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### 105th Installation Evening Chief Guest – Lopamudra Mitra



Lopamudra Mitra, an acclaimed Indian Bengali-language singer, pioneered the art of "Kobitar Gaan" — music composed to poetry. Regarded as a luminary in this field, her rendition of Joy Goswami's "Benimadhob" stands as a defining work. Beyond this genre, she enjoys popularity for her contributions to Folk, Modern Bengali Songs, and Rabindra Sangeet. Mitra was born into a culturally rich middle-class family in Gangarampur, South Dinajpur, West Bengal, India. She pursued her education at Basanti Devi College, Kolkata, affiliated with the University of Calcutta. Married to Music Director Joy Sarkar, Mitra has been honoured with numerous awards, including the Gold Disc Award from HMV for completing a decade in music, the Bengal Film



Journalists' Association's Best Female Playback Award for "Sedin Chaitramash," and accolades from Anandabazar Patrika for Best Singer and Best Album of the year in 2001 for "Bhalobaste Balo." She also received the Best Singer award at the Star Jalsa Awards in 2011. (Adapted from Wikipedia)

### Chief Guest - AKS Dr Krishnendu Gupta DG 2024-25 - D3291



Krishnendu's journey is one of remarkable achievement and profound service spanning several domains. He embarked on his Rotary journey in 1992, joining RC Calcutta Jadavpur and later transitioning to RC Calcutta Victoria (RCCV) where he has been a stalwart member since 1997. His dedication to Rotary is underscored by his prestigious recognitions : becoming a Paul Harris Fellow in 1999 and progressing through various levels to the Arch Klumph Society – Trustees Circle in 2017–2018, marking a first for RI District 3291. Krishnendu's commitment culminates in his upcoming role as District Governor for RY 2024–2025.

Born in Kolkata, Krishnendu's academic journey includes schooling at St. Xavier's Collegiate School and Mayo College, Ajmer, followed by medical education at Kasturba Medical College (KMC), Mangalore, and postgraduate studies at KMC, Manipal. His career in Obstetrics & Gynaecology spans over 34 years, marked by leadership as Professor and Unit Head at Vivekananda Institute of Medical Sciences (VIMS), Kolkata. His international acclaim includes Fellowships and honorary titles from prestigious medical societies worldwide.

Beyond medicine, Krishnendu's Rotary contributions are vast. He has held pivotal roles within RCCV and RI District 3291, receiving numerous awards for his service, including recognition for his substantial contributions to The Rotary Foundation (TRF). His advocacy extends to global health initiatives such as the 'End Polio Now' campaign and projects addressing women's health and empowerment.

Krishnendu's leadership extends globally as Deputy

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We Meet Every Tuesday at 1 p.m. at ROTARY SADAN  
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Secretary General of the Asia & Oceania Federation of Obstetrics & Gynaecology and International Lead Fellow of Examinations at RCPI, Ireland. He has chaired significant medical societies and serves as an educator and examiner in Obstetrics & Gynaecology.

Outside his professional and Rotary commitments, Krishnendu is an accomplished musician, a lifelong member of multiple prestigious clubs, and a connoisseur of fine wines. His personal life is enriched by his partner-in-service Dr. Simran, also a distinguished medical professional, and their daughter Aparajita, who excels in her career with MSD in Prague.

Krishnendu's legacy is not only marked by professional accolades but also by his unwavering dedication to humanitarian causes, epitomizing the values of Rotary through service above self. His impact spans continents, touching lives through healthcare, education, and community service, embodying the spirit of Rotary's motto: "Service Above Self."

## Special Guest - Ms Alokandanda Roy



Alokandanda Roy epitomizes grace and elegance, showcasing her versatility through innovative dance styles and creative stage productions. Despite her deep involvement in varied creative pursuits, she has always extended genuine care and compassion to society.

