

The Baton Passes... The 37th Installation Meeting



As per the current scenario for keeping safety, the 37th installation ceremony of Rotary Club of Central Calcutta was held on digital platforms of ZOOM and Facebook live. Rtn Raj Bagri was the Master of Ceremony. As per the norms, to give an auspicious start to the new Rotary year, the program started with Ganesh Vandana. The meeting was called to order by outgoing President Neeraj Agrawal. National Anthem was presented by an audio visual display (played video of National Anthem by Rotary India leaders). Minutes of the last meeting held on ZOOM were confirmed. Welcome address was given by the Installation Chair Vice President Rtn Revati Raman Agarwal. He welcomed all present online - DG, DGE, DGN, IPDG, PDGs, District officials and members. Outgoing President Neeraj Agrawal thanked all members and informed that under his leadership club had done lot of social work and big projects. In this situation and critical time also, he and his team worked hard for the welfare of the society. Under his leadership, the club has received a number of awards from the District. Work speaks for itself. He recognised and awarded some members who helped him during his tenure. An audio-visual presentation of the projects and programs undertaken during the Rotary year 2019-20 was shown by Outgoing Secretary Asish Bagla.

PP Manoj Jain introduced the incoming leader, Rtn Jitesh Gutgutia, who is a man of abili-



ties. By profession he is CA and under his leadership the club hopes for betterment of the society. President Jitesh was installed by IPP Neeraj and was handed the collar, hammer, gavel and Charter of the club. He felicitated outgoing President Neeraj.



President Jitesh Gutgutia

addressed the meeting and recognized the presence of all members and guests. He introduced his team for 2020-21 highlighting the capabilities of each and every individual through a Power Point presentation. He projected his plans and programs for the year.

6 new members – Punit Jhunjhunwala, Navin Lath, Manish Singhania, Pratik Nahata, Binod Kumar Agarwal and Nalin Vilochan were introduced and were inducted. Induction speech was given by PDG Rajkumar Rajgaria who is recognized as the Bhishm Pitamah of the club. To describe him is not possible in words or we can say lamp is shown in front of sun. Club Business was conducted by Hon Secretary Sunil Sethia who is a cool man and can do any work with his coolness. He felicitated outgoing Secretary Ashish Bagla.

DGE Prabir Chatterjee and DGN Ajay Kumar Law addressed the gathering.

Rtn Rajesh Agarwal introduced Chief Guest Dis-

trict Governor Sudip Mukherjee. DG addressed the meeting. Final remarks were given by President and formal vote of thanks was proposed by President Elect PD Rungta. There being no other business, President Jitesh Gutgutia terminated the meeting.

Report by Rtn Revati Raman Agarwal Vice President & Program Chair









Central Calcutta in Action...

■ Wed, 1st July: 1st Project of Rotary Year 2020-21 at Shree Vishudhanand Hospital (Burtolla), Kolkata. The Year started with full enthusiasm, albeit planned, with limited presence of members as a precaution against the prevailing Pandemic. Rotary's fight against Covid-19 was well supported on Doctors' Day with the felicitation of Doctors, the hospital's management and support staff, who have been at the centre of performing a critical service for humanity.

Felicitations were done in a short and simple event by President Jitesh Gutgutia, Hony. Secretary Sunil Sethia and Chief Guest PDG Raj Kumar Rajgaria. Five Doctors honoured were Dr S K Dabriwal (Sonologist), Dr M K Goyal (Echo Cardiologist), Dr Bharat Kr Gupta (MBBS), Dr Suman Ghosh (Pathologist) and Dr. Sambuddha Kundu (MBBS).

25 PP Kits and 4,000 disposable masks were handed over to the hospital authorities by PP Amit Rungta on behalf of the club. 2 Handsfree Sanitiser stands were provided and a Hand-wash Station inaugurated at the Entry of the hospital... a place ideally suited for visitors to maintain better hygiene.

I thank PDG Raj Kumar Rajgaria, President Jitesh Kumar Gutgutia, Hon Secretary Sunil Kumar Sethia and PP Amit Rungta for their efforts and presence in this noble project.

The event was duly covered by the print media in the local newspapers.

- Report by Madhav P Mohta, Project Chair





President Jitesh Gutgutia donated blood at a camp held on 1st July, 2020 at Sankalpa – Blood Donation Camp held by RI District 3291 and Rotaract District 3291 at Rotary Sadan. **A front-liner President who leads by example!!**

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■ Thu, 2nd July: President Jitesh Gutgutia has opened the series with a dynamic start by doing wonderful projects. The 2nd project was done at The Leprosy Mission: Premananda Memorial Leprosy Hospital. It was attended by President Jitesh Gutgutia, Secretary Sunil Kr Sethia, IPP Neeraj Agrawal, Chief Guest AG Siddharth Chatterjee and Ann Sharmila Sethia.

