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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

Chib President Akshaya Kumar Nayak

Chub Secretary Er. Sunyeswar Swain Editor Sujata Priyadarshini Today's programme Raksha Bandhan & Spiritual empowerment through practice of Rajayoga.

#### **EDITORIAL**

The festival of Raksha Bandhan captures the true spirit of the relationship between a brother and sister. There are many examples in mythology Hindu about Raksha Bandhan as a festival of protection. Indra tied Rakhi as а protection against enemies by the advice of Dev Guru Bruhash-Krishna advised Yudhisthira to tie a rakhi to wave out the evils, Krishna protected the modesty of sister Draupadi at Kurusava. Raksha means "protect" Bandhan and means "bond". It is a bond of protection. This festival has not only a traditional one but also has a socio spiritual significance. Women tie Rakhi to jawans at border areas to express their gratitude and respect for their dedication and protection.

Engineering, Arts, Sciences and BioTech students of have Amrita University started distinct version of traditional festival this Raksha Bandhan since 2016. The students of the University adopt a plant in the campus by tying ribbon, they pledge to take care of that by watering and nurturing. This is a unique way to protect the environment and Mother Earth.

One of the focus areas of Rotary is Environment. This

year Rotary started Green Mission 2 and pledged to plant. Rotary Club of Cuttack planted hundred fruit bearing tree saplings in four different places. Rotarians please follow the way adopted by the students of Amrita University to celebrate Raksha Bandhan by protecting those trees.

#### -Editor

#### **OUR GUEST**



BK Gitanjali was born on 02.07.1972, has done M.Sc. (Botany), PGDCA, PG diploma & MSc. in (Value Education & Spirituality), MBA (Self Management & Crisis Management) from Annamalai University. She is presently serving as a motivational speaker, management trainer and Rajayoga Teacher at Brahmakumaris, Jagatpur, Cuttack, As a trainer she has been conducting a variety of courses in different industries, organizations, educational institutions, banks etc. all across Orissa. From childhood she has been involved with Brahmakumaris, inspired by this philosophy, after completing study, she

has decided to serve the humanity by spiritual empowerment through practice of Rajyoga Meditation taught by the institution. To pursue the noble cause, she dedicated herself fully more than 27 yrs. She has spent 8yrs in Mumbai, & now at Jagatpur, Cuttack since 2007.

She has participated in "Swarnim Bharat Yuva Padyatra" from Cuttack to Kolkata in 2006, "All India Campaign on Nature, Environment & Disaster Management" in September 2011. She has participated as Rally in-charge of "Mera Bharat Swarnim Bharat" All India Bus Rally from Cuttack to Jeypore in October 2018, Rally Incharge of Atma Nirbhar Krushak Abhivan in 2022.

#### **DISTRICT EVENTS**



On 15<sup>th</sup> August District 3262 organised a Maha Tiranga Yatra at New Taladanda Canal Road. PDG, President, Secretary and members of RCC participated.



PDG A. B. Mohapatra was the Chief Guest of the event "Desha Pain Dina Tie" at Gopinathpur on 15<sup>th</sup> August.



On 15<sup>th</sup> August President Rtn. Akshaya Ku. Nayak, Secretary Rtn. Er. Sunyeswar Swain and Rtn. Akshaya Ku. Deo Plantated trees at SRCCSCH at Naraj.



On 16<sup>th</sup> August PDG Rtn. A. B. Mohapatra attended the Felicitation of War Veterans at Bhubaneswar Rotary Bhawan.

MINUTES OF WEEKLY MEETING NO.3752 DTD.13.08.2024 HELD AT CONFERENCE HALL OF JPM ROTARY CLUB OF CUTTACK EYE HOSPITAL & R.I.

The weekly meeting scheduled for the evening with Club President & Eamp; Club Secretary being on the dais and club members having assembled Chief Speaker, Members, and Guests were welcomed, the meeting being called to order, all present joined in singing the National Anthem and also observed silence for one minute praying to the Almighty for World Peace & Better Understanding.

Minutes of the last weekly meeting was confirmed by members from the weekly bulletin which had been circulated. Chief Speaker Prof. (Dr.) Rajesh Kumar Dora and Guest of Honour Sri Santosh Kumar Sahu, V.P., A.I.G., Hyderabad, escorted to the dais by Rtn. Dr. Tasneem Dodia, welcomed with a bouquet. Rtn Er. Sunyeswar Swain, Secretary presented club's weekly activities & reports of club projects. Rtn. Satya Narayan Mishra introduced the Chief Speaker and Rtn. PP. Partha Sarathi Chatteriee introduced the Guest of Honour, Sri S. K. Sahu. thereafter the Chief Speaker elaborately gave a talk on Organ Donation specially he described on Liver Plantation in SCB, Cuttack. After the Chief Speaker's talk is over Guest of Honour gave an overview on Organ Donation in worldwide/nationwide and procedure to be followed. Then the memento was presented to them. President felicitated Rtn. PP. Partha S. Chatteriee for most courteously dressed Rotarian. Then vote of thanks being extended by Rtn. Sujata Privadarshini, President Elect and statistics were read out by Rtn. Dr. Tasneem Dodia & meeting stood adjourned for Hi-Tea sponsored by Rtn. Purna Chandra Dash.

Rtn. Er. Sunyeswar Swain-Secretary

#### Gamha Purnami

Odisha celebrates Raksha Bandhan along with Lord Balabhadra's birthday and Gamha Purnami. Balabhadra is the elder brother of Lord Jagannath, "harbinger the knowledge" of agricultural tools. Gamha Purnima, The term 'Gamha' is derived from the word Go-mata and according to the Harivamsa, Balaram was born from a cow named Rohini. The festivities involve the ceremonial washing and decorating cattle, with vibrant ropes and floral garlands. Rakhis are tied to the horns, symbolizing a bond of protection. Farmers also pay homage to the essential tools of their trade. In Paralakhemundi and other parts, the birthday of Lord Baladeva is celebrated through a popular game known as Gamha-Diyan (The Gamha Jump). Before the auspicious day, the Gamha (platform) is made of bricks, mud and grass. The middle of the platform is filled with stones to make it strong enough. It is made high upwards and low downwards making the shape of a spur. Its top looks like a tower. A short distance from the top of the Gamha, two poles are dug in opposite directions, which are connected with a bamboo stick tied to both the poles. In the bamboo stick various fruits like oranges, bananas, coconuts etc. are tied very carefully. The people one by one come with a run from the downward of the Gamha, and on reaching the top, the person jumps to catch the fruits. One who touches a fruit gets an attractive prize.

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

15.08 PP Rtn. Dr. Raghubir Mohanty 18.08 Rtn. Biswajit Mohanty

#### **NO ANNIVERSARIES**

BARABATI felicitates members who have celebrated their birthdays.

#### **TODAY**

Talk on Raksha Bandhan & Spiritual empowerment through practice of Rajayoga by B.K. Gitanjali.

#### **NEXT WEEK**

27.08.24-Weekly meeting, Talk on Senior Citizen Day Live longer, live better & formula to be centenarian.

August is the month of membership and New Club development.

#### LAST WEEKLY MEETING











Last week's events

Independence Day Celebration (Permanent Projects)

JPM RCC Eye Hospital & RI







### SRCCSCH







## Rotary Play School







DLTC



Rakhi Celbration by Inner Wheel Culb at SRCCSCH



MAHA TIRANGA RALLY







RCC Members participated in the Candle March







