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## **Rotary Club of Kothamangalam**

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"One Team - One Dream, United to Serve"



Rtn. Boby P. Kuriakose Rtn. Col. Shery Peter President



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## **Rotary Club of Kothamangalam**

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Sports & Games



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Continuing Projects



Rtn. KI Jacob

Youth Service



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Medical Camps



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Rtn. Prayees Mathew Oral Cancer Detection





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Ayurveda Medical Care





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#### RI President 2025-26

#### Rtn. Francesco Arezzo

Francesco Arezzo, a member of the Rotary Club of Ragusa, Italy, has been selected by the Board of Directors to become Rotary

International's president for 2025-26. Arezzo will become president on 1 July.

The Board conducted a special session following the unexpected resignation of RI President-elect Mário César Martins de Camargo on 8 June. Guided by the RI code and policies, the Board selected the new president-elect from a pool of candidates who were considered by the Nominating Committee for President of Rotary International in August 2023.

The 2025-26 presidential message, announced at the 2025 Rotary International Assembly in February, will remain *Unite for Good*, which calls on Rotary members to be a force for unity in a world increasingly divided by politics, geography, and ideology. Through service projects, Rotary brings together people of every background — across races, religions, and professions — in a shared mission to do good in their communities.

Arezzo is an orthodontist in private practice. He is active internationally as a member of the Italian, European, and American orthodontics associations. He is vice president of the National Association of Italian Dentists for the province of Ragusa and was the founder and head for seven years of the delegation for Ragusa of the National Trust for Italy. He is a Knight of Honor and Devotion in Obedience within the Sovereign Order of Malta.

A Rotary member for more than 30 years, Arezzo has served as vice chair of the Joint Strategic Planning Committee and as RI director, learning facilitator, and as district conference presidential representative.

Arezzo is a Major Donor and Benefactor of the Rotary Foundation. He is married to Anna Maria Criscione, an entrepreneur in the tourism field. They have two children.

## From the Desk of the

# Governor 3205



Dear Charter President Elects and Secretary Elects of RI District 3205,

It is with immense pride and joy that Jayasree and me extend our hearty congratulations to each of you as you step into the esteemed roles of leadership within Rotary International District 3205. The occasion of 'CRESCENDO,' hosted at the picturesque Ashtamudi Lake Resort in Kollam, Kerala, serves as a fitting prelude to the transformational journey that lies ahead for each one of you.

Your selection as President Elects and Secretary Elects is a testament to your dedication, commitment, and potential to guide and inspire your clubs through a Rotary year that promises growth, service, and collaboration. The theme for the year ahead, 'HARMONY,' resonates deeply with the principles of Rotary and serves as an enduring call to action through its tag line 'UNITING COMMUNITIES, TRANSFORMING LIVES"—a call to nurture unity, foster understanding, and bring lasting change to the communities we serve.

Leadership within Rotary is not merely about occupying positions of authority. It is about embracing the mantle of responsibility, setting examples of SERVICE ABOVE SELF, and creating a ripple effect of goodness and positivity. You are now entrusted with the incredible opportunity to steer your clubs toward achieving their goals, while empowering your members to work collectively in harmony, bringing forth the finest expressions of teamwork and service.

The journey you are about to embark upon is bound to challenge and enrich you in countless ways. It will call upon your vision, strength, and ability to innovate. It will demand perseverance and the courage to rise above obstacles with a spirit of resilience. But above all, it will give you the privilege of making a tangible difference in the lives of many, both within and beyond your Rotary Clubs.

'CRESCENDO' has been meticulously designed to prepare you for this remarkable undertaking. It is not just a training seminar or a learning event, but a celebration of leadership, learning, and fellowship. Take advantage of the insightful sessions, interactive discussions, and inspiring stories, for these will lay the foundation of your success in the coming Rotary year. Embrace the opportunity to connect with fellow leaders, exchange ideas,

and forge relationships that will strengthen the bonds within our Rotary family.

