

## EDITORIAL



Dear members,

Warm Rotary Greetings to all.

It is a strange phenomenon that in recent months one notices a spurt in people coughing and the bouts of coughing is quite prolonged. While one can discount this as a seasonal phenomenon, the prolonged duration of suffering looks quite unusual. On closer look it is revealed that the culprit is the AQI in the twin city, which has quite steadily been rising, and has quietly crossed the unprecedented level of 300 in the twin city. Who is to blame? Some people are crying hoarse about the dangers of such unprecedented high levels pollution and the dangers from the same. But it seems no one cares.

When we talk of diseases and prevention of same, of we normally think of water borne, diseases, air borne, contagious diseases, insect borne diseases etc. but often not diseases caused by pollution. Unfortunately, a place like Bhubaneswar, which has virtually no factories and with only moderate vehicular movement, we have such high levels of pollution. Among the major reasons, on even a casual look, one can see the recklessness of the builders and the civic authorities in completely ignoring adherence to norms and the effect of indiscriminate civil construction work, and structures. While in many other cities one finds even the basic covering around these constructions and structures such arrangements are conspicuous by their absence in our city.

Time has come to focus on disease prevention of pulmonary disease needs to be given due attention and atmospheric pollution to be curbed. Awareness for the same needs to be given due importance and Rotary's thrust on the same needs to be translated to action at club and District level.

Yours in Rotary,

**Rtn. Bijoy Dash**

## FROM PRESIDENT'S DESK



### Disease Prevention & Treatment Month

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

As we enter the month of December, Rotary draws our collective attention to one of its most impactful areas of focus—Disease Prevention and Treatment. This theme resonates deeply with Rotary's mission, as health stands at the foundation of every thriving community. When we help prevent illness and support treatment, we are not just saving lives—we are preserving dignity, protecting families, and building stronger futures.

Rotary's contribution to global health is monumental. Our longstanding fight against polio remains one of the greatest humanitarian achievements in history. Beyond polio, Rotary continues to support initiatives in maternal and child health, vaccination drives, cancer screening, hygiene education, mental wellness, and access to quality healthcare across the globe. These efforts remind us that preventing disease is not merely a medical duty—it is a social responsibility.

This year, our club has actively embraced this Rotary focus area through impactful programs. From cervical cancer awareness and vaccination initiatives, to collaborating with medical experts on adult vaccination, to supporting palliative care facilities—each activity reflects our commitment to saving and improving lives. These projects not only create awareness but also bring tangible benefits to the community we serve.

As Rotarians, we must continue strengthening this momentum. Disease prevention begins with education, early screening, healthy habits, and accessible healthcare. With compassion and collaboration, we can support those battling illness, advocate for preventive practices, and work towards reducing the burden of disease in society.

I encourage all members to become ambassadors of wellness—within your families, workplaces, and communities. A simple message shared, a small initiative taken, or a contribution made toward health-related projects can make a difference far beyond what we imagine.

Let us move forward united with hope and purpose, ensuring that Rotary remains at the forefront of creating healthier and happier communities.

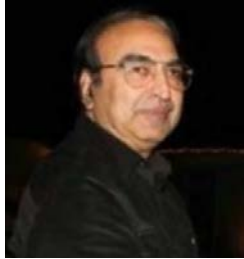
With warm regards,

**Rtn. Sanjaya Chaudhury**

# LOOKING BACK WITH HUMILITY AND NOSTALGIA

PDG Dharendra Nath Padhi, IAS (Ret.)

## 50 Commendable Years of Rotary Service Celebrating Life time Achievement Award



**Dharendra Nath Padhi, IAS (Ret.)**, is an outstanding administrator, scholar, and distinguished Rotarian whose service spans over five decades.