Her journey began as a dancer driven purely by joy, eschewing competition, and fame. She refrained from paid performances until launching her social initiatives in 2000. At 17, she devoted herself to Shri Aurobindo and Shri Ma, undergoing a profound spiritual experience in Auroville, Pondicherry, which fortified her amidst life's challenges.

Conscious of her social responsibilities, she founded the Inspiration Foundation, teaching underprivileged children dance, music, recitation, and art. Her impartiality and compassion led her to adopt the cause of inmates in West Bengal's Correctional Homes through her organization, Touch World, also caring for their children.

(Adapted from her website alokanandaroy.com)

## Stephanie A. Urchick, Rotary International President Rotary Club of McMurray, Pennsylvania District 7305



Stephanie A. Urchick retired as partner and chief operating officer of Doctors At Work LLC, a consulting and training company, in 2022. She holds a doctorate in leadership studies from Indiana University of Pennsylvania. She is active on numerous community boards and committees, and has been honored by organizations including Zonta International and the Sons of the American Revolution.

A Rotarian since 1991, Urchick first joined the home club of Past RI President Chuck Keller, who served as her mentor. Urchick has served Rotary as Rotary Foundation Trustee and RI Director. She has served RI in numerous capacities, including training leader, Regional Rotary Foundation coordinator, and RI president's representative. In addition she was a delegate and member-at-large for three Councils on Legislation.

She has also served as a member of various RI committees, including Rotary's Election Review Committee, the Operations Review Committee, and as chair of the Rotary Strategic Planning Committee and The Rotary Foundation's Centennial Celebration Committee.

Urchick has participated in a variety of international service projects, including National Immunization Days in India and Nigeria. In Vietnam, she worked with clubs to help build a primary school and traveled to the Dominican Republic to install water filters. The speaker of

several Slavic languages, she has mentored new Rotary members in Ukraine, and coordinated a Rotary Foundation grant project for mammography equipment and a biopsy unit for a hospital in Poland. Urchick is currently helping to partner clubs and districts in the U.S. with Rotary clubs in Kosovo, Albania, and in Ukraine for humanitarian and educational services.

Urchick wants to see 100,000 more Rotary members in 2024-25. She believes that the magic of Rotary happens at the club level, where the people are serving their communities.

"We need to make our club experiences simply irresistible," says Urchick. "We want people to feel that there's value in getting involved in Rotary to create changes in themselves, in their communities, and in the world."

She is a Major Donor and a member of the Bequest Society of The Rotary Foundation.

## Vision and Goals Statement of Stephanie Urchick

I strongly support maintaining our current vision statement. There's magic as people unite to create sustainable change. Those actions have global, community, and personal impact. We've seen progress toward this vision since its adoption. We must continue to support our vision with strategies and goals reflecting what we've learned over the past few years.

Together, in 2024-2025, let's add 100,000 more members to our organization. Recruit new members and engage our current members with meaningful club experiences. Expand our North America innovative club advocate program globally for additional impact.

Together, let's help each other become more adept at digital innovation by inviting clubs to virtual 'chats' with Senior leaders and 7-minute virtual networking sessions. Relevant information is shared and members see how readily one can engage and 'connect' with Rotary leaders and each other. It also shows how adaptive our organization has become. Let's create a Rotary App. There's no better way to spread the word about Rotary and its causes and to allow members to engage with Rotary and support it by donating to The Rotary Foundation.

Together, let's encourage members to serve others through their vocations, education, and skillsets by establishing a mentoring and coaching program for Rotarians and Rotaractors.

Together, let's finally eradicate polio. The world relied on expertise in our Polio program to assist medical experts to reach isolated areas when COVID hit. Now let's get COVID experts on board to help individuals understand the relationship between vaccine and disease prevention, and to assist with the eradication final drive.

Together, let's extend continuity with our participants on programs that have proven results, including empowering girls, world leader meetings, and public-facing events. Success breeds success, and while members must embrace transformation in order to grow, building on accomplishments is a great motivator. Our power is our people.

