress materials**, every stall at the exhibition brimmed with craftsmanship.

The **food fair** was a treat to the senses, with a variety of delicious **homemade jams, pickles, sweets, and snacks**

that captured the essence of homemade goodness. Parents and visitors were delighted by the **flavours and authenticity** of these culinary creations.

This exhibition not only **encouraged entrepreneurship among students and teachers but also honed both of their creativity and marketing and business skills**. The **bond between teachers and students** in crafting these masterpieces was truly heartening, reinforcing the values of **creativity, collaboration, and appreciation for handmade artistry**.

### A Taste of Tradition: Traditional Bengali Lunch

To further enrich the cultural experience, a **Traditional Bengali Lunch** in Kola Pata and Matir Thali was served at the carnival, offering guests an **authentic gastronomic journey through Bengal’s culinary heritage**. The flavours of Bengal added **warmth and nostalgia** to the event, allowing visitors to relish not just the food but also the shared cultural experience that came with it.

### A Day to Remember: The Impact of the Winter Carnival

The **Winter Carnival at PACE Learning Centre** was much more than just a day of festivities; it was a **celebration of learning, creativity, and collaboration**. The event:

- **Fostered a spirit of healthy competition** among students, boosting their self-confidence and encouraging them to push their limits.
- **Provided a platform for artistic and dramatic expression**, allowing young minds to communicate powerful messages through skits and drawings.
- **Encouraged teamwork and leadership skills** as students and teachers worked together to make the exhibition a grand success.
- **Created an atmosphere of warmth and camaraderie**, strengthening the bond between students, teachers, parents, and entire Rotary community members.

As the carnival came to an end, smiles, laughter, and **memorable experiences were etched in everyone’s hearts**. The success of the event is a testament to the **power of education beyond books**—where students are encouraged to express, create, and engage in a dynamic learning environment.

Rotarians from Rotary Club of Avyanna, Rotary Club of Calcutta Mayfair, Rotary Club of Calcutta Charnock City, Rotary Club of Kolkata Temple City and Rotary Club of Calcutta Lake Town joined this Carnival which made the event really fun loving. We are indeed grateful to them. Of course, Rotary Club of Calcutta Metropolitan D3291 supported this event.

We are grateful to Ms Satabdi Bhattacharjee, Principal of South City International School, who whole heartily inspired the students. Thank you Ma’am and we are touched by your presence.

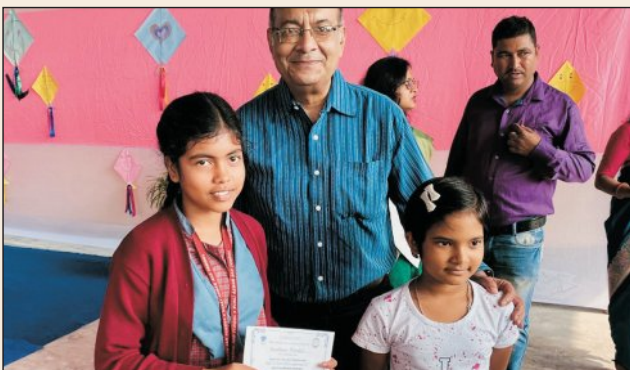
The entire event was well conducted by the students and teachers of PLC, a big thank you to them. Thanks to RC of Calcutta Mayfair and Calcutta Charnock City distributed toffees to the students. A day well spent and enjoyed by all Rotarians

**By Rtn Suchana Majumdar**

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## FELLOWSHIP DURING WINTER CARNIVAL ON 24.1.2025

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We are grateful to Ms Satabdi Bhattacharjee, Principal of South City International School, who whole heartily inspired the students. Thank you Ma'am and we are touched by your presence.

Last but not the least, we were treated with mouth watering Bengali Lunch with clay utensils. A day well spent and enjoyed by all Rotarians.



### Forthcoming Events

#### CLUB

- 12.02.2025** Inauguration of equipment provided to MSS Rehabilitation & Research Centre, Joka under GG# 19-80213 at 11.00 AM. DG Rtn Krishnendu Gupta will be Chief Guest

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- 22.02.2025** Regular Meeting and Speaker will be PP Rtn Subir Dutta, who will speak on the Salient features of Budget-2025

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- 08.03.2025** Regular Meeting

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- 22.30.2025** Regular Meeting

### BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

**21.02.2023** Rtn Manju Mohanka



### WEDDING ANNIVERSARY GREETINGS



- 20.02.2025** Rtn Rajiv Tibrewal & Ann Ashoo
- 21.02.2025** Rtn Sunil Kumar & Ann Alka



## PACE LEARNING CENTRE HOSTS 10TH ANNUAL ATHLETIC MEET ON 17.1.2025

The 10th Annual Athletic Meet of PACE Learning Centre was held on January 17th, 2025 amidst a sun-kissed winter morning that infused energy into all participants. The whole event witnessed enthusiastic participation from students across various categories, from pre-primary to higher secondary.

