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August is Membership Month, but our commitment to growth and connection is year-round. When we focus on growing Rotary, we grow our ability to serve, to lead, and to bring lasting change.

Membership growth isn't just about numbers. It's about opening doors. It's about inviting more

people who are ready to give their time, talents, and hearts to a cause greater than themselves. When we welcome new members, we bring in fresh ideas and new energy. We expand our impact, strengthen our clubs, and ensure that Rotary continues to evolve with the world around us.

Remember, there is now great flexibility in fashioning nontraditional club models. I'm inspired when I see these innovative clubs thrive by offering new and prospective members more ways to connect and serve.

In Korea, the growth of satellite clubs has created opportunities for nearly 1,000 new members to find their place in Rotary. In Romania, the close collaboration between Rotarians, Rotaractors, and Interactors has built a pipeline of future leaders. In India, some Rotarians gather around a shared interest — whether it's professional development or a passion for service — and those connections deepen their commitment and their joy in being part of Rotary. And we've seen cause-based clubs thrive in regions as diverse as Southeast Asia, Africa, and Europe.

There's a common thread: Where clubs are growing, membership is a priority and there is a willingness to try something new. Rotary is not limited to one structure or tradition. We are a global network of people of action, and that means there is room for many kinds of clubs, many ways to serve, and many paths into our organization.

of potential and building clubs that reflect the character and needs of their communities.

Every member plays a part in this journey. Whether you introduce a friend to your club, support a new meeting format, reconnect with program alumni, or simply share your Rotary story, you are helping our organization grow stronger and more vibrant.

No one owns a Rotary club. It is a gift we pass on to the next generation. When we nurture that gift, when we invite others to share in it, we ensure that Rotary continues to be a force for good.

Let's prioritize membership growth — not just in August but every month of the year. Together, through friendship, creativity, and shared purpose, we will grow Rotary and *Unite for Good*.

## From the Editor



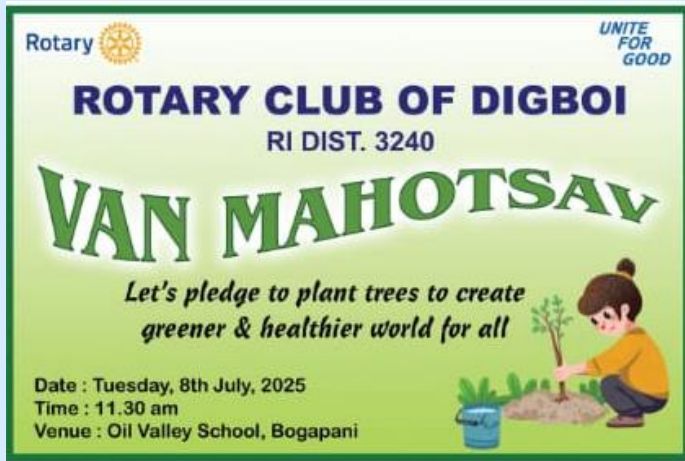
A new Rotary year means a new administration. After the installation of new Board under the leadership of Rtn Santanu Roy, RC Digboi started community service focusing cleanliness and health with some new initiatives.

In Rotary, annual leadership change is important because it fosters a culture of shared responsibility, encourages diverse leadership perspectives, and prevents leadership burnout, all while ensuring the organization adapts to a changing world.

Though it is my pleasure to prepare monthly Club Magazine "আদর্শ" staying just thousands miles apart, however your timely inputs are most essential for the same.

*Bhaskar Chaudhuri*





RCD organized a tree plantation drive to celebrate Van Mahotsav week at Oil Valley School Bogapani on 8th July 2025. Members came forward in the project with the aim of promoting Environmental Awareness & contribute towards a greener planet, more than 50 nos different type of trees were planted. It was a great opportunity to spend some times together, learns about the importance of trees & make positive impact in our community



On the occasion of World Population day on 11<sup>th</sup> July Rotary Club of Digboi in association with urban PHC, Margherita successfully organised an Awareness camp at our Adarsh Seuj Prakalp aimed at sensitizing the College students a key issues surrounding population growth, reproductive health & family planning & very important tropic teenage marriage was discussed. The resource person was Mr. Subhasish Gogoi (Asstt. Prof. Dept. of Economics, Digboi College) & Rtn. Dr. Dipen Borthakur.



