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BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY MONTH

Saturday, September 20, 2025

Sammanam District Swards (Second Editton)

The second edition of District Awards for individual recognition, membership and TRF was held on 30th August 2025. Col. M.M. Burman, K.K.Jha, Vinita Dutt, Seema Danda, Dr. Bhaswati Roy, Sohini Banerjee, Rajnish Mehta and Dr. Krishnendu Gupta were present from Rotary Calcutta Victoria. Prizes and recognitions received by the club are as follows:





AWARDS WON

- ◆ Arch Klumph Shield for highest contribution to TRF
- ◆ First Prize in Group B for contribution to TRF (Total)
- ♦ First Prize in Group B for contribution to TRF (per capita)
- **♦** First Prize for support to Polio Plus
- First Prize in overall contribution to TRF
 - **♦** First Prize for contribution in Endowment fund (per Capita)
- ♦ Outstanding Club President (2024-25) Rajnish Mehta
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- Sohini Banerjee ♦ Outstanding AG (2024-25) Vinita Dutt
- ♦ Outstanding ZS (2024-25)
 - Sachiv Nijhawan
- ◆ Recognition to (i) Col. M.M.Burman, (ii) Seema Danda (iii) Dr. Bhaswati Roy and (iv) K.K.Jha
 - ♦ Highest contributor to TRF Dr. Krishnendu Gupta (DG 2024-25)



Francesco Arezzo RI President 2025-2026



Dr. Ramendu Homchoudhury *District Governor*2025-2026



Capt Arnab Sen President 2025-2026



Kashmiri Marwah Secretary 2025-2026



Sudipta Sen Treasurer 2025-2026



Shampa Chakraberty Editor 2025-2026

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Education for Disadvantaged Students



A project to support the education of needy students at Rama Krishna Mission Boys School and Home at Rahara was organised at the initiative of Club Treasurer Sudipta Sen. She had conceived of the project where donations were mostly given by Gen Z. On 6th September President Arnab Sen, Treasurer

Sudipta Sen, Community Service Director Seema Danda and Varsha Ghatak travelled to RK Mission Boy's Home at Rahara to hand over the cheque. Education of 14 students were sponsored at Rs. 20,000/- each for one year through the Club .lshan Danda ,son of Seema and Ashim Danda, Varsha Ghatak and



RCCV sponsored one student each, rest were friends and family of Sudipta Sen. In addition 5 more students were sponsored organised through our Treasurer, and directly donated to RK MIssion Boys' Home. Kudos to Sudipta Sen for taking the initiative and organising such an excellent project for disadvantaged

AT LIGHTHOUSE FOR THE BLIND SCHOOL



Like every year (except covid year), this year too Rotary Calcutta Victoria gifted Writers to the Lighthouse for the Blind H.S.School -- a project meticulously planned and executed by PP Dr. Jai Nath Gurtu. On Saturday 13th September 2025 several Victorians travelled to the school for the signature project of the club. This year was special as for the first time the school received a "smart room". The digital gadget was donated by Rekha

Saraf, wife of Ashok Saraf, a school friend of PP Arvind Agrawal. Mr. Ashok Saraf was present at the meeting. Master of ceremonies Col. M.M. Burman welcomed everybody. The programme started with Ganesh Vandana followed by a group song sung by some visually challenged students of the school. After presentation of bouquets President Capt. Arnab Sen addressed the gathering and expressed the Club's gratitude for the

very special gift of digital class room by Rekha Saraf. Ashok Saraf an architect, who was representing his wife, in his address remembered our late Mukul Mittra his 'guru' and said how happy he was to be present and privileged to be able to donate this gift which would help the students immensely. He hoped other institutions would come forward and also extend help. He further stated that he would adopt some students



after class XII for their higher studies. Principal of the school Mr. Amiya Satpati gave a brief history of the school and stated that this year all 13 students who passed out received above 70% marks. Demonstration of the

digital gadget was given after cutting of ribbon by the dignitaries. It has both visual (for low vision) and audio. All subjects from class V to X have been incorporated in the machine. Dr. Jai Nath Gurtu in his address spoke about the project and stated that till date RCCV has given 486 'Writers' which allowed the Board examinees to write their exams. This year 71 writers have been given @Rs. 600/- each Rtn. Siddharth Jhajharia has sponsored 50 of them. The cheques were handed over to the principal by Capt. Arnab Sen and Dr. Jai Gurtu. Vote of thanks was given by PP Chhanda Banerji. Snack boxes for students, staff and guests were sponsored by Dr. Kanchan Gurtu. It is our privilege that every year we are able to do this noble project for the visually challenged. The 1374th meeting of Rotary Calcutta Victoria was merged with this project held on 13th September 2025. Members who attended :- Capt. Arnab Sen, Col. M.M.Burman, Dr. Jai Nath Gurtu, Arvind Agrawal, Chhanda



Banerji, Gayatree Dhar, Sudipta Sen, Kashmiri Marwah, Seema Danda, Sutapa Das. There were two guests Ashok Saraf and Sakshi Haralalka. After the meeting some members had lunch at Tollygunge Club.

