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## ADULT VACCINATION - CAMP ON 10 OCT. ROTARY SADAN, AOS CLUB

Adult vaccination is a crucial aspect of preventative healthcare, aimed at safeguarding individuals against various diseases and their associated complications. Three important vaccines for adults are influenza, pneumonia, and shingles. Influenza, commonly known as the flu, can cause severe illness and even death in adults, particularly those with underlying health conditions. Annual flu vaccination is recommended to reduce the risk of infection and its potentially adverse consequences. Pneumonia is another significant concern, especially for older adults and individuals with compromised immune systems. The pneumococcal vaccine helps protect against



pneumococcal infections, which can lead to pneumonia, meningitis, and bloodstream infections. Shingles, caused by the reactivation of the chickenpox virus, can result in painful rashes and long-term nerve pain. The shingles vaccine can reduce the risk of developing this condition and its complications. These vaccines not only safeguard individual health but also contribute to herd immunity, protecting vulnerable populations. Adult vaccination is an essential part of public health, promoting overall well-being and reducing the burden on healthcare systems. It is important for adults to consult with healthcare providers to stay up to date on recommended vaccinations and protect themselves and their communities from these preventable diseases.

Thanks to our Doctor Members chiefly Dr. Parthajit Das and Dr. Ayusmati Thakur, we have today – probably a first ever – an adult vaccination camp at Rotary Sadan, for Rotarians and their families. Our respectful gratitude!

## POSH AWARENESS – RAILTEL NEW TOWN : AOS COMMUNITY; AOF SAVING MOTHERS AND CHILDREN



On 4th October at 5pm POSH awareness programme was conducted by women's empowerment committee under Rtn. Shampa Ghose and R Ann Sucharita Roychowdhury with representatives from RailTel at their New Town office. Around 30 employees attended the program and listened with rapt attention. Rtn. Debjani Ghosh conducted the workshop impeccably and answered all queries very well. The programme was attended by committee member Rtn. Ranjita Majumdar.

Reported by Secretary Sarvani Gooptu

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### AGOMONI PROGRAM : ROTARY SADAN, 1 OCT. 2023 – AOS CLUB



The Programme Committee organised a cultural program 'Festivals of Autumn' on the 1st of October 2023. Autumn or Sarad Ritu in India is one of the most sought-after seasons when festivities keep us wrapped in the celebration mode. Our immensely talented members and their families ushered the colourful vibrant festive spirit through a kaleidoscopic performance.



There was a montage of vocals, readings, dances, music, recitations, and a fashion walk reflecting upon the splendours of autumn and its vibrant festive ambience. Ideated and scripted in English by Rtn Subha Pal, executed and implemented by talented Rotarians and their families the programme covered a wide spectrum of celebrations from the Ganapathi festival to the invocation of Goddess Durga, the celebrations of the five days of the festive Durga Puja ending with the Sindoor Khela and the energetic dhunuchi dance along with the Dhakis performing on the stage, celebrations of the Shyama puja and the Deepavali festival and finally ending with the colourful vibrant fashion walk depicting the nine colours of Navratri.



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Reported by Program Chair Satarupa Mukherjee

## OUR AMBASSADOR OVERSEAS



On Tuesday, 03 October 23, I paid a 'Goodwill Visit' to 100 Years Old RC Utrecht in The Netherlands.

At the RWM, I gave a PPT Presentation on 'Activities of RC Calcutta' and suggested the Club to become a member of CCRC and become an 'International Co-operation Club' of RC Calcutta in jointly undertaking 'Service Project' in future. I also handed over copies of 'The Chaka'. Two photographs taken at the RWM are attached for records.



Reported by Rtn Rajeev Paralikar

## FAMILY OF ROTARY

The following spouses of Rotarians who are no more with us had attended the function on October 01, 2023 :

Mrs Sita Ghosh - Rtn Supriyo Ghosh; Mrs Putul Bose - Rtn Dilip Bose; Mrs Kaberi Chatterjee - Rtn Partha Chatterjee; Mrs Amita Chatterjee - Rtn Shantanu Chatterjee

Mrs Janet Ahmed and Mrs Champabati Sarkar were interested to join but they were out of station on that day.

