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Dear RCMers,

Chella's Champions hit the ground running with the groundbreaking ceremony for the WASH project at the Sri Ramakrishna Math National School on July 3 and the launch of the HPVAX awareness and vaccination program for cervical cancer at the Shrine Vailankanni Senior Secondary School on July 6.

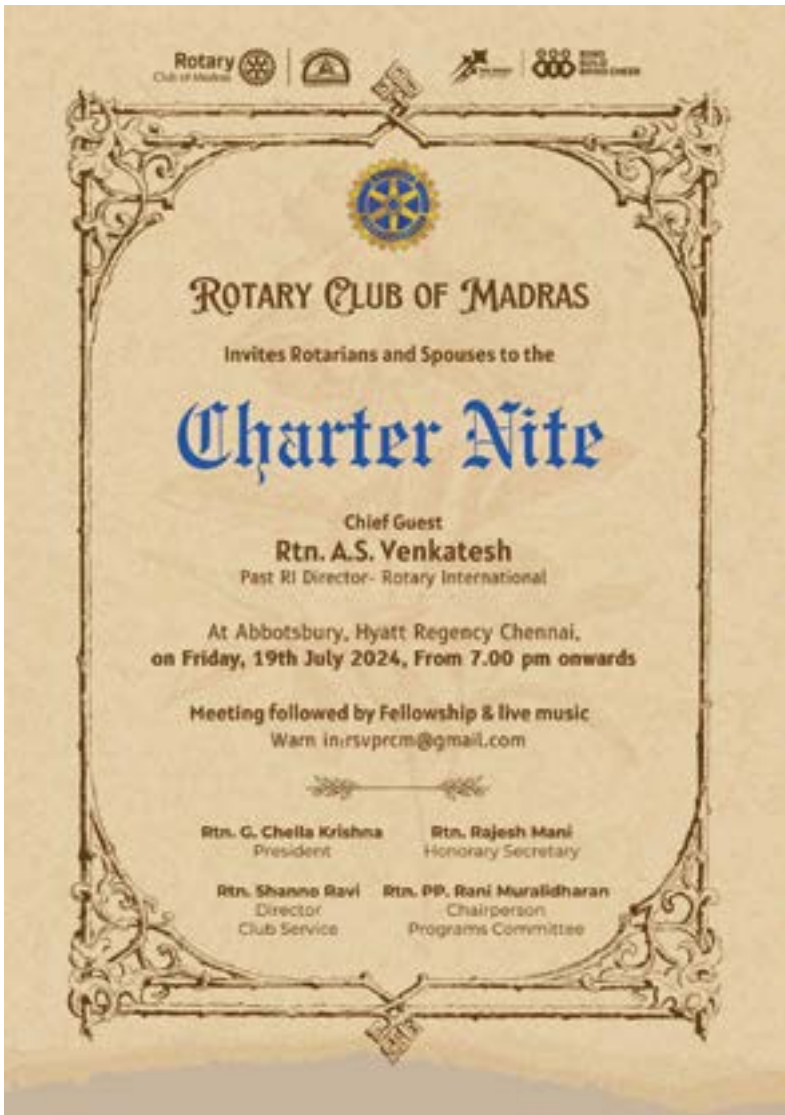
The Lighthouse scrambled to keep up with the frenetic pace of activity.

All this action and more in this issue....

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Rotary Club of Madras
Minutes of the 2nd Weekly Meeting
 at Hyatt Regency, Teynampet, Chennai on 09-07-2024

- 1. Meeting Called to Order:**
 Sergeant at arms Rtn. Jayant Hemdev collared President Rtn. G. Chella Krishna.
 Meeting called to order with a silent invocation.
- 2. Confirmation of Minutes:**
 Confirmation of the last weekly meeting minutes.
- 3. Welcome Address by President:**
 Welcome to visiting Rotarians, Probus Club members, and other guests.

