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## Welcome To Our Chief Guest MR. K. KEERTHI KUMAR

Environmental Officer,  
Karnataka State Pollution Control Board,  
Mangalore.

Mr. Keerthi Kumar has done his B.E.in Civil Engineering and later M.Tech in Environmental Engineering. He joined as an Assistant Environmental Officer in Karnataka Pollution Control Board during 1999 and served at various places such as Gulbarga, Hassan Bengaluru. He was promoted in 2019 as Environmental Officer and took charge of the Regional Office, Mangaluru since then.

## National Pollution Control Day

The National Pollution control day is observed on the 2nd of December in our country in memory of the people who lost their lives in the Bhopal gas calamity in 1984. Many innocent individuals lost their lives on the night of 2nd December in 1984, in Bhopal because of the leakage of highly poisonous gas MIC (Methyl Isocyanate) from the Union Carbide Pesticide Factory. It is one of the most horrific industrial pollution disasters of the world killing more than 3500 people and injuring more than 5 lakh people. The objective behind the observance of this day is to become aware of the daily acts that have resulted in the surge of pollution so that we can try to reduce them. People should be given proper knowledge about the Effects and the problems of the Pollution in the World. It is about getting everybody knowledge about reducing pollution and thereby saving people from the dangerous effects of pollution.

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PROGRAMME TODAY AT 7.00 PM

**Chief Guest : MR. K. KEERTHI KUMAR**

Environmental Officer,

Karnataka State Pollution Control Board, Mangalore.

Ann's & Annets Invited Tea Meeting

NEXT WEEK 08.12.2020 AT 07.30 P.M.

**Programme by**

**Blind School Students**

Ann's & Annets Invited Dinner Meeting

## RI President's Message - December 2020



As I look back on 2020, I reflect on how our lives have changed. The global COVID-19 pandemic brought pain and loss to many of us. And for almost all of us, our daily lives, family time, and work also changed this year. But we've made it to the end of this difficult year, not on our own but by reaching out to one another, as we always do in Rotary. With each passing year, I become prouder of our organization.

I will choose to remember 2020 as a year of great change and strength for us; Rotary didn't stop, despite the pandemic. We removed obstacles, found new ways to connect, and embraced new approaches to service, such as online projects and virtual fundraising. I have invited two Rotarians to share their stories about how Rotary grew stronger this year.

When the pandemic shut everything down, our emerging e-club was already providing digital service, including internationally. Fourteen U.S. women and I, members of multiple Rotary clubs, were using WhatsApp to mentor women entrepreneurs in rural Costa Rica, helping them to grow their ecotourism business, RETUS Tours [the subject of the magazine's May cover story, "[Nature & Nurture](#)". The project has grown, with 30 Rotarians now providing consulting and help with the RETUS website and social media. Most importantly, we continue building relationships and empowering these women to transform their own lives, and we are doing it online. I've even helped one of the women, Rosa, prepare a presentation in English for an online international conference. While our engagement with the Costa Rican women still requires some hands-on activity, the most transformative impacts haven't had to be in person.

**Liza Larson**, Rotary E-Club Engage and Rotary Club of Plano East, Texas

I was president of my club when COVID-19 hit, and many members didn't yet have Zoom. Only 10 of our 53 members participated in the first Zoom meeting during the pandemic. I thought that reaching out and getting guest speakers from around the world to engage our members would help. Many Rotary leaders, a Rotary Peace Fellow, and even RI President Holger Knaack visited virtually and spoke to our club. Meeting attendance improved, while we reduced running costs by cutting out meals. Some members who worked outside our city and had missed our meetings even rejoined us. Registering our online meetings on My Rotary enhanced contacts with clubs across the world, and the joint meeting addressed by Holger attracted more than 300 visitors. We also raised more funds as members and visitors contributed to our projects. To continue being flexible for all, we are now offering hybrid meetings. For me, 2020 has been the best year in Rotary as I've made many new friends.

