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The award was sponsored by Rotarian Safiur Rahman Saikia in memory of his wife late Dr Niloofer Rahman Saikia

Photo of Club members participating on **08-09-25** at *Dr* Bhupen Hazarika Cultural Award 2025-26 function



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CLUB OFFERS HEARTIEST THANKS TO:

Rtn Safiur Rahman Saikia for being the sponor of Dr Buhpen Hazarika Cultural award to Sri Nakul Das, Boaat Race Song exponent on 08-09-25.

CONGRATULATION:

A Warm Congratulation to: (a) Rtn Utpal Gohain for your contribution \$113.64 For supporting Rotary Foundation and keeping Service Above Self.

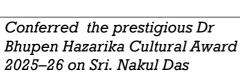
HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

5th Sept Rtn Amit Bhimsaria Rtn Anupam Aich 16th Sept 23rd Sept Rtn Utpal Gohain

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:

19th Sept Rtn Abu N Nazmul Laskar and Ann-Iftikar Kausar 25th Sept Rtn B. N. Borooah and Ann- Pronobika







Function held in association with the North East Zone Cultural Centre (NEZCC), under the Ministry of Culture, Government of India at Shilpgram, Guwahati.



Sri. Nakul Das with his wife and Anne Kabita on 08-09-25 at NEZCC auditorium.



Sri Nakul Das, wife and child with President Rtn Manoj Das Anne Dr Ajanta Baruah Das on 08-09-25,.



"Did you know". Did you know? When a polio outbreak was reported in Gaza in August 2024, Rotary committed US\$500,000 to partner-led vaccination efforts. Working with governments and partners, nearly 560,000 children were vaccinated – 94% of the target population under 10.

Source: Rotary International – General Secretary's Report to the 2025 Convention

IN THE NEWS

KEM Hospital in Parel, Mumbai, takes patients with paralysis (paralysis / paralysis) within 24 hours. The patient recovers from this disease within a few hours through an automatic machine, the patient's brain tumors are removed with the help of this machine like angioplasty, this facility is available in this hospital for the first time in India. There are such machines only in a few specific places in the world, Dr. Nitinji Dange (neurosurgeon) is world famous for handling this machine. The Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation inaugurated and dedicated this machine.*

If you know any child who is deaf and dumb from birth, now it has become possible to cure this disabled child with the invention of cochlear implant surgery. The surgery costs around 10 to 12 lakhs, but with the help of Rotary Club of Bombay Worli, District 3141, this surgery is done free of cost at SRCC Hospital, Mumbai. Contact:-Rotary Club of Bombay Worli, DG Rtn Rajendra Agarwal, 9820085149. *Please share the information with everyone, it will be beneficial.

EVANSTON, III., USA (Sept. 15, 2025) — Larry A. Lunsford, member of the Rotary Club of Kansas City-Plaza, Mo., was confirmed as president-nominee of Rotary International – the association of the membership service organization's 45,000 clubs worldwide – and will begin his one-year term on July 1, 2027.

Minutes of meeting No 3220 : Dated 02-09-25: Time 7.00 PM Venue : B.K.Enclave

Meeting No 3220 was called to order by the President Rtn Manoj Kr Das, and National Anthem was sung by all members present in the meeting.

Rtn Rtn Er Sunadan Dowerah took over the charge of Secretary as Secretary Rtn Mousumi Bhattacharjee was absent.

The minutes of RWM 3219 was read out and the same was adopted. He also announce the birth day of Rtn Amit Bhimsaria falling on $5^{\rm th}$ Sept.

President in his address gave a brief introduction of the Chief guest Jatin Nath Khanikar a noted film and TV serial personality. He was felicitated by Rtn S R Saikia and Rtn Utpal Gohain gave a brief account of his work and achievement. Sri Khanikar holds dual degree in Assamese and Mass communication. His film own notable awards in India as well as abroad. His acting in film Go-go-I, which was judged as the best film in Tokyo International film festival. His latest film as an actor is Gomon – the last

Journey, in 2025..Chief Guest spoke about the technical and artistic skill required to produce a film or a TV serial, there requires editing m sound design and visual effect all work collectively, The images produce requires the taste of the audience. He also spoke about the characters for aesthetics value in showing it to the audience. He concluded that audience plays a conclusive role for the producer as it allows the film for focus on market and better result. He also talked about the number of film behind him and the award received by him.