## District Governor Dr. Krishnendu Gupta's Message



District 3291

### Dr Krishnendu Gupta

MBBS DGO MD FRCOG FRCOG FRCPI FRCOG FACOG

District Governor, 2024–2025

Rotary International District 3291

Rotary Club of Calcutta Victoria

Member, Arch Klump Society – Trustees Circle, TRF, 2018

Professor &amp; Unit Head, Dept of Obstetrics &amp; Gynaecology, Vivekananda Institute of Medical Sciences, Kolkata



13 June 2024

#### Rtn Subrata De

President 2024–2025, Rotary Club of Calcutta, RID 3291

Dear President Elect Subrata De,

Greetings and best wishes from Dr Simran and my family.

It will be yet another historic day on 01 July 2024 when the second-ever lady Rotarian RIPE Stephanie A Urchick from RC McMurray, Pennsylvania, USA, will take over the reins of Rotary International with the wonderful theme **“THE MAGIC OF ROTARY”**.

On the very same date, we too will be extremely fortunate to have been given the opportunity to officially take care of the health and welfare, of all our fellow Rotarians of District 3291 for one full Rotary year.

On that very day, you too shall be taking up the mantle of your club and work towards the benefit of both your club members and the society at large. I am very happy to note that you are already planning service projects and we expect that those shall be sustainable projects creating new development of marginalized people.

The service projects that we do for the benefit of the lesser privileged in our community, is truly magical. It brings about positive change towards betterment and sometimes, a total change in the lives of our beneficiaries. And while doing these meaningful projects, we also get together, bond and enjoy ourselves. This is **“THE MAGIC OF ROTARY”**.

I am positive that your vibrant club shall do this magic, as they have done in the past, and continue to serve to change lives.

Simran and I wish you and your esteemed club members the best and eagerly look forward to working together for a wonderful and fruitful Rotary Year 2024–2025.

Thanking you

Kind regards

Yours-in-Rotary



Dr Krishnendu Gupta

District Governor, 2024–2025

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## President - Subrata De



Mr. Subrata De, a Chartered Accountant by profession, is the third generation Chartered Accountant in his family. He is from Kolkata and has done his schooling at South Point High School. He graduated in Commerce from St. Xavier's College, Kolkata. He is also a Fellow Member of the ICAI. He is also a Law Graduate from the University of Calcutta. He is practicing since 1988 in his own audit firm DE & BOSE, which has been running successfully since 60+ years.

Rtn. Subrata became a member of the Rotary Club of Calcutta in 1999 and has been involved in various activities of the club in several committees, in various capacities. He has successfully held the post of Treasurer of the Club twice earlier in 2009-10 & 2015-16 respectively.

Rtn. Subrata had been appointed by Central Board of Direct Taxes, Government of India, Ministry of Finance as a Special Auditor of different Companies and Banks. He is a Managing Committee member of Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry. He is also an Executive Committee Member of Bengal National Chamber of Commerce and Industry, taking an active part in the above said committees related to Banking and Finance. Alongside this, he is a Life Member of both Direct Tax Practitioners Association (DTPA),

Association of Corporate Advisors & Executives (ACAE), Kolkata and Member of Bombay Chartered Accountants Society.

He is an ardent fan and follower of sports like cricket, football and tennis. He is attached to Sarat Samity, an institution affiliated to CAB, (Cricket Association of Bengal), serving in the capacity of an Executive Committee member. He is a widely travelled person, a globetrotter to be precise, covering almost 89 countries in the world, experiencing varied social cultures far and wide. He is also a member of several prestigious social clubs like Bengal Club, Tollygunge Club, Calcutta Club, Lake Club, Outram Club and Dakshin Kalikata Sansad (DKS). His wife Dr. Ivy De is presently a professor at Gokhale Memorial Girls' College, Kolkata with almost 31 years of teaching experience in Psychology and Education. Rtn. Subrata De and Ivy is blessed with a son, Abhiroop De.

