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Two weeks ago, I was in my living room playing with my grandchildren. A few days later, I was on a plane to Calgary, suddenly carrying the responsibility of leading this incredible organization. Life come fast, but so often, it brings us exactly where we're meant to be. We begin this year with a clear message/; Unite for Good. It is a simple phrase, but a powerful one. Because behind every successful Rotary effort, every act of service, every new member welcomed, every global challenge met-there are two things that matter most: friendship and trust.

This is how we build strong clubs. It's how we create meaningful partnerships and transform global problems into local solutions. It's also how we lead-not through titles or applause, but with humility, humanity, and heart. But let me be honest with you-this kind of leadership is not always easy. We're human and yes, we make mistakes. We sometimes disagree, but in Rotary, we are called to something greater. let us reflect on the full vision of Rotary:

Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

The last part is essential, because transformation doesn't start with strategy. It starts with character and the way we treat one another. It starts with how we listen, how we support, and how we serve.

This year, I ask you to lead with that spirit. To grow Rotary through relationships. To make your clubs more welcoming, more flexible, more open to new ideas. To think big-but also to think beyond one year. Our term is short, but our impact can be lasting if we plan and act with continuity and vision.

Let us remember our key priorities: membership, polio and peace. We are closer than ever to ending polio. We cannot stop now. We must keep the promise we made tot he children of the world. And as for peace-Rotary has been building it for over a century. Every clean water system, every youth exchange, every maternal health project is a step toward peace.

I joined Rotary as a young professional, eager to help but terrified of public speaking. My fellow Rotarians believed in me and encouraged me to take on new roles, and in doing so, Rotary changed my life. It gave me courage and purpose, but above all, it gave me you: my friends, my team, my family around the world.

So now, my friends...take out your dreams tucked away in a drawer, especially those you thought were too big or bold to achieve. Let's bring them into the light. Let's Unite for Good-for our clubs, our communities, and our world. And let's make this a year not only of service, but of joy, of connection, and of love.

Francesco Arezzo
President, Rotary International,
2025-26

Highlights of Meeting Held on 28th June, 2025 (Installation Ceremony)

The program commenced with the ceremonial lighting of lanterns by the Chief Guest, followed by a captivating Satiya dance performance.

As part of the Rotary Year 2024 - 25 activities, the Club Secretary presented an overview of the year's achievements to the audience. The Installation Officer, PDG Rtn. Kalpana Khound, officially installed the new committee for Rotary Year 2025-26, including the President, Secretary, and Board of Directors, who also took their oaths.

The newly elected President for Rotary Year 2025-26, Rtn. Indira Hazarika, delivered a brief welcome address, outlining her vision and plans for the upcoming year.

The Chief Guest, Sri Rupjyoti Phukan, RCE, OIL, Duliajan, shared a few words of encouragement.

This was followed by speeches from special invited guests, including Sri Ankur Das, CO DC of Duliajan, and renowned cardiologist Rtn. Dr. Nischal Panday, a prominent heart specialist from Delhi.

During the event, the club bulletin Phoenix, edited by Club Editor Rtn. Dr. Navneet Swargiri, was ceremoniously unveiled by CDC Sri Ankur Das and PDG Rtn. Kalpana Khound.

The event concluded with a Vote of Thanks delivered by Rtn. Aditya Goswami.

Highlights of RWM Held on 7th July, 2025.

1. The President extended heartfelt thanks to all members for the successful celebration of Doctors' Day and CA Day on 1st July. On this occasion, Dr. N.K Das, CGM(MS) OIL Hospital, Doctors of Tengakhat MPHC, Kachari Pathar PHC, Chalakataki PHC, as well as Doctors from our club and CA Rtn. Manash Borthakur were felicitated at his office chamber with Phulam Gamusa and potted plants made from Water Hyacinth (Meteka), as a step towards promoting the ban on plastic.

2. The President encouraged all members to register themselves on Rotary.org to gain deeper insights into Rotary and stay updated on its activities and initiatives.

3. IPP Rtn. Sukungta Monlai briefed the house on the current status of the Cremation Ground. He highlighted several ongoing issues, particularly the urgent need for civil work to resolve water logging problems. He also informed the members that the matter has already been discussed with the OIL authorities. He also pointed out that an approximate amount of ₹50,000, pending for the past two months as maintenance bills, is yet to be received from OIL. Additionally, he stressed on the need to strengthen the security system at the Cremation ground. IPP Rtn. Monlai urged the renewal of the agreement with Oil India Ltd. and proposed a revision of the monthly maintenance amount, along with enhanced provisions for security arrangements to be included in the upcoming agreement.