 Chief Guest: Shri M.M. Murugappan, former Executive Chairman of the Murugappa Group.
 Acknowledgment of Shri M.M. Murugappan's father, Shri M.M. Muthiah, a former Member of the Club in the 60s.
 Announcement of the club's recognition as a 100% PHF club by Rotary International.
- 4. HPVAX Project Update:**
 Rtn. Sangeetha Viswanathan - Overview of the HPVAX project, aiming to raise awareness and provide vaccinations against the human papilloma virus (HPV).

 Announcement of the first vaccination session on July 10 at the Cancer Institute in Adyar.
- 5. Golf Tournament Fundraising:**
 Rtn. Jacob Kurien - Call for sponsors and donations for the January 2025 golf tournament to support underprivileged children and the needy.
- 6. Secretary' Announcements:**
 Rtn. Rajesh Mani - Birthdays and anniversaries for the week.
 Collection of sunshine funds to support the HPVAX Project.
 Announcement of an International Services trip to Turkey.
 Next weekly meeting on July 19, 2024, at Hyatt Regency for the club's charter evening.
- 7. Introduction of the Speaker:**
 Rtn Govind Parikh - Introduction of Shri M.M. Murugappan, highlighting his extensive experience and contributions to various companies and philanthropic efforts. Emphasis on the Murugappa Group's longstanding commitment to CSR activities.
- 8. Moderated Session:**
 Moderator: Rtn Rahul Saraogi. Discussion with Shri M.M. Murugappan about the Murugappa Group's success story and insights into their CSR initiatives.
- 9. Closing Remarks:**
 Vote of Thanks by Secretary Rtn. Rajesh Mani
 Remarks by President Rtn. G. Chella Krishna
 Appreciation for the chief guest and speakers.
 Meeting adjourned.

BIRTHDAYS

July 15-21

- 15th July - Rtn. Kamala Ramakrishnan
- 18th July - Rtn. Akur Raman Raghunandan
- 20th July - Rtn. Niloufer Seth
- 21st July - Rtn. Nidhi Kapoor Thadani

- 16th July - Ann. Janaki, Spouse of Rtn. PP. MohanP.N.
- 18th July - Ann. Priya Reddy, Spouse of Rtn. Manu Reddy
- 18th July - Ann. Rathna Mahesh, Spouse of Rtn. Vijay Narayanan
- 19th July - Ann. Revathy, Spouse of Rtn. Raja V.
- 21st July - Ann. Dr.Jayashree Potty, Spouse of Rtn. M. Balakrishna Rao

ANNIVERSARY

- 15th July - Rtn. Jagdish A. Bhatia & Anita J Bhatia
- 15th July - Rtn. P. Ravishankar & Sandhya Ravishankar
- 16th July - Rtn. Sanjay Rao Chaganti & Lata Murugan







Rtn. SB Goenka, senior most member of the Rotary Club of Madras, at our weekly meeting on July 9th.



Join us this July 2024 by participating in the e-waste collection drive. This initiative not only addresses the mounting issue of electronic waste but also promotes responsible disposal and recycling. We accept a wide range of electronic items like old computers, laptops, smartphones, tablets, printers, monitors, keyboards, mice, cables, and other peripherals. Additionally, household appliances like refrigerators, washing machines, and microwaves are accepted. The goal is to divert these items from landfills, ensuring they are recycled or disposed of in an environmentally responsible manner to reduce the environmental impact of electronic waste.

#ewastelectiondrive #cleanerplanet
#Reduceewaste.

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<https://maps.app.goo.gl/zDrpausVV9fCcz97>

Contributed by Rtn.B.V.Gautam

MM Murugappan in conversation with Rtn.Rahul Saraogi

He was the most relevant and appropriate Guest speaker to kick start the Rotary year for RCM.

M M Murugappan, fondly known as “Murugu” to all who know him, was the speaker in conversation with our own Rtn.Rahul Saraogi this week.

Introduced by Rtn.Govind Parikh, his accomplishments over the years were so lengthy that it took a few minutes to be recounted. A scion of one of the most well-known Industrialist groups in India, it was a pleasure and a privilege to have him amongst us.

He came across as simple, soft-spoken and succinct, a rare combination of qualities, which only enhanced his stature in all aspects.

The opening remarks from MM were as humble, stating how honored he was to have been invited to RCM as a speaker and sought blessings of the elders, Rtn. Goenka & Rtn.Sankaranarayanan who were present.