SWAR SUDHA



Sixth mega digital hearing aid project was held for the students of Ideal School for the Deaf at Salt Lake on 24th August 2025, in association with Fine Tune Hearing Clinic. Community Service Director (Medical) Dr. Jai Nath Gurtu organised the whole project

meticulously. 30 students, who most needed the hearing aids determined by audiometry test, were fitted with the latest device imported from Denmark, costing Rs. 20,000/- each. The programme at the school was well conducted by Master of Ceremonies PP Col. M.M.



Burman. District Governor Dr. Ramendu Hom Chaudhuri was the chief guest. District Joint Secretary(projects) Rtn. Sujata Gupta was also present. RCCV members present were Capt. Arnab Sen, Club Secretary Kashmiri Marwah. Vinita Dutt, Sudipta Sen, Gayatree Dhar,









Seema Danda, Arvind Agrawal, Dr. Jai Nath Gurtu, Col. M.M. Burman and Dr. Mrs. Kanchan Gurtu. The event was sponsored (A CSR project) by World Wide Safety Pvt. Ltd. whose MD Mr. Prashant Tulsiyan is a good friend of RCCV member PP Arvind Agrawal. DG Dr. R. Hom Chaudhuri expressed his happiness

at this wonderful project implemented by RCCV. Kudos to Dr. Jai Nath Gurtu and PP Arvind Agrawal. Many thanks to Mr. Prashant Tulsiyan for his generosity.

INTERACTORS IN ACTION

Interact Club of P.B. Academic School had their Installation Meeting on 10th September 2025.

Interact Club of Calcutta International

School too had their Installation meeting. It was held on 15th September 2025. Reports of both the meetings will be printed in the next bulletin.

CERVICAL CANCER AWARENESS CAMP

A Cervical Cancer Awareness Camp was held on 23rd August 2025 at Metropolitan Institute Main for Girls. A large number of guardians of senior students of the school attended the programme. They were appraised of the need for Cervical Cancer Vaccination for young girls to protect them from the dreaded disease at a later age. Sudipta Sen and Seema Danda attendeed the event.

CONDOLENCE

Mrs. Meenakshi Atal, a noted educationist, wife of late PP Deepak Atal left for her heavenly abode on 11 th September 2025. Our heartfelt condolence to her daughters Shivani and Puja and their families. May her soul rest in eternal peace.

GET WELL SOON

1. PP VINITA DUTT HAS HAD A KNEE REPLACEMENT SURGERY ON 2ND SEPTEMBER 2025. WE WISH HER A SPEEDY RECOVERY.

2. PP JAGDISH MARWAH, FATHER OF KASHMIRI MARWAHIS VERY UNWELL. WE WISH HIM A SPEEDY RECOVERY.



Vinita Dutt 9th September

B.K.Agarwal 14th September

Sohini Banerjee 18th September

Sandeep Banerjee 22nd September

Chhanda Banerji 25th September

Roopa Sheth Mitra 6th October

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FIRST CLUB ASSEMBLY

First Club Assembly was held on 26th July 2025. AG Amartya Ghosh conducted the assembly. ZS Sharmistha Chakraborty also present.

■ CLUB ADMINISTRATION

Chair: Gayatree Dhar

• No. of members: 41+1(Hony. member)

• No. of Regular Meetings: Installation meeting (28.06.25), one regular meeting (12.07.25)



like table fan, digital thermometer, weighing machine & height measuring scale were contributed to Joyjeet Das Memorial School for the benefit of their children.

 Tarpaulin Distribution: On 20th July 2025, 30 tarpaulins were distributed



in Lake Garden area with Rotary logo and RCCV's name to 30 cycle rickshaw pullers to protect them from sun and rain. This also enhanced Rotary's PUBLIC IMAGE.



• No. of Board Meeting: 1 (16.07.25)

• COLS: (21.06.25)

2025, a health check up camp for 97 pupils of St. Lawrence Night School



- **Bulletin (Installation):** 1 (28.06.25)
- **District Training Assembly:** Attended by President, Secretary, Treasurer and other office bearers.
- **•Fellowship:** One (Installation Meeting)

■SERVICE PROJECTS

■ COMMUNITY SERVICE

(Non - Medical)
Chair: Seema Danda

• Disadvantaged Children: On 1st July

pupils of St. Lawrence Night School

organised. Prescribed medicines given as well as food packets.

On 7th July 2025, much needed items



(Medical)

Chair: Dr. Jai Nath Gurtu

• **Doctor's Day:** On 1st July 2025, A medical check up camp held at St.









Lawrence School for their Night School students. General check up, Eye & dental check up were conducted. 97 children benefitted. Medicines given free of cost as well as food packets. 3 doctors were present as well as teachers.



• At the conclusion of the club assembly AG Amartya Ghosh spoke briefly about strategic planning and goals which are specific, measurable achievements and time bound. Projects should have impact. He also stressed that the club should have a committee

 $specifically for Thal assemia\, awareness\,.$

◆ Club meetings could become more interesting if the venues are occasionally different. Like in a heritage site or a barge etc. said the AG. He was thanked by the President. Mementos were presented to the AG and ZS.

