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Dental and Eye Camp at All Bengal Women's Union

We had a very successful camp at the above NGO on 13th August, 2025. About 45 elderly ladies were tested for their eyes out of which 15 odd need spectacles, which we shall arrange. Also about 7 ladies were found with some dental issues details of which were informed to them and their supervisors. We thank the following Rotarians for being there during the camp and overseeing it.

Rtn. Debnath Chattopadhyay.

Rtn. Ashok Kr Basu.

Rtn. Kirit Patel.

Rtn. Sukalyan Purkayasta.

Rtn. Ritwik Gupta.

Rtn. Udit Mitra.

We are grateful to the set of dedicated Doctors of both the camps for giving their time for this great work. The management of the Organization were extremely pleased and requested us for further such camps for their children's section also in the future. Overall it was a very satisfying and high impact camp.

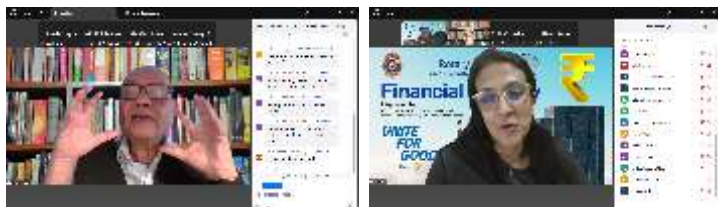
Reported by Rtn Udit Chand Mitra, RCC and Community Service Chair



Financial Literacy Online Interactive Session

Financial Literacy Online Interactive Session was held on 14/8/25 at 3:00 PM – 6:00 PM on an Online platform. It was organised by the Basic Education and Literacy Committee and the partner institution was Sophia College for Women. The objective was to equip undergraduate students with essential financial literacy skills, helping them understand how to manage personal finances, make informed economic decisions, and connect academic learning with real-world financial practices. 55 second-year students currently pursuing degrees in Economics (single and double majors) at Sophia College for Women attended the programme. The programme was attended by President Dr. Debnath Chattopadhyay, Honorary Secretary & Session Facilitator Rtn Ashok Basu, Rtn Ruchika Majumdar – Chair, Basic Education and Literacy Committee, Rtn. Saswati Mukherjee – Co-Chair, Basic Education and Literacy

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Committee, Pres Elect Rtn Anand Sharma – Liaison Director, PP Rtn Ritwik Gupta and Rtn Sarvani Gooptu on behalf of RC Calcutta. The Representatives of Sophia College were Ms Deepti Ganguly and Ms Lata Pujari, faculty members who expressed interest in collaborating with Rotary on future projects, particularly in the areas of education and community development.

Led by Rtn Ashok Basu, the session covered : Budgeting & expense tracking, Banking & digital finance, Investment basics, Credit & loan management, Practical applications of economics. Students were actively engaged through Q&A and discussions. The outcome of the programme was Enhanced financial awareness among students, strengthened institutional ties for future joint initiatives and plans for follow-up workshops and educational projects.

Reported by Rtn Ruchika Majumdar, Basic Education and Literacy Committee Chair

ACTIVITY REPORT OF INTERACT CLUB OF ASIAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL- July and August 2025



Project 1: E-Waste Awareness and Collection Drive

Electronic waste poses a serious threat to the environment. In response to this growing concern, the **Interact Club of Asian International School** partnered with **Karo Sambhav** to promote awareness and action against e-waste. From June, student Interactors actively spread awareness about the harmful effects of discarded electronics and encouraged their peers to contribute unused or broken devices for responsible recycling. Collection boxes containing approximately **20 kg of e-waste**, including keyboards, mice, monitors, sound systems, smartwatches, smartphones, tablets, printers, and batteries, were filled. On **July 25, 2025**, the collected materials were formally handed over to Mr. Pradipta, representative of Karo Sambhav, marking the successful completion of the initiative.

Project 2: Plantation Drive – Greening the Campus

On **July 25, 2025**, the Interact Club organised a **Plantation Drive** as part of its commitment to environmental stewardship and climate action. Guided by Teacher-in-Charges (TICs) and fueled by the enthusiasm of student Interactors, the event took place in the school's parking area. Armed with spades and a spirit of service, students planted a diverse range of saplings, including **neem, mango, guava, hibiscus**, and other flowering shrubs. A special mention goes to **Abir Bhowmik (Class XI Science)**, the Young Forest Ambassador, whose vision inspired this project. Appreciation is also extended to **Sadhna Bodak (Class XI Science)** for her hands-on contribution in germinating mango plants from seeds.