Rtn.Saraogi started off by asking him the genesis of the AMM foundation, the philanthropic arm of the group and its functioning. AMM foundation celebrated its centenary recently, making it one of the most celebrated social service organizations in the country, with few equals. MM explained how his grandfather who was the ninth child, migrated to Burma and built a successful business, the outcome of hard work and acumen.His bent of mind was always to give back to the society and his motto was to “ Make Lives Better” which is the Mission goal of the group till date.

With this objective, he set up a



Charity hospital in their village, Pallathur in Sivaganga District, which stands to date. It serves the local community in every which way with up to 500 out patients a day and even facilitates transportation of the sick and elderly from the local bus stands and railway station.

Three generations later, this approach to serving the society stands firm in the minds of each family member and as the most important aspect of their “Giving Back” & “Making Lives Better”. It started with Healthcare, continued into other aspects such as Education (A key focus area), Environment and even Sports. Over time, this has been institutionalized, with building relationships and forming partnerships in PPP mode, with Governmental assistance to make it inclusive and effective. The entire process has continued with identifying the needs of the society and fulfilling them. Every member of the family partakes in this

voluntarily with no impositions and they are allowed to do what appeals to them.

The most important of the education aspect is that it ensures that the teaching and the training are directed in a way that the beneficiaries become employable!

The methodology adopted for education is with adherence to the government policies as regards curriculum and regulations, and enhancing the quality around the same. This requires constant monitoring and tweaks to ensure the best of results and benefits to the stakeholders.

Rtn.Saraogi was quite brilliant as an anchor. He was the Christiane Amanpour of RCM today. The questions and follow ups were meaningful and pertinent and confined to areas which we as RCM, should work on.

Responding to the question as to ‘What Rotary can do in conjunction with Business’, MM said that with

the talent and skill levels of the RCMers, we should constantly be looking to improve on what we do. He gave an example of installing Dialysis machines. We should backward integrate and educate the society on preventing kidney ailments rather than curing related illnesses, he said.

Rtn.Dr.Sangeetha raised a point on the differently abled in our country and as to whether enough is being done, to which there was an emphatic "NO" from MM. He was of the opinion that we must strive to do more, which is a pointer to RCM's focus area to work on. He also mentioned that in one of their companies in Pune, an entire assembly line is manned by quadriplegics.

One wonders what they haven't thought about, to "Make lives better"!

Post the event, I sat with him for a few minutes. He was generous with his time and gracious in his attitude. In all this, I had completely forgotten my earlier interaction with him. I am kicking myself for it! He

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and his lovely wife Pinky were instrumental in donating 250 Bicycles from TI Cycles to the Tsunami victims in Nagapattinam rehab programme in 2003-04 under the auspices of Art Of Living.

I recall the humility and grace of the gesture. It was my blessing to be a part of that!

One question of mine was of particular relevance.

What is Dare house to you?

"DARE HOUSE" is a part of the legacy of the group, Chennai, TN and India. It was built in the 1930s and houses the group. It is being preserved as a Heritage center. There was a glint of pride and a sense of satisfaction in MM's eyes when Dare House was mentioned.

One can go on. And write more. But my Editor has me on leash. I will therefore stop here.

To sum up, there could not have been a better choice to start the year off. Many thanks to Rtn.Govind Ji, Programs Committee, President and The Board to make this happen.

- Rtn.A.R.Raghuandan

SALIENT LANDMARKS ACHIEVED DURING THE ROTARY YEAR 2023-24.