### Academic Credentials:

- M.Sc. (Physics)
- MBA, Faculty of Management Studies (FMS), Delhi University
- Visiting Fellow, University of Oxford, UK

### Civil Service Career:

- Direct Recruit IAS Officer, 1971 Batch
- Served with distinction in **Bihar, Government of India and Odisha**
- Post-retirement: **First State Chief Information Commissioner, Odisha** under the Right to Information Act, 2005
- The only IAS officer in India to receive **National Paul H. Apple by Award** of Indian Institute of Public Administration, New Delhi in 2020-21 for Distinguished Service in Public Administration

### Rotary Journey:

- Joined **Rotary Club of Bhubaneswar in August 1975**
- Maintained **100% attendance** until exempted in 2006–07 under the RI rules.
- Served as **District Governor, RI District 3260 (1996–97)**
- Past President: **Rotary Club of Baripada**

**(1980–81) and Rotary Club of Bhubaneswar (1984–85)**

o Recipient of the **Outstanding President District Award**

- Major Donor, Benefactor, Memorial Contributor & **PHF (Level 9)**

### Notable Rotary Contributions:

- Longest-serving member (17 years) of the **India National PolioPlus Society**, until India was declared Polio-Free in April 2014
- Served as **RI President's Representative (RIPR) nine times**, in: Poona, Kozhikode, Kochi, Delhi, Chandigarh, Taipei (Taiwan), Finland, Scotland (RIBI), South Carolina (USA)
- **District Representative to the Council on Legislation (COL), 2016**, Chicago, USA
- Member of the **Rotary International PolioPlus Expert Team** to three African nations in 1999—RI's only sponsored team of its kind
- Participated in **7 International Conventions**, several Regional Conferences, and 8 Rotary Institutes in India

### Awards & Recognitions:

- **Service Above Self Award**
- **Meritorious Service Award** – The Rotary Foundation
- **Distinguished Service Award** – The Rotary Foundation

- **Regional Service Award for a Polio-Free South-East Asia**
  - **International Service Award for a Polio-Free World**
  - **RI 5 Avenues of Service Award**
  - **District 3260 Award for 4 Avenues of Service – thrice**
- International Engagement:**
- Part of the Rotary International Leadership delegation that called on the **President of India** at Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi in October 2022.

## ***MANY MANY HAPPY RETURNS OF THE DAY***

### **BIRTH DAYS**

- 05 Dec : Lalita Spouse of PP Rtn. Ram Gopal Agarwal  
07 Dec : Payal spouse of Dr. Sanjeev Pradhan  
08 Dec : Rtn. Touraj Moghbelpoor  
09 Dec : Dr. Ranjita spouse of Rtn. Chakradhar Prasad Gantayat  
10 Dec : Rtn. Nivedita Prasad  
10 Dec : Mr. Debasish spouse of Rtn. Ishani Das Gupta  
11 Dec : PP Rtn. Paresh Chandra Dash  
15 Dec : PP Rtn. P. Venugopal Rao  
20 Dec : Hiteshi Spouse of Rtn. Tushar Ranjan Nayak  
22 Dec : Rtn. Rajesh Kumar Gupta  
24 Dec : Dr. Pratima spouse of PP Rtn. Dr. Sudam Chandra Basa  
25 Dec : Rtn. Dr. Amrita Mishra  
05 Dec : Lalita Spouse of Rtn. Maj. Gen. Pradeep Kumar Patnaik

### **ANNIVERSARY**

- 07 Dec : PP Rtn. Dr. Braja Kishore Mishra & Jyotirmayee  
07 Dec : Rtn. Srijat Mishra & Sonali  
11 Dec : Rtn. Debarata Samal & Sasmita  
12 Dec : PP Rtn. Dr. Satya Nanda Swain & Nivedita  
15 Dec : Rtn. Surendra Kumar Sahoo & Rtn. Madhuri



## ARJUN AWARD 2024-25





### A Proud Moment for Rotary Club of Bhubaneswar!

Rotary Club of Bhubaneswar has been honoured with the “highest number of District Awards” during the historic two-day **ARJUN – RID 3262 Award Ceremony**, held on 1st & 2nd November 2025 at the Railway Auditorium.

With the largest participation of 65 members, our club once again demonstrated unity, excellence, and commitment to Rotary values. Heartfelt congratulations to all our esteemed individual members who received “District Awards” in various categories — your dedication continues to make our club shine!

We are especially honoured and proud of PDG Rtn. D. N. Padhi, who was conferred with the “**LIFE TIME AWARD**” for his **50 glorious years of outstanding and selfless service** to Rotary. His journey is truly an inspiration to us all.

Indeed, an inspiring and historic achievement of RCB and let’s this legacy continues.