As we reflect on this event, we must take a moment to express our heartfelt appreciation to all those who have contributed to the organization and success of 'CRESCENDO.' My sincere congratulations and gratitude go to the Rotary Club of Cochin, President Rtn Rajesh Nair, the Chair of 'CRESCENDO,' Rtn Algiers Khalid, and the Secretary, Rtn Shweta Vasudevan, for their leadership, vision, and tireless efforts in bringing this program to life. Their dedication exemplifies the very spirit of Rotary, and their contributions will undoubtedly leave an indelible mark on this seminar.

I extend my appreciation to the District Secretariat, led by DGS Rtn CAPR Thejus, for their tremendous support and efficiency in organizing this event. Their commitment has ensured a seamless experience for all participants, and their role in this endeavor deserves a huge shout out and acknowledgment.

A special mention goes to the Editor of the Manual, Rtn P Raveendranath, and his team, for their diligence and creativity in compiling this invaluable resource for the Presidents and Secretaries Elect. Their meticulous effort in curating content that inspires and empowers is truly commendable.

I also wish to recognize the contributions of our District Learning Facilitators—PDG Rtn Dr K Ajayakumar, PDG Jose Chacko, and Addl District Learning Facilitator Rtn Balagopal Bhaskara Kurup. Their guidance, expertise, and thoughtful planning have been instrumental in shaping the seminar and

ensuring its success. Their dedication to supporting the leaders of tomorrow is worthy of high praise.

As we look ahead to the Rotary year, let us remember that HARMONY is not merely a theme for our District Projects, but a way of life. It is about fostering inclusion, celebrating diversity, and working in unison to achieve our shared goals. As leaders, you have the unique ability to create environments where all voices are heard, all perspectives are valued, and all efforts are appreciated.

Your journey as President and Secretary of your Clubs will be filled with opportunities to reinvent, inspire, innovate, and leave a lasting impact. Dream big, lead with passion, and serve with compassion. Remember, you are part of a larger family of Rotarians who share your vision for a better world. Together, we can create a symphony of service that touches lives, uplifts communities, and builds a legacy of harmony.

Finally, I urge you to embrace this journey with gratitude and humility. Let your leadership shine brightly, and let your actions reflect the values and ideals that Rotary stands for. May the Rotary year ahead be a crescendo of excellence, compassion, and unity.

My partner Jayasree and me would like to wish you all, immense success and fulfillment in your role as leaders, and may 'CRESCENDO' serve as the perfect beginning to your transformative journey.

With warm regards and best wishes,

Rtn Dr. G N Ramesh Charter Governor,

Rotary International District 3205

#### Message from District Governor Elect

I extend my heartfelt congratulations to Rtn. Boby kuriakose on taking the mantle of leadership as President and Rtn. Shery Peter as Secretary of Rotary club of Kothamangalam for the Rotary year 2025–26.As you begin a new Rotary year with the inspiring theme "Unite for Good", let all of you join hands to serve together with kindness and a common goal of making lives better. This year the new reorganised district 3205 under the leadership of District Governor Rtn Dr G N Ramesh brings us the beautiful theme "Harmony", encouraging us to work in peace, understanding, and togetherness. I sincerely thank the outgoing team Rtn Binu George and secretary Rtn Dr Vijith for their dedicated service. With hope and enthusiasm, I look forward to a meaningful and successful year under the

leadership of President Boby and Secretary Shery. Wishing the new team all the best for a fruitful and joyful year ahead!

Rtn Joshy Chacko

District Governor Elect

RID 3205



#### **Message from Assistant Governor Elect**

Dear members of RC Kothamangalam

A glorious Rotary year has come to an end. The beginning of the Rotary year is always an exciting time, a new theme to work with and a renewed sense of purpose for your service projects. We must be proud of this organisation. We must better say that I am a Rotarian. However each of us chooses to serve, we do it because we know our theme HARMONY in the lives of others.