1. Our Club is proud to be the 3rd largest contributor to TRF, out of 37,000+ clubs spanning 200 countries worldwide in Rotary Year 2023-24.
2. We have now achieved the status of being the largest contributing club in Asia.
3. Our club is honored to have achieved 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club status, with all 283 Members now being PHF members.
4. The total contribution to The Rotary Foundation during this rotary year has reached 1.365 million USD.
5. We have successfully completed a total of 69 projects across 7 focus areas, investing 462,086.5 man-hours and impacting over 425,000 individuals with a total value of 18.62 Crores in Rupees.
6. We have filed applications for 8 CSR Grants, 1 Global Grant, and 2 Club Grants, totaling 11 Projects with a value of Rs. 7.22/- Crores, that is fully funded. These details and projects have been handed over to the incoming President & Treasurer.
7. The "Every Rotarian Every Year" status has been achieved by all members of our club during the Rotary year 2023-24, with each contributing \$25 to the Rotary Foundation's Annual Fund.
8. An art auction was successfully conducted on June 30th, the proceeds of which will also be available to be used in the Rotary year 2024-25.
9. RCM Premiere League 2024 the IPL style cricket tournament for district 3232 was held for the first time with 8 teams owned by RCMers in February/ March 2024, with over 500 Rotarians from the district participating, this tournament was a fundraiser & District fellowship event



HPVax Project Inauguration

The Rotary Club of Madras launched its flagship HPVAX: Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) Vaccine awareness and vaccination program for cervical cancer prevention on the 6th of July 2024 at Shrine Vailankanni Senior Secondary School, T. Nagar. This initiative was carried out in partnership with Cancer Institute Adayar, whose Associate Professor Dr. Jayashree Natarajan was the Key Speaker at the event. The event was hosted by our own Rtn. Manasa Pillai, principal of the school, and her team.

The program was attended by DG NS Saravanan with his gracious spouse and several members of the district team, including Rtms. Ravi Varma, Ajitha Balan, Ghanesh, and Srinivasan. A special thanks to Rtn. Srinivasan for his AV support (LED Wall), which was given free of charge for this noble cause.

Several of our club members, including PP AKS Dr. Vijayabharathi Rangarajan, IPP Ravi Sundaresan, PP Jayshree Sridhar, PP George Cherian,

Pres Elect Nikhil Raj, Pres

Nominee Bobby, Rtms NK Bhatia, Sanjay Chaganti, Sabina Narayan, and Hon Sec Rajesh Mani, amongst others, graced the occasion with the special RCM 'touch'.

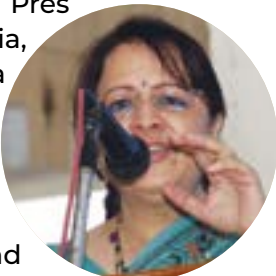
The Inner Wheel team and their president Shamantha were not only present at the event; they graciously donated to the cause as well. The event was anchored by Rtn. Dr. Sangeetha Viswanathan and supported by members of the Cancer Prevention and Care (CPAC) Team, including Ann Smita Jaiswal and Ann Anuradha Suchdev, under the leadership of Director Community Health Rtn. AM Viswanathan, aka Vish.

The program began with a welcome address by Mrs. BKK Pillai, Correspondent and Chairperson of Vailankanni Institutions, followed by an introduction to the HPVAX program by Rtn. Dr. Sangeetha Viswanathan, Chair of the CPAC committee. This was followed by



speeches from President Rtn. Chella Krishna, special guest of honor Dr. Vijayabharathi Rangarajan, and District Governor NS Saravanan, all of whom emphasized the importance of safeguarding the futures of young girls and women by protecting them from cervical cancer through HPV vaccination.

About 170 people were in attendance and heard from Dr. Jayashree Natarajan of Cancer Institute as she spoke about the urgent need for HPV vaccination, its benefits, and the need for action without further procrastination in order to eliminate all HPV-related cervical cancer. Parents of around 65 children in the right age group were present and participated actively in a Q&A session after the awareness talk, where several doubts were clarified and myths regarding HPV vaccination debunked. We are happy to note that 22 girls have signed up immediately for the free vaccination at Cancer Institute following the awareness program, and we hope that the rest will follow soon. We would like to thank Mr.





Varadarajan, Mr. Siva, and other office staff for their support. Also, special thanks to Rtn. Sunita Suresh for her fantastic media coverage to point the spotlight on this very important public health issue whose time we believe has finally come.

Rtn. Dr. Sangeetha Viswanathan,
on behalf of CPAC Committee, Community Health.



RCM in association with Cancer Institute administered Human Papillo Vaccination (HPVAX) for around 30 girls from Shrine Vailankanni School on July 10th at Cancer Institute Adyar.