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

Rotary always moves forward. We the members of "Old Number One" have always risen to serve the community in the best possible way, especially the children and the underprivileged sections of the society. Let us start this Rotary Year (2024-25) with dedication and collaborative efforts of its committees by working hard collectively.

I am thankful to the Rotarians who have kindly agreed to serve in various capacities including the Board Members, Committee Chairpersons, Co-Chairpersons, Advisors, Club Officials, and other positions.

I am also indeed grateful to all the PDGs, Past Presidents and other senior Rotarians who have come forward to take the responsibility. I am sure friends that we will be benefited with their experience and guidance.

Friends, it is time for us that we plan and act for the future. Our RI President Rtn. Stephanie A Urchick 2024-25 has given a theme "The Magic of Rotary" 2024-25 with our Dist. Governor Rtn. Dr. Krishnendu Gupta leading us to fulfill the theme of the year 2024-25.

I am sure, together we can achieve quite a lot. Yes, we can, and we will for the future of Rotary is bright.

Yours-in- Rotary,

**Rtn. Subrata De**  
**President 2024 - 25**

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2024 - 2025



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**Subrata De**



**President Elect**  
**Dr. Debnath Chattopadhyay**



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Director  
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Director  
Krishna Kumar Kothari



Director  
Dr. Pronab Dasgupta



Director  
Raj Kumar Agrawal



Director  
Abhijit Kolay

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Raj Agrawal



Trustee  
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Trustee  
Kanak Dutt



Trustee  
Subrata De



Trustee  
Shantanu Deb  
Mookerjee



Convener  
Suman Chakraborty



Convener  
Indrajit Banerjee

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Chairman  
Kanak Dutt



Trustee  
Dr. Debnath Chattopadhyay



Trustee  
Subrata De



Trustee  
Shantanu Deb  
Mookerjee



Convener  
Suman Chakraborty



Convener  
Indrajit Banerjee



### Club Officials 2024 - 25



Foundation Chair  
Dr. Sourabh Khemani



Club Trainer  
Ritwik Gupta



Club Correspondent  
Sujata Pyne



Editor The Chaka  
Ashok Kumar Basu



Club Website Webmaster  
Anand Sharma



Financial Advisor  
Nilima Joshi



Legal Advisor  
Subrata Basu



Sgt. At Arms  
Kirit Patel - 2

### Committee Chairpersons 2024-25



Annual Childrens Treat  
Abhijit Kolay



Club Service, Programme  
Fellowship, Regular Flyers  
Satarupa Ghosh Mukherjee



Community Service  
RCC and Vocational Service  
Ravindra Khandelwal



Dist. Relations and Awards  
Purnendu Roychowdhury



Environment  
Dr. Atindranath Sen



Membership, Attendance  
Family of Rotary and Green Badgers  
HIRAK RAY



International Service  
Long Term & Special Projects  
Arindam Roychowdhury



NCLCL, Cultural Section  
& Computer  
Roshni Ganguly



Healthcare  
Dr. Sukalyan Purkayastha



Literacy  
Yogesh Dassani



Rotary Foundation  
Dr. Sourabh Khemani



Youth Service  
Saswati Mukhejee



Rotary Sadan & Club Website  
Anand Sharma



Special Event & Public Image  
Dr. Chandreyee Das

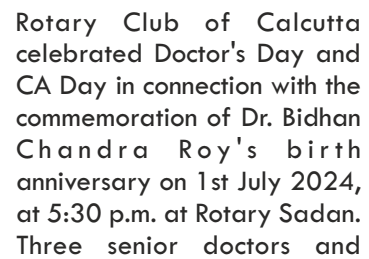


Women's Empowerment  
Shampa Ghose

## The Presidential Goals for Rotary Year 2024 - 25

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|--------------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| Service participation                | Use of official Rotary promotional materials | Service projects                  |
| Social activities                    | Rotary Fellowship participation              | Club membership                   |
| Rotary Action Group participation    | District training participation              | Media stories about club projects |
| Leadership development participation | Annual Fund contributions                    | Online presence                   |
| District conference attendance       |  | Update website and social media   |