Project 3: AIS Spreads Smiles This Raksha Bandhan

On August 9, 2025, students from the Middle School section of Asian International School took a heartfelt initiative to celebrate Raksha Bandhan with their young friends at the Badami Devi Shishu Kalyan Kendra, an orphanage located in Howrah. This gesture demonstrated empathy, compassion, and a strong sense of social responsibility, values that AIS proudly instills in each of its learners.



Shreyashee Mukherjee, took part in the National Finn swimming at Ujjain Madhya Pradesh representing West Bengal secured:- 2 gold 3 silver and 2 bronze medals in freestyle monofin, and individual Bifins.

REPORTING & ANNOUNCEMENTS



ONE WORLD

We remember with good wishes Rotary Club of Nagaur, Rajasthan, India, R.I. Dist 3053.

TODAY

Joint Meeting with Rotary Club of Serampore

REPORTS

- Health Care Committee in collaboration with Deep Rajani Foundation organised a free Health Check-up Camp on Sunday, 10th August, 2025 at the Deep Rajani Foundation premises, 25, Dr. Asutosh Shastri Road, Belegkata, Kolkata.
- Health Care and Community and RCC Committee jointly organised in association with All Bengal Women's Union a free Eye and Dental Check-up Camp on Wednesday, 13th August, 2025 at 89, Elliot Road, Kolkata -70016.
- Independence Day celebrated on Friday, 15th August, 2025 at Rotary Sadan. Flag hoisting followed by Art Exhibition and Cultural programme by Students of the Cultural Section.

BOARD MEETING

Second Meeting of the Board of Directors (2025-26) of the Club will be held on Monday, 25th August, 2025 at 6.30 p.m. at the Rotary Sadan, (Board Room, 1st floor), 94/2, Chowringhee Road, Kolkata – 700 020. All members of the Board are requested to make a note of it and attend.

NEXT MEETING

Saturday, 30th August, 2025 at 6.30 p.m. followed by fellowship and dinner at Rotary Sadan (2nd floor)
Programme : Screening of Wildlife Photographs

Birthday

Laxmi Niwas Bangur	22nd August
Vikram Somany	26th August
A.V. Bhuwalka	27th August
Prof. Amita Dutt	27th August
Subrata Kumar Basu	27th August

Wish you many happy returns of the day

Celebrate your Joy and Happiness on Birthdays and Anniversaries. Donate generously for The Rotary Foundation and Club Projects

NO MEETING

There will be no Regular Weekly Meeting on next Tuesday, 26th August, 2025 as the said meeting will be held Saturday, 30th August, 2025 at 6.30 p.m. followed by fellowship and dinner at 6.30 p.m. at Rotary Sadan (2nd floor). You are requested to make a note of this change and attend with your spouse.

The Board at its Meeting held on 28 July 2025 has approved the following structure of fees for New Member : (At the time of joining)

In INR	New Memberships	R Ann and Children	Description
One Time	60230	25230	Admission + Flag, Badges / Pins
Recurring - Annual	980	980	Annual Children's Treat + Rotary News
Recurring - Half Yearly	12005*	12005	Membership, RI Per Capita, Council on Legislation, Dist Fund, RWM Expenses, Sunshine Box
Recurring - Quarterly	2000*	2000	Office Admin Expenses and Chaka
GST 18% as applicable	13248	6948	
Total - without Optionals	88463	47163	
Optional PHF \$1000	85000	85000	
Total With Optionals	173463	132163	
Actual outlay on Admission and Actual Quarterly Billing details are available at the Office. Actuals will depend on Month of admission, USD conversion rate, GST as applicable, RI, COL and District dues applicable, Rotary News/ The Rotarian subscription on the date			*In the last Chaka, there was an interchange of Rs 135 (Sunshine Box), mistakenly taken in Recurring Quarterly; Corrected now to reflect in Recurring HY. Error is regretted.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS / EVENTS IN THE MONTH OF AUGUST & SEPTEMBER, 2025

Day & Date	Programmes	Timing and Venue
Saturday 30th August, 2025	Regular Weekly Meeting followed by fellowship and dinner. Programme : screening of Wildlife Photographs	Rotary Sadan (2nd floor) 6.30 p.m.
Tuesday, 2nd September, 2025	No Regular Weekly Meeting	-----
Tuesday, 9th September, 2025	Regular Weekly Meeting Programme : Teachers' Day celebration.	Rotary Sadan (2nd floor) 1 p.m. / Lunch 12.30 p.m.