Rotary Club of Madras Inaugurated WASH Project

at Sri Ramakrishna Math National School, Chennai.

Background

Water and Sanitation has always been a core area of focus for the Rotary Club of Madras and over the years we have constructed nearly 2000 toilets in several parts of Tamilnadu including Amarambedu, Panchalai, Kandigai, Periyapuliyur, Keemalur, Paiyanoor, Kannakottai, Pandur and more recently in Nemmeli, Alathur, Siruthavoor, Arunkundram and Thinnanur additionally providing access to clean drinking water in several of these areas. This year, President Chella Krishna continues the legacy of his predecessors by undertaking his maiden WASH project at the Sri Ramakrishna Math National School in Kondithope. This primary school in Mint area caters to boys and girls up to the age of 10 years with classes from kindergarten to class V. These children are from underprivileged families in the surrounding area and rely on the school not only for education but also nutritious meals which are provided free of cost. The school is bordered by a 'slum' dwelling and many of these children live in this dwelling under quite harsh socioeconomic conditions. The school stands as a bright ray of hope for these children with its clean surroundings and environment of learning and piety.

It shows them a different life, a life full of possibilities...



Objective

In the first phase, RCM will construct toilets and a noon meal centre for the school, at a cost of over Rs. 61 lakhs, benefitting over 500 students and staff members. These facilities will be rebuilt for the first time since the school's inauguration in 1978. The project will be executed by Mr. G. Mathivanan of Mathi Engineers and Builders. For Phase 2, RCM



has planned to construct a stage and five classrooms in the school.

Relevance of the Project

Children are the future of our nation and the world, and it is our responsibility as a society to provide them with a clean, hygienic environment to learn, succeed and go forth into the world as young adults with social responsibility. RCM aims to do its part in this mission to provide a safe, healthy environment for these young minds to flourish.



Project Inauguration

On July 3, 2024, at 9 AM, the Rotary Club of Madras commenced the first project of the new Rotary year with a groundbreaking ceremony for the WASH Project at the Sri Ramakrishna Math National School, Chennai - 46. In the first phase, RCM will construct toilets and a noon meal center for the school, at a cost of over Rs. 61 lakhs,



benefiting over 500 students and staff members.

The Chief Guest, Rtn. N.S. Saravanan, District Governor 3234, along with other district officials Rtn. Ganesh and Rtn. Harisharan, were joined by President Rtn. Chella Krishna G.; Rtn. Rajesh Mani, Honorary Secretary; President-Elect Rtn. Nikhil Raj; Rtn. Dr. Anuradha Ganesan, Director of Community Services; Rtn. Aravind Kumar Shankar, Chairman of the WASH Project; Rtn. Visvanathan A.M., Director of Community Health; Rtn. Dr. Sangeetha Viswanathan; Rtn. Prakash Natarajan; and PP. AKS. Rtn. Dr. Vijayabharathi Rangarajan.

Following a prayer at the serene meditation hall and a brief tour of the school, students and faculty assembled in the school grounds for the groundbreaking ceremony. Amidst the joyful singing of the children, the ceremony was conducted with each Rotarian placing a brick at the site of the new noon meal center. Following the pooja, Swami Shashishikananda, the school's Secretary, thanked RCM for their efforts and hoped for more collaborations in the future. The event ended with light refreshments.

Rtn.Dr.Sangeetha Viswanathan.

From the Director's Desk

I am truly delighted to be part of this significant project with the Sri Ramakrishna Math National School. Collaborating with an institution that beautifully blends spirituality and philanthropy is both an honor and a privilege. The remarkable work they do is evident in the transformation of the children, especially those from the slums, who show no trace of their challenging backgrounds once they step into this nurturing environment. Seeing the bright faces of the students, dedication of the members of Ramakrishna mission, interest

and enthusiasm of the faculty fills me with happiness. This project, which marks the beginning of a new Rotary year, represents more than just the construction of facilities, it is our commitment to the community and belief in the power of education and holistic development. As we laid the bricks for the new noon meal centre, it was not just a physical act but a metaphorical one, laying the foundation for a brighter future for these children. The peaceful ambience of the place with the delightful singing of the children added to the joy. Through this project, we are embodying our mission to bond with the community, build sustainable futures, and bring cheer to every child's life.