The event began with the national anthem and sportsmanship oath followed by a warm-up performance by the pre-primary students led by their teachers. The meet saw fierce competition among the four houses - South, East, West, and North - with each house giving its best and refusing to yield an inch. After a closely contested battle, South and East houses emerged as joint winners. Anjali Barman and Sujata Nath were declared the best athletes at the meet. The winners of different categories are as follows:

Events		Winners	
Position	1st	2nd	3rd
50-meter flat race	Mayurakhi Kundu	Jayati Kabiraj	Rishika Halder
Frog race	Mollika Gayen	Eti Mondal	Adrija Gayen
100-meter flat race	Priyanka Halder	Piu Sardar	Sikha Mistry
Zigzag race	Priyanka Halder	Sikha Mistry	Mitul Mondal
Potato Race	Madhurima Roy	Arohi Mondal	Shruti Mondal
Memory Race	Tulika Mistry	Hrittika Sarkar	Payel Sarkar
Math Race	Shriti Majunder	Titir Mondal	Banashree Mondal
100-meter flat race	Moumita Sardar	Disha Sarkar	Riti Barui
400-meter relay	Anjali Barman	Susmita Sardar	Priyanka Majumdar
	Neha Bandhan	Nisha Naskar	Mamata Mistry
	Anwasha Roy	Disha Naskar	Chandrika Dinda
	Rimpi Halder	Rajesree Gharami	Sneha Halder
Needle and Thread	Chandrika Dinda	Barnali Das	Anjali Barman
Spoon and Marble	Sreparna Saha	Rimpi Halder	Mamata Mistry
Sack Race	Sujata Nath	Promita Naskar	Priya Sardar
400-meter relay	Maya Barman	Payel Naskar	Aparna Haldar
	Kakuli Naskar	Priya Sardar	Mansura Khatun
	Sujata Nath	Amina Khatun	Rupa Chatui
	Rupsha Das	Baishakhi Dhali	Priyanka Mondal
Skipping Race	Maya Barman	Rupsa Das	Payel Naskar

Esteemed guests, including RCCM President Sashi Dhacholia, IPP Rakesh Kumar Goel, Rtn Runjhun Gupta, and our President Rtn Jayanta Chatterji, graced the event. They were accompanied by our teachers and distributed prizes to the winners.

To add to the excitement, a "Fun Treat" was organized for guests, students, and staff members. Stalls offering delectable street food, including Bhelpuri, Panipuri, Ghugni, and Pati sapta (a traditional Bengali winter sweet dish), were a huge hit among the students.

The event concluded with students and staff members cherishing memories of a day filled with sportsmanship, excitement, and joy.

**By Mahashweta Maity**

Vice Principal, PACE Learning Centre



Opening performance by Pre primary students



Another view dance performance by Pre-primary students led by teachers



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[3] Metropolitans enjoying the sports event [4] Participants are completing sums in Math race [5] Relay race participants are trying to beat one another [6] Students are enjoying the sports event [7] Participants of the frog race are trying hard to reach the ending point [8] Participants of 50 mtr flat race [9] Karate students breaking tiles [10] RCCM President and PLC VC Mahashweta Maity with winners of sack race

**PACE LEARNING CENTRE HOSTS 10TH ANNUAL ATHLETIC MEET ON 17.1.2025**



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**[11]** PLC President Rtn Jayanta Sir is awarding medal to the winners of Sack race

**[12]** IPP Rakesh Kumar Goel with the winner of memory race

**[13]** RCCM president is awarding medal to the 100 mtr flat race winners

**[14]** Rtn Runjhun Gupta with winner of 50 mtr flat race

**[15]** Students are cheering up the sports participants

**[16]** Metropolitans are enjoying Puckha

**[17]** President Rtn Sashi Dhacholia with IPP Rtn Rakesh Kumar Goel with Tiles breaking team

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**[19]** Metropolitans with winner houses- South & East

**[20]** Rtn Runjhun Gupta after the completion of events with students and teachers



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## DISTRIBUTION OF WOOLLEN BLANKETS ON 8.1.2025

We have distributed balance Woollen blankets to the students, Teachers and Staff making the total distributed 300 Woollen at PACE Learning Centre.