**Blessing Michael**, Rotary Club of Port Harcourt North, Nigeria

These stories should give us all reasons to be optimistic about Rotary in the year ahead. We are not just surviving; we are gaining strength. We are discovering how resilient our organization truly is. We are seeing for ourselves how Rotary Opens Opportunities-even during pandemics-to grow, connect, and engage our members and the communities we serve. From our home in Ratzeburg to yours, Susanne & I would like to bid you & your family the warmest of season's greetings. We can't wait to see the good things that 2021 will bring.

- **Holger Knaack**, *President 2020*

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President : **Rtn. Rohinath P.**

## A brief report of the meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> November 2020

A panel discussion on the occasion of **International day for elimination of violence against women** was held with **Dr.Kusum Allwyn D'Sa as moderator** and **Mrs. Rajeshwari Shetty and Mr. Srinivasan Nandagopal as Panelists**. Mrs.Rajeshwari Shetty informed that violence against women starts at home itself. It may be physical or mental. Even in 2020 women are not safe inside the home. In spite of so much technological development and women competing equally with men, still violence against women continues. Earlier human beings killed other animals for food. It was acceptable. When humans realized that animals are weak against them, they started killing them for pleasure which is an act of violence. Like wise men started exploiting women because they are weak. The reason for starting International Day for violence against women was the assassination of three sisters in Dominican Republic on 25th November 1960 by the Dictator Ruler of the country who was exploiting the women and the three sisters fought against that. Studies show that violence is done against one in every 3 woman. So first and foremost required is individual transformation within ourselves. We have to teach to the next generation about this violence. If I change persons along with me also change Beginning from home, neighborhood, town and society changes will come. We have to Orange the world. Raise funds for helping the women who had violence against them. She called upon Rotary Clubs to take lead in this movement.

Second panellist Srinivasan Nandagopal informed that precious things like gold is more vulnerable and gets abused than garbage. Hunter hunts for food and gets contended once belly is full. When needs turn into wants trouble arise. The want leads into pleasure, power and position. Domestic violence by a woman against another woman is basically for power and position. In Dominican Republic also the root cause of the violence was for establishment of power and position. The violence is less in lower class people when compared to middle and high class where financial, political and social aspects are also involved. Atrocities of upper classes against lower classes also for the same reasons of power, position and pleasure. We have to talk loudly against this proclaiming our commitment to stop this violence. All of us should resolve I will not commit and also I will ensure nobody else would commit any violence against women. Sitting silently and seeing a crime happening is a bigger crime. Contentment in life is very important. Once the contentment comes then the pleasure is in having what I have, position is what I stood for and power is by my virtues.

Moderator Dr.Kusum told that both the speakers made out their points nicely and informed that every woman sometime in her life is either molested or abused or talked badly or stared upon. It is required that the oppressed should come out and speak against the violence. If we don't oppose violence it amounts to supporting it. It is observed that maximum violence come from family members and close relative than outsiders. What's required of us is to give our ears to people around us to ensure that the scars of the body and mind of people are properly healed. Later tasty Pot luck dinner was served by Anns.



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Pollution affects natural resources such as air, water, soil, forests etc. which in turn affect the health of people. Air Pollution happens by Bursting of Crackers, Vehicles running on the Roads, poisonous gases emanating from factories, stubble burning etc. Water pollution happens because of release of untreated effluents by Industries. Soil pollution happens by dumping of plastic materials etc. Pollution can be reduced by scientific treatment and management of the solid waste, waste reuse and production of power from many types of waste. National Pollution Control Board and State Pollution Control Boards formulates Rules and Regulations for controlling pollution in Industries. It is very important to focus on decreasing the pollution for making a better pollution free world. Every body has to come forward to reduce pollution through many of pollution free activities.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY



**Rtn. Dinesh Kumar**  
28<sup>th</sup> Nov.



**Rtn. Radhakrishna Rai**  
29<sup>th</sup> Nov



**Ann Rashmi Dinesh**  
1<sup>st</sup> Dec

**Annet Aanchal Dinesh A B - 1<sup>st</sup> Dec**

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