Other spouses could not attend due to health issues.

Reported by Rtn Hirak Ray

## APPEALS FOR SUPPORT AND LIST OF DONORS

General Appeal from President Kanak Dutt

My earnest appeal to all fellow members – Please donate at least Rs. 20000 for noble causes of our different club projects. It will be a great gesture for the underprivileged. I hope all my Rotarian friends will accept my earnest appeal. Please donate to Rotary Club Of Calcutta Welfare Trust. Benefit of deduction is available under Sec 80G of The Income Tax Act. Donors will be acknowledged in the Chaka. I sincerely solicit Members' assistance.

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Donors : Rajeev Paralikar, Kamala Devi Dalmia Charitable Trust, Kothari Hosiery Factory Pvt. Ltd., Seth Balkrishan Poddar Charitable Trust, Kirit Patel, Debjani Ghosh

### Siksha Labh

Siksha Labh is a project where direct impact goes on to beneficiaries. It is not only creating an impact in the society, but directly to the students, creating a future. Requesting all our members to help our Community Service Chairman to reach a goal of 12000 beneficiaries.

Donors : President Kanak Dutt, Kirit Patel, AB4, Dr Sukumar Mukherjee, Dr Saswati Mukherjee, Ashis Bagla, Deepa Bagla

### Blood Bank

Please donate generously. While we would expect each member to donate at least US \$100 for this Presidential Global Grant Project, members are free to exhibit generosity and commit higher amounts.

Donors : Arindam Roy Chowdhury, Dr. Sourabh Khemani, Sonal Worah-100, PP Nilima Joshi, HIRAK SEN, B. K. Dalmia, Kirit Patel, PP Abhijit Kolay, AB4, PP Saumen Ray, Shipra Roy Chowdhury (Spouse of RID Anirudha Roychowdhury), Roshni Ganguly, Hony. Secretary Sarvani Gooptu, PP Heena Gorsia, HIRAK RAY, Udit Mitra, Shaswati Roy Chowdhury, PP Debasish Mitra, Atindra Nath Sen, Shailendra Gupta, Anand V Bhuwalka, Anita Jain, Dr Sanjay Kumar, Dr. Jayanta Roy, Krishna Kolay, Pranab Sarkar, Ranjita Mazumder, Sonia Dutt, CYP Purnendu RC, Dr Abhrajit Ray, Dr. Nandini Ray, PE Subrata De, Pritpal Chauhan, Dr. Sukalyan Purkashya, Dina Dutta Sarkar, B K Nahata, Asish Bagla, Deepa Bagla

### Special Donations

Arora Matthey Limited (mobile eye van), Shaurya Veer Himatsinghka (Vocational training of Lupus patients), Sonia Dutt (donation to school), R Ann Sanjukta Mitra (donation to school), Kanak Dutt (health camp)

Puja Garments : Arindam Roychowdhury, Kanak Dutta

Dialysis R N Tagore : CYP, AB4

Byju's Scholarship : Sonia Dutt

## REPORTING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ATTENDANCE REPORT (26.09.2023)

Total Members	:	242
Members Present	:	58
Exempted Members	:	69
Visiting Rotarians & Guest	:	62



### ONE WORLD

We remember with good wishes Rotary Club of Wijdemeren, Netherlands, R. I. Dist.1570

## Wedding Anniversaries

**Sriranjani Joshi & Mr. Manoj**  
10th Oct.

**Donn S Kabiraj & R-Ann Mahua Mallick**  
14th Oct.

**Wish you many more years of marital bliss**

## Birthdays

<b>Dr. Nandini Ray</b>	<b>12th Oct.</b>
<b>Krishna Kumar Kothari</b>	<b>13th Oct.</b>
<b>Lalji Mehrotra</b>	<b>14th Oct.</b>
<b>Deepak Agarwala</b>	<b>15th Oct.</b>
<b>Sujoy Banerjee</b>	<b>16th Oct.</b>

*Wish you many happy returns of the day*

### TODAY

No Speaker  
Immunization Camp by Health Committee

### NEXT WEEK

Tuesday, 17th October, 2023  
Meeting 1.30 p.m. / Lunch 1 p.m.  
Speaker : Amrita Panda, Deepranjani Foundation.  
Rotary Sadan (Second Floor)