## NIOS SENIOR SECONDARY RESULTS-2025

We are pleased to share the percentages, mark sheets and photos of our last NIOS batch, whose results were published this evening.



**PROMITA NASKAR**

SCORE **81.33%**



**KAKULI NASKAR**

SCORE **79.66%**



**PAYEL NASKAR**

SCORE **66.50%**



**SONIA GHOSH**

SCORE **77.33%**



**RUPA CHATUI**

SCORE **66.66%**



**RIMI NASKAR**

SCORE **71.33%**



**TANIA GAYEN**

SCORE **73.83%**



**AVHA SARDAR**

SCORE **73.00%**



**SAMPA DAS**

SCORE **64.17%**



**MUNMUN PAL**

SCORE **69.66%**

We are happy to inform all our 10 girls Senior Secondary students have cleared their final exams.

One of them, Munmun Pal, has been appointed as a Front Desk Executive/Receptionist at Champahati Youth Computer Centre. She will receive a salary of Rs 6,000 initially and will join in February.

PACE LEARNING CENTRE had the opportunity to host 310 teachers and staff of Heritage Institute of Technology as a picnic venue, thanks to the initiation by CEO Rtn Pradip Kumar Agarwal, and supported by PP Rtn Jayanta Chatterji, heading PLC.

The team at PLC did a great job of taking care of the arrangements including food catering and rest on ground support. The day looked like an exchange in

true sense as half of the teacher of PLC were at Heritage Institute with 100 students participating in the light a smile initiative being conducted there. CEO Rtn Pradip Kumar Agarwal for himself present at Heritage to receive us with the teachers and the best way their teachers could have expressed their gratitude for PLC, was through the poem shared below highlighting the wonderful experience they had.

## Picture Perfect Picnic

It was long, was the planning,  
Not the how's and the when.  
To where? Discussions found,  
Viewpoints taken put together,  
Yes, the staff o' Heritage were  
To go, off to Piyali, far beyond!

We all arrived at school early,  
Dressed for faculty's day out,  
Wrapped woollies, 'twas cold.  
Sipping on hot cuppas before  
Boarding 7 buses, gents were  
The first, lots of fun and bold!

The long noisy deceiving drive,  
Speeding along endless roads,  
Punctuated wild doses of energy.  
Trumped, totally with fruit and  
The favourite, garam singhara,  
Bouncy bumps joyous journey!

A serene setting amongst green  
Guarded by boundary, lush lawn  
Stately trees, 'twas paradise lost.  
We children, discovered the child  
Inside, when, with a sumptuous  
B'fast, let loose, hats off to host.

Blaring music from forbidden films  
Plucked up lounging ladies onto  
The floor, delightful dancing gals.  
Leading from front, our principal  
Poised, gathering the enthusiastic  
Experts trooped over to the stall.

Picture perfect times for groups  
With wishes to capture charming  
Memories, in the garden posing.  
Nearby park shook off boredom  
To welcome scores of delightful  
Damsels, childhood discovering.

Green grass mowed, needed not  
To send invitations the gleeful guys  
Who grabbed games, off to play.  
Footballers fooled around, teams  
Treated all, with nimble skill long  
Lost score goals aplenty anyway.

Tried my hand at frisbee, Tenzing  
Tenacious with his lending hand,  
While umpiring a game of cricket.  
Two teams of teachers indulged  
Multiple means of winning game  
Of gentlemen knocking of wicket.

Oh, sizzling snacks or sliced up  
Fruit, the munching lines never  
Stopped, but grew on patiently.  
Lavish lunchtime saw dishes a  
Plenty with pleaders patrolling  
For temporary treats grudgingly.

'Twas a day which would dwell  
Deep and long in our memories  
We boarded buses, back home.  
Hearts brimming with gratitude  
The jocund joyful company sat  
In appreciative silence all, alone!

**Darryl C. Christensen**

HERITAGE INSTITUTE TEACHERS PICNIC AT PLC ON 11TH JAN 2025



## LIGHT A SMILE, INITIATIVE AT HERITAGE SCHOOL WITH 3500 STUDENTS PARTICIPATING INCLUDING PLC STUDENTS ON 11TH JAN 2025

A smile from a child that reaches their eyes can make your day brighter. Hence the annual event at Heritage school, organised by volunteers of round table was aimed at creating activities that would be a trigger that would light up their lovely smiles. The ground was made colourful and cheerful with balloons and the volunteers receiving the 100 plus PLC students and teachers, with warm smiles as they got down from the bus sent by Heritage school to pick them from Piyali, thanks to Rtn Pradip Agarwal, CEO, Heritage Institute of technology.