Rtn. Dr Anuradha Ganesan,
Director, Community Services.



In his own words...

The Ramakrishna Mutt School at North Madras is a wonderful institution for primary school children. It is an oasis in the middle of a challenging environment and the children who come there are mostly from difficult circumstances and parents have very limited means. The Rotary Club of Madras has taken up the project, of replacing its toilets and building a noon meal kitchen. There are also plans to build six new classrooms. The entire project cost is expected to be around two crores. The mutt maintains the buildings very well and takes good care of the students. Primary school is a necessary intervention area as all kids are highly impressionable. Hence, leaving an RCM impact there makes a lot of sense. I look forward to the smooth completion of this project.

Pres Rtn. Chella Krishna.



Dear Rotary member,

For most of us in Rotary, what matters most is our personal club experience. When I joined Rotary, my club made me feel like I belonged. I couldn't wait for the next meeting, and I found a new purpose in the service projects we completed together. To me, this sense of meaning and belonging defines Rotary.

As president, I feel a special

commitment to help every member in every Rotary and Rotaract club feel like an essential part of our family.

I'm writing today to thank you for being a member and making Rotary part of your life. And I want to share a tool that can further enhance your experience with Rotary — our Action Plan.

The Action Plan challenges us to find ways to increase the impact of Rotary service, expand our reach by bringing more people together to share our vision, adapt to a rapidly changing world, and enhance the experience that you and your fellow club members have in tangible, meaningful ways.

Make Rotary simply irresistible

Keeping members engaged and connected is essential for Rotary's future — and it begins with our clubs.

But great clubs don't happen by chance. I encourage each of you to talk with your club leaders about what you want from your experience and then collaborate to create a welcoming, engaging environment for everyone. I also invite your club to conduct a member satisfaction survey. By understanding more about your fellow club members, you can discover new opportunities to help your club grow.

As members of Rotary, we also receive many benefits that enhance our experience beyond our club. From tools that strengthen service projects to professional development courses and mentorship opportunities, there are a lot of reasons to be a member.

How can you take action? Learn about the benefits of membership.

Find strength in diversity

We know that most members are introduced to Rotary through friends, who may share the same values, background, or education. Let's grow Rotary by inviting people from a wide range of backgrounds, experiences, and perspectives who also share our passion for community and service to join us and become people of action.

I challenge you to invite someone who might not share the same background as the typical member

of your club or district to experience Rotary. If you need help expanding your club's reach, you can find several tools and resources in My Rotary.

How can you take action? Access membership tools.

Join the effort to end polio now

Maintaining our membership and growing Rotary help us continue our fight to eradicate polio. You can support our efforts in many ways:

- Join or initiate a PolioPlus Society in your club or district. Donations are matched annually 2-to-1 by the Gates Foundation up to US\$50 million, generating a potential total of US\$150 million toward polio eradication.
- Raise awareness in your community by planning events or projects that support the fight against polio.
- Visit endpolio.org to find the latest information and tools to help you share the story of our fight against polio and raise support.

Ending this disease forever remains our top humanitarian priority and needs our full commitment.

How can you take action? Donate to end polio.

Build peace across the world

As Rotary members, we can help create more peaceful communities around the globe. A first step toward becoming a peacebuilder is to enroll in the Rotary Positive Peace Academy or encourage your district to become a Global Peacebuilder District, if it isn't already.

In February, I'm hosting a presidential peace conference in Istanbul, Türkiye, to celebrate peace and mark the opening of the newest Rotary Peace Center at Bahçeşehir University. This conference will provide opportunities to learn together and explore how Rotary members can promote healing in a divided world. I hope to see you there!

How can you take action? Learn more about the peace conference.

The Magic of Rotary can have its greatest impact when Rotary members and community leaders come together to solve problems and transform lives. That magic starts with you, and now is the time to put it into action.

