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TODAY'S GUEST SPEAKER



Shoojit Sircar, Film Director

Shoojit Sircar was born into a Bengali Hindu family in Barrackpore, some 30 km from Kolkata. He completed his schooling from Kendriya Vidyalaya, Barrackpore in the year 1985 and then he went on to Shaheed Bhagat Singh College, University of Delhi for higher studies.

Shoojit Sircar is a renowned Indian film director and producer. He directed popular films like Yahaan (2005), Vicky Donor (2012), Madras Cafe (2013), Piku (2015), and October (2018). He also produced the 2012 film Aparajita Tumi.

He started his career making television commercials for Saffola, 2G, Apsara Pencils, Fair & Lovely, Maruti Wagon R, Cadbury, Dove, Zomato, and many other brands

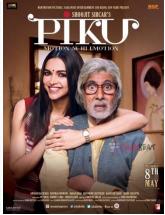
He won the National Film Award for Vicky Donor in Best Popular Film Providing Wholesome Entertainment category, shared with John Abraham. He also won the Indian Competition Special Jury Award at Osian's Cinefan Festival of Asian and Arab Cinema in 2005 for Yahaan.

Shoojit is associated with Rising Sun Films and is known for making independent films. His 2012 film Vicky Donor was a grand box office success, earning ₹200 million or US\$2.9 million in the opening weekend. His latest film Gulabo Sitabo starring Amitabh Bachchan and Ayushmann Khurrana has been critically acclaimed

He is now making a documentary on Amitabh Bachchan.









STAR WELFARE SOCIETY RCC: WITH THE COMMUNITY



Masks, antiseptic soaps and milk powder packets were distributed in the local community in Tangra area by the STARS RCC this month.

The milk powder donated by PP Heena is still being well utilised, judiciously, which is very heartening to note











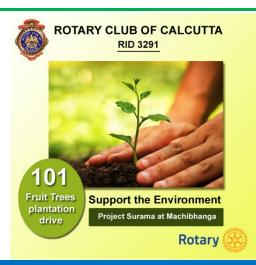
CAREER COUNSELING SESSION

Vocational Service Committee would be organising a Career Counseling Session for students of our RCCs on the 14.8.2020, at 4 pm.

Expected number of candidates is 80-100 from RCC Dara, Bishnupur, Krishnanagar, Duttapukur and SCIR, who are from Classes X - XII. Ms Rajeshwaree Basu, Career Counselor and RCI registered Psychologist will be conducting the session.

Another Counseling session would be held on 21.8.2020 for 7 schools in Burdwan, 4 schools in Bally and 1 school in Baruipur. Expected number of students participating would be more than 100. Dr. Aparna Khastogir, Education Counselor has agreed to conduct the session.

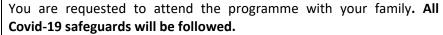




ANNOUNCEMENTS & REPORTING

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

Independence Day will be celebrated on Saturday 15th August, 2020 at the Rotary Sadan. Flag hoisting at 10 a.m. followed by Art Exhibition and Cultural programme by the students of the Cultural Section at Rotary Sadan.





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ATTENDANCE REPORT (28.07 Total Members Members Present Exempted Members Visiting Rotarians & Guests	.2020) 241 65 79 9	NEXT WEEKLY MEETINGS 25 th AUGUST, 2020 The next RWM (Virtual) will be on 25 th August, 2020 at 12 noon Speaker: Dr Jai Ranjan Ram, Psychiatrist Topic: Mental Health in Today's Pandemic Scenario NO meeting on 18 th August, 2020 There will be no meeting on 18th August, 2020 as it has been re-scheduled today.
Happy Birthday		Happy Wedding Anniversary
Debasish Biswas	14 August	Sarvani Gooptu & Mr. Pradeep 14 August

Debasish Biswas 14 August Partho Chatterjee 16 August Hirak Kumar Mitra 17 August B.K. Dalmia 18 August Laxmi Niwas Bangur 22 August Sushil Jhunjhunwala 23 August

Sarvani Gooptu & Mr. Pradeep 14 August
Dr. Sukumar Mukherjee & R-Ann Bijoya 16 August



MEMBERS' BOX

Contributed by Rtn Ayesha Mazumder

The Independence Day Timeline

The original plan was for transfer of power by June 1948. Turmoil followed after Jinnah's insistence on partition, and the date was advanced to August 15, 1947 by Lord Mountbatten.

