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### PRANADHARA-IV

Rotary Club of Calcutta Children's Welfare Trust launched the Pranadhara IV project of supplying purified drinking water to the schools in South Bengal. The project was initiated by the CSR and Community Service Committee. This project is a

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continuation project of the last four years with a reach to more than 5000 children. The project aims to supply purified clean drinking water to the students and use the water for cooking their mid-day meals. Drinking purified water improves the



overall health and hygiene of the student community and protects them from different water borne diseases. Rotary Club of Calcutta distributed UV/RO water purifiers to seventy schools at Rotary Sadan on 9th November, 2025. The project was a CSR initiative of Bengal Beverages, the bottling factory of Coca Cola. Apart from this, 32 inches high speed fans were donated to the schools which will be great relief for the students during summer. Two Wheel Chairs were also donated to two spastic children. Special thanks go to all the donors of project, for health and happiness of school children.

Project Cost : Water Filters : Rs 6,74,500 • Ceiling Fans : Rs 67,000 • Wheel Chairs : Rs 9,000 • Total : Rs 7,50,000.00

**Reported by : Rtn. Arindam Roy Chowdhury**



We Meet Every Tuesday At 1 p.m. At ROTARY SADAN  
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## Environment Awareness Program



On 7th of November Rotary Club of Calcutta organised a Climate Concern awareness session in collaboration with Vidyanjali Vidyamandir at Bhawanipur for their students. The programme was attended by 50 young and bright girls and boys. The session continued for 1 hour with questions and answers in between. Rtn Pranab Sarkar spoke on the occasion with slides to explain. Rotarian President Rtn Debnath Chattopadhyay and Rtn Kirit Patel were also present in the programme.

**Reported by Rtn Pranab Sarkar**

## Rotary presence at 2nd Autism Convention 2025



Rotary Club of Calcutta and Rotary Children's Welfare Trust participated in the 2nd Autism Convention 13-15th November held at Ramkrishna Mission Kolkata where parents and autistic children benefitted from the various lectures and workshops organized during the day. Anuroun, a performance space was also provided for the special schools which put up small demonstrations by the children on the occasion. Several stalls containing the children's handwork were also set up. Some members of RCC attended the inaugural programme led by President Rtn Dr Debnath Chattopadhyay, Hony. Secretary Rtn Ashok Kr Basu, Community Chair Rtn Udit Mitra, Rtn Dr Saswati Mukherjee, Rtn Sarvani Gooptu and Rt Ann Meena Basu.

**Reported by Rtn Dr Sarvani Gooptu**

## India Hosts Global Rotary Golf Championship for the First Time 60th IGFR World Cup 2025 in Hyderabad



Our Rotarian couple, Rtn Ashish Kumar Bagla and Rtn Deepa Bagla had gone to Hyderabad for a Golf Tournament for the Rotarians across the world. They also made Goodwill visit with overseas Rotary Clubs and exchanged Club Flags with them. The 60th IGFR World Golf Championship was held in Hyderabad, marking the first-ever hosting of this prestigious global Rotary golfing event in India. The week-long championship (November 1–7) brought together **180 Rotarian golfers from 24 countries, along with 50 accompanying guests**, reflecting Rotary's enduring spirit of global fellowship and service. Hosted by the **South Asian Fellowship of Golfing Rotarians (SAFGR)** in collaboration with the **International Golfing Fellowship of Rotarians (IGFR)**, the championship supports Rotary's focus on Health, particularly **Disease Prevention and Maternal & Child Health** initiatives. Competition rounds were held at Hyderabad Golf Club, Boulder Hills Golf & Country Club, and Vooty Golf County, positioning India as an emerging hub for world-class golf events. Beyond competition, the championship celebrates India's vibrant culture and hospitality, featuring a curated Indian Mela, a royal evening at Falaknuma Palace, city excursions, and exclusive programs for accompanying guests.

**Reported by Hony. Secy. Rtn Ashok Kr. Basu**

## REPORTING & ANNOUNCEMENTS



### ONE WORLD

We remember with good wishes Rotary Club of Cochin Harbour, India, R.I. Dist 3205.

### Birthday

Haladhar Dey	18th November
Gaurav Swarup	21st November
H. V. Patodia	25th November

*Wish you many happy returns of the day*

### Wedding Anniversaries

Amal Chandra Chakrabortti & R-Ann Tripti	20th November
Dr. Dipak Roychowdhury & R-Ann Arundhati	20th November
Sri Prakash Jalan & R-Ann Vandana	22nd November
Vikram Aditya Mody & R-Ann Sanchita	25th November
Shaurya Veer Himatsingka & R-Ann Riddhima	25th November
Debashis Mitra & R-Ann Sambi	27th November
Abhijit Neogi & R-Ann Moumita	27th November
Dr. Biswajit Paul & Dr. Silpee Paul Sorcar	27th November

*Celebrate your Joy and Happiness of Birthdays and Anniversaries - donate generously to the Rotary Foundation India and for Club Projects.*

### BOARD MEETING

The Fifth meeting of the Board of Directors for Rotary Year 2025-2026 will be held on Monday, 24th November, 2025 at 6.30 p.m. at the Cozy Corner, Calcutta Club Ltd. All members of the Board are requested to note of it and attend.

