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TODAY'S GUEST SPEAKER



Rakshit Tandon, Cyber Security Expert

Rakshit Tandon, Cyber Security Evangelist, has experience of more than a decade in Security Domain chairing and being part of various Important Security Councils and Chapter. He is Cyber Security Consultant to Internet and Mobile Association of India.

He is marked as Resource Person/Faculty for Cyber Crime Investigations at BPRD Bureau of Police Research And Development for Training Law Enforcement Officers across the Country and is Member Advisory to National Cyber Safety and Security Standards.



He, in personal capacity, has sensitized more than 2.5 million students on the issue of Cyber Safety across the nation covering more than 26 states, 4 union territories and played important role contributing to Child Online Protection in India Report by UNICEF. Tandon was Non-European Expert at European Commission on Safer Internet in 2010.

Tandon was awarded with Karamveer Chakra by Rex Conclave 2015 and in 2016 with Gold Karamveer Chakra. He won the Cyber Guru of the Year Award in 2015 from Government of Maharashtra. He has been invited to national and international conferences on Cyber Security as Key Note Speaker and Panelist.

He served as faculty to major Police academies across the country like CBI academy, NEPA, CDTS Ghaziabad-Chandigarh-Jaipur, PRTS Indore etc and has conducted sessions with Australian Embassy, European Union Delegation to India, United Nations Department of Safety and Security (UNDSS), UN WFO, CII, FICCI etc.

THE CLUB ORGANIZED CHILDREN'S TREAT



Rotary Club of Calcutta organized its 95th Annual Children's Treat, the Club's flagship event on 24 January much to the delight of the participants from different schools. This year the event took place at several venues instead of only at Nicco Park because of the Covid-19 restrictions.

See full report inside

THE CLUB CELEBRATED THE NATION'S 72ND REPUBLIC DAY

Rotary Club of Calcutta celebrated THE 72nd Republic Day of India on 26 January with the usual respect and gaiety at Rotary Sadan



See full report inside

We Meet Every Tuesday At 1 p.m. At ROTARY SADAN
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Republic Day celebration and Cultural Program by NCLCL

Venue: Rotary Sadan

Date: 26th Jan, 2021

Time: 10.00 AM

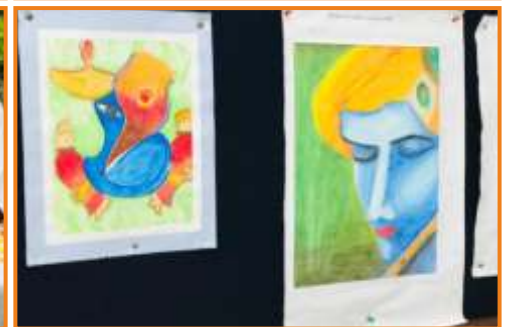


On a cold & foggy winter morning on 26th Jan, 2021, RC Calcutta celebrated Republic Day in a conventional manner by raising the National Flag, with Boys' Scout volunteers doing a ceremonial salute to the flag, and NCLCL students signing the National Anthem. DG Sudip Mukherjee accompanied by President Debashis Mitra hoisted the Flag, witnessed by Club members, numbers limited to permissible limits in line with statutory Covid Pandemic restrictions.

President Debashis then escorted DG Sudip for a ceremonial Lighting of the Lamp, before a grand review of an Art & Drawing exhibition, of paintings done by NCLCL students. DG was very appreciative of the drawings & paintings, most of which depicted some mythological legends indicating depth of young minds. DG Sudip enquired whether they were on sale and any price tags attached, since none had any predetermined price attached, he volunteered a handsome donation for each of the few drawings he picked up and purchased. President Debashis too did likewise as well as a few other Club members.

Thereafter Cultural Section's Chair Person Rtn Amrita Banerjee alongwith Ms AshruDi, welcomed DG Sudip Mukherjee and President Debashis to the auditorium to witness the cultural program presented by students of NCLCL. In a short & brief address DG expressed words of appreciation for arranging this event, while President thanked District officials and Club members present to encourage the efforts of Cultural section, and praised the Chair Person in carrying on the good work amidst the pandemic blues. The one hour program was entirely sequenced & choreographed by AshruDi, using only internal resources, and consisted of patriotic song, dances, and short plays, signifying various freedom struggle epics, all enthusiastically portrayed by the students. The performances received warm appreciation from the audience.