An interactive session was held.

President announce the arrangement made for the 8th September Dr Bhupen Hazarika cultural award programme.

Mrs Dr Ajanta Baruah Das address the gathering and announced that she would be joining the Club soon.

Vote of thanks was offered by Rtn Anupam Aich , The meeting ended followed by singing of AXOMOR JATIYO SANGEET. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM. and members present are 13 Rotarians and 7 Guest and 1 Ann





Minutes of meeting No- 3221: Dated 09-09-25: Time 7.00 PM Venue: B.K.Enclave

Meeting No 3221 was called to order by the President Rtn Manoj Kr Das, and National Anthem was sung by all member present in the meeting.

President briefed the members of the Dr Bhupen Hazarika birth centenary at Sipagram 08-09-25 and the award given by the Club to the noted artist Sri Nokul Das. He also stated that as according to Rotary calendar September is designated "Basic Education and Literacy Month" Club has decided to honour two distinguish teacher in today's meeting.

Rtn D.K.Das officiating the charge of Secretary as Secretary Rtn Mousumi Bhattacharjee was absent read out the minutes of RWM No 3220 and the same was adopted.

Rtn Dr Gautam Sarma give a short account of the contribution of Dr.Sarvepalli Radhakrishan life and his achievement and celebrating 5th Sept as Teachers Day honoring his belief that teachers play a crucial role in shaping society.

Then Rtn Dr Sarma gave a brief introduction of guest teacher Dr Ramesh Ch Deka as currently he is the Vice Chancellor, Cotton University. He did his Science degree in 1991 from Cotton College and completed his Master of Science degree in 1994 from Gauhati University and Ph.D. in 1998 from National Chemical Laboratory, Pune and Post-doctoral research at University of Tokyo, Japan (1999-2001), and Technical University of Munich, Germany (2003-2005). He joined Tezpur University in 2001. He authored 300 research articles with an hindex of 38 and citation count over 6000. He was awarded Award in 2017. Admirer of Indian Classical Music and plays the violin Earned a Bachelor of Music in violin in 2008 from Bhatkhande University, Lucknow.and Fellow of the Royal Society of Chemistry (FRSC) in 2017, Alexander von Humboldt fellowship in 2003, Bronze Medal from the Chemical Research Society of India (CRSI) in 2013 and Professor A. S. R.





Rtn Manash Sarma gave a brief introduction of Rtn Prof Dr Sunandan Baruah, is currently the Director, Directorate of Innovation, Startup and Acceleration at Assam Down Town University, Guwahati, he also hold additional responsibilities of Director, Centre of Excellence in Nanotechnology and Director Technology, Innovation, Transfer and Entrepreneurship Centre. He also worked as a Research Faculty at the Angstrom Laboratoriet, Uppsala University, Sweden and as a Research Specialist at the Asian Institute of Technology, Thailand. He has more than 100 publications in international peer reviewed journals and conference proceedings and 17 book chapters with more than 5500 citations to his publications. He has 11 patents published and 4 granted. Prof. Dr. Baruah has innovated many nanotechnology-based systems which include gas sensors, solar energy activated water purifier, on spot water contamination tester, self-cleaning Assamese silk, superhydrophobicity testing instrument, nanoparticulate thin film maker using layer by layer deposition technique, food quality sensors, setup for fabricating nanoporous membranes, solar powered fruit and vegetable dryer, nanotechnology based meat and fish smoker, system for testing the performance of photo detectors, system for testing the performance of metal ion sensors, nanomaterial based antennae amongst others. Prof. Dr Baruah is also a Consultant to the Ministry of Medium, Small and Micro Enterprises and is involved in upgradation of traditional industries of India.

Both the teachers were felicitated with fullum gamusa and memento, copy of souvenir.