## Doctors' Day and CA Day held at Rotary Sadan on 01/07/2024 AOS Community; AOF Fighting Disease, PG : Social Activities



Rotary Club of Calcutta celebrated Doctor's Day and CA Day in connection with the commemoration of Dr. Bidhan Chandra Roy's birth anniversary on 1st July 2024, at 5:30 p.m. at Rotary Sadan. Three senior doctors and Chartered Accountant

members of the club were felicitated in the event. The Club President, Rtn. Subrata De, and Club Secretary, Rtn. Suman Chakraborty, as well as President-Elect Rtn. Dr. Debnath Chattopadhyay and Immediate Past President Rtn. Kanak Dutt, congratulated all of the senior doctors and chartered accountants on their achievements. The programme opened with a welcome note from Rtn. Ravindra Khandelwal, followed by an address by Club President Rtn. Subrata De. At first, the felicitations began with Rtn. Dr. Sukumar Mukherjee, which was followed by his engaging speech where Dr. Mukherjee spoke about the legacy of Dr. Bidhan Chandra Roy. Then CA Rtn. Amal Chandra Chakravarty was felicitated, which was followed by his speech. Rtn. Dr. SK Sharma was felicitated afterwards, which was followed by his address to the members. CA Mr. Biswajit Sen, a senior most Chartered Accountant of Kolkata, spoke about his old days after his felicitation which was followed by the felicitation of Rtn. Dr. Asish Kumar Ghosh and his speech. CA Rtn. Ajay Kumar Doshi, was felicitated afterwards which was followed by his address to the audience. The connection and gathering with top doctors as well as chartered accountants was really beneficial, as they offered their thoughts, opinions, and goals, which produced a sense of thankfulness. The seminar concluded with closing remarks and a vote of thanks from President Elect Rtn. Dr. Debnath Chattopadhyay. Lastly, the Club President ended the event with an invitation to join the Hi-Tea session.

Reported by Hony. Secretary Suman Chakraborty



## Accolades for our Members

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## ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA DISTRICT ANNUAL AWARDS "SWIKRITI" CEREMONY 2023-24 HELD ON 29TH JUNE 2024 AT G.D. BIRLA SABHAGHAR

### ROLLING TROPHIES

1. OVERALL BEST CLUB OF DISTRICT 3291
2. OVERALL YOUTH SERVICE
3. OUTSTANDING PROJECT OF THE YEAR
4. BEST SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT
5. OVERALL COMMUNITY SERVICE - MEDICAL
6. OVERALL INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

In the category of **Group C (Members beyond 50)**

### 1ST PRIZE

1. BULLETIN
2. PUBLIC IMAGE

### 3. BLOOD DONATION

4. COMPUTER LITERACY
5. WELFARE FOR SENIOR CITIZEN
6. WOMEN EMPOWERMENT
7. THALASSEMIA AWARENESS
8. CANCER SUPPORT
9. RYLA

### 10. NTERACT

11. PEACE AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION
12. SUPPORT TO DISTRICT 3291
13. BASIC EDUCATION

### 2ND PRIZE

1. COMMUNITY SUPPORT
2. FAMILY OF ROTARY

### 3. HEALTH CHECK-UP

4. DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT
5. SUPPORT TO PHYSICALLY CHALLENGED
6. HEART SURGERY

### 3RD PRIZE

1. VOCATIONAL TRAINING
2. WATER AND SANITATION
3. ADULT LITERACY

### APPRECIATION

1. MENSTRUAL HYGIENE
2. 4 WAY TEST PROMOTION APPRECIATION









## Tree Planting – Rotary Sadan 30 June 2024 : AOS Community; AOF Environment



A wonderful, long term environmental project, planting of over 100 trees was conducted on 30 June 2024. The trees were graciously given to our planet by Rtms Prabhat Rohatgi and Kanak Dutt, symbolizing the total number of years both have spent in Rotary. Salutations to you for your concern and contribution to our Pale Blue Dot, the only home mankind knows, and she faces an existential threat now. These green monuments will outlive us and live for eons together, recalling these two great green champions.