## Minutes of the 17th Weekly (Speaker) Meeting of the Rotary Year 2025-26 held on 3rd November 2025 at 7.00 pm at Rotary Bhawan

### 1. Call to Order:

President Rtn. Sanjaya K. Chaudhury called the meeting to order and requested all members to observe one minute of silent invocation for world peace, followed by the Vedic chanting "Sarve Bhavantu Sukhinah."

### 2. Welcome Address:

The President warmly welcomed all Rotarians and guests present. He appreciated members for their continued support, active participation, and enthusiasm in every club activity.

He highlighted the importance of the Rotary Foundation in supporting global communities through its diverse avenues of service.

He also informed that currently, for every contribution of US \$250, the District will provide an additional US \$750 match toward PHF (Paul Harris Fellow) recognition.

### 3. Confirmation of Minutes:

Secretary Rtn. Biswajit Patra read out the minutes of the 16th Weekly Meeting held on 27th October 2025, which were unanimously approved by the house.

He also briefed members about the week's activities, upcoming programs, and expressed gratitude for their continued cooperation and participation in all club events.

### 4. Felicitations:

Members celebrating their birthdays and wedding anniversaries were felicitated with greetings and applause by Rtn. Munmun Das.

### 5. Special Guests:

The President extended a warm welcome to the Sisters from Prajapita Brahma Kumaris Organization.

The Sisters invited all members to attend the upcoming program by Sister Shivani on 17th November at Bhubaneswar and distributed entry passes to Rotarians.

### 6. Club Achievements:

Rtn. Saroj Mohapatra briefed the house on the club's outstanding performance during 2024-25, wherein the club bagged 58 awards and recognitions for various projects and services.

He requested all members to be present at the 18th Weekly Meeting, which will be a Special Business Meeting to celebrate and present District Awards to club members.

### 7. Guest Speaker Introduction:

Rtn. Nivedita Prasad introduced the Guest Speaker - PDG Rtn. Rabi Narayan Nanda, IAS (Retd.), a Major Donor to the Rotary Foundation.

### 8. Guest Speaker's Address:

PDG Rabi Narayan Nanda delivered an insightful talk on the Rotary Foundation, tracing its journey from inception to the present day.

He shared how the Foundation, which began with a modest contribution of US \$26.50 from four Rotarians, now operates in over 120 countries, serving humanity through initiatives like:

- Polio eradication
- Disaster relief and rehabilitation

- Livelihood enhancement
- Peace and conflict resolution

He encouraged every Rotarian to contribute wholeheartedly and help make the club a 100% PHF Club.

He elaborated on various avenues of contribution such as the Annual Fund, Designated Project Fund, and Endowment Fund, and also explained the Global Grant process under Rotary's Seven Areas of Focus.

Members actively interacted with PDG Nanda, asking insightful questions. Rtn. Ashok Panda enquired about Rotary Volunteer, which was explained in detail.

PDG Nanda concluded by urging each Rotarian to contribute at least US \$25 annually to the Foundation.

#### 9. Felicitation:

The Guest Speaker, PDG Rabi Narayan Nanda, IAS (Retd.), was felicitated by PP Rtn. Pravat Satapathy with a memento and vote of appreciation.

#### 10. Announcements:

Rtn. Dr. Soumya Ranjan Patnaik briefed the members about the forthcoming program on 8th November 2025, which will involve screening of children and participation from teachers, doctors, and eminent personalities.

All members were requested to attend the event.

#### 11. Attendance Report:

Sgt-at-Arms Rtn. C. C. Sonny announced the attendance statistics:

- Members present: 32
- Guests: 3

#### 12. Vote of Thanks:

PP Rtn. Ashok Panda shared details about the upcoming PR Program scheduled from 24th November and urged members to register early.

He extended heartfelt thanks to PDG Rabi Narayan Nanda for his enlightening address and to all members for their enthusiastic participation.

#### 13. Fellowship:

The house expressed appreciation to Rtn. Saroj K. Mohapatra for graciously hosting the evening fellowship and snacks.

#### 14. National Anthem & Adjournment:

The President requested everyone to rise for the National Anthem, following which the meeting was adjourned.