The day's program concluded by 12 Noon, and post DG's departure, President distributed a few presents to the main performers, networked with the members and their families present for sometime over light refreshments, before departing.



[Reported by Rtn Amit Ghosh]

NEXT WEEKLY MEETING (Virtual)**8TH FEBRUARY**

The next RWM will be held Monday, 8th February at 5 p.m. on Zoom

Speaker : Suresh Prabhu, Member of Parliament, Rajya Sabha, former Union Minister of Railways, Former Union Minister of Commerce & Industry and Civil Aviation

Topic : "Decoding the Union Budget -2021"

ATTENDANCE REPORT (16/01/2021)

Total Members	233
Members Present	41
Exempted Members	74
Visiting Rotarians & Guests	9

Birthdays

<i>Satya Narayan Agarwala</i>	<i>4 February</i>
<i>Prosanta Kumar Roy</i>	<i>5 February</i>
<i>Ashok Kumar Pasari</i>	<i>7 February</i>
<i>Dr. Abhrajit Ray</i>	<i>8 February</i>

Wish you many happy returns of the day

Wedding Anniversaries

<i>Ashish Kumar Bagla & R-Ann Deepa</i>	<i>4 Feb</i>
<i>Dr. Dilip Kumar Saha & R-Ann Manisha</i>	<i>4 Feb</i>
<i>Amit Ghosh & R-Ann Soma</i>	<i>5 Feb</i>
<i>Niraj Kumar Saraf & R-Ann Vinita</i>	<i>6 Feb</i>
<i>Dr. Shankar Ghosh & R-Ann Sujata</i>	<i>6 Feb</i>
<i>B.K.Dalmia & R-Ann Premlata</i>	<i>6 Feb</i>
<i>Shinjini Bose & Mr. Deborshi Sadhan</i>	<i>7 Feb</i>

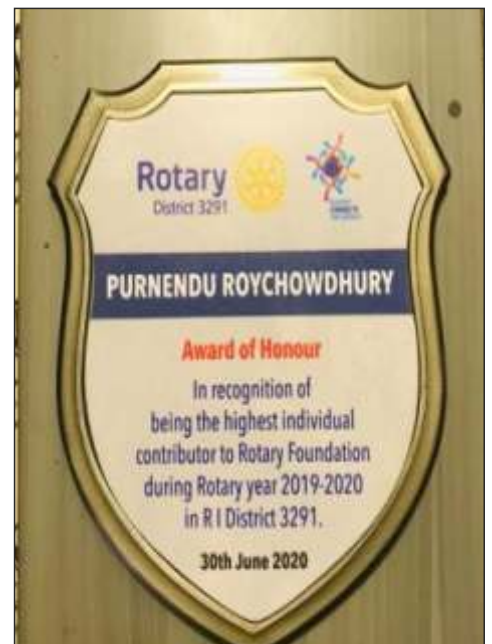
Wish you many more years of marital bliss

Rotary Calendar – 2021

R I Dist. 3291 published Rotary Calendar - 2021 which is now available. Please collect your copy from Club office with a payment of Rs. 200/-per copy

AWARDS for TRF Contribution by the Club and CYP in RY 2019-20

Rotary Club of Calcutta has been recognized as the Best and came First as TRF Contribution – Quantum for RY 2019-20. We also came Second as TRF Contribution- Per Capita for the same year. Our joy got multiplied when our Centenary President Purnendu Roy Chowdhury received Award of Honour for the highest individual contribution to TRF in RI District 3291 during RY 2019-20.