4. Members shared their views on the upcoming job fair and the proposed waste management module under Sri Ankur Das, CoDC of Duliajan. Rtn. IPP Sukungta Monlai and Rtn. Amrit Sarkar briefly explained the module, outlining its objectives and expected outcomes.

5. Rtn. Luhit Das informed the house that a skill development program can be organized in collaboration with JB Energy Pvt. Ltd., under his personal supervision. He also expressed his desire for the Rotary Club of Duliajan (RCD) to conduct a workshop focusing on youth empowerment and the eradication of superstition. In addition to his active involvement, Rtn. Luhit Das has committed to contribute ₹5,000 every month towards the community service activities of the Rotary Club of Duliajan (RCD). The Club members have warmly appreciated his generosity and unwavering commitment to social welfare.

Highlights of RWM No. 2287 Held on 14th July, 2025.

1. The President informed that the club has decided to further assist the victims by donating a sewing machine and a lady's bicycle to one of the most distressed women identified during the relief efforts. Additionally, the club will provide study materials to students impacted by the incident. During their second visit to the fire-affected site, the Rotarians came to know that a sewing machine has already been committed by another donor. Therefore, the club's earlier decision to donate a sewing machine has been kept on hold for the time being.

2. The President expressed her desire to visit the cremation ground along with Director of Green Initiatives & Baikuntha Dham in-charge, Rtn. Pranab Borthakur and IPP Rtn. Sukangta Monlai. She requested Rtn. Purnajyoti Phukan to take the initiative to cut the grass and clear the bushes in order to enhance the overall appearance of the area. Rtn. Purnajyoti Phukan responded positively and assured to take necessary action.

3. The President announced plans to organise a health camp for Pregnant women on July 9th at Chalakataki Public Health Center, Duliajan in collaboration with Inner Wheel Club, Duliajan in the guidance of Dr. Leena Das, Gynaecologist. She informed that this initiative is in alignment with Rotary International's global focus on improving maternal and child health, and aims to contribute towards reducing preventable deaths among mothers and children.

4. The President informed the club that she has purchased the "Membership Dues Collection Module 2025" from Rotary Zones 4, 5, 6, and 7 at a cost of ₹3,999 plus 18% GST, totalling ₹4,719. She explained that this is a valuable tool that enables the club to send membership dues notifications to individual members via WhatsApp or email with a single click, whenever required.

5. The President informed the Club that she has submitted an application to the RCE of Oil India Ltd. seeking financial assistance for the upcoming Teachers' Training Programme, tentatively scheduled for September 2025. She shared that, in response, the RCE has assured a contribution of ₹1 lakh towards the initiative. The President also conveyed her sincere thanks to Rtn. Jaspal Singh for his efforts in facilitating this support.

6. Rtn. Pankaj Goswami spoke about the goal of achieving 100% Paul Harris Fellow (PHF) Club status. He proposed facilitating the exchange of members' available PHF recognition points as a strategy to help eligible members attain PHF status.

Highlights of RWM No. 2288 Held on 21st July, 2025.

1. The President discussed the assistance to be provided to the victims of the recent fire near Duliajan Girls College. The Club decided to donate a women's bicycle to one of the identified female victims. Additionally, it was resolved to donate study



decided to donate a women's bicycle to one of the identified female victims. Additionally, it was resolved to donate study materials to Miss Mitali Bharali, a 6th-semester student of Duliajan Girls College, who was also affected by the fire.

2. The President informed the House that the Rotary International (RI) 1st Semi Annual dues for the Rotary Year (RY) 2025-26, totalling Rs. 226,926.74, have been paid on 21.07.2025.

3. The President announced that on the occasion of Independence Day celebration, Rotary Club of Duliajan, in collaboration with Northeast Kola Mela, will host a national-level art competition and Exhibition on 9th August at the Rotary Community Centre.

4. Rtn. Jaspal Singh informed that the Co-Deputy Commissioner has requested the Rotary Club of Duliajan to coordinate a health camp in collaboration with the SDM&HO, Tengakhat, and all private nursing homes in Duliajan. Additionally, the Club has been requested to organize a cleanliness drive in public areas on 14th August.