Minuted by

**Rtn Biswajit Patra**  
SECRETARY



Flag exchange by Maj Gen Rtn P K Patnaik with Rotary club of Gurgaon Cusmopolitan



### T.E.A.C.H Programe



## Sunlit Odisha Autism Healing Mission (SOAHM)

On 8th November, the Rotary Club of Bhubaneswar, in collaboration with Better Matter Foundation, organized a Training-cum-Screening Seminar at Rotary Bhawan under the banner of Sunlit Odisha Autism Healing Mission (SOAHM) — an initiative aimed to screen, support, and empower autistic children.

The event was inaugurated by District Governor Rtn. Manoj Tripathy. Teachers, social workers, parents, health workers, and representatives from government agencies actively participated in this meaningful session.

This was just a trailer of our vision — we plan to establish a permanent project at Asha Building to serve the underprivileged children of our society, offering completely free support and services. A heartfelt thank you to all members of our club for their active participation and commitment to this noble cause. Together, we can bring light into many lives.





## Fund Raising Program for Karunashraya Palliative care

Rotary District 3262 | UNITE FOR GOOD | MIRACLE MAKERS

Book your Seat Now #Laughter Show with  
*Sunaj Tripathi & Team*

**Fund Raising Programme for Karunashraya Palliative Care**

**Enjoy the Evening**

**Date : 9th Nov 2025**  
**Time : 4.00 PM (Followed by Hitea)**  
**Venue : Karunashraya, Bhubaneswar**

**RSVP :**  
**+91 79 7865 0354**  
**+91 94370 55920**

**Organised by : All Rotary Club of Bhubaneswar**



## Minutes of the 18th Weekly (Special Business) Meeting of the Rotary Year 2025-26 held on 10th November 2025 at 7.00 pm at Rotary Bhawan

### 1. Call to Order:

President Rtn. Sanjaya K. Chaudhury called the meeting to order and requested all members to observe a one-minute silent invocation for world peace, followed by the Vedic chanting "Sarve Bhavantu Sukhinah."

### 2. Welcome Address:

The President warmly welcomed all Rotarians and guests. He appreciated the members for their continued support, active participation, and enthusiasm in every club activity.

He highlighted the importance of The Rotary Foundation and its role in supporting global communities through its Seven Rotary area of focus.

He also praised the 2024-25 Leadership Team for bringing glory to the club. The club has bagged the highest number of awards in the district.

He further appreciated the members for achieving the highest number of registrations for the district event.

### 3. Confirmation of Minutes:

Secretary Rtn. Biswajit Patra read out the minutes of the 17th Weekly Meeting held on 03rd November 2025, which were unanimously approved by the house.

He also briefed members about the week's activities and upcoming programs, expressing gratitude for their continued cooperation and participation in all club events.

### 4. Autism Program Update:

Dr. Soumya Ranjan Pattnaik highlighted the

Autism Awareness Program held on 8th November at Rotary Bhawan.

He appreciated the participation of doctors, children, and parents, which made the program meaningful and purposeful.

### 5. Visit to Bagchi Karunashraya:

PP Rtn. Sajjan K. Sureka shared his experience from the visit to Bagchi Karunashraya and emphasized the significance of their compassionate service to terminally ill cancer patients.

### 6. Felicitations:

Members celebrating their birthdays and wedding anniversaries were felicitated with warm greetings and applause by Rtn. Munmun Das.

### 7. Club Election Announcement:

PP Rtn. Pravat Satapathy briefed the house about the forthcoming club election and announced the following dates:

- 13th December - Last date for submission of nomination forms
- 14th December - Last date for withdrawal of nominations
- 15th December - Election Day Further details will be notified soon.

### 8. Club Support:

President Rtn. Sanjaya K. Chaudhury handed over a token of support amounting to Rs.52,000 to the wife of Late Simanchala Gouda, contributed by club members. Special thanks were extended to Rtn. Subhra Sahu Patra for donating an additional Rs.2,000 on the spot.

**9. Club Celebration:**

The President handed over the dais to Immediate Past President Rtn. Jnana Ranjan Rath and Immediate Past Secretary Rtn. Saroj K. Mohapatra to conduct the awards session.

Senior PDG D. N. Padhi, IAS (Retd.) presented the district awards to members for their commendable performance during the Rotary year 2024-25.

