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## Presidential Message

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**T**he Magic of Rotary is belonging, and it's a feeling that can appear when you least expect it.

Earlier this year, I was in Slovakia serving as a president's representative during a six-week trip through Europe. When I wrote to Katarina Cechova, governor of District 2240 at the time, I mentioned that my grandmother Veronica Zilka grew up in a small village in the area before settling in the U.S.

It wasn't long before Cechova tracked down my grandmother's village, Jakubova Vol'a. She even organized a visit for me, where I received an unforgettable Slovakian welcome.

When I entered the community center of Jakubova Vol'a, a small crowd of people dressed in traditional Slovakian clothing greeted me. They sang with beautiful and powerful Central European voices that reminded me of my grandmother.

A lot of families play cards or games when they get together. When I was young, my father would pick up his accordion and lead my family in song. My grandmother would sing along with her impressive voice.

When I walked into the community center and heard traditional music from my childhood — when I saw a woman play the accordion

the way my dad played — I suddenly felt like a little girl sitting at my grandmother's house in Monessen, Pennsylvania. I burst into tears of joy at the memories.

But the magic didn't stop there. District Governor Cechova really outdid herself. A local genealogist worked with a videographer to make a short film about my grandmother. We watched the video together in the community center.

When the video ended, I turned around and saw a man standing in the back of the room. I quickly learned that this stranger, Frantisek Zilka, was my second cousin. His grandmother and mine had been sisters. I felt like I had been struck by lightning.

I visited my newfound cousin's home, which happens to be the home where my grandmother was born. There, he shared old photographs I had never seen of my dad, my uncle, and my grandmother.

Since then, I can't stop thinking about my family of Rotary. When I refer to you as my family, I'm not just being kind. I really think of everyone in Rotary as my family. But I never would have imagined that my Rotary family would introduce me to long-lost personal family.

Sitting in that community center listening to traditional Slovakian music from my childhood filled me with joy and a profound sense of belonging. I am so grateful to District Governor Cechova and everyone who helped create that magical experience.

As members of Rotary, we have a unique opportunity to share the same magic with each other and with the world. I encourage you to consider how you can help spread that magic and ensure other members of your club — other members of our Rotary family — feel like they truly belong.



TODAY'S PROGRAM

"Hamara Vidyalaya" - A Play to celebrate Teacher's Day

# Minutes of the Meeting

## Minutes of the 3525th Regular Meeting of Rotary Club of Ranchi Held on 29.08.2024.

The 3525th regular meeting of the Rotary Club of Ranchi was called to order by Vice President Rtn. Lallit Tripathi.

The meeting commenced with the National Anthem.

The minutes of the 3523rd & 3524th regular meeting, held on 16.08.2024 & 22.08.2024 respectively, were circulated and duly approved.

Vice President Rtn. Lallit welcomed Mr. Rajat Behl, Mrs. Astha Behl, Rtn. Mr. D.N Lal (DIG, CRPF), Rtn. Sangeeta Lal, IDFC First Bank officials, all the Rotarians & Rotary Anns present at the meeting.

### President's Announcement

- ▶ Vice President Rtn. Lallit Tripathi congratulated all members for the success of the District Membership Seminar. He highlighted the excellent teamwork and dedication that made the event memorable and expressed his gratitude to everyone involved. He encouraged the members to build on this momentum for future initiatives.
- ▶ During the District Membership Seminar, the Rotary Club of Ranchi did a service project of distribution of six bicycles to meritorious schoolgirls from suburban areas, enabling them to overcome long commutes and continue their education. Special thanks were extended to Rtn. Pawan Jaiswal for leading this impactful initiative, which has a lasting positive impact on the girls' futures.
- ▶ Vice President Rtn. Lallit announced about the sponsorship of a new Rotaract Club, the Rotaract Club of Rising Ranchi, and thanked Rtn. Amit Agarwal for his leadership in this endeavor, which marks a significant step towards fostering youth engagement in Rotary activities.
- ▶ Vice President Rtn. Lallit reported on a productive meeting of President Rtn. Gaurav Bagroy with Mr. Manoj Prasad Singh, DGM at Birsa Munda Airport. The club presented the annual souvenir and Rotary News magazines to raise awareness of Rotary's initiatives. The proposal for installing an AED machine at the airport was positively received, with Mr. Singh giving his approval.