## Thanksgiving – Rotary Sadan – 30 June 2024

The Thanksgiving ceremony for the Rotary year 2023-24 was held on 30th June '24 at Rotary Sadan at 7 pm. All the awards received from the District were displayed on the stage which was tastefully decorated with flowers. The backdrop announced that it was Thanksgiving ceremony of the Chaturadhika Shata or the 104th year. For the last time the logo of the year Create Hope in the World was displayed there and in the other banners which announced the 29 awards that the club had received that year along with the Best Club of District 3291 award and the Lions.

At the outset the President welcomed RID Anirudha Roychowdhury, senior club members including PDG Prabhat Rohatgi, PP Dr S.K. Sharma and Rtn Dr Sukumar Mukherjee and felicitated them. He offered plaques with the picture of the first International President Rtn Paul Harris on behalf of the club to all major donors, chairpersons, regular attendees at club projects, and also initiated a rolling trophy award for the Star Chairperson of Rotary committees. This year the award went to the dynamic young Rotarian Arindam Roychowdhury. Rtn Sourabh Khemani as the Foundation Chair who created history as the second AKS in the District and first from our club was also honoured. He also handed over cash awards to club staff to thank them for their support during the whole year. He also thanked Hony. Secretary, Hony. Treasurer and the First Lady for their whole hearted support. Thereafter the Hony. Secretary also expressed her gratitude for support and affection from club members, Anns and Rotary staff. The programme ended with fellowship and sumptuous dinner which was attended by over hundred Rotarians and family members as well as district officials.

### Reported by Hony. Secretary 2023-24 Sarvani Gooptu

A high energy evening suffused with the bonhomie that only a successful year brings, amply punctuated by IPP Kanak Dutt with his trademark endearments of “Charming” and “Beloved” !! Ed



















## REPORTING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### *Birthdays*

Jayanta Kumar Mitra	7th July
Tara John	7th July
R.K. Bachhawat	8th July
Dr. Ramaditya Ray	12th July
Sriranjani Joshi	12th July
Amrita Banerjee	14th July
Prabhat Krishna Rohatgi	14th July
Satarupa Ghosh Mukherjee	14th July
Jai Kumar Surana	15th July
<b><i>Wish you many happy returns of the day</i></b>	

### *Wedding Anniversaries*

Dr. Harsh Vardan Agrawal & R-Ann Neha	7th July
Abhyuday Anup Kaushal & R-Ann Tashu	7th July
Laxmi Niwas Bangur & R-Ann Alka	9th July



### ONE WORLD

We remember with good wishes Rotary Club of McMurray, Pennsylvania, R I District 7305, Home Club of Rotary International President 2024-25

### NO MEETING

There will be no Regular Weekly Meeting scheduled to be held on Tuesday, 9th July, 2024 as the 105th Installation Meeting is being held on Saturday, 6th July, 2024, at 5.30 p.m. at the Taj Bengal Hotel.

### Next Meeting

Tuesday, 16th July, 2024 at 1.30 p.m. / Lunch at 1 p.m.  
Speaker : Mr. Niraj Kakkad

### REPORTS

Mega Blood Donation and Eye Check-up Camp was held at Kharibari, Chowmatha, Matsha Bhawan, Kharibari Road, North 24 Parganas at 9.00 am onwards on 1st July 2024.