In this need of the hour PPE kits, masks, sanitizer, sanitisation stand, water cooler, water filter were donated at the hospital.

The Water Cooler was sponsored by Ann Sharmila Sethia. AG Siddharth Chatterjee and Ann Sharmila Sethia inaugurated the water filter. The sanitisation stand, to fight against the COVID pandemic situation, was inaugurated by IPP Neeraj Agrawal.

On the occasion of Doctors' Day, Dr Rekha, Administrator Mr Vijay and 13 staff members of the hospital were felicitated.

-Report by Rtn Monika Kejriwal, Project Chair

■ Sat, 4th July: Amidst the pandemic, keeping the safety norms in mind, the zeal for service as per the Rotary Charter was carried forward by the members of Rotary Central Calcutta. President Jitesh Gutgutia, Secretary Sunil Sethia, President Elect P D Rungta, Rtn Sandeep Agarwal, Rtn Sandip Choraria and Harsh Sethia (son of Sunil Sethia) reached Village Bansai, located inside Konnagore, Dist Hooghly, a half an hour drive from Central Kolkata.

As per the schedule, they first reached Bansai



Prochesta, a school for specially-abled children at Bansai, Dharmatolla, near Bansai Auto Stand. The children were given masks and were served a packet of snacks. Thereafter, nearly 50 saplings of Mango was distributed amongst the children and their parents in presence of the school committee. Two footballs were also donated to the school.

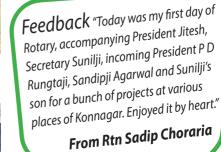
Within the premises of the school a blood donation camp was organized. Masks were distributed to all the Donors and Members present. The donors were provided with gifts on behalf of our club. Nearly 50 people donated blood maintaining all the norms of social distancing.

Then the members reached Bansai Tarun Tirtha Club where 100 saplings of Mango, Guava & Neem were distributed amongst the members of the club and the people of the neighborhood. Here also face masks were distributed and social distancing was strictly maintained as the people queued up to receive the plants. The Rotarians then reached Tarun Tirtha Khelar Math which was located little inside from the main road, opposite to Sethia Bagan Bari. Saplings of Mango, Guava & Neem were planted

bordering the play ground. The plants were encircled with bamboo fence so that they would not be damaged by animals in course of their growth.

All the projects were implemented in presence of many local people who appreciated the activities.

- Report by Rtn Avinash Bubna, Project Chair



■ Mon, 6th July: President Jitesh Gutgutia, Hony Secretary Sunil Sethia & PP Amit K Rungta joined the project for sponsoring Food Packets, Utensils & Electrical goods for the inmates of Ishwar Sankalpa at 19B Chetla Hat Road, Kolkata 700027. This NGO is working to increase access to community-based care and support for homeless ladies with psychosocial disabilities through a network of community caregivers. They offer services through institutional care, day care centres or/and on the street and a long stay facility for people who will never be able to be restored to their families. They also provide accessible and affordable mental health intervention for the urban poor intertwined with primary health care services in an effort to facilitate early identification, awareness, addressing stigma and preventing homelessness.

- Report by PP Amit K Rungta, Project Chair



Mon, 24th July: RFM was held on ZOOM. Guest Speaker of the Day **Mr Sovam Panda** conducted an informative session on the topic **"How to Improve & Manage Business during Corona"**.

■ Sun, 26th July: COTS (Club Officers Training Seminar) was organised by Club Trainer PP Pushpraj Maheswari and was held on ZOOM. The speakers were PP (Dr) Siddhartha Chakraborty (Administrative Assistant Governor assigned to our club), PDG Anirudha Roychowdhury (Topic: Rotary Basics and Club Administration), PP Binod Khaitan (Topic: Leadership and Community Service), PDG Ravi Sehgal (Topic: The Rotary Foundation), PDG Angsuman Bandyopadhyay (Topic: Public Image of Rotary) and IPDG Ajay Agarwal (Topic: Membership).

- Report by Club Trainer PP Pushpraj Maheswari



■ Tue, 28th July: Operation Sunshine: Mornings at Mulvany House. Members of Rotaract Club of Central Calcutta visited the residents of the old-age home, Mulvany House situated on Amherst Street once again during the Pandemic. We have been visiting this place quite frequently now which in the course of time has turned into one of our Special Area Projects. President Rtr Shreya Saha along with PP Rtr Urvashi and IPP Rtr Amartya visited Mulvany House and handed over the necessary and essential rations bought for them to Gran

ny 015– which included 50 Kg of rice, 5 ltrs of Oil, 5 Kg Sugar, 15 Kg Potato and 10 Kg Dal, all the while maintaining proper social distancing and hygiene with the veterans. We spent some time with Mrs Gilby, the Secretary of the institution and inquired about the health and



well-being of the grannies and grandpas, as we planned not to meet any of them for their safety. The project was done jointly with the parent club, Rotary Central Calcutta.