It is my proud privilege to be your Assistant Governor for the year 25-26under the dynamic leadership of Rtn .Dr.GN Ramesh . I take this opportunity to congratulate IPP Rtn. Binu George and his team for the excellent way they have performed. I wish you all and an exciting, eventful and memorable rotary year ahead.

with regards

Rtn .Jomon Varghese

Asst. Governor 2025-26



#### **KNOW YOUR PRESIDENT Elect**

Rtn. Boby P. Kuriakose

Born in 1973 to Sosamma Kuriakose and Late PV Kuriakose of the Putheeckal (Maliyil) family in Kothamangalam, Rtn. Boby P. Kuriakose is a committed professional and active social contributor. He has one brother and one sister.

His early education was at Athanasius School, Kothamangalam, followed by college education at



Rtn. Boby is the proprietor of PK Trading, a firm dealing in construction chemicals, based in Kothamangalam. He is also a skilled applicator of waterproofing systems.

His leadership roles extend beyond business. He has served as Chairman of the Staff Selection Board of the institutions of Mar Thoma Cheria Pally, Kothamangalam. He is an Executive Committee member of the Kerala Cement Dealers Association and actively involved in several nationwide NGOs, including the Human Rights Protection Mission, The Bank and Finance Account Holders Welfare Association, and the Anti-Corruption Society.

Rtn. Boby is married to Ann. Aja Chacko, daughter of Abi Chackochan and Late PV Chackochan, Puthethu house. She is a home maker. They are blessed with a daughter, Neha Susan Boby, a B.Tech graduate in Computer Science, currently working at Infopark, Kochi.

He joined Rotary in 2004 and has held several key positions such as General Secretary, Treasurer, Club Service Chair, and Membership Chair.

#### KNOW YOUR SECRETARY Elect



Born into Kottisserykudiyil Family of Chelad as the youngest son of Late Shri K. T Peter and Late Mrs Chachikunju Peter, Col Shery did his early schooling in Sainik School, Kazhakootam. He was commissioned into Maratha Light Infantry of Indian Army in Dec 1986. He hung his boots in 2020 after serving for 34 years and is presently leading a reatired life. He joined the Rotary club in 2022.

Col Shery Peter is married to Prof (Dr) Densely Jose D/O Mrs Lilly Joseph and Late Shri C. C Joseph, of Chillikkattil family, Piravom who was a Professor in the Chemistry

Dept of MA College, Kothamangalam. She retired in 2024 after serving as the Principal of the College for 5 years. The couple has a daughter, Ann Mary who is a doctor.



#### **Outgoing President's Message**

Dear Rotiarns and Annets,

It's with a heart full of pride and accomplishment that I address you as my presidential term concludes. This past Rotary year, 2024-2025, truly showcased "The Magic of Rotary" in action, and I'm thrilled to report that we embraced both the international and District 3201 themes wholeheartedly.

Our district's theme, "Blossom," served as a powerful guide, inspiring us to nurture and expand our service initiatives. I am delighted to confirm that we successfully executed every single service project aligned with these impactful themes. From start to finish, your dedication ensured that our efforts bore fruit, making a significant difference in the lives we touched and in our community.

The success of these projects is a direct result of your collective spirit and tireless work.

"Wishing all the very best to the new President Rtn. Boby P. Kuraikose and team!" Thank you for making this year a

remarkable testament to the power of Rotary. Sincerely,

Rtn Binu George.



#### Secretary's Report



Dear Rotarians, Anns and Annets,

Here I am presenting the report till date showcasing the entire club activities under Blossom project initiative.

The new Rotary year has begun with great enthusiasm. To ensure a successful year, we organized a Club Officers Training Seminar focused on planning and preparation.

#### **District Programs**

We're proud to announce that our club has registered and participated in all district programs for the Rotary year 2024-25. Rotary club of Kothamangalam hosting District Learning Seminar 2025.

Notably, 100% registration paid to District Conference,

- A yearly calendar was created, outlining all programs and activities.
- Three cultural groups were formed, each led by a designated captain.
- Meeting schedules were set as follows:
- Weekly Meetings: Every Friday at 8 PM, Board Meetings: Second Wednesday of every month; - Family Meetings: Last Friday of every month; - Blossom/District Priority Activities: Third Friday of every month
- Charter Day Celebrations.