**MINUTES OF THE 4993rd REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING HELD ON
12th AUGUST, 2025 AT 1.30 P.M. AT ROTARY SADAN**

- President, Rtn. Dr. Debnath Chattopadhyay welcomed Members and Guests and called the 4993rd Regular Weekly Meeting of the Club to order.
- National Anthem was led by Rtn. Dr. Shankar Ghosh.
- Minutes of the 4992nd Regular Weekly Meeting of the Club held on 5th August, 2025 were confirmed.
- President informed members that there was no Guest speaker on that day as the Programme Committee would organise Jokes Session on that day.
- President then welcomed Visiting Rotarians and Guests who were attended the meeting. He also welcomed Rtn. Pappu Ram Chaudhary from Rotary Club of Nagaur, Rajasthan, R I Dist. 3053
- President reported the following :**
 - Women's Empowerment Committee organized a Career Counselling Workshop on Thursday, 7th August, 2025 at 3.30 p.m. onwards at the Calcutta Girls' College.
 - Health Care Committee in collaboration with Deep Rajani Foundation organised a free Health Check-up Camp on Sunday, 10th August, 2025 at the Deep Rajani Foundation premises, 25, Dr. Asutosh Sostri Road, Belegkata, Kolkata.
 - At the request of the President, Rtn. Arindam Roychowdhury, Chairman, Special Project Committee addressed the audience on Thalassemia Awareness programme organized by our Dist. 3291. He also informed members our Rotary Blood Bank at Howrah has been started Blood collection through Blood donation camps
- President Announced the following :**
 - Health Care and Community and RCC Committee would jointly organise in association with All Bengal Women's Union a free Eye and Dental Check-up Camp on Wednesday, 13th August, 2025 at 11 a.m. at 89, Elliot Road, Kolkata - 70016 and requested to make a note of it and attend.
 - At the request of the President, Rtn. Ruchika Mazumdar, Chairperson, Basic Education and Literacy Committee addressed the audience on her Committee activities during the Rotary year 2025-26.
 - At the request of the President, Green Badger, Rtn. Aditi Nundy addressed audience on her experience in Rotary.
 - At the request of the President, Rtn. Pappu Ram Chaudhary who is Cycling on a pan- India expedition titled "Shakti Sankalp Safar" addressed the audience and shared his experience of cycling 60k KM and his goal of reaching Mt Everest interesting experience. President then handed over our Club Flag to him.
- At the request of the President, Hony. Secretary Rtn. Ashok Kumar Basu thereafter conducted Club Business:
 - Hewelcomed all Members, Visiting Rotarians, and Guests .
 - He then announced the names of Rotarians celebrating their Birthdays and Wedding Anniversaries for the week ending 18th August, 2025 wished them and requested them to donate generously for the Rotary Foundation India and the Club Projects.
 - Next meeting of the Club on Tuesday, 19th August, 2025 at 1.30 p.m. / Lunch 12.30 p.m. at Rotary Sadan (2nd floor). It would be a Joint Meeting with Rotary Club of Serampore, a sponsored Club of the Rotary Club of Calcutta.
 - Independence Day would be celebrated on Friday, 15th August, 2025 at 9 a.m. onwards at Rotary Sadan. Flag hoisting followed by Art Exhibition and Cultural programme by Students of the Cultural Section. Dist Governor, Rtn Dr. Ramendu Homchaudhuri has confirmed his presence and requested members to attend the programme with their families
 - He then informed members that at the Joint RWM held on 29th July, 2025 with Rotary Club Calcutta South West had solicited our participation in one of their Fellowship event an ilish lunch on 17th August, 2025 in Ibiza. They had now sent the details of the programme, and we would share the same in the Whatsapp Group. Registration Charges Rs. 1,200/- per head. Interested members are requested to contact President RC Calcutta South West, Rtn Ruma Mitra 9830086239 or Rtn Prasenjit Sarkar 7003161314.
- At the request of the President, Rtn Hirak Ray conducted the Jokes Session and large number of members participated the Jokes Session.
- Sunshine Box Collection Rs 1,500/- with special contribution from Rtns. Sakri Kumar Banerjee, B.K. Dalmia and Sumangala Murarka.
- The Club remembered with good wishes Rotary Club of Calcutta Labanhrad, India R.I. Dist 3291
- Meeting was adjourned at 2:36p.m.

Dr. Debnath Chattopadhyay
President

Ashok Kumar Basu
Hony. Secretary

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