- Report by Rtr Shreya Saha, President Rotaract Club of Central Calcutta

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■ **Thu, 30th July:** IPP Neeraj Agrawal donated COVID items worth Rs 10,000 for a children's school through Bow Bazar thana. The Principal of the school was tested as COVID positive. IPP Neeraj gave 100 pcs reusable masks, 25 bottles of sanitizer and 100 pairs of gloves.



From the RCCs



■ Fri, 3rd July: Rotary Joynagar Eye Hospital organised Training and Capacity Building of frontline Health Care Workers of Govt of WB. (ANM Health Supervisors and BPHN) on COVID-19 Response under Kultali Block, through PPT Presentation by Dr Majumder (Community Medicine of Health, WHO, UNICEF health Consultant). Booklets were printed for use at the training



■ The Board of Directors of Rotary Central Calcutta 2020-21, has decided to honour our very own **PDG Raj Kumar Ra**igaria as an Honoured Active



Member of the club. RI & District dues only are to be collected from him from the Rotary year 2020-21.

■ Medha Kudaisya, daughter of PP Brij Mohan & PP Meeta Lakhotia, after doing her post-grad and settling down in matrimony, is doing 4-year degree course - Master of social work from Rutgers University, New Jersey. In the first part of the course on social welfare policy and services she scored 100% in finals. The second part will cover studies on violence against women and children.

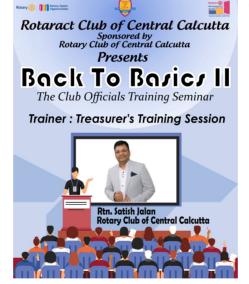
 Nikita, daughter of Rtn Brij Gopal Kothari & Seema, got engaged to Aditya Chirimar.

■ IPDG Ajay Agarwal & Mamta were blessed with a grandson.



■ **Harsh**, the younger son of Hon. Secretary Sunil Sethia, secured 96.4% in class 10 boards with 99 in English and 98 in Maths and SST.

• Rtn Satish Jalan trained club Treasurers of the Rotaract clubs of RI District 3291 for the second year in a row.



■ Ann Sushma Bubna (spouse of Rtn Rajesh Bubna) has been appointed as State President of West Bengal Sports & Recreation Council by Women's Indian Chamber of Commerce & Industry (WICCI) – India's first National Business Chamber for Women.



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■ PP Binod Khaitan joined virtual general meeting of Rotary Narmada Nagri, Rotary eClub of Ankleshwar Green and Inner Wheel Club of Ankleshwar on 28th July, 20.

■ President Jitesh Gutgutia attended: Legacy - The Annual Award for Rota year 2019-20, COTS of Rotaract Central Calcutta as Guest of Honour, Installation meeting of Inner Wheel Club of Central Calcutta, RWM of RC Calcutta Mahanagar, Level II Public Image & Public Relations Training workshop, Rotary Leadership Seminar of RC Calcutta New Alipore.

■ **PP Manoj Jain** attended: Installations of RC Calcutta Mahanagar, RC Garden Reach and RC Calcutta Park Point.

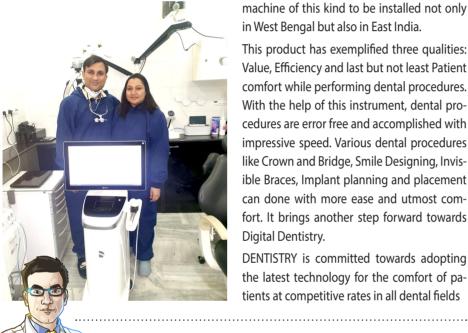
■ Hon. Secretary Rtn Sunil Sethia attended Installation Meeting of Inner Wheel Club of Central Calcutta

CONDOLENCE

DGE Prabir Chatterjee lost his father. On behalf of the President & members of Rotary Central Calcutta, Reach Out extends heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family members. May his soul be at Peace.



DENTISTRY, situated at Kyd Street, near MLA hostel, is one of the leading dental clinics in Kolkata. It is run jointly by Rtn (Dr) Ankur Gupta and his spouse, Dr Disha Agarwal. The clinic has taken a giant step in ultimate den-



tal treatment by installing a State-of-Art Intra Oral Scanner supplied by Dentsply Sirona, a leading German manufacturer in this field.

This has brought a revolution in Digital Dentistry. It can be proudly stated that it is the first machine of this kind to be installed not only in West Bengal but also in East India.

