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A Hearty Welcome to Today's **Chief Guest**

DR. R. G. D'SOUZA

Dean of Faculty of Engineering & Technology, Yenepoya University.

Dr. R.G. D'Souza's contributions both to academics and the field of civil engineering are commendable and inspiring. He is a visionary leader, scholar, and a



highly respected professional in the field of Civil Engineering. Dr. D'Souza holds a Ph.D. in Civil Engineering from NITK, Surathkal, a Master of Technology in Structural Engineering from MIT, MAHE, and a Bachelor of Engineering in Civil Engineering from the Manipal Institute of Technology.

He is a life member and fellow of several prestigious organizations, including the Institution of Valuers, India, Institution of Engineers, India, and the Indian Concrete Institute. In addition, he is a professional engineer and chartered engineer in Civil Engineering, as well as an approved valuer for immovable properties. His professional expertise is further demonstrated through his roles as a Training and Placement Officer, Student Welfare Officer, and his active involvement in numerous committees and councils. Dr. D'Souza's ability to bring creativity, problem-solving, and long-range planning into every project he undertakes is a testament to his leadership and commitment.

Dr. D'Souza's career spans various prestigious institutions, where he has held significant academic and administrative positions, including his current role as the Dean of the Faculty of Engineering and Technology at Yenepoya University. Previously, he served as the Principal of YIT Moodbidri and has been a Professor and Head of the Department of Civil Engineering at P.A. College of Engineering, Mangalore, among other esteemed positions.

Dr. D'Souza has participated in several national and international conferences, presented and published research papers, and has guided numerous dissertations at both the undergraduate and postgraduate levels. His wealth of experience is further enriched by his involvement in disaster rehabilitation works and quality assurance inspections. His academic and professional journey stands as a beacon of dedication, excellence, and service to the community.

PROGRAMME

TODAY AT 07.30 PM

Chief Guest: Dr.R.G. D' Souza, Dean Faculty of Engineering & Technology Yenepoya University

Topic : **Water & Sanitation** Ann & Annets invited

Dinner Meeting

Next meeting. 18.03.2025 AT 07.30 PM

Club Assembly

Ann & Annets invited

WE MEET EVERY TUESDAY AT 7.00 P.M. AT BAL BHAVAN, MANGALURU - 3 PH: 0824-2950246 The weekly meeting of 4th March commenced with an invocation by Rtn. Pundalika Shenoy. President Rtn. Mohan Nair welcomed the members, Anns and Annetts. 2 recently inducted members, Rtn. Chethana Gadiyar and Rtn. Dr. Sukesh Rao presented their classification talks, sharing insights into their careers & contributions.

Rtn. Chethana Gadiyar has more than 16 years of experience in journalism. She has worked across news reporting, editing, research, and storytelling, specializing in topics such as education, business, lifestyle, and politics. She had her early education from Sri Narayanan Guru School, Canara High School and Canara PU College. She pursued a degree in Communication & Journalism at St. Aloysius College and later completed her postgraduate studies in Print Media at Manipal Institute of Communication in 2006. During her study time she received Outstanding Young Journalist Award (2004) for her investigative report "Development at Whose Cost?", analyzing Karnataka's urban development

She started her work at Udayavani as Content Editor. Covering major news events, wrote special reports, and highlighted social issues, leading to administrative interventions. Later she worked as Field Operations Correspondent wherein she Created content on education sector insights, research, and developmental stories. And also Oversaw community support programs, child rehabilitation, and educational initiatives. Her other Notable Roles include City Drive (Associate Editor) Covered technology, culture, and business news.

For World Konkani Centre (Media Coordinator), she Managed content for "Vishwa Konkani Varta Patra." She later worked for Daijiworld Weekly, Dataquest, Vijaya Times (Journalist & Sub-Editor) and Program Executive at Voices (Media Advocacy Group). Beyond journalism, she is passionate about "animal rescue and welfare" actively involved in caring for stray animals. She also helps run a Pet Shop.