On 28<sup>th</sup> July Rotary Club of Digboi successfully organised an awareness camp on benefit of blood donation at CTA conference hall. The camp started with inaugural speech by Rtn. A. K. Goswami. The resource person Rtn. Dr. D. Borthakur with his dynamic presentation explained, who need blood transfusion, who are eligible to donate blood & health benefits among the newly appointed staffs of Digboi Forest Dept.





The 22<sup>nd</sup> Installation Ceremony of Rotary Club of Digboi was held on 29<sup>th</sup> June 2025. The newly elected officers under the leadership of Rtn Santanu Roy took their oaths of office, pledging to uphold the values and mission of the Rotary Club. The event was attended by distinguished guests, including Rotarians from neighbouring Clubs.

It is a celebratory event that is an opportune time for a club to: Express gratitude to the previous board members as they complete their term of service for serving the club under the dynamic leader Rtn Dr. Nirza Saikia.







Since inception of our Rotary Club of Digboi, we have amongst us Serving Executive Director of Digboi Refinery as the Honorary Member.

During our 22<sup>nd</sup> Installation Ceremony, Mr Rahul Prashant, Executive Director and Refinery Head of Digboi Refinery was inducted as Honorary Member of Rotary Club Digboi. He was inducted by our newest PDG Dr. Mohan Shyam Konwar, Tinsukia. Mrs Rashmi Prasanta also greeted with a flower bouquet.

Honorary membership is used to recognize people who have distinguished themselves by meritorious service and embody Rotary ideals, or those considered friends of Rotary for their support of Rotary's causes. They are exempt from paying RI dues, have no vote in Rotary matters, are not eligible to hold any club office, and are not included in a club's membership numbers in Rotary's database. Active members are called Rotarians, while honorary members are called honorary Rotarians.

An active member can be an honorary member of another club, but cannot be an active member of another club.



World Snake Day, celebrated annually on July 16<sup>th</sup>, is dedicated to raising awareness about snakes and their crucial role in ecosystems. The day aims to dispel myths and misconceptions surrounding these often-misunderstood reptiles, promoting conservation efforts and encouraging respectful coexistence.

This year Rotary Club of Digboi organised an awareness camp at Nabajyoti Balijan Sarbajanin Namghar. World snake day is a global event dedicated to raising about snake & their vital role in ecosystems. It is a day to dispel Myths, reduce fear & promote understanding of these often misunderstood reptiles. The day encourages appreciation for the diversity, beauty & ecological importance of snakes, highlighting their contribution to pest control & biodiversity. The resource person was Rtn. Rajib Rudra Tariang (Asstt. Prof. Zoology Dept. Digboi College).



"He who has a thousand friends, has not a friend to spare." This was Paul Harris's favourite quotation





July is the month of maternal and child health in Rotary Calendar. Focusing on Maternal and Child Health, an awareness program on maternal diet was organized by Rotary club of Digboi on 14th July, 2025 at Margherita Charali. Rtn. Dr. Dipen Borthakur delivered a talk on the nutritional intake of pregnant and breastfeeding women. All total 26 pregnant women and lactating mothers participated in the program.



A training program on Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation has been organised by Rotary Club of Digboi at a public place in Margherita charali on 22nd July 2025.

Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) is an emergency procedure that combines chest compressions and rescue breaths to maintain blood circulation and oxygen delivery to vital organs, particularly the brain, when someone's heart has stopped or breathing has ceased. It's a life-saving technique that can be performed by anyone, even without formal training, although formal training can significantly improve effectiveness.