Both the teacher gave a brief speech to the members. Prof Ramesh Deka played violin and Enthralled the members. Vote of thanks was offered by Rtn Manoj Das, The meeting ended followed by singing of AXOMOR JATIYO SANGEET. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM. and members present are 15 Rotarians and 2 Guest and 1 Anne.





CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION
Rotary Club of Guwahati Recognizes

Dr Ramesh Ch Deka, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Cotton University
Innovation, Startup and Acceleration (DISA), ADTU

On
Teacher's Day 2025

For his dedicated, compassionate and tireless
efforts in the field of Education & Culture
coupled with extraordinary zeal and passion.

Presented on this 5th Day of September 2025

Rtn Er Manoj Kr Das Rtn Mousumi Bhattacharjee
President Secretary

Photo of felicitation of Dr Ramesh Ch Deka Vice Chancellor Cotton University and Prof Dr Sunandan BaruahDirector Director Directorate of Innovation Startup and Acceleration at Assam Down Town University

Minutes of meeting No- 3222: Dated 16-09-25: Time 7.00 PM- Venue: B.K.Enclave

Meeting No 3222 was called to order by Vice President Rtn Sunadan Dowerah and National Anthem was sung by all members present in the meeting. President briefed about the Dr Bhupen Hazarika Cultural Award 2025–26 ceremony held on 08-09-25 in association with the North East Zone Cultural Centre supported by Gunjan, an amateur artists' forum, and Brahmaputra Mendolins, a distinguished group of instrumental artists at Shilpgram, Guwahati and award was conferred to noted artist Sri. Nakul Das, exponent of traditional Boat Race Songs from Barpeta. Chief Guest Anusuya Borkotoky was felicitated by Rtn Ranjana Borah Das and Rtn D;K.Das Rtn Sunadan Dowerah gave short introduction of Anusuya Borkotoky. Then Anusuya Borkotoky spoke about understanding Dementia, and its treatment, she talk about how to take care of the patient. She illustrated that dementia can be detected when there is memory loss, difficulty in understanding and detection of image,

confusion of time and problem with words. She says that it is a category of disease where cognitive function fails. She says that Dementia can be cured to some extent when is is detected early by analyzing the symptoms.

She emphasize that changing of lifestyle would help the patient to a great extent. She is of the opinion that onset of Dementia is generally attack after 65 years of age and is of two types which reversible and irreversible President welcome Rtn Rasjkamal Bhuyan and he was felicitated by Rtn D.K.Das

The Secretary Rtn Mousumi Bhattacharjee read out the minutes of RWM No 3221 and the same was adopted, She conveyed warm wishes Birthday on behalf of the club to Rtn A nupam Aich falling on 16th Sept and Rtn Abu N Nazmul Laskar falling on 19th Sept

Votes of thanks was offered by Rtn D.K.Das The meeting came to a formal close with the singing of Axomor . Jatiyo Sangeet (State Anthem of Assam) at 8:30 p.m..Rotarians Present: 16 Guests Present: 2, visiting Rotarian 1 Total: 21







Minutes of meeting No- 3223: Dated 23-09-25: Time 7.00

Venue: B.K.Enclave

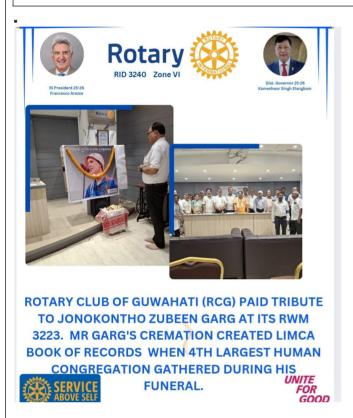
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The Secretary Rtn Mousumi Bhattacharjee read out the minutes of RWM No 3222 and the same was adopted.

She conveyed Birthday wishes on behalf of the club to Rtn Utpal Gohain falling on 23rd Sept and Anniversary greeting to Rtn B.N Borooah falling of 25th September. President informed the members that a on 22-09-25 members of the Club payed homage to the departed soul of Zubeen Garg legendary singer and philanthropist and honoured with floral werath at Sarusajai stadium

As the meeting is kept for condoling the demise of "Janakanth Zubeen Garg" members lighted the earthen lamp and prayed for the departed soul. President asked the members to speak about his list Singer and as philanthropist. Members Rtn Er Sunadan Dowerah, Rtn G.N.Khound, Rtn Bandan Dutta, Rtn P.K.Kedia, Rtn Anupam Aich, Rtn Abu N Nazmul Laskar, Rtn M.K,Das share their personal experience as well his life as singer.