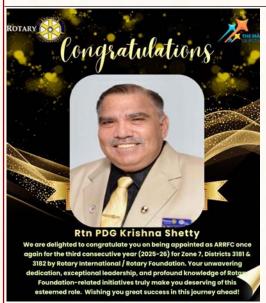
Another new member Rtn. Dr. Sukesh Rao Pulmonology & Allergy Specialist informed that he is a highly experienced pulmonologist with 34 years in medicine including 31 years as a specialist. He runs "Suma Clinic, Mangalore" providing comprehensive respiratory and allergy treatments. He said that he got his MBBS & MD in Pulmonary Medicine from G.S.V.M. Medical College, Kanpur (1986, 1990). He specializes in





treating "respiratory infections, asthma, chronic cough, and allergies". He Offers "spirometry, allergy testing, and immunotherapy" for long-term allergy relief. He said that there are different types of allergies such as "Skin Allergies": Latex allergy, dermatitis, angioedema, hives, cosmetic allergies, eczema. "Lung Allergies" Allergic asthma, chronic cough. "Gastrointestinal Allergies". Food allergies, food intolerance, celiac disease. He said that through "Immunotherapy" these diseases are curable through injections or sublingual tablets to build tolerance over long periods by reducing medication dependence. His clinic aims to provide an "all-in-one allergy management solution" ensuring scientifically backed, affordable, and compassionate care for patients across all age groups.

The meeting concluded with vote of thanks by Secretary Rtn Sudarshan Nayak.



Congratulations to PDG Krishna Shetty

In the weekly meeting on 4th March Rtn. R.N. Gogeri Assistant Commissioner of Commercial Tax (GST), Mangalore who was earlier a member of the Rotary Hubli North was inducted into our club as a new member.Rtn. Gogeri is a multifaceted individual, excelling in singing, program organizing, and swimming. contributions have earned him multiple accolades, including recognition from the Dharwad Municipal Corporation and the prestigious Basava Prashasti. His induction marks the fifth new member to join the club during this year.





March is Water, Sanitation & Hygiene Month.

Clean water, sanitation and hygiene education are basic necessities for a healthy environment and a productive life. When people have access to clean water and sanitation, waterborne diseases decrease, children stay healthier and attend school more regularly and mothers can spend less time carrying water and more time helping their families. Clean water, sanitation and hygiene education are basic necessities for a healthy environment and a productive life.

While very few people die of thirst, millions die from preventable waterborne diseases, providing the impetus for our members to also improve sanitation facilities in undeveloped countries. Rotary Members start by providing toilets and latrines that flush into a sewer or safe enclosure and then add education programs to promote handwashing and other good hygiene habits. At Rotary, we're taking action. Over the past decade, Rotary Foundation has invested more than \$180 million in over 2,500 water and sanitation projects worldwide. WASH in Schools Target Challenge: Rotary has challenged its members to develop sustainable water, sanitation and hygiene education projects in five countries: Belize, Guatemala, Honduras, India and Kenya. WASH projects: Since 2013, The Rotary Foundation has invested in more than 1,000 WASH projects in more than 100 countries. Through grants from The Rotary Foundation and fundraising by Rotary clubs, our volunteers have supported water purification, hygiene, education, latrine construction and waste management. During March, Rotary Water and Sanitation Month, Rotary is celebrating its commitment to create healthier communities by supplying clean water and sanitation facilities to prevent the spread of infectious diseases. How Rotary makes it happen - Through water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) programs, Rotary's people of action mobilise resources, form partnerships and invest in infrastructure and training that yields long term benefits. The Rotary Foundation is changing the world by providing grants for projects and activities around the globe.

Rotary-USAID Partnership: Rotary has partnered with the United States Agency for International Development in Ghana, Madagascar and Uganda to implement sustainable, long-term programs to improve water supplies, sanitation and hygiene.

Rotary efforts to connect people with clean water go beyond providing a basic necessity. We are paving the way for healthier communities and brighter futures, and doing so in a sustainable manner. With access to water, communities enhance education levels, improve health, and further development. "We never know the worth of water till the well is dry." - Thomas Fuller

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



Rtn Mohan C Nair & Ann Shanthi Nair, 8th Mar

Happy Birthday

Annet Aghima Sajith Kottarathe 5th March Annet Unni Krishnan M. Nair. 7th March

ROTARY SOUTH ASIA INTERNATIONAL PEACE CONFERENCE-2025 is being organised by Rotary Dist. 3192 from 22nd to 23rd March, 2025 at KPTO, Whitefield, Bengaluru. It is a unique gathering to address global issues of environment and health. "Healthy Lives, Greener Futures"





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