## Forthcoming Meetings / Events

Day & Date	Programmes	Timing and Venue
Tuesday, 10th October, 2023	Student Conclave on Peace building and Embodied Leadership. School students will present their views on “Meeting the Challenges of Peace in the VUCA world. (VUCA – Volatility, Uncertainty, Complexity and Ambiguity)	3 pm onwards
Wednesday, 11th October, 2023	To observe “International Girl Child Day” Women's Empowerment Committee led by Rtn. Shampa Ghose and Youth Services Committee under the leadership of Rtn Saswati Mukherjee would jointly organize with Rotary Club of Calcutta, R.C. of Calcutta Inner City an essay competition by the School Students and a panel discussion by eminent personalities on protection of the Girl Children.	Between 4.30 p.m. to 6 p.m. at Rotary Sadan
Tuesday, 17th October, 2023	Regular Weekly Meeting Speaker: Amrita Panda, Deepranjani Foundation	1. 30 p.m. / Lunch 1 p.m. Rotary Sadan (Second Floor)
Tuesday, 24th October, 2023	No Regular Weekly Meeting On account of Durga Puja Holiday.	-
Tuesday, 31st October, 2023	Regular Weekly Meeting followed by Fellowship and Dinner Speaker : Rtn. Shailendra Gupta	6.30 p.m onwards Rotary Sadan (Ground Floor)

### REPORTS

a) Literacy Committee under the leadership of Rtn. Sriranjani Joshi inaugurated the project “Holistic Education in School” (inauguration of Science & Technology Lab) held **on Wednesday, 27th September, 2023** at Sir Nripendra Nath Institute, Chanditala, Tollygunge. The project is supported by CERA Sanitaryware Ltd. (Courtesy PP Rtn. Vikram Somany).

b) The Special Projects Committee under the leadership of Rtn Arindam Roychowdhury organised the inauguration of Atmanirbhar Vocational Centre at Barasat Ramkrishnapur Nivedita Sayambhar Goshti **on 28th September, 2023**.

c) **Sunday, 1st October, 2023** - Programme Committee organised a Cultural Programme “Festivals

of Autumn” (AGOMONI) by the members and their families at Rotary Sadan.

d) **On 4th October 2023**, Women's Empowerment Committee under Rtn Shampa Ghose and R Ann Sucharita Roychowdhury organized a POSH awareness programme at Railtel, New Town at 5 pm attended by 30 employees. The workshop was conducted by Rtn Debjani Ghosh.

e) The 2nd and Final phase of Prandhara was organized by the Community Service Committee under Rtn Yogesh Dassani at Rotary Sadan **on 5th October, 2023** at 11.30 am where 30 water filters were distributed to 15 schools. The project is sponsored by Rtn B. K. Dalmia, Rtn B.K Poddar, and Rtn Admiral R. Paralikar.

### MEMBERS' ROSTER 2023-24

Members' Roster for the Rotary year 2023-24 is available. You are requested to collect your copies from the Club Office.

### BOARD MEETING

Fourth meeting of the Board of Directors (2023-24) of the Club will be held on Monday, 16th October, 2023 at 6.30 p.m at Rotary Sadan. All members of the Board are requested to make a note of it and attend.

### NO WEEKLY MEETING

There will be no Regular Weekly Meeting on Tuesday, 24th October, 2023 on account of Durga Puja Holiday.

### RESIGNATION / TERMINATION

The Board at the meeting held on 25th September, 2023 accepted the resignations of the following Rotarians with effect from 1st October, 2023 :

- a) Sourav Halder
- b) Subhasis Ghatak
- c) Rajeev Gupta

## MINUTES OF THE 4916th REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING HELD ON 1st OCTOBER 2023 AT 6.00 P.M. AT THE ROTARY SADAN