Members condoled the sad demise of Zubeen Garg. The meeting ended followed by singing of AXOMOR JATIYO SANGEET. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM. and members present are 19 Rotarians and 4 Guest and 2 Anne.











EDITORIAL

October is Rotary International's Economic & Community Development Month.

This is the month where Rotary Clubs can take up projects by which it can help the communities and people that aim to provide sustainable ongoing development and help, not just immediate charity, but a long term benefits. By collaborating with community members to identify long-term goals and plan for anticipated projects. Talk with government agencies and official to explore being partners in community projects. Identify existing organizations and stake holders who may be viable project partners,

Clubs can tie up with Districts for starting a sustainable projects with funds from the Rotary Foundation also enables Clubs to invest in projects where communities can gets benefits by creating sustainable, measurable and long term economic improvements in their communities and livelihoods by:

(a) Make a study of the areas and make assessments of the needs of the communities to find out their weaknesses and assess how Rotarians can work to meet their needs help their growths economically,

- (b) Organizing awareness talk for building the capacity of entrepreneurs, community leaders, local organizations, and community networks to support economic development in impoverished communities, this can be done cooperating with government agencies;
- (c) Taking up developmental projects in partner with NGO or other agencies for creating opportunities for productive work;
- (d) Take such projects with local stakeholders by which it helps in reducing poverty in under-develop areas and served communities to find sustainable means for livelihood; and
- (e) Take up projects that can help in supporting students in under- develop areas for pursuing their studies in career-building opportunities and also help the professionals to engage in economic and community development works.

Club Project on the month of September 2025.

On 17-09-25- Rotary Club Guwahati in association with Royal Global University and Gauhati Medical College & Hospital and Assam State Blood Transfusion Council organized a Blood Donation Camp at Royal Global University campus . There 96 donors for the blood Drive which was collected by GMCH during the process. The Voluntary Blood Donation Camp was conducted in

association with Gauhati Medical College & Hospital and Assam State Blood Transfusion Council supported by Mr Kushal Deka Chairman of NGO Neeramoy. The Gauhati Medical College & Hospital and Assam State Blood Transfusion Council initiated the Voluntary Blood Donation Camp on 17th to initiated the target of 1 lakh health camps commemorating the 75th Birthday of Prime Minister Modi







OTHER ACTIVITIES OF THE CLUB FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER-2025



ON 22-09-25 MEMBERS OF ROTARY CLUB GUWAHATI PAYED

HOMAGE TO ZUBEEN GARG LEGENDERY SINGER AND PHILANTHROPIST AND HONOURED WITH FLORAL WREATH AT SARUSAJAI STADIUM.



MEMBERS OF ROTARY CLUB GUWAHATI EXPRESSED CONDOLENCE TO SMT GARIMA SAIKIA GARG WIFE OF JONOKONTHO ZUBEEN GARG LEGENDERY SINGER AND PHILANTHROPIST AND HANDED OVER THE COPY OF CONDOLENCE MESSAGE TO AT KAHILIPARA

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DID YOU KNOW SOME FACTS OF ROTARY

What are the 5 Rules of Rotary?

Core values of Rotary are (a) Service (b) Fellowship (c) Diversity (d) Integrity and Leadership

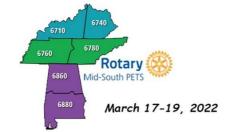
There ate 34 Rotary Zones in the World, each with approximately the same number of Rotarians, Zones are paired together, and each pair of Zones, elects a Director to serve a two-year term on the Rotary International Board of Directors, with a total number of 17 Directors.