## FORTHCOMING MEETINGS / EVENTS IN THE MONTH OF JUNE 2024

Day & Date	Programmes	Timing and Venue
Tuesday 9th July, 2024	No Regular Weekly Meeting	—
Tuesday 16th July, 2024	Regular Weekly Meeting Speaker : Mr. Niraj Kakkad	1.30 p.m. followed by Lunch at Rotary Sadan (2nd floor)
Monday 22nd July, 2024	1st Meeting of the Board of Directors (2024-25)	6.30 p.m. Rotary Sadan, Board Room (1st floor)
Tuesday 23rd July, 2024	Regular Weekly Meeting Speaker : Dr. Nilina Deb Lal	1.30 p.m. followed by Lunch at Rotary Sadan (2nd floor)
Tuesday 30th July, 2024	Regular Weekly Meeting Speaker : Dr. Rahul Jain	1.30 p.m. followed by Lunch at Rotary Sadan (2nd floor)

## MINUTES OF THE 4947th REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING HELD ON 30th JUNE, 2024 AT 6.30 P.M. AT ROTARY SADAN

President, Rtn. Kanak Dutt welcomed all Members and Guests and called the 4947th Regular Weekly Meeting of the Club to order. He requested the Chief Guest RID Anirudha Roychowdhury, PDG Rtn Prabhat K Rohatgi, PP Rtn Dr S K Sharma, Rotary Foundation Chair AKS Rtn Dr Sourabh Khemani, and Senior member Rtn Dr Sukumar Mukherjee to join him at the top table along with Hony. Secretary Rtn Sarvani Gooptu and Programme Chair, Rtn Satarupa Ghosh Mukherjee.

- National Anthem was led by Rtn. Debjani Ghosh.
- Minutes of the 4946th Regular Weekly Meeting of the Club held on 15th June, 2024 were confirmed.
- President informed members that day was Thanksgiving ceremony and Annual Accounts of the Rotary Club of Calcutta for the Rotary year 2023-24 would be passed. President welcomed RID Rtn. Anirudha Roy Chowdhury as the Chief Guest on that day. He also welcomed R-Ann Shipra Roychowdhury.
- President then welcomed all District Officials, Visiting Rotarians and Guests who attended meeting on that day.
- President reported the following :**
  - Fourth Club Assembly of the Club was held on Sunday, 23rd June at 10 a.m. onwards at the Rotary Sadan.
  - Club Officers' Training Seminar (COTS) Club was held on Sunday, 23rd June at 11.30 a.m. onwards at the Rotary Sadan.
  - President informed members that the Club owned the following Awards at the District Annual Awards Ceremony held on 29th June, 2024 at the G.D. Birla Sabhaghar :
    - Fourteen 1st Prizes, b) Six 2nd Prizes, c) Three 3rd Prizes, d) Two Certificates of Appreciations and the following special Awards :
      - Over all Best Club for Community Service - Medical, ii) Over all Best Club for Youth Service, iii) Over all Best Club International Service and iv) Overall Best Club of the District 3291 for the Rotary year 2023-24.
  - PDG Rtn. Prabhat Krishna Rohatgi donated 66 Fruit Saplings for completion of his 66 years in Rotary and President also donated 47 Fruit Saplings for completion of his 47 years in Rotary. These Fruit Saplings were planted at Rotary Sadan Garden on 30th June, 2024.
- President Announced the following :**

President informed members that Mrs Latika Gupta, Mother of PP Rtn. Ritwik Gupta passed away on 26th June, 2024 and on behalf of the Club conveyed heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family . May her soul rest in peace.

