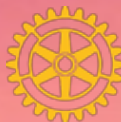


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Homage to Aandhi Shah

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President 2001 – 02

*Death is not an end but a
beginning of eternal life*

Aandhi Shah was born on 6th November 1954 in London, UK. She was the elder child of late Thakor Shah and late Jyotsna Shah. She did her schooling from Bishop Westcott School in Ranchi and her graduation from M.S. University Baroda. Soon after she came to Kolkata and started working. She started her own business in 1980 and there was no looking back. "The Second Floor", her office was always a hub of activity. She was known for her excellence in her chosen field of vocation (reprographic service).

A Charter member of Rotary Club of Calcutta Victoria (RID 3291), her contribution to the club and to Rotary District is immense. She was Club Secretary twice, first in 1996-97 and a second time in 2015-16.

She became President in 2001 – 02 when



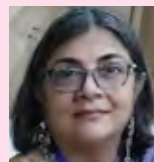
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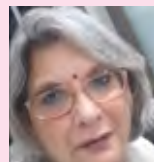
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Siddhartha Sadan Bose was the District Governor.

Her year as President was the year of 'Masti'. The last meeting of every month had a programme that was light hearted and full of fun. Very supportive of youth, she had stressed on programmes for the youth and Interactors and Rotaractors were part of most of the programmes and projects. Some highlights of that year was: A Mock Security Council Assembly with WEBFUNA, held in the august ambience of the Assembly House to commemorate U.N. Day. A night shelter for 300 girl children at Loreto Day School, Sealdah – a matching grant project, was inaugurated. The club received the First prize at the District awards

for this noble project . About a 1000 children from 9 schools and 25 challenged children of the Spastics society of Eastern India were taken to Mother Dairy at Dankuni on an educational trip. Her year saw a record number of joint meetings – 9 in all. Work in other areas like Leprosy awareness and detection, Literacy, Low cost shelters, training in yoga and physiotherapy, computer training, projects at RCC etc. continued. Other highlights were Sharad Parikrama – puja hopping with 700 underprivileged children and a sports meet for 600 students of the club's CLE school were organised. "We Are The World", an International event spread over 2 days was organised at Ultadanga.

She was pretty active in the District too and held different posts. District Chairperson, GSE Team Leader, DA and Assistant Governor. As GSETL she had led a team to Australia. GMLs and District Directories were regularly brought out from her establishment. She was an editor of our club for years. Few other Rotary clubs also had their bulletins designed & printed from her office which were highly rated. A dedicated and knowledgeable Rotarian, Rotary was in her blood. Dear Aandhi left for her heavenly abode on 3rd December 2025 leaving behind her younger brother Anil Shah and sister-in-law Rita.

We pray that her soul rests in eternal peace. *Om Shanti !!*

Chhanda Banerji



My memories of dear Aandhi di.....

It all began when I joined RC Calcutta Victoria in August 1997. I shall always remember dear Aandhi di as a very confident, positive, energetic, proactive, helpful yet 'no-nonsense' person with an infectious passion for creating lasting relationships. Our friendship was built on mutual trust, respect and affection for each other. Needless to mention that every single professional and Rotary visiting card and stationery of mine, along with my daughter Aparajita's wedding card and envelopes were designed and printed by her hardworking and loving team at "The Second Floor". In fact, during my tenure as the District Governor of RI District 3291 in RY 2024 – 2025, I was extremely grateful when my District team supported my decision to have both the mini- and the mega- District Directory, GMLs and numerous other e-flyers of the various District events designed by her dedicated team. Dear Aandhi di was very ill at that time and this was a very small gesture as Rotarians of the District to show our solidarity and respect to her. I will always remember dear Aandhi di's vibrant and ever-smiling face. Her memory and immense contribution to RCCV will remain as a blessing, held close by all who walked even a small part of Rotary's life path with her. She will be truly missed by all of us. Rest in eternal peace dear Aandhi di....Om Shanti...

Dr Krishnendu Gupta

District Governor, RY 2024 - 2025



Aandhi Shah (Aandhidi like she was popularly known) like the name suggests, was a "storm" in the good sense of the word.

She could get things done by her strong personality, persuasive manner and of course knowledge. She was one of the reasons for my joining Rotary. An exemplary Rotarian, excelling in her vocation and at the same time to do hands on work in projects. Charter member of Rotary Club of Calcutta Victoria, Past President highly respected in the District and a fountain of Rotary knowledge, she was an inspiration to us all.

May God bless her and may she be in peace.

Sachiv Nijhawan

My dearest Aandhi, why were you in such a hurry to go?

Life with Aandhi was always fun. She was a dynamic personality and an inspiration to all. If you needed any work done, she was the person to go to. Always smiling and happy, Aandhi's laughter will remain around us and in our hearts.

A wonderful soul and may you rest in peace.....

PP Vinita Dutt



My memories of Aandhi go back 32 years when I joined the Rotary Club of Calcutta Victoria. What impressed me the most was her hard work and discipline and she was also a perfectionist. Her working hours were often long and arduous. I remember her dedication and also her accuracy in whatever she did. She taught me so many things about how a good bulletin for Rotary clubs should be like. She loved simple things and she really was very fond of home made food and yoghurt. Even in the painful long months post her surgery when she was at home and I visited her she always met me with a smile and asked about the Club. I only wish she had recovered but it was not to be. I will not be able to forget her easily. May her beautiful soul rest in peace.

Kashmiri Marwah

Tribute to our Didi

Hard-working, ever-smiling and full of zest, Didi was a pillar of support for all of us who worked in her office. She never made us feel like employees but true partners in the business. We worked together as one team.

Team 'The Second Floor'



Aandhi Shah with her family