You have the power to bring about positive change, both in your club and in your community. When we move into the future united in a common purpose, there's no limit to what we can achieve.

Sincerely,
Stephanie A. Urchick



Rtn. PP. Capt. Dr. B. Biswakumar was conferred the Lifetime Achievement Award by District 3233.

Rotary Nostalgia

In many ways it was perhaps appropriate that GG Armstrong's name led all the rest, as Charter President. He was then the Chairman of the Madras Port Trust, one of the most important Government appointments of the time. Later knighted and therefore Sir Godfrey Armstrong, he was a veteran of what we would today refer to as logistics. Having begun his career in the Madras and Southern Mahratta Railway Co he specialised in the traffic or commercial side of the operations as opposed to technology, which was open essentially to engineers. In 1904, (later Sir) Francis Spring moved from the railways to head the Madras Port Trust, a position he occupied till 1919. That paved the way for several railwaymen, especially those with experience in traffic handling also to make the shift. Armstrong was one of these and he became the Traffic Manager of the Port. In



1928, he became Chairman of the Port Trust, a position he held till 1944. His tenure of 16 years remains a record till date. Armstrong's time as Chairman coincided with the greatest trade boom that Madras witnessed, owing to it being the only harbour on the eastern front that was not bombed by the Axis Forces. When he handed over the reins, the Port was handling a record 2.5 million tonnes of cargo. On his retirement, a dredger was commissioned in his name at the Madras Port, and it remained in operation till the 1980s!

It is interesting to see that Armstrong consented to being the President of the Rotary Club of Madras just within a year of taking over as Chairman of the Port Trust. It speaks volumes about his self-confidence and also of Davidson's convincing powers!

Courtesy Rtn. V Sriram - Historian of repute.

Contributed by Rt.PP.N.K.Gopinath



RI President Stephanie Urchick urges Rotarians to live the Four Way Test. The Lighthouse posed four questions on the Four Way Test to Rtn.PDG.J.B.Kamdar. Here are his frank and forthright replies:

1.Is the Four-Way Test an impossible and impractical quest?

The Four Way Test is neither impossible to follow nor impractical. Infact if you closely examine the philosophy of leading Global Companies, you will find they are adopting the Principles of this Four Way Test in some form or other.

2. Is it just an idealistic notion?

Certainly the Four Way Test is not an idealistic notion. We live in a world where successful and large Corporates promote the concept of fair business practices and DEI. People encourage good business ethics side by side with promoting a win-win situation. All this would indicate that the Four Way Test continues to be

relevant even today.

3. Can it inspire or transform a Rotarian's perspective?

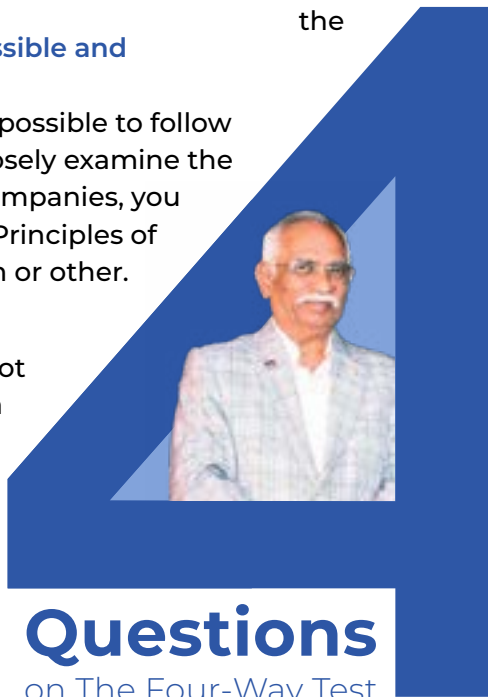
As membership of Rotary is by invitation, it is fair to assume that only those who are aligned with the

core values of Rotary are being invited to be members and such people will be easily inspired by seeing how the principles of Four Way Test are practiced in our Rotary Club.

4. Any practical examples of its relevance in this day and age?

Indian Companies like Tata Steel / Wipro and Global Companies like Petagonia have conducted their business with ethics and integrity.