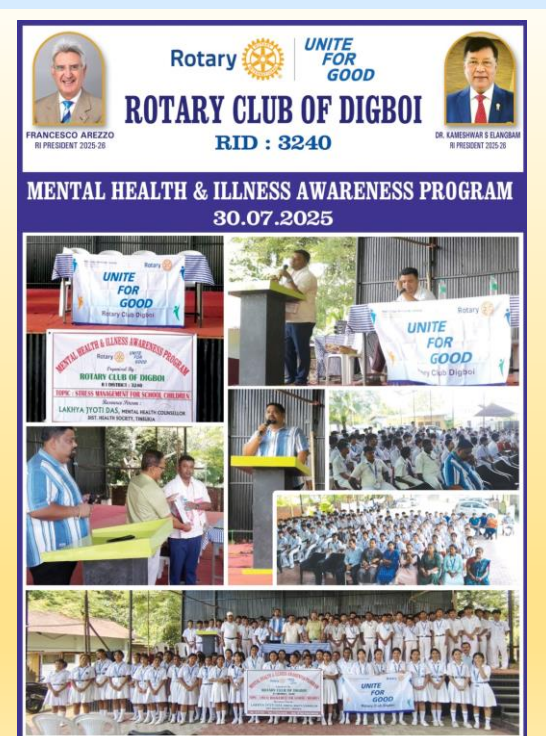
The program was attended by college students and general public. A hands on training on Artificial Respiration / Rescue Breathe and cardiac compression was imparted by Rtn Dr Dipen Borthakur.

A demonstration on artificial ventilation by bag and mask ( Ambu bag) ventilation , technique of Mouth to mouth respiration with Cardiac compression on a unconscious person was made in the program .



A Mental Health & Illness Awareness Program was organised at Oil Valley School, Bogapani on 30<sup>th</sup> July 2025. Mr Lakshyajoti Das from Tinsukia Health Society attend the program as resource person.

Mental health is a critical aspect of well-being for school children, encompassing their emotional, psychological, and social state. It significantly impacts their ability to learn, build relationships, and navigate the challenges of growing up. Addressing mental health concerns in schools is essential for fostering a positive learning environment and supporting students' overall development. Regular mental health screenings can help identify students who may need additional support.







## Adarsh Seuj Prakalpa back to track

Adarsh Seuj Prakalpa, is an organic demonstration garden and resource center at Digboi, Assam, India. It was initiated in 2005-06 by Rotary Club of Digboi in collaboration with Fertile Ground: East/West Sustainability Network, Canada and Rotary Club of Strathcona Sunrise, Canada under the guidance of Rtn Peggy Carswell. The project is located on two acres of land in Muliabari area at the town of Digboi, on an abandoned plot of land that had previously housed living quarters for workers of Digboi Refinery

In a little more than two years, two full-time gardeners and a host of volunteers- from the local neighbourhood and from Canada- transformed an unsightly site littered with garbage and building materials to a model organic garden and resource center. The site is regularly visited by farmers, small tea growers, educators, agricultural extension staff and students, and has attracted guests from as far away as Australia, Nigeria, Germany and the USA.

The project focuses on promoting organic farming practices, providing training, and serving as a resource for local farmers. It also hosts various events and workshops.



Members present in the Inaugural meeting of Adarsh Seuj Prakalpa in 2005 were Late P D Barooah, Rtn Dipok Ch Gupta, Rtn Barun Barpujari, Mr Pranab Goswami, Rtn P K Patowari, Mr Kaushik Bora, Mr Kishore Baruah, Rtn Bhaskar Chaudhuri, Ms Sita Baruah, Rtn Peggy Carswell & Ms Urmila Baruah.







# Rotary Club Meetings ... underrated in importance?



Rotary Club meetings are the most common way for members to gather in Fellowship, allowing Rotarians to interact with each other and engage in the discussion of ideas and learning opportunities. Every Rotary Club meets once a week, twice a month, online, and in many cases on a social setting as an alternate and fun way to gather. Depending on the location, Rotary Clubs meet early in the morning for breakfast and before the workday starts, at lunch time or in the evening after members leave their place of work.

Fellowship time is often held either before or after a Rotary Club meeting, which also follow a customary sequence:

- Reciting the Pledge of Allegiance
- An Invocation or Words of Wisdom
- Introduction of Guests and Visiting Rotarians
- Happy Dollars or Dollars for Polio
- Meeting Program (Guest Speaker or Club Assembly)
- Rotary District and Club Announcements
- Recital of the Four Way Test

Rotarians visiting another Rotary Club often bring a banner, a Club pin, or a gift from their home town or region. You should make every attempt to wear your Rotary Pin—which you would be presented during the membership induction ceremony—at all times, but particularly when planning to visit a Rotary Club other than your own.

Meetings are a vital ingredient within the Rotary mix! Make sure your club has fantastic meetings!



**Congratulations**

**NIYOR**

**Champion in Inter District  
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