He also appreciated the commendable activities of the President, Secretary and his team during Rotary year 2024-25 and proud to receive Platinum and 5 Star club award and Platinum President and Secretary award from the District 3262.

**10. Attendance Report:**

Sgt.-at-Arms Rtn. C. C. Sonny presented the attendance statistics:

- Members present: 32
- Guests: 3

**11. Vote of Thanks:**

Rtn. Pramod Das expressed heartfelt thanks to all members for their support and active involvement in club activities.

**12. Fellowship:**

The house extended warm appreciation to Rtn. Sivananda Ray for graciously hosting the evening high tea.

**13. National Anthem & Adjournment:**

The President requested everyone to rise for the National Anthem, after which the meeting was adjourned.

Minuted by

**Rtn Biswajit Patra**  
SECRETARY





**Contribution from members@52000 handed over to the widow of our former caretaker Late Simanchala Gouda. We pray for his noble soul to rest in peace**



## Happiness in giving at Karunashraya Palliative care



Happy to Share!

We are delighted to inform you that we have handed over the following machines and goods to Karunashraya as on date:

1. Heavy-duty commercial washing machines – 4 nos.
2. Heavy-duty grass-cutting machine – 1 pc.
3. A cheque of Rs. 1,11,111/- transferred to Karunashraya.
4. Rice supply for one year (200 kg × 12 months).
5. One bundle of white dhoti.

This is a shining example of what we can achieve together.

A big thank you to all the club members and well-wishers for your wholehearted support and contributions.

Together, we can do more humanitarian projects in the future!

## Children's Day celebration at Aadruta children home

We had the privilege of celebrating "Children's Day" at "Aadruta Homes for Orphanage" along with its wonderful inmates. The children performed beautifully and filled the occasion with joy and energy.

We also visited their campus, library, prayer hall, and other facilities. It is truly an excellent humanitarian project, dedicated to shaping the lives of young children with care and compassion.

Under our "Happiness in Giving" initiative, we distributed food packets, juice, pens, exercise books, and a few other items to support the children. Being part of this meaningful project was an honour for all of us.

The program was organised by Rtn. Sikha Khuntia, with generous contributions from Sikha Khuntia, Sabita Swain and Kalyan Sunder Chottray.

A heartfelt thanks to all our members who attended and supported the event. Together, we continue to spread love, care and love.



## T.E.A.C.H Program at Aurobindo Institute of Integral Education

On the occasion of Children's Day, the Rotary Club of Bhubaneswar organized a Teach Interface session at Sri Aurobindo Institute of Integral Education, Khandagiri, at 3 PM.

This initiative is the first of its kind, with a clear motto:

“Steps Toward AI” — to educate students of 10 schools during this Rotary year.

Tomorrow marks the beginning of this journey with our first school:

1) Sri Aurobindo School, Khandagiri

Many more schools will be joining this mission soon.

In the coming days, students will showcase their learning in AI, Python, and basic Machine Learning. I am confident that their talent and creativity will surprise and inspire all of us.

A special thanks to Rtn. P. K. Dixit for your initiative and dedication to this meaningful project.



## Minutes of the 19th Weekly (Speaker) Meeting of the Rotary Year 2025-26 held on 18th November 2025 at 7.00 pm at Rotary Bhawan

### 1. Call to Order:

President Rtn. Sanjaya K. Chaudhury called the meeting to order and requested all members to observe a one-minute silent invocation for world peace, followed by the Vedic chanting "Sarve Bhavantu Sukhinah."

### 2. Welcome Address:

The President warmly welcomed all Rotarians and guests. He appreciated the members for their continued support, active participation, and enthusiasm in all club activities. He then invited Dr. Pragyanshree Priyadarshini, Pulmonary Specialist, to the dais as the Guest Speaker.

### 3. Confirmation of Minutes:

Secretary Rtn. Biswajit Patra read out the minutes of the 18th Weekly Meeting held on 10th November 2025, which were unanimously approved by the house. He also briefed the members on the week's activities and upcoming programs, urging all to register for:

- The District Foundation Seminar on 23rd November 2025, and
- The Certificate Programme on Public Relations from 24th-28th November 2025.