#### **Major Events & Initiatives**

Our club proudly launched the \*Hunger-Free Project\* at the Installation Meeting. As part of this initiative:

- Beneficiary: Taluk Hospital, Kothamangalam ;, Support: Providing a one-day meal per month for a year
- Project Cost: ₹60,000

#### • International Rotary Exchange (September 6, 2024)

- A flag exchange program was conducted with Sunrise Rotary Club, Williamston, Michigan, USA. The Chief Guest: Dr. Christopher Lewis (Past DG, Michigan, USA).
- Club Outings & Fellowship Activities
- Rotarians' One-Day Tour to Munnar on September 4, 2024
- Rotary Anns' One-Day Tour to Cherai Beach on September 26, 2024
- Rotary Family trip to Goa on January 16 to 18

#### • AG Review Meeting (November 3, 2024)

- Hosted the Muvattupuzha Zone 3 AG, GGR, President & Secretary Review Meeting at Rotary Club.
- Republic Day Celebrations (January 26, 2025)
- Proudly celebrated India's 76th Republic Day with a flag-hoisting ceremony.

#### **Blossom Projects - 2024-2025 Activities**

#### 1. Maternal & Child Health

- Speaker: Ann Dr. Chinnu on Topic: Importance of newborn baby care Focusing on essential tips and best practices for parents and caregivers.

#### 2. Basic Education & Literacy

- Vayanakalari Program (August 7, 2024) at Elambra LP School & Kavalangad St. Johns School in Collaboration with Malayala Manorama newspaper.
- AI & Web Development Awareness Program (February 14, 2025), organized with Rotaract International MACE MUN 25 at Mar Basil HSS, Kothamangalam.

#### 3. Community Welfare & Support

- In celebration of India's Independence Day, our club conducted a Freedom Quiz for school students (Grades 8-12) in Kothamangalam Taluk. The quiz aimed to enhance their knowledge of India's freedom struggle, history, and cultural heritage.

#### 4. Financial & Medical Assistance

- Artificial Limb & Financial Aid (November 1, 2024) Support for Mr. Eldhose, a permanently disabled individual.
- Financial Support for Cancer Treatment (November 1, 2024) Assisted Preetha K.P., Nellikuzhy, for her treatment at Amrutha Hospital.
- Dialysis Care (November 2, 2024) Economic support for dialysis patients.
- -Eye Screening Test (November 29, 2024) conducted at Mar Basil School, Kothamangalam.
- Free Cataract Surgery Camp (February 17, 2025) conducted in tribal areas with Amruta Hospital, Ernakulam, and Sree Bhavani Foundation, Kalady where 42 patients received free cataract surgery.

#### 5. Blood Donation & Health Camps

- Blood Donation Camps:
- October 1, 2024 Conducted at MBMM Hospital, Kothamangalam.
- January 22, 2025 Organized at Indira Gandhi College of Engineering & Technology, Nellikuzhi.

#### 6. Library & Education Support

- Library Books Donation (October 18, 2024) Mar Basil School, Kothamangalam.
- Library Bookshelf & Chairs Donation (October 18, 2024) Govt. LP School, Elambra.

#### 7. Social Welfare & Festive Charity

- On account of Christmas Celebration (December 23, 2024), we visited Peace Valley Old Age Care & Palliative Care Center, Kothamangalam and distributed Christmas kits to paraplegia patients.

#### 8. Empowerment of Differently Abled Individuals

- Support for Mr. Kurian (January 15, 2025) to Repair his three-wheeler and provided assistance to help him start selling lottery tickets.

#### 9. Environmental & Waste Management Initiatives

- Waste Management Awareness (January 26, 2025) was conducted at Govt. HSS Mathirappilly.
- Distributed waste bins to KSRTC Bus Station (as part of "Malinya Mutta Nava Kerala Dinam" project) and Govt. Taluk Hospital, Kothamangalam.
- Organic Farming Initiative (January 25, 2025). We launched a vegetable garden at KSRTC, Kothamangalam.