95th Annual CHILDREN'S TREAT

Venue: NICCO Park + 6 RCCs

Date: 24th Jan, 2021

Time: 10.00 AM

NICCO Park



On account of Covid Pandemic and prevailing restrictions on public gathering, this year's Children's Treat was organised in a very novel & unique split location basis and yet in simultaneous manner, both timing & content-wise. Whereas the conventional NICCO Park remained the central gathering but restricted to 200 participants only, 6 RCCs simultaneously organised the 'Children's Day out' in their respective localities, with uniform program meticulously co-ordinated by Children's Treat Committee, chaired by PP Abhijit Kolay. At Nicco Park DG Sudip Mukherjee inaugurated the program, with President Debashis Mitra along with a host of club members overseered a day of fun & frolic, games & joy rides, a magic show, interspaced with food & snacks and a sumptuous lunch, home cooked at Rotary Sadan kitchen and served lovingly by fellow Rotarians. The participants were city based school children only, transported in 6 buses arranged by RC Calcutta, all wearing identification badges, face-mask & Rotary caps, received the usual gift hamper inside logo embossed back packs at conclusion of day's outing, while respective school escorts and team of Roteractors ensured continuous vigil in social distancing regulations and pandemic norms of frequent hand sanitisation.

RCC Dara – Pragati Sangha



Rtn.s Atindranath Sen, Amit Ghosh, Ashok Basu with R. Ann Meena Basu travelled to RCC Dara and participated in the Children's Treat festivities of that RCC. Hrisikesh Das, Prez. RCC Dara, and his team along with Sailen Nath, Prez. Dara Advisory Committee presided over the day's activities. The program consisted of a children's Race, Sit & Draw competition, Gymnastics, Poetry & Recitation, and a Magic Show, concluding at 4.00 PM, primarily to ensure safe return home for children who were restricted to age 14 only. A Puppet Show was arranged at 6.00 PM for 'adults' where children were also welcome but only if accompanied by adult parent/guardians. The participants aggregating to 110 nos, were given tiffin, lunch cooked at site, and a Hi snacks at 3.00 PM before Magic show. Apart from face masks, Rotary caps and identification badges, all were given gift hamper in Rotary logo embossed back packs. The Rotarians overseered some of the events, handed over the prizes and accompanying certificates to the winners, gladly helped in serving lunch to the participants, and ceremonially handed over some gift hampers before departing.



RCC Bishnupur – Ucchal Probaho

PP Nilima Joshi and Rtn Sonal Worah were present at RCC Bishnupur to participate in the Children's Treat at Bishnupur, which was efficiently organised by Bibhas Patra, Secretary of the RCC and his team. A Yoga demonstration was included in the program here, along with all other 'uniform' activities, including gift hampers for all participants.



RCC Duttapukur – Samabeta Sangha



PP Abhijit Kolay and Rtn Anand Sharma represented RC Calcutta at this venue where program content, duration and spacing was identical to the other RCCs.

RCC Kanaidanga and RCC Krishnanagar



PP Haladhar Dey represented RC Calcutta at both these RCCs, where program content were identical to the other RCCs

[Reported by Rtn Amit Ghosh]

THANK YOU SUPPORTERS

We gratefully acknowledge the generous contributions received from the following donors as on 3rd February 2021:

DONORS	AMOUNT	DONORS	AMOUNT
PP Nandita Sen (RCCWT Endowment)	29,600.00	Tapan Kumar Biswas Trust Estate	50,000.00
Dr. Atindra Nath Sen	20,000.00	Rear Admiral (Retd) Rajeev Paralikar	10,000.00
Arun Charan Mukherji	10,000.00	Ashok Kumar Basu	5,000.00
Dr. Dilip Kumar Saha	1,000.00	Niraj Kumar Saraf	10,000.00
Shree Hari Charity Trust (Rtn. Rajeev Gupta)	11,000.00	Jalinga Tea Co (I) Pvt. Ltd. (Rtn. Kirit M Patel)	5,000.00
Minakshi Foundation (Rtn. Sudarshan Jalan)	25,000.00	Rtn. Dr. Asish Kumar Ghosh	5,000.00
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Well Wisher	5,000.00	Udit Chand Mitra	2,000.00
Well Wisher	5,000.00	Game Plan Sports Pvt Ltd (Rtn. Jeet Banerjee)	2,000.00
Mohan Lal Bhagat	5,000.00	Ashish Kumar Bagla	25,000.00
Pawan Kumar Usha Kanoria Charitable Trust	5,100.00	G. D. Kothari Charitable Trust	15,000.00
Kamala Devi Dalmia Charitable Trust (Rtn. B. K. Dalmia)	5,000.00	Probir Gupta	2,500.00
Well Wisher	50,000.00	Sajid Mowjee	10,000.00
		Samiran Sen	2,000.00

We also gratefully acknowledge the following Rotarians and well-wishers for sponsoring the items as given under:

Rtn. S. R. Goenka for soft drinks	Rtn. Sonal Worah for biscuits
Rtn. Kanak Dutt for cream roll buns	PP Nilima Joshi for potato chips
Rtns. Supriya & Prasanta Roy – breakfast at concessional price	
Mr. Sajjan Bhajanka, Trustee for 6 school buses from Heritage Institute at concessional rate	

MINUTES OF THE 4797th REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, 16TH JANUARY, 2021 at 5.30 p.m. on ZOOM.