They have treated their employees and customers in a fair and equitable manner which has not only added to their reputation as a trustworthy Company but also made them attractive to investors.



Questions on The Four-Way Test

Week : 02



Suggest the most quirky, whacky or creative caption/blurb for this photo (Maximum 15 words). The best entries will be reproduced in the next week's edition of Lighthouse.

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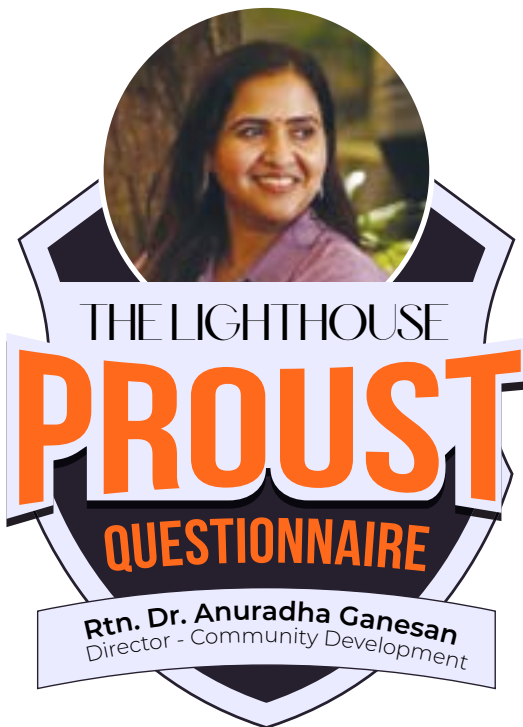


Week : 01 Results



Best captions

1. "Can I mentor you too?"- *Rtn. Asha Mathen*
2. "Nambapaiyyanmerathatheengo"- *Rtn. PP Venkhat Ramani A S*
3. "How does it feel like to be the District Governor?"-*Rtn. Jacob Kurian*
4. "Always There For You Dear"- *Rtn. Sanjay Rao Chaganti*
5. "Two jaws dropped while one is still moving"- *Rtn. Fharzana Siraj*
6. " Sikkikitaanda"- *Rtn. Dr. Sangeetha Viswanathan*
7. "...all eyes' on every suggestion - *Rtn. Vijay Dugar*
8. "Corporate synergy meets family reunion: When business suits embrace the warmth of old friends."- *Rtn. Naveen Kumar Bhatia.*
9. "Just focus on the 'Light' dear Chella and the 'House' will be in brilliant radiance by Shiv " - *Rtn. Vivek Harinarain.*



1. What is your current state of mind ?
The poem by Robert Frost sums it up
*The woods are lovely, dark and deep,
But I have promises to keep,
And miles to go before I sleep,
And miles to go before I sleep.*
2. What is your idea of perfect happiness ?
Having the entire family around
3. What is your greatest fear?
Fear of a loved one getting unwell.
4. What is the trait you most deplore in yourself ?
Not asserting myself
5. What is the trait you most deplore in others ?
Being Devious & Dishonest
6. Which living person do you admire most ?
My mother.
7. What is your greatest extravagance?
Truffle pasta
8. What do you consider the most overrated virtue?
Patience, Self sacrifice.
9. On what occasion do you lie?
If the outcome leads to good.
10. Which living person do you most despise ?
Hypocrite, malicious and vindictive person
11. What is the quality you most like in a man ?
Integrity
12. What is the quality you most like in a woman ?
Same as men —Integrity
13. Which words or phrase do you most overuse?
Nice
14. What or who is the greatest love of your life ?
My father
15. When and where were you happiest ?
When I had 2 adorable children .
16. Where would you most like to live ?
Here in Chennai with husband, family and friends.
17. What is your most treasured possession?
Notes, letters & relationships
18. What is your favourite occupation?
Reading a book
19. What is your most marked characteristic?
Will go out of my way to help is what people say.
20. Who is your hero of fiction ?
Superman
21. Which historical figure do you most identify with ?
Florence Nightingale
22. Who are your heroes in real life ?
My father
23. What is your greatest regret ?
Loss of my father.
24. How would you like to die ?
Enjoying life .
25. Your motto in life?
To live with purpose



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