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## 1655 RFM, 23rd September 2025, Marble Palace (Joint RFM with Rotary Club of Calcutta Endeavour)



RFM 1655 Jointly with Calcutta Endeavour



Address by Rtn Brotindro Mullick, the 7th Generation of Marble Palace Trustees, about Historical Palace



Felicitation and Recognition of Rtn Brotindro Mullick



Four Way Test by Rtn Pintu Agarwal



Felicitations of PDG Raj Kumar Rajgaria by President of Calcutta Endeavour



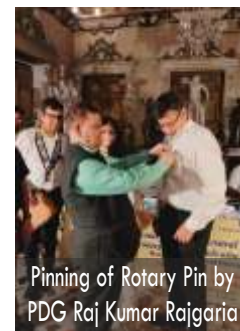
Rotary Club of Central Calcutta & Rotary Club of Calcutta Endeavour Meeting Called to Order by Pres. Satish Jalan



Club Business by Hon. Secretary Abhishek Agarwal



Induction of New Member Rtn Rohit Bajoria



Pinning of Rotary Pin by PDG Raj Kumar Rajgaria



Members & Guests



Francesco Arezzo  
RI President



Ramendu Homchaudhuri  
District Governor



Satish Jalan  
President



Abhishek Agarwal  
Secretary



Mona Garg  
Editor

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Vocational Excellence Award to Mr. Sarabjit Rakshit for India's Highest Number of Patients



Vocational Excellence Award to Dr. Mrinalendu Das for Servicing Child Surgeries



Vocational Excellence Award to Dr. Rakesh Rajput for World Class Orthopedic Surgeries



Address by Mr. Sombroto Roy, CK Birla Hospitals



Address by CK Birla Hospital Head Mr. Ambrose Ranjan Paul



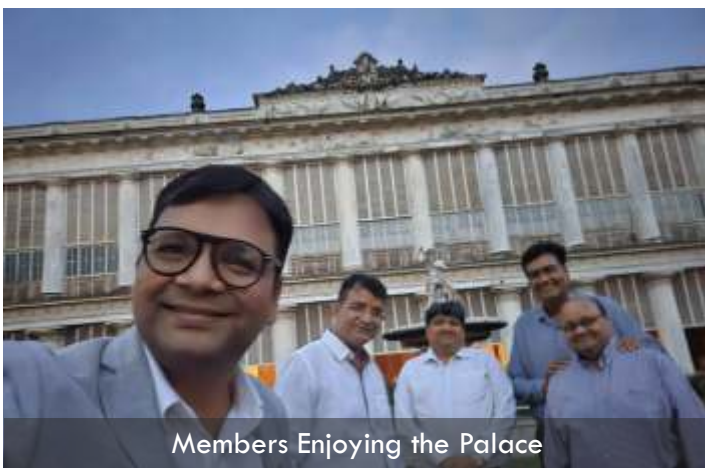
Felicitation of Mr. Ambrose Ranjan Paul



Felicitation of DGN Rtn Tapas Bhattacharya



Attended by DG Rtn Ramendu Homchaudhury  
PDG Rajani Mukherjee Chief Aid to DG, N Rama Krishnan



Members Enjoying the Palace



Immersive Artefacts



Eye to Eye with Warriors

- **President CA Rtn. Satish Jalan** called the 1655th RFM, held jointly with Rotary Club of Calcutta Endeavour, to order and warmly welcomed all members and guests.
- The minutes of the previous RFM 1654 were confirmed by **Rtn. PD Rungta and Rtn. Manoj Dalmia**.
- **President Rtn. Satish Jalan** extended a warm welcome to members and guests, and specially greeted Rtn. Brotindro Mullick for his instrumental support in organising this meeting at Marble Palace.
- The **President and Secretary of Rotary Club of Calcutta Endeavour** were invited to share their thoughts, enriching the fellowship.
- The meeting was graced by the presence of:
  - DG Dr. Ramnendu Hom Chaudhury**
  - DGE Rtn. Tapas Bhattacharya**
  - DGN Rtn. Purnendu Roy Choudhary**
  - PDG Rtn. Mukul Sinha**
  - PDG Rtn. Rajni Mukherjee**

Their presence added dignity, inspiration, and warmth to the evening.

• **Club Highlights**

5th September – Teacher’s Day Celebrations: Recitation competition at RCC Tarkeshwar; teachers felicitated at Rotary Shiksha Kendra and RCC Tarkeshwar.

6th September – Police Day at Laketown Police Station: Health camp conducted and officers felicitated for their service. Rotary initiatives were shared, and a valuable blood donor network was established. Special thanks to Rtn. Pravin Jain, Rtn. Giriraj Bagri, and Rtn. Shree Prakash Chandak.

