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Club Service

25.02.2025: Weekly Meeting

Venue: Rotary Bhavan, Manipal

Topic: Joint Meeting with Rotaract Club of Manipal

Speakers: Rtn. Renu Jayaram, Rtn. Chethan Sriyan, Rtr. Angela, Rtr. Hamsini

Meeting Co-Ordinator: Rtr. Adithya Bhansali

Host: Rtn. Chethan Sriyan

No. of participants: 45



Meeting was called to order by President Rtn. Subhash Bangera. Thought for the day was presented by Rtr. Devansh. Rotary Information was presented by Rtn. Dr. Divyashree M S. Profile of Rtn. Bharathi Kotian was read in the series "I'm a Proud Rotarian".

Rtn. Chetan Shriyan in his Classification Talk said that his father worked in Bank and mother was a home maker. His early education was in Kundapur. Later, he had to shift to Mumbai.

Chethan did his Diploma in Electronics. After his education, in 2020, when pandemic struck, he had to look for a start up to keep himself going. This is when he opened an Elevator Company called "Om Chethan Elevators". Thus, Corona was a positive influence to his life, Chethan explained.



Thought for the Day
Rtr. Devansh

Chinese proverb about happiness:

If you want happiness for an hour, take a nap. If you want happiness for a day, go fishing. If you want happiness for a year, inherit a fortune. But, if you want happiness for a lifetime, help someone else.

This saying reminds us that true & lasting happiness doesn't come from wealth & short-term pleasures, but from helping other & making a difference in their lives.



Rotary Information
Rtr. Divyashree M S

In 2024, Rotary International and its Indian chapters undertook several significant projects addressing various community needs. Here are some of the main initiatives:

- Continued Polio Eradication Efforts: Rotary has vaccinated nearly 3 billion children in 122 countries, reducing polio cases by over 99.9%.
- Rotary announced a US\$2 million Programs of Scale grant to support farmers in India.
- Rotary club in India organized a tree plantation drive, planting over 500 saplings to promote environmental sustainability and combat climate change.
- Rotary clubs in India focused on health and education.
- Rotary India initiated a water conservation project aimed at improving water resource management and farming practices.
- Rotary members participated in the construction of a dam in India, funded by the Rotary Foundation under Global Grant #2461343.

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District Projects

- Clean Environment for Good Health
- Awareness to Road Safety
- Education with Legal Awareness
- Go Green and Save Water

THE 4-WAY TEST

- Of the things we think, say or do
- Is it the TRUTH ?
- Is it FAIR to all concerned ?
- Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS ?
- Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned ?

Club Service... (Cont'd)

President Elect Rtr. Angela, Secretary Elect Rtr. Hamsini of Rotaract Club Manipal presented the Annual Report 2025. Under the guidance of Youth Service Charman, Rtn. Col Madhav Shanbhag & Community Service Director, Rtn. Rajavarma Ariga, Rotaract Club of Manipal had undertaken various projects like Stationery Donation to Students, Blanket Donation to old age homes, Letter head exchange with other Rotaract Clubs, Blood Donation Camps, Orphanage visits, old age home visits, Mega Cloth Donation to slums, Coast to Coast 3.0 Mega Beach Cleaning program, Dandiya fund raiser, Asare visit, medical supply donation like first aid kits, Table donation to rehabilitation centres & Substance Abuse Seminars. It was a remarkable show by the Rotaractors showing their bonding & leadership qualities.



Rtn. Renu Jayaram, active member of POWER team, passionately spoke on the success of 5th edition of Power Parba 2025, a three-day mega marketing fair that was conducted to promote Women entrepreneurs of Udupi. The event started with a bike & car rally by POWER members from DC Office, Udupi. Dr. Anil Rana, Director, MAHE, Manipal flagged off the rally. The mega event took 6-month prior planning & organising and budget was Rs. 35 lakhs. There were 150 exhibitors who participated in the event. Workshops, Cultural events, competitions, stalls, award ceremonies were all part of the event and gave branding to the entrepreneurs. Seven eminent deserving women were honoured with the prestigious POWER Star Award. PDG Rtn. Dr. Jayagowri was one of them, acknowledging her inspiring journey as paediatrician & advocate for social service. MSME Reimbursement Scheme was introduced to Women Entrepreneurs. There was a crowd of 3,000 people who participated in the event on all three days. It was a great learning and team work said Rtn. Renu.

After the three sessions, Rtr. Saikrishna sang a Marathi Bhajan melodiously which was soothing for the audience. PDG Rtn. Dr. Gowri gave an inspiring message to Rotaractors to join Rotary in future and serve community. She informed them about the Peace Centre & avail scholarship. Rtn. Shubha was congratulated on being appointed as the Director of Manipal Institute of Communication. Rtn. Shubha H S requested the gathering to contribute to TRF. The session was concluded with announcements & vote of thanks by Secretary Rtn. Farida Uppin, National Anthem & Group Photo. It was a well-conducted meeting.

Vocational Service

25.02.2025: Valedictory function of 2 days' workshop on Advances in Physiotherapy Skills & Practices in MCHP, MAHE, Manipal. (Rotary Global Grant: CG 2239988).



Celebrations

Birthdays:

- ❖ 27th Feb – Rtn. Venugopal G
- ❖ 28th Feb - Annette Aarshi, D/o Rtn. Vinod Kumar
- ❖ 1st Mar - Annette Vibha, D/o Rtn. Dr Virupaksha Devaramane
- ❖ 3rd Mar - John Ishaan P Hegde, S/o Rtn. Prashanth Hegde

Anniversaries:

- ❖ Rtn Dr Usha Rani and Lord Dr Anup Naha