### 4. Felicitations:

Members celebrating birthdays and wedding anniversaries were felicitated with warm greetings and applause by Rtn. Madhuri Pattnaik.

### 5. Introduction of Guest Speaker:

Rtn. S. Nivedita Prasad introduced the Guest Speaker and highlighted her professional contributions to the medical fraternity.

### 6. Guest Speaker's Address:

Dr. Pragyanshree Priyadarshini delivered an insightful talk on the growing importance of adult vaccination. She explained how timely immunization helps reduce severe infections, hospitalizations, and long-term complications. She emphasized that vaccination is not limited to children-adults also require protection against influenza, pneumonia, shingles, hepatitis, and various respiratory illnesses. Her talk encouraged members to stay updated on vaccination schedules, undergo regular health assessments, and adopt preventive healthcare. Rtn. Dr. M. P. Rout, Rtn. Touraj Moghbelpoor, and Rtn. Dr. Soumya Ranjan Pattnaik participated in the interactive open forum.

### 7. Announcements & Updates:

- Rtn. Subir Mitra presented the Rotary flag to President Rtn. Sanjaya K. Chaudhury.
- Rtn. Surendra K. Sahoo briefed the house about the upcoming Club Picnic scheduled for 21st December 2025. Details to follow soon.
- PP Rtn. Ashok Panda encouraged members to participate in the PR Programme from 24th-28th Nov.
- PP Rtn. Sajjan K. Sureka updated the house on the upcoming District Rotary Foundation Seminar on 23rd Nov 2025.

### 8. Attendance Report:

Sgt.-at-Arms Rtn. C. C. Sonny presented the attendance statistics:

- Members Present: 33

- Guests:7

Total Attendance: 40

### 9. Support to TRF:

The President expressed gratitude to the following Rotarians for their generous contributions to The Rotary Foundation:

- Rtn. Jyoti Ranjan Pattnaik - \$1000
- Rtn. Dr. Mahesh Prasad Rout - \$250
- PDG D. N. Padhi IAS (Retd.) - \$250
- Rtn. Sikha Khuntia - \$250
- Rtn. Vinaya Chaudhury - \$250
- Rtn. Mahendra Singh - \$250

### 10. Vote of Thanks:

Rtn. Pramod Das proposed the vote of thanks, expressing heartfelt appreciation for the support and active involvement of all members.

### 11. Fellowship:

Warm appreciation was extended to Rtn. Kumar Devadutta for hosting the evening snacks. Members celebrating their wedding anniversaries cut a cake together, receiving heartfelt wishes from the house.

### 12. National Anthem & Adjournment:

The President requested everyone to rise for the National Anthem, after which the meeting was adjourned.

Minuted by

**Rtn Biswajit Patra**

SECRETARY



## Happiness in giving at Karunashraya Palliative care (Machine Hand over)



Under Happiness in Giving, we handed over 4 washing machines, 1 lawn-cutting machine, and 1 swing machine to Bagchi Karunashraya Palliative Care.

District Governor Rtn Manoj Tripathy RI District-3262, also present in this occasion.

This is truly a great humanitarian project, reflecting our collective commitment to compassion and service.

We encourage everyone to visit Karunashraya at least once and refer any needy individuals who may benefit from their exceptional care and support.

## Literacy Program (computer) At Saraswati Shishu Vidya Mandir Unit - 8



## Minutes of the 20th Weekly (Speaker) Meeting of the Rotary Year 2025-26 held on 24th November 2025 at 7.00 pm at Rotary Bhawan

### 1. Call to Order

President Rtn. Sanjaya K. Chaudhury called the meeting to order and requested all members to observe a one-minute silent invocation for world peace, followed by the Vedic chanting "Sarve Bhavantu Sukhinah."

### 2. Welcome Address

The President warmly welcomed all Rotarians and guests. He appreciated the members for their continued support, active participation, and enthusiasm in all club activities.

### 3. Confirmation of Minutes

Secretary Rtn. Biswajit Patra read out the minutes of the 19th Weekly Meeting held on 18th November 2025, which were unanimously approved by the house.