This product has exemplified three qualities: Value, Efficiency and last but not least Patient comfort while performing dental procedures. With the help of this instrument, dental procedures are error free and accomplished with impressive speed. Various dental procedures like Crown and Bridge, Smile Designing, Invisible Braces, Implant planning and placement can done with more ease and utmost comfort. It brings another step forward towards Digital Dentistry.

DENTISTRY is committed towards adopting the latest technology for the comfort of patients at competitive rates in all dental fields

A wise physician said the best medicine for humans is **CARE and LOVE**. Some one asked, if it does not work? He smiled and said "INCREASE THE DOSE"

STOP THE SPREAD OF GERMS



WATER AND

SOAP/SANITIZER

AT LEAST 20 SECONDS

IF YOU ARE INFECTED

AVOID CONTACT WITH SICK PEOPLE



NOSE OR MOUTH WITH

UNWASHED HANDS





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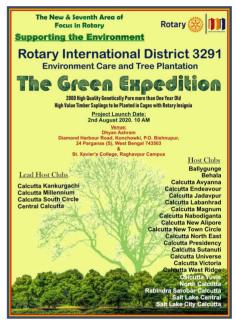




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inaugurated at Dhyan Ashram, Diamond Harbour Road, South 24 Parganas, West Bengal on 2nd August, 2020. PP Sudip Sen is the chair for the event.



Independance Day program to be held at Rotary Siksha Kendra on 15th August, 2020.

Charter Anniversary Celebrations on ZOOM on 16th August, 2020.

A Rotary Ventilator Ward is proposed to be set up at Vishudhananda Hospital (including Covid-19) as a long term sustainable project and to increase the brand image of Rotary. PP Amit Kumar Rungta is in discussion with the authorities and is expecting to finalise the details for the same shortly. Expected cost of the project is approx Rs. 17,00,000/- (Rupees Seventeen Lakhs Only). Some members have made a commitment to contribute for the project. It is requested to all to come forward for this noble cause and contribute for the same.



For more information: www.cdc.gov/COVID19





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ReachOut *ulishes* Happy Anniversary & Blissful togetherness

Umang & Megha More	1st Jul
PP Chittaranjan & Sudha Choudhar	
Brij Gopal & Seema Kothari	4th Jul
Pankaj & Shruti Agarwal	4th Jul
Anuttam & Dipti Khaitan	5th Jul
Arvind & Indu Soni	8th Jul
Punit & Anjana Poddar	9th Jul
PP Subhas & Kanchan Kankaria	10th Jul
Kishore & Kanchan Somani	24th Jul



Kishore Kumar Somani	3rd Jul
Ramesh Kumar Jaju	9th Jul
Abhinav Chandak	18th Jul
Pankaj Agarwal	19th Jul
Navvin Lath	22nd Jul
Rajendra Gupta	24th Jul
Chandra P Ganeriwala	30th Jul
Raj Kumar Surana	2nd Aug
PP Rajesh Lakhotia	9th Aug

PP Prakash Bhadani	10th Aug
PP Rajendra Bagrodia	10th Aug
PP Meeta Lakhotia	11th Aug
Shree P Chandak	13th Aug
PP Chittaranjan Choudha	ry 15th Aug
PDG Raj Kr Rajgaria	15th Aug
Sanjay Kr Poddar	15th Aug
Sunil Kumar Sethia	16th Aug
Avinash Bubna	18th Aug
Punit Poddar	19th Aug
Vivek Phumra	20th Aug
Ashish Bagla	22nd Aug

GLOBALETIQUETTE

- from The Rotarian (June 2020 issue)

Rotarians often connect with people from different cultures. Members of Rotary's Global Communication team – translators, interpreters and allround International experts – offer a few etiquette tips from their native countries.

Dziekuje ci – When getting off an elevator in POLAND, say "thank you" to your fellow riders.

Marcia...! – In BRAZIL, call people by their first names. There are very few instances when you would use surnames – such as when more than one person in a classroom or office has the same name.

Hallo, Herr Muller - In GERMANY, do not

address a person who is not a friend or long time acquaintance by their first name. Instead, address them as Mr. / Ms. Last Name.

Mucho gusto en concerte – in PERU, kiss a woman on the cheek when you are introduced to her by a friend. Two men always shake hands.

Wie geht's? Ich bin mude Und murrisch und Konnte ein wenig

Schlaf gebrauchen... – GERMANS don't consider the phrase "how are you?" to be a simple greeting; people will think you really

want to know and will answer honestly.

In KOREA, don't pick up rice or soup bowls from the table when you are eating – but in JAPAN and CHINA, it's appropriate to do so. And when drinking alcohol with Koreans, do not fill your own glass; your fellow diners are supposed to fill it for you. If you see that someone's glass is empty, offer to refill it.

Bow, don't hug, as a greeting in JAPAN. And don't talk on the phone on public transportation – it' considered rude.