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# Weekly Bulletin

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## Rotary Club of Cuttack

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# BARABATI

*Today's Programme- An evening on "Traffic Safety Awareness and Potluck delight"*

#### *Editorial*

**Traffic Rules: The Unseen Superheroes of the Road**

Traffic rules are the quiet superheroes of our daily commute—no capes, no dramatic entrances, just reflective paint and stern signboards. They exist not to spoil our fun, but to ensure we reach home with both bumpers and bones intact. Red lights are not suggestions for thrill-seekers, zebra crossings are not abstract art, and speed limits are not personal challenges issued by the universe.

Following traffic rules turns chaotic roads into a well-rehearsed orchestra, where horns are used sparingly and lanes actually mean something. They protect pedestrians, cyclists, drivers, and even that confused dog in the middle of the street. Yes, waiting at a signal can feel eternal, especially when you're late—but eternity is still shorter than a hospital visit.

In short, traffic rules ask for patience, reward us with safety, and politely remind us that arriving alive is always better than arriving fast.

*Editor*

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#### *Guest Speaker*



**Mr. K.C. Samal** (B.Com., LL.B.), born on 06 September 1958, joined the Odisha Police as a Sub-Inspector of Police on 20 January 1980 and served the force with distinction until his retirement on 30 September 2018. During his nearly four decades of service, he held charge of the Bhubaneswar and Cuttack Traffic Police for an unprecedented period of 25 years, a record in the history of Odisha Police, and retired as Deputy Commissioner of Police (DCP), Traffic, under the Police Commissionerate, Bhubaneswar-Cuttack. After retirement, he served as Officer on Special Duty (OSD) in the Sports Department, Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar. In parallel, he has been associated with Doordarshan Kendra, Bhubaneswar, as a News Reader for over 35 years. He is also an accomplished Odissi and Dasa Avatar dancer from his school and college days and has received numerous awards and felicitations for his artistic achievements. Presently, he is serving as Vice President of the Forum for Prevention of Road Accidents, a national-level organization working in

collaboration with government and corporate sectors with the noble mission of preventing road accidents and saving lives and property.

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#### *ROTARY CLUB OF CUTTACK*

#### *Weekly Meeting Minutes*

**Meeting No.: 3820**

**Date: 06 January 2026**

**Venue: Cuttack Club, Annex-1**

**Time: 6:30 PM**

The Weekly Meeting of the Rotary Club of Cuttack was formally called to order by President Rtn. Sujata Priyadarshini.

The meeting began on a solemn note with the National Anthem, followed by one minute of silence, upholding Rotary's values of unity and respect.

Rtn. Satya Mishra gracefully escorted the Chief Guest Shradha Padhi to the dais.

The Minutes of the previous meeting, circulated earlier through the e-bulletin, were confirmed unanimously by the house.

Rtn. Suryakanta Dasmohapatra presented the Fellowship Announcements.

Rtn. Dr Tasneem Dodia presented the Secretary Report highlighting key club activities and updates.

Rtn. Satya Narayan Mishra delivered a concise and engaging introduction of the Chief Guest, setting the tone for the evening.

The Chief Guest addressed the gathering with a thought-provoking and inspiring speech, which was



warmly appreciated by all Rotarians and guests present.

Rtn. Sushanta Mohanty proposed a gracious Vote of Thanks, expressing gratitude to the Chief Guest and the members for their participation.

The Attendance Statistics were presented by Rtn. Atoshi Karmakar.

The President Rtn. Sujata Priyadarshini concluded meeting in a spirit of fellowship inviting all members for Hi-Tea.

**Rtn. Tasneem Dodia**  
**Secretary**

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### *Poetry on Pongal*

The sun wakes early and smiles,  
Pots wait on the fire, warm and round.  
Milk rises with a gentle laugh,  
Rice follows, proud and white.  
“Pongalo Pongal!” voices cheer,  
Steam floats like a happy cloud.  
Sugarcane stands sweet and tall,  
Kolams bloom on quiet floors.  
Cows wear bells and calm eyes,  
Drums tap softly, not too loud.  
Ghee melts into golden joy,  
Hands share food and smiles.  
Fields rest after hard work,  
Hearts pause to say thanks,  
Pongal feels warm and kind.

### *Birthdays*

**7<sup>th</sup> January Rtn. Achyuta-nanda Routray**

### *Marriage Anniversary*

**8<sup>th</sup> January Rtn. Ajab Patel and Spouse Mustan Patel**

**BARABATI felicitates the members who have celebrated their birthdays and anniversaries.**

**January stands for Vocational Service Month**

### *Last Weekly Meeting*



**Events & Donations - Embodying the Spirit**



*Our members visited Paribartan NGO*



*RLI Graduates from our club*



*District Event*



*RI Assembly (2026-2027)*



*Presidential Message for 2026-27*