5. The President informed the House that RC Dibrugarh is planning to organize the Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) – Parts I, II, and III – on the 16th and 17th of August. She encouraged interested members to participate, noting that the program will undoubtedly enhance their knowledge about Rotary.

6. The President informed the House that an awareness camp on Japanese Encephalitis will be held in Chapatoli Bongali Gaon during the first week of August. The event will be organized in collaboration with Asha Kormi and representatives from the Tengakhat Block under the guidance of SDM&HO Dr. Rashmi Thakuria. 100 nos. of Medicated mosquito nets will be distributed, and a fogging spray drive will be conducted as part of the prevention effort.

7. The President informed the House that she had already sent emails to more than 13 companies regarding the upcoming job fair. However, she noted that responses have been limited, with only 3 or 4 companies having replied so far.

Highlights of BOD meeting No-01 held on 07th July, 2025

1. The President expressed her desire to open an Interact Club at Assam Public School, Duliajan. She urged Director of Youth Service Rtn.Navajit Dutta, to initiate the process of establishing the same at the earliest.

2. A Plantation Drive will be carried out time to time in collaboration with noted nature enthusiast Sri Nobin Baruah. This drive will be specifically designed for school students, focusing on tree plantation and imparting essential knowledge on caring for nature and maintaining trees after plantation.

3. Adoption of a Happy School – Supporting infrastructure and educational needs of a selected school to create a joyful learning environment.

4. Implementation of Teacher Training Programs – Enhancing teaching skills through structured workshops for educators.

5. Monthly Cleanliness Drives – Promoting hygiene and cleanliness in public spaces through regular community engagement.

6. Polythene-Free Campaign – Encouraging the public to avoid the use of polythene by distributing eco-friendly jute bags.

7. Launch of the "Meal for Hope" Project – A humanitarian initiative aimed at providing meals to the underprivileged sections of society. In addition, the President emphasized need to reorganize existing RCCs, establish a new RCC, and mobilize resources through effective fund raising and related initiatives. She informed the Board that a lottery draw is planned as a fundraising activity, likely to be held before Durga Puja.

8. The President proposed an increase of Rs. 2000/- from this current Rotary year in the membership fee of the Rotary Club of Duliajan (RCD) to ensure the smooth functioning of the Club. Following extensive discussions, the proposal was unanimously approved by the Board.

The revised membership fee has been fixed at ₹18,000 with effect from 1st July 2025. A resolution was unanimously passed to contribute ₹2,000 per member annually to The Rotary Foundation (TRF), starting from the beginning of Rotary Year 2025-26. This contribution is in alignment with the EREY (Every Rotarian Every Year) initiative. It was also resolved to continue this contribution in subsequent years to fulfill the program's requirements and ensure that members receive the associated benefits.

9. Rtn. Amrit Sarkar proposed organizing a golf tournament under the banner of the Rotary Club of Duliajan (RCD) to enhance the Club's visibility and member engagement.

10. The President expressed her interest in renting out the club premises as a means to support fundraising efforts. The honourable members collectively expressed their disagreement with the idea of renting out the Rotary Club premises for fundraising purposes, citing concerns over propriety and alignment with Rotary's core values.

11. Rtn. Ananta Gogoi, Club membership Chair, proposed that the Rotary Club of Duliajan take the initiative to arrange and install solar street lights in selected remote areas / villages around Duliajan. The objective is to enhance public safety and convenience, especially in regions with inadequate lighting infrastructure.

12. Club Public Image Chair, Rtn. Rajumoni Gogoi, highlighted the repair work and fresh coat of paint applied to the public bus stand at Pipol Tol Tinali- an initiative undertaken by the Rotary Club of Duliajan under Dist Grant Project.

13. Rtn. Pranjal Kr.Baruah, Club Foundation Chair, informed the house that Assistant Governor (AG), RY 2025-26, Rtn. Sunil Borgohain, has committed to contributing USD \$100 per month to the Rotary Annual Fund. He also mentioned that the Club President Rtn. Indira Hazarika has committed to contributing \$500 during the current Rotary year. Additionally, Rtn. Pranjal Baruah emphasized the importance of voluntary participation in club activities He urged the President or President-Elect to ensure that no unwilling member is compelled or requested to continue their membership in the club.

14. The damaged air conditioner (AC) of the Rotary Club has been replaced with a new 1.5-ton unit. The cost of the new AC was ₹ 31,000, with an additional ₹1,500 incurred for installation, bringing the total expenditure to ₹32,500. It was unanimously agreed in the BOD meeting that this expense will be equally shared among all 54 members. Accordingly, each member is kindly requested to deposit ₹600 into the Rotary Club's General Account to cover the cost.