The children were overjoyed to get the freedom to dance to popular songs, get their faces painted, get temporary tattoos, try their strength at hammer game, sharpen their aim with hitting the bottle, sweeten their taste buds with candy floss, enjoy shooting the basketball, colouring the wall with hand prints, riding bull activity, bowling alley experience that they play to their heart's content. It was a beautiful sight to see them singing aloud, jumping with joy, laughing, and smiling. Teachers had their share of fun, headed by Shilpa, they did a great job of managing the children as they moved to areas of their interest.

We had further support of Lt Col Amitav from Heritage team, ensuring any concern or requirement was catered to on an urgent basis. The organisers put a wonderful effort in making it a complete experience, providing the children with bags filled with goodies, food packets,

water and first aid, taking care of all the basic needs ensuring there were no distractions in the way of them having fun.

Rtn Pradip Kumar Agarwal, gave us a warm welcome making us all feel at home and included RCCM in the recognition as support partners for the initiative 'Light a smile' with the added benefit of a ride in the golf cart driven by him. It felt like the reward for helping coordinate this event with all involved. The gratitude goes to Metropolitans, especially Rtn Jayanta Chatterji and President Rtn Sashi Dhacholia for the faith to lead this initiative that made the smiles of PLC students and teachers bigger and brighter.

**Report by VP Rtn Runjhun Gupta**



## LIGHT A SMILE, INITIATIVE AT HERITAGE SCHOOL WITH 3500 STUDENTS



## RE-SOUNDING SUCCESS OF WINTER CARNIVAL- A DAY TO REMEMBER

On January 24th, 2025 PACE Learning Centre organized its first-ever Winter Carnival, a resounding success that showcased the talents and creativity of our students.

The morning began with the "Draw as You Like" Inter school competition, followed by a prize and certificate distribution ceremony for the achievers of the Inter-school drawing competition. The highlight of the event was a mesmerizing mime act skit that depicted PACE Learning Centre's journey. The emotional expression and superb acting by our students left the audience, including parents and esteemed guests, spellbound.

We were honored by the presence of distinguished guests from various Rotary Clubs of Calcutta namely, Rotary Club of Avyanna, Rotary Club of Calcutta Mayfair, Rotary Club of Calcutta Charnock City, Rotary Club of Kolkata Temple City and Rotary Club of Calcutta Lake Town joined this Carnival including, Rotary Club of Calcutta Metropolitan President Rtn Sashi Dhacholia, our President Rtn Jayanta Chatterji, IPP Rtn Rakesh Kumar Goel, and Rtn Runjhun Gupta, Rtn Arundhati Chatterji, Rtn. Poulomi Dutta and Rtn Suchana Majumder, among others. As our Guest of honor, Satabdi Bhattacharjee, Principal of South City International School was present who motivated our students with her inspiring words.

We are grateful to Rotarians from Rotary Club of Avyanna, Rotary Club of Calcutta Mayfair, Rotary Club of Calcutta Charnock City, Rotary Club of Kolkata

Temple City and Rotary Club of Calcutta Lake Town joined this Carnival which made the event really fun loving. They made the event as fun loving. We are indeed thankful to them.

Our students warmly welcomed the guests with a traditional sandal tilok and a thoughtful drawing piece. The guests were then escorted to our exhibition area, where they admired the impressive display of handicrafts, including soap, chocolate, jewelry, incense candles, keychains, fabric bags, dresses, bori, pickle, and more.

A special attraction was the "Fun Math" stall, which garnered appreciation from all the guests. We extend our gratitude to Rtn Suchana Majumder Ma'am for her enthusiastic support, as she made live purchases from the stalls, promoting our students' products.

To relive the memories, please click on the link: <https://www.facebook.com/SuM.writes.990/videos/1344430353675739/?mibextid=rS40aB7S9Ucbxw6v>

The event concluded with a delicious Bengali lunch served in clay pots to all the guests. The delicacy and hospitality were appreciated by everyone.

I express our heartfelt thanks to the team that worked tirelessly behind the scenes, contributing 110% to make the event a grand success.

**Mahashweta Maity**

Vice Principal, PACE Learning Centre

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