

# SHAMBHAVI

**August 2025**

R.I Club No: 85847 Date of Charter : 26.05.2014 Meeting Day : Saturday, Time : 7 pm  
Meeting Venue : “Danica”, 4th Floor,37, Ballygunge 1<sup>st</sup> Lane, Kolkata – 700 019,  
President: Rtn. Anita Bagaria, Secretary: Rtn. Ruby Ray, Editor: Rtn. Srabonee Mitra

## Rotary International President's Message for the Month of August



**FRANCESCO AREZZO**  
President, Rotary International

August is Membership Month, but our commitment to growth and connection is year-round. When we focus on growing Rotary, we grow our ability to serve, to lead, and to bring lasting change.

Membership growth isn't just about numbers. It's about opening doors. It's about inviting more people who are ready to give their time, talents, and hearts to a cause greater than themselves. When we welcome new members, we bring in fresh ideas and new energy. We expand our impact, strengthen our clubs, and ensure that Rotary continues to evolve with the world around us.

Remember, there is now great flexibility in fashioning non traditional club models. I'm inspired when I see these innovative clubs thrive by offering new and prospective members more ways to connect and serve.

In Korea, the growth of satellite clubs has created opportunities for nearly 1,000 new members to find their place in Rotary. In Romania, the close collaboration between Rotarians, Rotaractors, and

Interactors has built a pipeline of future leaders. In India, some Rotarians gather around a shared interest — whether it's professional development or a passion for service — and those connections deepen their commitment and their joy in being part of Rotary. And we've seen cause-based clubs thrive in regions as diverse as Southeast Asia, Africa, and Europe.

There's a common thread: Where clubs are growing, membership is a priority and there is a willingness to try something new. Rotary is not limited to one structure or tradition. We are a global network of people of action, and that means there is room for many kinds of clubs, many ways to serve, and many paths into our organization.

This spirit of innovation is also guiding our efforts to reach new communities. In places where there has never been a Rotary club — or where a club once existed and faded — Rotarians are finding ways to grow Rotary. They are identifying areas of potential and building clubs that reflect the character and needs of their communities.

Every member plays a part in this journey. Whether you introduce a friend to your club, support a new meeting format, reconnect with program alumni, or simply share your Rotary story, you are helping our organization grow stronger and more vibrant.

No one owns a Rotary club. It is a gift we pass on to the next generation. When we nurture that gift, when we invite others to share in it, we ensure that Rotary continues to be a force for good.

Let's prioritize membership growth — not just in August but every month of the year. Together, through friendship, creativity, and shared purpose, we will grow Rotary and Unite for Good.

## 13<sup>th</sup> Changeover Ceremony of the Club



IPP Rtn. Sutapa handing over of Club Charter



IPP Rtn. Sutapa handing over of Collar



Contribution to Polio Fund



Financial Support for education of two orphan children



Financial Support to two needy children representing Our Nation in Kick Boxing & Karate



Financial Support for two Computers handed over to Arogya Sandhan



Team 2025-2026



"Environment Awareness" with gifts from Go Green

## LASER OPERATION FOR A NEEDY UNDERPRIVILEGED PERSON



RC Calcutta Samaritans in support of Rotary Club of Budge Budge helped Mr. Bimal Dolui, a needy underprivileged person, to undergo a laser treatment at GRSM Rotary Eye Hospital, Budge Budge. 25% of the total expenses of this operation were borne by RC Calcutta Budge Budge and 75% by RC Calcutta Samaritans. The Operation was found successful.

## Thalassemia Blood Screening Camp



After a Thalassemia Awareness Seminar conducted at Jodhpur Park Girls High School for 150 senior students on 13<sup>th</sup> August, 2025, as a part of our ongoing health and education initiatives, RC Calcutta Samaritans successfully conducted a Blood Screening Camp in collaboration with Thalassemia Control Unit of B.C Roy Post Graduate Institute of Paediatric Sciences on 27<sup>th</sup> August, 2025, after taking the "Consent Form" duly signed by their parents. A total 121 students underwent blood screening. The camp focused on spreading awareness about Thalassemia, to safeguard the health of the younger generation and create a more informed society.



**Regular Meeting of the Club followed by 1<sup>st</sup> Club Assembly and gala lunch on 24<sup>th</sup> August, 2025 hosted by Rtn. Gita Sarkar at her residence**



**Birthday Celebration with the Orphan Children of Samaritan Welfare Foundation**



On 25<sup>th</sup> August, 2025, a well wisher of RC Calcutta Samaritans celebrated her birthday in a heart-warming way with the orphan children of Samaritan Welfare Foundation, an NGO run by Mr. Pradip Mondal. The children were delighted by an engaging story telling session conducted by our member Rtn. Shikha Purkayastha followed by fun games and activities. The celebration concluded with sumptuous lunch, which brought joy and sparkle in the eyes of the children which is truly memorable.

**District Program in the month of August**

- “Muktiro Mandiro Sopano Tale - 78<sup>th</sup> Independence Day Celebration at Town Hall on 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2025 from 5 PM onwards.
- “Sammanam” – District Award 2025 on 17<sup>th</sup> August, 2025 at Dhano Dhanyo Auditorium from 3 PM onwards.

- **Membership Seminar 25-26 on 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2025 at The Ramakrishna Mission Institute of Culture, Kolkata from 10 AM onwards. Registration Rs.500/-**

**Birthday:**  
**1<sup>st</sup> August – Rtn. Srabonee Mitra,**  
**17<sup>th</sup> August – Rtn. Gita Sarkar**  
**Wedding:**  
**5<sup>th</sup> August – Rtn. Sutapa Dutta & Mr. Sujitendra**