Famous Rotary Project is the Polio Plus, launched by Rotary International in the year 1985, as Rotary flagship program to eradicate polio from the planet. It is estimated that by the time polio is eradicated, Rotary International will have to spent over \$950 million to immunize more than 2 billion children in 122 countries.

Rotary wheel has been the symbol of Rotary since our earliest days. The first design was made by Chicago Rotarian Montague Bear, an engraver who drew a simple wagon wheel, with a few lines to demonstrate dust and motion. The wheel was said to illustrate "Civilization and Movement".

A True Rotarian is a person who conduct himself/ herself following 4-way test at all times, who is humble, who does no flatter wealth or boast his or her own possessions or achievements. He is a person whose activities are a result of his personal good will and a sense that the world will be a better place as a result of his / her quiet/ tender and kindness his/ her activities are for the good of the people.





Larry Lunsford
Trustee,
The Rotary Foundation

RI Director 2013-2015

Larry A. Lunsford, a member of the Rotary Club of Kansas City-Plaza, Missouri, USA, is the selection of the nominating committee to become Rotary International's president for 2027-28. He will officially become the president-nominee on 15 September if no other candidates challenge him.

Lunsford attended Truman State University in Kirksville, Missouri, on an academic scholarship, earning bachelor's and master's degrees in accounting. He first encountered Rotary when he received a Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholarship to spend the 1981-82 academic year at the University of Newcastle in Australia.

He is currently executive vice president and chief financial officer for the Bernstein group of companies. He has held positions on the boards of the Kansas City Spirit Festival and the Variety Club as well as serving as director of a local bank and treasurer of the Epilepsy Foundation for the Heart of America. He has also served on Truman State University's alumni and foundation boards and received the university's Distinguished Service Award.

Lunsford joined the Rotary Club of Kansas City-Plaza in 1991 and has since served as district governor (2001-02), RI director (2013-15), and trustee of The Rotary Foundation (2021-25, vice chair 2024-25). He has been a member of RI committees, including the Executive Committee (chair 2014-15), Membership Growth Committee (chair 2016-18), and Nominating Committee for President of RI (chair 2023-24). He also has served on The Rotary Foundation's Executive Committee (chair 2023-24), Finance Committee (chair 2022-23 and 2024-25), and Participant Experience Committee (chair 2023-24).

Lunsford has been awarded The Rotary Foundation Distinguished Service Award, The Rotary Foundation Citation for Meritorious Service, and the RI Service Above Self Award. He and his wife, Jill Lunsford, have two children and one grandchild. They are Major Donors, Bequest Society members, multiple Paul Harris Fellows, Benefactors of The Rotary Foundation, and Sustaining Members.

The members of the Nominating Committee for the 2027-28 President of Rotary International are:

Ann-Britt Åsebol, Rotary Club of Falun-Kopparvågen, Sweden (chair); Mahesh Kotbagi, Rotary Club of Pune Sports City, Maharashtra, India (secretary); Basker Chockalingam, Rotary Club of Karur, Tamil Nadu, India; Jose Sepulveda Fayad, Rotary Club of Pachuca Plata, Hidalgo, Mexico; Hans-Hermann Kasten, Rotary Club of Aachen-Frankenburg, Germany; Muhammad Faiz Kidwai, Rotary Club of Karachi Karsaz, Sindh, Pakistan; Katerina Kotsali-Papadimitriou, Rotary Club of Pendeli, Greece; Roger Lhors, Rotary Club of Pont-Audemer, Eure, France; Chi-Tien Liu, Rotary Club of Yangmei, Taiwan; Anne Matthews, Rotary Club of Columbia East, South Carolina, USA; Pat Merryweather-Arges, Rotary Club of Naperville, Illinois, USA; Akira Miki, Rotary Club of Himeji, Hyogo, Japan; Julio Silva-Santisteban Ojeda, Rotary Club of El Rímac, Lima, Peru; Vicki Puliz, Rotary Club of Sparks, Nevada, USA; Nicki Scott, Rotary Club of West England District 1100, Gloucestershire, England; Elizabeth Usovicz, Rotary Club of Kansas City-Plaza, Missouri, USA; Young Suk Yoon, Rotary Club of Seoul Hoehyon, Seoul, Korea