He also informed the members that Mrs Rukhmani Keshavlal Gorsia, mother-in-law of Past President Heena Gorsia passed away on 30th June 2024. On behalf of the club he expressed his heartfelt condolences.
- At the request of the President, Secretary Rtn. Sarvani Gooptu thereafter conducted the Club Business :
  - She welcomed all Visiting Rotarians and Guests who were attending the meeting.
  - She then announced the names of Rotarians celebrating their Birthdays and Wedding Anniversaries for the week ending 5th July, 2024.
  - There would be no Regular Weekly Meetings scheduled to be held on Tuesday, 2nd July, 2024 and 9th July, 2024 as the 105th Installation Meeting will be held on Saturday, 6th July, 2024, at 5.30 p. m. at the Taj Bengal Hotel.
  - 105th Installation meeting of the Club will be held on Saturday, 6th July, 2024 at the Taj Bengal Hotel at 5.30 p.m. onwards and she requested members to register their names with the Club Office.
  - The Club would observe "Doctors' Day" and "CA Day" on Monday, 1st July, 2024 5.30 p.m. onwards at Rotary Sadan followed by Hi-Tea and requested members to make a note of it and attend the programme on that day.
- At the request of the President, Rtn. Rachana Nahata introduced Mr. Kuldip Nayar. At the request of the President, PP Rtn. Dr. S.K. Sharma inducted Mr. Kuldip Nayar as a member of the Club.
- President announced that Audited Annual Accounts for the Rotary year 2023-24 of Rotary Club of Calcutta already circulated to members and requested members to approve and adopt the Annual Accounts of Rotary Club of Calcutta for the year ended 31.03.2024
  - Resolution – Rotary Club of Calcutta : Resolved that the Audited Annual Accounts for the year ended 31st March, 2024 of the Rotary Club of Calcutta and are hereby approved and adopted : Proposed by Rtn. Dr. Sourabh Khemani and Seconded by Rtn Kirit Patel.
  - Resolved that Mr. R.P. Singh be and was hereby appointed as Hony. Auditor of the Rotary Club of Calcutta for the Rotary year 2024-2025. Proposed by Rtn Subrata De and Seconded by PP Rtn. Raj Kumar Agrawal.

- iii) On behalf of the Club, President thanked Hony. Auditor Mr. R.P. Singh of Lodha & Company for the selfless service rendered by him and his office for carrying out statutory audits of the accounts of the Rotary Club of Calcutta and also informed members for the ratification of the resolutions already passed unanimously in the meeting of the Board held on 24th June, 2024 for his re-appointment as Hony. Auditor of the Rotary Club of Calcutta for the Rotary 2024.
- 10. At the request of the President PDG Rtn. P. K. Rohatgi, RID Rtn. Anirudha Roychowdhury and Dr. Sukumar Mukherjee addressed the audience. On behalf of the Club President presented mementoes to them as tokens of appreciation.
- 11. President then announced the name, Rtn Arindam Roychowdhury, as the recipient of Star Chairperson of the year a rolling trophy instituted by the President Kanak Dutt in the name of first Indian RIP Nitish Chandra Laharry. The trophy was handed over to him by PDG P.K Rohatgi and RID Anirudha Roychowdhury.
- 12. On behalf of the Club, President also handed over a token of appreciation to Rtn. Dr. Sourabh Khemani for his special support during year 2023-24.
- 13. At the request of the President, Rtn Satarupa Ghosh Mukherjee, Chairperson, Programme Committee organised Thanksgiving Ceremony and the President handed over the mementoes / token of appreciations to the Rotarians and others for their support during the Rotary year 2023-24.
- 14. Hony. Secretary Rtn Sarvani Gooptu also presented gifts to some Rotarians and their spouses and Rotary Sadan staff on that day.
- 15. At the request of the President, Rtn Dr. Sukumar Mukherjee offered the vote of thanks on behalf of the Club. Before that PP Rtn Dr S K Sharma addressed the gathering and requested all to give the President a standing ovation for his success in the year.
- 16. This week the Club remembered with good wishes Rotary Club of Calcutta Mega City, India Dist. 3291.
- 17. Before adjourning the meeting, President requested all to join Fellowship and Dinner after the Thanksgiving ceremony. The fellowship and dinner were hosted by President, Hony. Secretary and Hony. Treasurer. On behalf of the Club, President thanked Hony. Secretary, Rtn. Sarvani Gooptu and Hony. Treasurer Rtn. Renuka Shah for hosting the Fellowship and Dinner on that day.
- 18. Meeting was adjourned at 8.20 p.m.

Kanak Dutt  
President

Sarvani Gooptu  
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