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# **Weekly Bulletin**

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## Rotary Club of Cuttack

RID 3262 \* Club id. 16012 \* Charter Dt. 04-12-1945 Regd. No. 15794/630 of 1979/80, Odisha, India

R.I. President Stephanie A. Urchick District Governor Yagyansis Mohapatra

Club President Akshaya Kumar Nayak

Club Secretary Er. Sunyeswar Swain Editor Sujata Priyadarshini Today's programme
Weekly meeting followed by
JPM RCC Eye Hospital & RI
Foundation Day Celebration.

#### **EDITORIAL**

Makar Sankranti signifies an astronomical event the earth moves closer to the Sun, the days become warmer and longer. It is the beginning of summer and end of winter. This change in climate has a major role in the ecosystem. The nature starts to flourish and the beginning of a new harvesting season. Which means goodbye to the past and embracing the renewal, gratitude, prosperity and happiness. It's the time to clean karma by doing charity. This act develops interrelation with different people in the society and shared responsibilities as a member of the community. It's considered to be a moral and honourable work, also promote empathy and compassion. It helps people; to purify their mind and soul, builds and maintains social bonds and trust. It's the gratitude to Mother Nature for the gifts and blessings they received from her. The charity during Makar Sankranti uplifts the societal standard and has a huge social impact. This act is highly appreciated in Rotary as 'Service above Self'

#### -Editor

#### JPM RCC Eye hospital

JPM Rotary Club of Cuttack Eye Hospital & Research Institute is one of the premier and busy hospital functioning in eye care in eastern India. The hospital Situated at Cuttack, caters to the need of the patients in the peripheries of Cuttack and Cuttack district and the neighbouring states and have several corporate sectors as clients.

This Institution attends to most complicated Retinal Surgeries, Cataract with glaucoma surgeries and surgeries for cataract and other diseases for the children are also conducted here with excellent results. Squint surgeries on children have become very popular. This Institute is a pioneer and leader in the State as regards Vitreo Retinal Surgery and Paediatric Surgery.

The Hospital has been treating more than 65,000 patients in its OPD in a year. At present the hospital provides cataract surgical services, glaucoma surgical and medical services. cornea treatment, retina, surgical and medical retina services along with treatment for childhood blindness, strabismus, keratoplasty, occuloplasty, low vision services etc. Retinopathy of Prematurity services are provided by the hospital at SCB Medical College & Hospital as well as Sardar Ballav Bhai Patel Institute of Paediatrics, Cuttack.

Besides, through an active outreach/ in reach programme, patients are examined in camps conducted in rural areas, and brought to the Hospital for operation totally free of any change. Through outreach camps, conducted, throughout the week, medical teams from the Hospital go out to camps in rural areas on an average radius of about 150 K.Ms. Hundreds of patients are examined and screened at each of the camps. Those who are fit for operation of cataract are transported to the Hospital for treatment and operation and thereafter, transported back to their homes. Food is provided free for these patients. Follow up of the cases are done at the rural camps, six weeks after. In the 2019 we have conducted 292 free cataract screening camps and conducted 7182 free cataract surgery.

JPM in collaboration with Sightsavers has started a new program on Truck Drivers Community, named RAAHI - Road Safety and Assurance by Healthy Eyes. This programme will reach out to 500,000 truck drivers and helpers of the laborious 9 million truck drivers and transporters community present in India. As you may be aware the impaired visual function can be one of the major causes for mishaps. According to a survey almost 20% drivers are unfit in India for driving

safely due to vision problems.

This unique occupational Eve Health Program which is specially designed for the Truck community will help a lot in minimising the road accidents. Free spectacles will be provided to the truck community on requirement basis. It has come to our notice that everyday around 2000 numbers of Truck Drivers are standing in your company premises, it will be easier to us for screening them and providing free spectacles to drivers having vision deficiencies and providing certificate to drivers having normal and good vision.

MINUTES OF WEEKLY MEET-ING NO 3771 HELD ON 07/01/2025 AT CUTTACK CLUB ANNEXE-1

Meeting was called to order by the President Rtn. Akshya Kumar Nayak & after the National Anthem was recited one minute silence was observed calling upon the Almighty for World Peace and Better Understanding, then President welcomed Guests, Esteemed Rotarians, Anns. members of IWC, Rotaracters present in the meeting & the minutes of the last weekly meeting circulated through the weekly bulletin was confirmed. Fellowship announcement was made by the Rtn. Prashanta Kumar Panigrahi. Secretary briefed the august house about the activities of the club & it's different

permanent projects. Then president gave an overview of today's program & "Celebration of Sita Utshav -2025" by our club in association with Odia Language, Literature & Culture Department, Govt. of Odisha & requested Rtn. Biswaranian Sahoo to introduce the troupes to the august house, thereafter he introduced three troupes namely 1) Bidu Chandan Cultural Association, Sundargarh (for folk dance/Jhumar), 2) Brundaban Sanskrutika Anusthan. Kesinga, Kalahandi (for folk dance/Ghumura) & 3) Parbati Barik Cultural Team. Khorda, Bhubaneswar (for folk dance / Sambalpuri). Then all the three troupes performed their respective dance program one by one which was appreciated by everyone. Then President, Secretary & Senior Rotarians handed over the certificate of participation to all the participants, thereafter with request of president PP Prof Dr Prabhat Kumar Misra felicitated Troupe Head of each team & presented mementos. PE Rtn Sujata Priyadarshini offered vote of thanks, President presented the attendance statistics & meeting was adjourned for Hi- Tea.

Rtn. Er. Sunyeswar Swain Secretary

#### **DISTRICT EVENTS**

DG Yagyansis Mohapatra in presence of different RC Of Cuttack distributed calendars at 'Vidya Centre' opening under RILM at Dhabaleswar Ghat on 13th

January.



PP Rtn. P. S. Chatterjee was felicitated by RC of Anandpur on 11<sup>th</sup> January.



Rotary Play School organised the school picnic at Bentakara pada farm house. Staff, students, parents, and members of RC Cuttack enjoyed it on 12<sup>th</sup> January.



PP Rtn. P. S. Chatterjee attended the 'Free Collection & Distribution of Used Household Goods' project organised by RCB Rajdhani at Buddha Mandir, Bhubaneswar.



**BIRTHDAYS** 

**NO BIRTHDAYS** 

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

08.01.2025 Rtn. Ajab Patel & Spouse Mustan

BARABATI felicitates members who have celebrated their anniversaries.

#### **NEXT WEEK Dt. 21.01.25**

Counselling on Investment plans.

#### LAST WEEKLY MEETING























Sampatrai RCC Senior Citizens Home



Rotary Play School







**DLTC** Centre



### PICNIC of RC Cuttack

The picnic spot is irrigation IB Jagatpur (North) on 19<sup>th</sup> January. Members are requested to contribute 500 Rupees and enjoy the fun & frolic.