• **Upcoming Projects**

Sanitation Project at RCC Sarada: 40 toilets and household kits to be provided for families (cost per family: ₹15,000). Members invited to support.

Driver Eye Test Campaign: Linked with Puja Parikrama project for senior citizens, in collaboration with district clubs.

Rotary Aarogya Card: Healthcare initiative for employees and household staff; members requested to connect hospitals, diagnostic and pathology centres before launch.

Project Golden Hour: Training one member in every family as a “medical soldier” for emergencies.

Project Karuna: Skill-development programme for aayas in nursing skills, to enhance employment and community support.

- **Hon. Secretary Rtn. Abhishek Agarwal** conveyed greetings for birthdays and anniversaries, announced upcoming events, and informed members about the President and Secretary’s participation at the President–Secretary Conference at Taki on 13th–14th September, representing the club at the district level.

• **Vocational Excellence Awards**

The following distinguished awardees were felicitated for their outstanding contributions:

Dr. Rakesh Rajput – Eminent Orthopaedic Surgeon, renowned for his pioneering work in joint replacement and patient care.

Dr. Mrinalendu Das – Leading Cardio Surgeon, recognised for his dedication to advancing cardiac surgery and saving countless lives.

Mr. Sarabjit Rakshit – Patent Holder of over 1,400 patents, celebrated for his remarkable contributions to research, technology, and intellectual property development.

All three awardees shared their experiences, contributions, and future plans, inspiring the members.

- Special invitees from CMRI, **Mr. Ambrose Ranjan Paul and Mr. Sombrata Roy**, addressed the gathering, appreciating the club’s efforts, sharing valuable insights, and expressing willingness to collaborate on future initiatives, including organizing a special health check-up camp exclusively for members to strengthen the spirit of partnership.

• **Sergeant-at-Arms Report**

Members: 37 | Guests: 22 | Total Attendance: 59

Sunshine Collection: Rs. 4,400

- **President Satish Jalan** concluded the meeting, followed by fellowship and dinner amidst the grandeur of Marble Palace.

## Teachers’ Day Celebration



Teachers’ Day was celebrated at RSK with the presentation of sweets to the teachers, followed by an interactive meeting to address their concerns. The program was graced by the presence of PP Prakash Bhadani.

At RCC Tarkeshwar, the occasion was marked with great enthusiasm through a Recitation Competition and a vibrant Cultural Programme, making the celebration memorable for both teachers and students.

## Police Day Celebration



The Rotary Club of Central Calcutta, in collaboration with East Kolkata Nagrik Foundation, proudly organised a Health Check-up Camp and Felicitation Ceremony on the occasion of Police Day, held on 6th September 2025 at Eastern Banquets, Lake Town.

The day commenced at 12:30 PM with a comprehensive health camp offering free services such as eye check-ups, ECG, blood sugar tests, and mental health &

stress management consultations. More than 180 police personnel and their families from the Bidhannagar Police Commissionerate benefitted from this initiative, a testament to Rotary's enduring commitment to the well-being of those who protect our community. In the same spirit of service, an A.V. Fistula Machine has been donated for patients in our Dialysis Ward at Lake Town. This project was initiated in Rotary Year 2024–25 under the leadership of IPP Rtn. Alka Ganeriwala, with a contribution of Rs. 1,05,000 by R.R. Agarwal Jewellers Pvt Ltd. The celebrations culminated in a Felicitation Ceremony at 6:00 PM, where Bidhannagar Police personnel were honoured for their unwavering service to society. Mementos and tokens of appreciation were presented as a heartfelt gesture of gratitude for their dedication and sacrifice. This impactful event was made possible through the generous support of members including Rtn. Pravin Jain, Rtn. Giriraj Bagri, an anonymous donor, and many other well-wishers, showcasing the power of Rotary's collective spirit in service.

## Meeting with RCC Bow Barracks



We had a meeting with RCC Bow Barracks to discuss and support the planning of their annual activities. RCC Bow Barracks comprises students from St. Xavier's College and is sponsored by our Club.

## Rotary District 3291 – First Presidents, Secretaries, AGs & Zonal Secretaries Meet



Rotary Central Calcutta had the privilege of participating in the First Presidents – Secretaries – Assistant Governors (Admin)–Zonal Secretaries Meet held at Sonar Bangla, Taki on 13th & 14th September 2025. Our club was represented by President Rtn. Satish Jalan and Secretary Rtn. Abhishek Agarwal, who actively contributed to the discussions, shared ideas, and strengthened bonds of fellowship with fellow Rotary leaders from across the District. The meet served as an inspiring platform to align with the District's vision, exchange best practices, and reinforce our shared commitment to the Rotary motto – Service Above Self.