1. President Debashis Mitra welcomed all Members and Guests and called the 4797th Regular Weekly Meeting of the Club to order.
 2. National Anthem was led by PP Nilima Joshi.
 3. Minutes of the 4796th Weekly Meeting of the Club held on 12th January, 2021 were confirmed.
 4. The President welcomed Ms Mithali Raj, Captain , Indian Women's National Cricket Team and Mr Deep Dasgupta, Cricket Commentator and Former National Wicketkeeper as the Chief Guests. He also welcomed Mr. Boria Majumdar, eminent sports historian, writer, journalist and commentator, to the meeting.
 5. President then welcomed all visiting Rotarians and guests who were present in the meeting and conveyed greetings to their Clubs.
 6. **President Reported :**
 - a. The President informed members that the sad demise of Rtn.Dr. Abhiit Chatterjee, former member of the Club, who passed away on 13th January and conveyed heartfelt condolence to the bereaved families.
 - b. He also informed members that the Club co-hosted and participated on District Annual RCC Awards held on 16th January at Rotary Sadan.
 7. **President Announced :**
 - a. The Flagship Programme of the Club i.e. the Annual Children's Treat would be held on Sunday, 24th January at 10 a.m. onwards at the Nicco Park, Salt Lake, Kolkata and simultaneously at our Five RCCs namely RCC Bisnupur, RCC Dara, RCC Krishnanagar, RCC Kanaidanga and RCC Duttapukur and at Rotary Sadan for the students of our NCLCL and Cultural Section.
 - b. RI Dist. 3291 published Rotary Calendar - 2021 which now was available and requested members to collect their copy from Club office with a payment of Rs. 200/- per copy.
 - c. President then informed members that the Republic Day would be celebrated on Tuesday, 26th January at Rotary Sadan followed by a Cultural program staged by the students of the Cultural Section. NCLCL, Cultural Section and Computer Centre Committee would also organise Magic and puppet Show on that day. The programme would be followed by Lunch for the Students. President also requested members to kindly attend with their families on that day.
 - d. RI Dist. 3291 published Rotary Calendar - 2021 which now was available and requested members to collect their copies from Club office with a payment of Rs. 200/- per copy.
 8. At the request of the President, Honorary Secretary, Rtn Bodhi Brata Das thereafter conducted the Club business thus :
 - a. Honorary Secretary welcomed all Members and Guests.
 - b. He announced the names of Rotarians, celebrating their Birthdays and Wedding anniversaries during the week ending 31st January, 2021 and conveyed best wishes to them.
 - c. He informed members that the next Weekly Meeting of the Club would be held on Thursday, 4th February details of which will be announced.
 - d. He also informed members that the Roster 2020-21 was now available requested members to collect their copy from Club office (Rotary Sadan)
 - e. He also informed that the Eighth Meeting of the Board of Directors (2020-21) of the Club would be held on Monday , 25th January at 6.00 p.m. on Zoom and requested all Board Members to kindly make a note of it and attend.
 9. Ms. Mithali Raj and Deep Dasgupta addressed the audience in conversation with Boria Majumdar on "Cricket in 2021 a year of Reckoning".
- Questions raised by many members which were answered by the speakers.
10. At the request of the President, Rtn Ayesha Mazumder offered a formal vote of thanks on behalf of the Club.
 11. The Club remembered with good wishes Rotary Club of Central Calcutta, India , RI Dist. 3291
 12. Meeting was adjourned at 6.38 p.m.

ONE WORLD

We remember with good wishes Rotary Club
of London, the UK, RI Dist. 1130

Rtn. Debashis Mitra
President

Rtn. Bodhi Brata Das
Hony. Secretary

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