### NOMINATIONS OF CLUB OFFICERS FOR THE ROTARY YEAR 2026 - 2027

Members are hereby informed that Nominations would be invited for the Posts of Vice-President, Hony. Secretary, Hony. Treasurer and five Directors on the Club's Board for the Rotary year 2026 - 2027 at the Regular Weekly Meeting to be held on Tuesday, 18th November, 2025. The corresponding final confirmation of the Board of Directors for the Rotary Year 2026 - 2027 will be held at the Club's Regular Weekly Meeting to be held on Tuesday, 23rd December, 2025.

### TODAY

Closed Door Meeting. Nomination for the office bearers for the Rotary year 2026-2027.

### NEXT MEETING

Next Regular Weekly Meeting of the Club on Friday, 28th November, 2025, 6.30 p.m. at Rotary Sadan (Ground floor). Programme : "Antakshari" followed by Fellowship and Dinner

### REPORTS

- Youth Service Committee launched workshop on "Each to Teach" mentorship programme at Vidyanjali International School, Bhabanipore, Kolkata on 13th November, 2025 at 1 p.m.
- To celebrate "Children's Day" NCLCL, Computer and Cultural Section Committee in association with Inner Wheel Club of Calcutta organized a programme for Children on Friday, 14th November, 2025 at 5 p.m. at NCL Children Library Hall, Rotary Sadan.
- Health Care Committee organized two activities on World Diabetes Day on 14th November, 2025 :
  - Awareness and detection Camp at Pathar Pratima, Sunderban area.
  - Detection and Management Camp jointly organized by Rotary Club of Calcutta and Susrut Eye Foundation.
- Youth Service Committee also organized a project "Ganga Ghats cleaning" at Champatala Ghat, near Shovabazar, Kolkata on 15th November, 2025

### NO WEEKLY MEETINGS

There will be no Regular Weekly Meetings on Tuesdays, 25th November and 2nd December, 2025. You are requested to kindly make a note of the changes.

### ROTARY DISTRICT 3291 CONFERENCE - 2026

Rotary District 3291 Conference-2026 will be held on 9th, 10th and 12th January, 2026 at Eastside Pavilion, Nicco Park, Kolkata.

Registration Charges per head without food : Upto 15th December, 2025 - Rs. 3,000/- , After 15th December, 2025 - Rs 4,000/-.

You are requested to Register your name. For further details, please contact Club office.

### FORTHCOMING MEETINGS / EVENTS IN THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 2025

Day & Date	Programmes	Timing and Venue
Tuesday, 25th November, 2025	No Regular Weekly Meeting	—
Friday, 28th November, 2025	Regular Weekly Meeting Programme : "Antakshari"	Rotary Sadan (Ground floor) 6.30 p.m. / Followed by Fellowship and Dinner at 8 p.m.

Annual Children's Treat will be held on 21 Dec. 2025 (Sunday) at East Side Pavilion Nicco Park, Sector IV, Salt Lake. Kindly note for All - Day Participation.



## MINUTES OF THE 5002ND REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING HELD ON 11th NOVEMBER, 2025 AT 1.30 P.M. AT ROTARY SADAN