13. The President proposed to the house that it would be feasible to conduct one or two of the Rotary weekly meetings online each month via Google Meet. Additionally, considering the discomfort caused by the summer heat, she suggested the possibility of scheduling the weekly meetings at 8:00 PM. The house unanimously agreed with the decision.

Highlights of RWM No. 2289 Held on 28th July, 2025.

1. The President informed SDM Tangakhat, Dr. Rashmi Thakuria, informed the President that Ayushman Bharat Health Accounts (ABHA) cards will also be issued to all participants on the same day. She further stated that an Aadhaar card is mandatory for the processing of ABHA cards
2. The President informed that a cleanliness drive will be organized by the club on the morning of August 14, ahead of the screening program
3. The President announced that Mrs. Dibyalata Bharali, the woman most severely affected by the recent fire incident, will be presented with a bicycle on Independence Day, August 15, at the Rotary Community Center premises.
4. The President informed the House that a separate committee would be constituted to coordinate the upcoming Job Fair.
5. Rtn. Jaspal Singh proposed transferring the Rotary Club's fixed deposit fund from UCO Bank, Duliajan Branch, to SBI, Duliajan Branch, to facilitate easier management of all Rotary Club accounts under a single banking branch.

Here are some interesting unknown facts about Rotary India

* **First Rotary Club in India:** The Rotary Club of Calcutta was the first Rotary club chartered in India on January 1, 1920, with 20 non-Indian members. R.J. Coombes, a steel products company manager, founded the club after being inspired by the Rotary movement in the USA.

* **Pioneers of Rotary in India:** Some notable pioneers of Rotary in India include ^{1 3}:

- **S.C. Rudra:** The first Indian member of Rotary in India, inducted in 1921 as a Mining Engineer.
- **Sir Surendranath Banerjee:** The first honorary member of Rotary in India, inducted in 1921.
- **Nitish C. Laharry:** The first Indian honorary secretary of a Rotary club in India, elected in 1926, and later the first Asian President of Rotary International in 1962-63.
- **A.F.M. Abdul Ali:** The first Indian to lead a Rotary club in India.
- **Jim Davidson:** A Canadian who formed the first Rotary clubs in Bombay and Madras in 1929 and played a significant role in spreading Rotary in India.

- **Growth of Rotary in India:** By the time India became independent, there were 71 Rotary clubs with a total membership of 3,121 members. Today, there are over 3,000 Rotary clubs in India with more than 115,000 Rotarians.

- **Notable Rotary Leaders from India:** Some notable Rotary leaders from India include ^{4 1}:
 - **Rajendra K. Saboo:** The second Indian to become President of Rotary International, serving in 1991-92.
 - **Kalyan Banerjee:** The third Indian to become President of Rotary International, serving in 2011-12.
- * **Humanitarian Work:** Rotary India has been involved in various humanitarian projects, including:
- **Karunashraya:** A hospice for advanced-stage cancer patients, providing palliative care and support.
 - **Dialysis Centers:** Rotary Bangalore Peenya's Dialysis center provides free or low-cost dialysis to those in need.
 - **Education and Vocational Training:** Rotary India has implemented various programs to support education and vocational training, including the Rotary Bangalore Vidyalaya, which provides education and skill training to students.

Birth Day

Rtn. Jadumoni Dutta,	5-Jul	Rtn. Navajit Dutta	21-Jul
Rtn. Pranjal Kumar Baruah	19-Jul	Rtn. Ananta Gogoi	23-Jul
Rtn. Santosh Gupta	20-Jul	Rtn. Devojit Borboruah	27-Jul

Anniversary

Rtn. Pankaj Goswami & Anne Manjula Goswami	15-Jul
Rtn. Sanjib Kumar Gogoi & Anne Jubilee Gogoi	23-Jul





Boards of 25-26



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RC Naharkatiya Installation Ceremony



RC Dibrugarh Installation Ceremony



RC Tinsukia Installation Ceremony



Doctor's Day

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দুলীয়াজানৰ বটাৰী ক্লাবৰ ৪০ সংখ্যক বৰ্ষপূৰ্তি পালন

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Help to Fire Victims @ Duliajan



Charter handing over



Flag exchange with RID 5040



Visit to RC Dibrugarh on their Installation Ceremony



RC Digboi Installation Ceremony