He also briefed the members on the week's activities and upcoming programs. The Secretary thanked members for attending the Certificate Programme on Public Relations held from 24th- 28th November 2025. He highlighted the opening ceremony in which:

- Sujata Mangaraj, Sr. Director cum Dean, BCCM
- R. N. Mohapatra, Sr. Executive Vice President, PRCI
- Lt. Gen. J. K. Mohanty, Chairman, Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan
- PP Rtn. Ashok Panda, Chairman, Organising Committee
- Rtn. Sanjay K. Chaudhury, President, RCB

addressed the gathering. The Vote of Thanks was delivered by Prof. Pani. The four-day programme commenced with 40 participants and 20 guests.

### 4. Felicitations

Members celebrating birthdays and wedding anniversaries were felicitated with warm greetings and applause by Rtn. Simi Agarwal.

### 5. Invitation of Speaker

The President invited Rtn. Mahendra Singh to the dais as the Speaker of the evening.

### 6. Speaker's Address

Rtn. Mahendra Singh delivered an insightful talk on the practical application of the Bhagavad Gita in everyday life, emphasizing its timeless relevance and guiding principles. He explained how the Gita's teachings on duty, discipline, mindfulness, and inner balance can help individuals navigate modern-day challenges with clarity and equanimity.

His thoughtful address was highly appreciated by the members for its simplicity, depth, and practical value.

Dr. Soumya Ranjan Pattnaik and Rtn. Sivananda Ray actively participated in the open discussion, adding valuable insights and enriching the interactive session.

### 7. Felicitations

PP Rtn. S. S. Harichandan felicitated the speaker, Rtn. Mahendra Singh, as a token of love and respect. District PHP pins were also distributed to members who contributed to The Rotary Foundation (TRF).

### 8. Attendance Report

Sgt-at-Arms Rtn. C. C. Sonny presented the attendance statistics:

- Members Present: 28
- Guests: 1

Total Attendance: 29

### 9. Vote of Thanks

Rtn. Surendra Sahoo (OFS) proposed the Vote of Thanks, expressing heartfelt appreciation to all members for their support and active involvement, and especially to Rtn. Mahendra Singh for his insightful deliberation.

### 10. Fellowship

Warm appreciation was extended to Rtn. Mahendra Singh for graciously hosting the evening snacks.

### 11. National Anthem & Adjournment

The President requested everyone to rise for the National Anthem, after which the meeting was formally adjourned.

Minuted by

**Rtn Biswajit Patra**  
SECRETARY



## PR Program at Bharati Vidya Bhavan



Rotary Club of Bhubaneswar successfully conducted a Certificate Program on Public Relations and Image Management, in collaboration with PRCI Odisha Chapter and Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan's School of Management. The program witnessed an enthusiastic participation of around 70 attendees, making it a fruitful and impactful learning experience for all.

In the opening ceremony,

Sujata Mangaraj, Sr. Director cum Dean, BCCM | R. N. Mohapatra, Sr. Executive, Vice President, PRCI | Lt. Gen. J. K. Mohanty, Chairman, Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan | PP Rtn. Ashok Panda, Chairman, Organising Committee | Rtn. Sanjay K. Chaudhury, President, RCB addressed the participants and audience. The Vote of Thanks was delivered by Prof. Pani. The four-day programme was commenced with 40 participants. And certificates were distributed to all participants.



Flag exchange by Rtn Subir Mitra with Rotary Club of Millennium city mumbai & RCB Newbies, Jodhpur park on 04 November

## 80th Charter Day of the Rotary Club of Cuttack!

As the Rotary Club of Cuttack celebrates eight glorious decades of service, leadership, and humanitarian commitment, we pay tribute to the visionary Rotarians whose dedication has strengthened communities and inspired generations.

On this special occasion, all sponsored clubs were felicitated for their continued support and partnership. The Rotary Club of Bhubaneswar, one of the oldest clubs sponsored by Cuttack, proudly participated in the celebration.

PP Rtn Tanmay Mohanty, PP Rtn B. K. Sharma, President Rtn Sanjay K. Chaudhary, and Secretary Rtn Biswajit Patra represented our club at the event. All Presidents and Secretaries were graciously honored by the President of the Rotary Club of Cuttack.

A memorable evening celebrating legacy, fellowship, and Rotary's timeless commitment to "Service Above Self."