1. President, Rtn. Dr. Debnath Chattopadhyay welcomed all Members and Guests and called the 5002nd Regular Weekly Meeting of the Club to order.
2. National Anthem was led by Rtn. Dr. Shankar Ghosh.
3. Minutes of the 5001st Regular Weekly meeting of the Club held on 4th November, 2025 were confirmed.
4. President welcomed Dr. Satyam Chakraborty, Senior Consultant, Endocrinologist, H P Ghosh Hospital & Fortis Hospitals and Rtn. Dr. Abhijit Chattopadhyay, Senior Consultant, Dept. of Vitreous, Retina & Uvea, Priyamvada Birla Arvind Eye Hospital, Kolkata, as the Chief Guests on that day. Dr. Satyam Chakraborty would speak on "Diabetes Beyond Medications" and Rtn. Dr. Abhijit Chattopadhyay would speak on "Diabetic Retinopathy".
5. President then welcomed Visiting Rotarians and Guests who attended the meeting.
6. **President reported the following :**
  - a) President informed members that the sad demise of the mother of Rtn. Dr. Ashis Kumar who passed away on Thursday, 6th November, 2025. On behalf of the Club heartfelt condolence to the bereaved family. May her soul rest in peace.
  - b) A Health Check-up Camp was organised jointly with Health Care and Community Service Committees at our RCC Stars Welfare Society on Wednesday, 5th November, 2025. On behalf of the Club, President thanked Chair, Rtn Sukalyan Purkayastha and Chair Rtn Udit Chand Mitra for that project.
  - b) Environment Committee jointly with Youth Service Committee organised Environment Awareness Programme for School Children at Vidyanjali School, Bhawanipur on Friday, 7th November, 2025 at 12 Noon. On behalf of the Club, President thanked Rtn. Pranab Kumar Sarkar, Chair, Environment Committee and Chair, Youth Service, Rtn. Saswati Mukherjee for the programme.
  - c) Water Filter – Pranadhara Project 4 - distributed Water Filters for 70 Schools on last Sunday, 9th November, 2025 at Rotary Sadan. This was a joint initiative of CSR and Community Service Committees. Chair, CSR Committee, Rtn. Arindam Roychowdhury conducted the project. On behalf of the Club, President thanked Chair, Rtn. Arindam Roychowdhury and Chair, Rtn. Udit Chand Mitra for the same.
  - d) Literacy Committee's SPEAK Program has completed the coverage at Bijoygarh Vidyapith High School for Boys, Jadavpur Baghajatin High School for Boys and Jadavpur High School. President congratulated Chair, Literacy Committee, Rtn Ruchika Majumdar on the successfully completion of the project. On behalf of the Club President also thanked Green Badger, Rtn Tapas Kumar Dey, Head Master of Bejoygarh Vidyapeeth for initiative of that project. At the request of the President, Green Badger, Rtn. Surendranath Mazumdar, gave a report on the project.
7. **President announced the following :**
  - a) To celebrate World Diabetes Day on 14th November, 2025, Health Care Committee has planned two activities and requested members to attend the same.
    - i) Awareness and detection Camp at Pathar Pratima, Sunderban area.
    - ii) Detection and Management Camp to be organized by Rotary Club of Calcutta and Susrut Eye Foundation Rajarhat, New Town, Kolkata.
  - b) Health Care Committee has organized a Know your Spine Camp by experts on Saturday, 22nd November, 2025 at Rotary Sadan between 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. For Registration, please contact Mr. Sambhu Dey of Club Office.
  - c) President informed members that a Picnic was being planned at the Sundarban area in the middle of December, 2025. Interested members are requested to contact Hony. Treasurer, Rtn. Indrajit Banerjee.
8. **At the request of the President, Hony. Secretary Rtn. Ashok Kumar Basu there after conducted the Club Business :**
  - a) He welcomed all Members and Guests.
  - b) He then announced the names of Rotarians celebrating their Birthdays and Wedding Anniversaries for the week ending 17th November, 2025, wished them and also requested them to donate generously for the Rotary Foundation and the Club Projects.
  - c) Next Regular Weekly Meeting of the Club would be on Tuesday, 18th November, 2025 at 1.30 p.m. / Lunch 12.30 p.m. at Rotary Sadan (2nd floor). It would be a Closed-Door Meeting for Nomination for office bearers for the Rotary year 2026-2027.
  - d) Youth Service Committee's "Each to Teach" programme was ongoing. Training of the Mentors is at the final stage (the students of our Interact Schools) and the subsequent activity, i.e. mentor mentee contact would be launched on Thursday, 13th November, 2025 at Vidyanjali International School, Bhabanipore and requested members to attend on that day. For further details, please contact Rtn Saswati Mukherjee for the same.
  - e) He then informed members that the Club has done part sponsorship of the 2nd autism construction, 2025 bring held at Ramakrishna Mission Golpark, Kolkata on 13th, 14th and 15th November, 2025. The inaugural function was on 13th November, 2025 at 5 p.m. at that venue and requested members to attend on that day.
  - f) To celebrate "Children's Day" NCLCL, Computer and Cultural Section Committee in association with Inner Wheel Club of Calcutta would organize a programme for Children on Friday, 14th November, 2025 at 5 p.m. at NCL Library hall, Rotary Sadan. Our students of Cultural section would perform on that day and requested members to make a note of it and attend the programme on that day.
  - g) The Fifth Meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on Monday, 24th November, 2025 at 6.30 p.m. at the Cozy Corner, Calcutta Club Ltd. and he requested all members of the Board (2025-26) to make a note of it and attend.
9. At the request of the President, Rtn. Pranab Kumar Sarkar introduced Chief Guests, Dr. Satyam Chakraborty and Rtn. Dr. Abhijit Chattopadhyay.
10. At the request of the President, Dr. Satyam Chakraborty and Rtn. Dr. Abhijit Chattopadhyay addressed the audience on "Diabetes Beyond Medications" and "Diabetic Retinopathy" respectively.
11. Questions raised by the members which were answered by the Chief Guests.
12. On behalf of the Club PP Rtn. Sujata Pyne proposed the Vote of Thanks.
13. On behalf of the Club, President handed over mementoes to Dr. Satyam Chakraborty and Rtn. Dr. Abhijit Chattopadhyay.
14. No Sunshine Box Collection on that day. The Club remembered with good wishes Rotary Club of Calcutta Sundarbans, India, R.I. Dist. 3291.
15. Meeting was adjourned at 3.15 p.m.

**Dr. Debnath Chattopadhyay**  
President

**Ashok Kumar Basu**  
Hony. Secretary