#### 10. Kids' Athletic Project

On March 6, 2025, the Kothamangalam Rotary Club, in collaboration with the Kerala State Athletic Association, launched the Kids' Athletic Project at the Panipra Government UP School.

#### 11. Empowering Young Talent

The project aims to identify and nurture young athletic talent, providing them with training and opportunities to develop their skills.

#### 12. Anganwadi Reopening ceremony and School bag distribution

Rotary club of Kothamangalam was part of reopening ceremony at Anganwadi near puthupady and we distributed school bags to all the kids present.

#### 13. Anti Drug awareness programs

Makkal Ariyan, Makkale Ariyan is a seminar organized by rotary club of Kothamangalam jointly with rotary karate school. Black Belt awarding ceremony of students of rotary karate school was also conducted during the program. We also conducted s seminar with the theme "How parents and elders can adapt to the habits of new generation". The speaker for the seminar was Dr Biji K Ramakrishnan, Principal, Indiragandi College of arts and science.

#### **House Reconstruction Project**

We're proud to share an update on our project to provide a safe and secure shelter for a deserving individual. We're currently renovating the house of a sick, childless widow who has lost her husband. The renovation work is completed and house handed over to the owner.

#### **KSRTC Beautification Project**

We're excited to share our latest initiative to beautify the newly constructed KSRTC building. We've planted trees and initiated a green terminal project to create a serene atmosphere. The work is ongoing, and we're committed to completing the project soon. This structured format ensures a clear timeline and categorization of Blossom Projects' impactful initiatives.

#### **MACE MUN 25**

MACE Model united nations is all set to kick off on March 28, 2025, at M.A. Engineering College in Kothamangalam. The inaugural ceremony will be graced by the presence of Rtn AKS Adv Sundravadivelu as the chief guest.

The Rotary Club of Kothamangalam continues to engage in impactful service and fellowship activities, strengthening our commitment to the community.

Rtn Dr. Vijith Nangelil Secretary

BIRTHDAYS (JULY)	
1 Jithin Roy (Annet) Roy Varghese	17 Maya Jolly (Ann) Jolly .K.V.
3 Rtn. Jibumon Varghese	17 Roopa Mathew (Ann) Mathew Joseph
3 Roshni Hari (Ann) Dr. Hari Krishnan	17 Adarash Sanil (Annet) Dr. Sanil Joseph
5 Rtn. Ebin T M	17 Deepak Vinod (Annet) Vinod Kumar
7 Mariya Bony (Ann) Bony Paul	19 Riya Mathew (Ann) Binu Paul
7 Mr. Eldho Varghese (Husband) Rtn. Vineetha Cherian	21 Rtn. George Mathew
9 Abraham Basil (Annet) Basil Abraham	22 Julie Biju (Ann) Biju Kuriakose
9 Harsha Jibu (Annet) Jibumon Varghese	22 Issac Jeoju (Annet) Jeoju M Varghese
10 Rtn. James Mathew	25 Dr. George Thomas (Annet) Prof. P. V. Thomaskutty
10 Ria Mathew (Ann) Praveen Mathew	28 Mathew Jose (Annet) Jose Mathew
10 Paul Prakash (Annet) Prakash Kallanikkal	30 Gibi Vinod (Ann) Vinod Kumar Jacob
11 Anna Pratheesh (Annet) Pratheesh Philp	
14 Shiny Jose (Ann) Jose Mathew	
17 Rtn. Saju Skaria	
WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES	
4. Rtn. Sunil Sajeev & Reshmi Sunil	11. Rtn. Ruben Bijy Thomas and Rachel Ruben
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#### Installation of office bearers 2024-25





Flag exchange with Rty club of Williamston, USA

**Blood donation camp at MBMM hospital** 



library books to Mar Basil Higher Secondary School with RI President



Hunger free hospital project Presidential conclave



**District conference at Coimbatore** 



**Kids Athletics** 



**Flag hoisting** 







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