



KALANCHU

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Editorial Note

Dear Rotarians,

It gives me great pleasure to share this month's edition of Kalanchu. Within these pages, we highlight the spirit of service, fellowship, and dedication that defines our club. From impactful community projects to celebrations of national pride, each activity reflects our collective commitment to making a difference. Let us continue to uphold the Rotary spirit with renewed enthusiasm and purpose.

Yours in Rotary,

Editor

Rtn. Manjit Bordoloi

Rotary International Presidential Message

This month's message from the Rotary International President emphasizes the importance of unity, sustainable community service, and the power of collective action. Rotarians worldwide are encouraged to focus on long-term projects that bring lasting impact, fostering peace and understanding across cultures.

Rotary News

The **Rotary Foundation's Programs of Scale** supports evidence-based, member-led initiatives that have already shown success and can be expanded for wider impact.

- **2025 Award Recipient:** *Pathways to Peace and Prosperity in Colombia* – creating **Positive Peace hubs** in four urban and rural communities to build conflict resolution capacity and tackle inequalities like **social exclusion, food insecurity, and poverty** stemming from prolonged violence.
- **Finalists:**
 - *Improving Maternal and Infant Care in Uganda* – enhancing healthcare systems for mothers and newborns.
 - *Mental Health Support for Youth in Florida, USA* – strengthening access to counseling and community resources for young people.

Here's a **clear summary** of Rotary **Club Types, Formats, and Models** (June 2025):

Club Types

- **Rotary Club** – Professionals and leaders meeting regularly for **service, networking, and personal growth**. (*Minimum 15 members*)
- **Rotaract Club** – Young adults/university students focusing on **community and international service, leadership, and professional development**. (*12 recommended*)
- **Satellite Club** – A part of a Rotary/Rotaract club with its own meetings/projects but linked to a sponsor club. Offers **flexibility in format/timing** and may evolve into a standalone club. (*8 Rotary / 4 Rotaract minimum*)

Meeting Formats

- **In-Person** – Traditional, face-to-face meetings; appeals to those who value **personal interaction**.
- **Online** – Primarily virtual meetings with service opportunities in person; suits **travelers, remote members, and digital-friendly groups**.

Club Projects & Activities

Hearing Screening Camp



The Hearing Screening Camp, organized on 13th–14th August 2025 at the Rotary Community Centre, was a dedicated community health initiative by the Rotary Club of Sibbsagar. A total of 100 individuals from diverse age groups benefited from the free hearing screening tests conducted by trained specialists. The camp not only focused on the early detection of hearing loss and related disorders, but also provided counseling sessions on ear care, preventive measures, and the importance of timely medical intervention. By spreading awareness about hearing health, the program emphasized the need for regular checkups to improve overall quality of life and ensure better communication abilities in the community.

Vision Screening Camp



The Vision Screening Camp, organized on 29th August 2025 at Lakhinath Bezbaruah School by the Rotary Club of Sibsagar, was a dedicated effort to safeguard the eye health of young children. During the camp, the eyesight of 150 children below 5 years was systematically screened by trained specialists. The initiative formed part of an ongoing project that focuses on the early detection of vision-related disorders, ensuring that children receive timely medical attention and corrective measures if needed.

In addition to screenings, the camp emphasized awareness about child eye health, highlighting the importance of regular eye checkups, proper nutrition, and preventive care to avoid long-term vision impairment. Teachers and parents were sensitized about recognizing early warning signs of eye problems, ensuring that children get the right support at the right time.

Food Distribution at Old Age Home



On Independence Day, the Rotary Club of Sibsagar organized a Food Distribution Program at a local old age home, bringing warmth and care to the elderly residents. Nutritious meals were served with love and respect, symbolizing the Rotary spirit of service and compassion. The initiative not only addressed their physical needs but also provided emotional comfort, as members spent time with the residents, listening to their stories and sharing moments of togetherness. The elderly expressed happiness and gratitude, and the event created an atmosphere of patriotism, fellowship, and human connection, making the day truly special for everyone involved.

Independence Day Celebration



The Rotary Club of Sibsagar marked **Independence Day** with a solemn yet joyous celebration that brought together members, families, and well-wishers. The event began with

the **flag hoisting ceremony**, where the national tricolor was unfurled amidst patriotic fervor, followed by the singing of the national anthem. This symbolic act of respect and pride served as a reminder of the nation's sacrifices and achievements.

After the ceremony, members gathered for a **fellowship breakfast**, which created a warm environment of **unity and camaraderie**. Conversations over shared meals strengthened bonds, encouraged teamwork, and reflected the Rotary spirit of service above self. The celebration not only honored the nation's independence but also reaffirmed the club's commitment to community service and collective growth, making the occasion memorable for all present.

Awards and recognition from District Administration and RID 3240



Rotary Calendar – Upcoming Events

- September: Basic Education and Literacy Month
- October: Economic and Community Development Month
- November: Rotary Foundation Month
- December: Disease Prevention and Treatment Month
- January: Vocational Service Month