Indian independence was officially declared in the Constituent Assembly of India on the midnight of August 14/15. With Dr Rajendra Prasad in the chair, Sucheta Kriplani sang "Vande Mataram". Dr Prasad delivered his presidential speech beginning "In this solemn hour of our history when after many years of struggle we are taking over the governance of this country, let us offer humble thanks to the Almighty Power that shapes the destinies of men and nations".

Jawaharlal Nehru delivered his Tryst with Destiny oration. Hansa Mehta presented the new Indian national flag to the nation on behalf of the women of India. The house was adjourned.

On August 15, 1947, Governor-General Lord Mountbatten and Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru and his cabinet were sworn in at the Government House by Chief Justice of the Federal Court Justice Harilal Kania. A 31-gun salute heralded the 1st unfurling of independent India's flag. During the 1st public hoisting of the Indian flag at Princess Park near India Gate, nearly a million people gathered, leading to a stampede.

After the flag hoisting, a rainbow appeared in the sky. The 1st hoisting of the national flag by Nehru on the ramparts of the Red Fort took place the next day, August 16. Since then, this has become a tradition on Independence Day.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING FOR THE 4775TH REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING HELD ONLINE ON 11 AUGUST AT 12:00 NOON

- 1. President, Rtn. Debashis Mitra welcomed all members and guests and called the 4774th regular weekly meeting of the Club to order.
- 2. National Anthem was led by Rtn. Anusua Das.
- 3. Minutes of the 4774th meeting of the Club held on 4th August, 2020 online were confirmed.
- 4. President. Debashis Mitra announced that Air Chief Marshal (Retd.), Arup Raha (former Chief of Air Staff) would be the guest speaker.
- 5. Thereafter all members welcomed Air Chief Marshal, Arup Raha in the usual Rotary manner.
- 6. President, Rtn. Debashis Mitra then welcomed all Visiting Rotarians and Guests those were attended the meeting conveyed greetings to their Clubs.
- 7. President Reported:

President informed members that the sad demise of the Club's ex- member Mr. K.D. Paul, of Bisk Farm, who passed away on 3rd August, 2020. On behalf of the Club, the President expressed heartfelt condolence to the bereaved family.

8. President Announced

President informed members that Independence Day will be celebrated on Saturday 15th August, 2020 at the Rotary Sadan. Flag hoisting would be at 10 a.m. followed by Art and Cultural Exhibition programme by the students of the Cultural Section at Rotary Sadan. He requested members to attend the programme with family.

- a. President also informed that **Vocational Service Committee** and Community Service & RCC Committee would be organising virtual career Counseling on Zoom for the needy students at RCCs.
- 9. At the request of the President, Hony. Secretary, Rtn Bodhi Brata Das thereafter conducted the Club business thus:
- a. Hony. Secretary welcomed all members and guests.
- b. He then announced names of Rotarians celebrating their **Birthdays** and Wedding Anniversaries during the week ending 13th August ,2020 and conveyed best wishes to them.
- c. Hony. Secretary also announced that next Weekly Meeting of the Club will be held on Tuesday, 14th August, 2020 at 6 p.m. on zoom . Speaker: Mr. Shoojit Sircar.
- d. Hony. Secretary also announced the following:
- i) The Regular Weekly Meeting schedule to be held on Tuesday, 18th August, 2020 at noon has been scheduled on Friday, 14th August, 2020 at 6 p.m. on zoom. Speaker: Mr. Soojit Sircar and requested members to make a note these changes and attend the meeting.
- ii) 25th August, 2020 RWM at 12 noon on Zoom; Speaker: Dr. Jai Ranjan Ram, Psychiatrist
- e. Hony. Secretary also requested members to ioin Independence Day celebration on 15th August, 2020 at Rotary Sadan at 10 a.m.

- 10. At the request of the President, Air Chief Marshal, Arup Raha addressed the audience Military "Misadventurism" of China and its Consequences!
- 11. This was followed by animated Q&A session.
- 12. At the request of the President, Rtn Sanjib Basu proposed a formal vote of thanks to guest speaker on behalf of the Club.
- 13. The Club remembered with Good wishes Bhadrak, Orissa, India, R I Dist. 3260
- 14. The meeting was adjourned at 1.30 p.m.

Debashis Mitra Bodhi Brata Das President Hony. Secretary

ONE WORLD

We remember with good wishes Rotary Club of Guwahati, RI Dist. 3240