1. President Rtn. Kanak Dutt welcomed all Members and Guests and called the 4916th Regular Weekly Meeting of the Club to order.
2. National Anthem was led by Rtn Dr. Sarbani Ghosh.
3. Minutes of the 4915th regular weekly meeting of the Club held on 26th September, 2023 were confirmed.
4. President informed members that there was no Guest Speaker on that day as Programme Committee would be organizing a Cultural Programme "Festivals of Autumn" (AGOMONI) by the members and their families.
5. President then welcomed all Visiting Rotarians and Guests who attended the meeting.
6. **President reported the followings :**
  - a) On Tuesday, 26th September, 2023 – The Club celebrated 105th Foundation Day followed by fellowship and dinner.
  - b) A Team from Rotary Club of Madras, R. I. Dist. 3232 made a Goodwill visit to the Club on 105th Foundation Day.
  - c) Literacy Committee under the leadership of Rtn. Sriranjani Joshi inaugurated the project of "Holistic Education in School" (inauguration of Science & Technology Lab) held on Wednesday, 27th September, 2023 at Sir Nripendra Nath Institute, Chanditala, Tollygunge. The project was supported by CERA Sanitaryware Ltd. (Courtesy Rtn. Vikram Somany). On behalf of the Club, President thanked PP Rtn. Somany for his donation.
  - d) The Special Projects Committee under the leadership of Rtn Arindam Roychowdhury organised the inauguration of Atmanirbhar Vocational Centre at Barasat Ramkrishnapur Nivedita Sayambhar Goshti on 28th September, 2023.
7. **President announced the following :**
  - i) On 10th October an Immunization Camp has been organized after the RWM by the Health Committee led by Rtn Dr. Ayusmati Thakur and Co-Chairperson Rtn Dr. Parthajit Das and requested Members to register their names to the Hony. Secretary.
  - ii) The Youth Services Committee under the leadership of Rtn. Saswati Mukherjee would be organising a workshop on VUCA world for Interactors of 8 schools on 10th October, 2023 between 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. at Rotary Sadan and requested members to attend on that day.
  - iii) To observe "International Girl Child Day" on 11th October, 2023 Women's Empowerment Committee led by Rtn. Shampa Ghose and Youth Services Committee under the leadership of Rtn Saswati Mukherjee with R.C. of Calcutta Inner City would organize an essay Competition by school students and a panel discussion by eminent personalities on protection of the Girl Children between 4.30 p.m. to 6 p.m. at Rotary Sadan and requested members to attend on that day.
8. **At the request of the President, Hony. Secretary Rtn. Sarvani Gooptu thereafter conducted the Club Business :**
  - a) She welcomed all members and guests.
  - b) She then announced the names of Rotarians celebrating their Birthdays and Wedding Anniversaries for the week ending 9th October, 2023.
  - c) The Next Meeting of the Club would be held on Tuesday, 10th October, 2023 at 1.30 p.m.
  - d) There would be no Regular Weekly Meeting on Tuesday, 3rd October, 2023 as the said meeting was held on Sunday, 1st October, 2023 at 6.00 p.m.
  - E) Members' Roster for the Rotary year 2023-24 was available and requested Members to collect their copies from Club Office.
9. At the request of the President, PP Rtn Purnendu Roychowdhury conducted the ceremonial handing over donation cheques to President of "Inner Wheel Club of Calcutta" for club projects and Rtn Pradeep Sarkar for the project of "Life Beyond Cancer". PP Rtn. Purnendu Roychowdhury then briefed the members about the Project Life Beyond Cancer.
10. President then announced and wished Hony. Secretary, Rtn. Sarvani Gooptu for her birthday on that week.
11. Sunshine Box collection Rs. 1,100/- with special contribution from Rtns. Hirak Ray, Dr. Sarbani Ghosh and Kasturi Raha on that day.
12. The Club remembered with good wishes Rotary Club of Amsterdam, Netherlands, R. I. Dist. 1580.
13. At the request of the President, Rtn. Satarupa Ghosh Mukherjee, Chairperson, Programme Committee organised cultural programme "Festivals of Autumn" (AGOMONI) and CYP Rtn Purnendu Roychowdhury introduced the cultural programme.
14. Before adjourning the meeting, President requested all to join the fellowship and dinner. On behalf of the Club, President thanked to Rtn Sarvani Gooptu for hosting fellowship on that day. Meeting was adjourned at 8.37 p.m.

**Kanak Dutt**  
President

**Sarvani Gooptu**  
Hony. Secretary