## Visit to Rtn. Ravi Kr. Karel's Office



We had the pleasure of visiting the office of our new member, Ravi Kr. Karel. His persistence encouraged us to drop by even before our scheduled meeting, and the experience was nothing short of delightful. If there is one place to enjoy truly world-class samosas, it has to be his office! We are grateful for the warm invitation and the generous hospitality extended to us.

## 1656 RFM, 26th September 2025, Cosmopolitan Club (Club Assembly)

- President CA Rtn. Satish Jalan called the meeting to order, extending a heartfelt welcome to all members and appreciating their active participation that keeps the Rotary spirit alive.
- The evening began on a patriotic note as all members proudly sang the National Anthem together.
- Rtn. Amit Khetan shared an inspiring story that beautifully reflected the values of Rotary's Four-Way Test — truth, fairness, goodwill, and benefit to all.
- Members shared meaningful anecdotes from their professional and personal lives, reinforcing the essence of honesty and ethics that define Rotary fellowship.
- President Rtn. Satish Jalan expressed gratitude to all members for their continued support and participation. He highlighted key service milestones including the donation of computers to RCC Ramnagar and RCC Dakindihi, and



appreciation for donors supporting the Police Day and Toilet Construction Projects. He encouraged all members to continue nurturing teamwork, compassion, and service.

- Hon. Secretary Rtn. Abhishek Agarwal presented the secretarial report:
  - COTS was conducted in a creative and engaging manner.
  - Four Board Meetings have been held successfully so far.
  - The President–Secretary Meet at Taki was a memorable experience, strengthening ties across clubs.
  - The club website is being regularly updated with projects, events, minutes, and bulletins.
  - Meeting notices, greetings, and birthday gifts are being sent promptly.
  - Updated addresses have been shared with the Rotary News Trust.
  - Rotary District Directories were procured at ₹500 each and distributed to members who opted.
  - He emphasized that the Club Assembly is a forum for open dialogue, reflection, and shared vision — where

ideas and actions converge to take the club forward

- Treasurer Rtn. Ankit Chaparia shared a transparent update on the club’s financial position, covering account balances, fund allocations, and dues. He confirmed that RI, District, and Rotary News dues have been cleared, and returns will be filed on time. Members appreciated the clarity and discipline in the club’s finances.
- Rtn. Sandeep Agarwal, RCC Chair, provided a detailed overview of ongoing Rotary Community Corps (RCC) initiatives. He highlighted education, digital learning, health, and sanitation drives and discussed future plans for vocational and skill development to strengthen community empowerment.

• **Committee Highlights**

- Projects: Over ten impactful projects completed this quarter, including Tree Plantation, Vision Van Distribution, Police Day Health Camp, Cycle Van Distribution, and Thalassemia Awareness Drives. Upcoming projects include Golden Hour, Karuna, Aarogya, Happy School, and Rojgar.
- Administration: Six meetings held to date, featuring engaging programs such as “Cooking Oil Awareness” and “Vocational Excellence Awards.”
- Membership: Fellowship through breakfast meets, Independence Day celebrations, and the Phuket excursion. Plans for a picnic and another short trip are underway.
- Public Image: Excellent coverage across print and social media, with banners and interviews planned to enhance Rotary visibility.
- Foundation: Members have collectively committed around USD 12,000, with several recognized as Major Donors. The club aims to achieve 100% contribution this year.
- Editorial: Two monthly bulletins (July & August) and a special issue, Phuket Fiesta, have been published, with plans to release one each month.

• **Sergeant-at-Arms Rtn. Madhav Mohta reported:**

Members Present: 16 | Guests: Nil | Total Attendance: 16 | Sunshine Collection: Rs. 1,600

- Rtn. Kishor Nadhani proposed the Vote of Thanks, expressing heartfelt gratitude to all members for their participation and to Cosmopolitan Club for their gracious hospitality.
- The evening concluded with cheerful fellowship, heartfelt conversations, and a delightful à la carte dinner, reflecting the warmth and togetherness that define Rotary Central Calcutta.





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**HAPPY**  
**Birthday**  
to our members...

- 04 September – Rtn. Mandeep Singh Bindra
- 05 September – Rtn. Yogendra Mohan Lakhota
- 09 September – Rtn. Dinesh Bhattar
- 10 September – Rtn. Brij Mohan Lakhota
- 11 September – Rtn. Sunil Goenka
- 14 September – Rtn. Raj Kumar Bagri
- 15 September – Rtn. Pramod Dayal Rungta
- 18 September – Rtn. Rabindra Banthia
- 22 September – Rtn. Manish Pachisia
- 22 September – Rtn. Subir Poddar
- 24 September – Rtn. Manoj Jain
- 25 September – Rtn. Sneha Murarka
- 26 September – Rtn. Ravi Kr Karel
- 27 September – Rtn. Rajesh Singhal
- 30 September – Rtn. Arvind K Soni



- 11 October – Diwali Meet
- October – Polio Eradication Drive