Vice President Rtn. Lallit informed the members of the upcoming medical camp on 30th August, organized in collaboration with Rotary Club of Ranchi Uptown at St. Michael's Blind School. He urged all Rotarians to participate and support this noble cause, which aligns with Rotary's mission to serve the underprivileged.

### Hony Secretary's Announcements

Hony. Secretary Dr. Khyati Munjal announced the Club Business.

- ▶ Birthday greetings were offered to Rtn. Manshu Chhaparia on 30th August.
- ▶ Anniversary greetings were offered to Rtn. Rajiv & Rtn. Ritu Chadda on 31st August, Rtn. Rajesh & Rtn. Jyoti Panjwani on 3rd September.

Hony. Secretary noted the Outside Attendance of PP Rtn. Binod Sarawgi, for attending the regular meeting on 21st August at RC Bilaspur, 24th August at RC Korba & 28th August at RC Bilaspur. Hony. Secretary also noted the Outside Attendance of President Rtn. Gaurav Bagroy & Rtn. Dr. Bhavna Taneja for attending an event of Rotaract Club of Zinnia on 24th August, Outside Attendance of Rtn. Amit Agarwal, Rtn. Rashmi Agarwal, Rtn. Amit Agarwal-2, PP Rtn. Sumit Agrawal, President Rtn. Gaurav Bagroy, Rtn. Akansha Bhagat, Rtn. Hitesh Bhagat, PP Rtn. R.S Chadha, PDG Rtn. Ajoy Chhabra, IPP Rtn. Dr. Vinay Dhandhanian, PDG Rtn. Jogesh Gambhir, Rtn. Ajay Jain, Rtn. Nishi Jaiswal, Rtn. Pawan Jaiswal, Rtn. Kushal Jalan, Rtn. Dr. Anant Kumar, Rtn. Ramesh Dharnidharka, Rtn. Vinay Maharaj, PDG Rtn. Rajiv Modi, PP Rtn. Shahid Pall, PP Rtn. Dr. Anil Kumar Pandey, PP Rtn. Pravin Rajgadia, Rtn. Ajay Saboo, PP Rtn. Suresh Saboo, Rtn.

Lokesh Sahu, PP Rtn. Rajesh Nath Shah Deo, PDG Rtn. Anil Singh, PP Rtn. Rekha Singh, PP Rtn. Harminder Singh, Rtn. Jasdeep Singh, Rtn. Shalini Singhania, AG Rtn. Dipak Srivastava, Rtn. Dr. Bhavna Taneja, PP Rtn. Mukesh Taneja, PP Rtn. Manoj Tiwari, Rtn. Lallit Tripathi, PP Rtn. A.D Wadhwa, Rtn. Charanjit Wasu, Rtn. Col. U.R Raj, Rtn. Arsh Jamil Ashfaque for attending District 3250 membership seminar on 25th August.

Apologies of absence were received from President Rtn. Gaurav Bagroy, PP Rtn. Pravin Rajgadia, PP Rtn. Dr. Anant Kumar, PP Rtn. Kanta Modi, Rtn. Girish Agarwal, Rtn. Ritika Lakhota & Rtn. Akansha Bhagat.

Vice President Rtn. Lallit informed the members that our meeting shall be a stand-up comedy event on Senior Citizens Day, which is been organised by our club in association with the IDFC First Bank.

A stand-up comedy event was aimed at bringing joy and laughter to the senior citizens & was a wonderful reminder that laughter truly is the best medicine. Our senior citizens showed us that a good sense of humor keeps the spirit young, no matter the age!

Vice President Rtn. Lallit expressed his appreciation for the efforts put into organizing this special event and highlighted the club's commitment to honouring and supporting the elderly in the community. He encouraged continued participation in similar initiatives that bring value and happiness to the lives of our senior citizens.

Vice President Rtn. Lallit also thanked the Fellowship Committee for organizing the wonderful fellowship event & also expressed his gratitude to Rtn. Lokesh Sahu for hosting the HOF.

The collection in the Sunshine Box was 550 degrees.

With greetings to Rotary International & Rotary Club of Ranchi South, the meeting was adjourned.

**Rtn. Lallit Tripathi**  
Vice-President

**Rtn. Dr. Khyati Munjal**  
Hony. Secretary

### Attendance for 09<sup>th</sup> September, 2024

Total No. of Members	–	89
Effective for Attendance	–	88
Actual attendance of last meeting	–	29
Effective Outside Attendance	–	21
Percentage	–	56 %

