

## PDG Ravi Vadlamani decodes RI theme 'Serve to Change Lives'

**R** I President Elect, Rotary leader from India, Rtn Sekhar Mehta announced not only his years' theme - Serve to Change Lives, but also his Action plan for the year through the Theme for the Rotary world' said PDG Ravi Vadlamani in a LIVE WEBI-NAR on a Sunday, 14 Feb 2021 to a galaxy of Rotary leaders including Past District Governors, Past Presidents, Past District Officials, future Presidents and enthusiastic Rotarians, organized by Rotary Club of Hyderabad East from RI Dist 3150 along with another 20+ Rotary Clubs as Co Hosts.

In an Online Meeting attended by seniors and serious Rotarians of from almost all cities in India and abroad also, PDG Ravi, interacted with Rtn Sharath Chowdary on a Q & A session, further explained "Every RI President chooses his own Theme for the year, so is our leader Sekhar daa. But unlike Rotary Connects, Rotary Opens Opportunities ... which are FACTs, Sekhar jee selected 'Serve to Change Lives' which is his Action Plan for the year. Sekhar Mehta jee strongly believes that Rotary activity changes Lives not only the people getting served.. but also the people serving the activity, thus by each activity, each year Rotarian also becomes a changed person towards his attitude or outlook towards service. Hence this theme Rtn Sekhar Mehta jee wants every one to work



## Rtn PDG Ravi Vadlamani

for Serving so that the work will Change Lives of others"

Speaking on Rtn Sekhar Metha's Do More - Grow More , Rtn Ravi Vadlamani said " Sekhar jee is a man with converting ideas into Actions



Rtn Y V Giri, President, Rotary Club Hyderabad East



PDG Rtn V Jawahar, Rotary Club Hyderabad East



Rtn Sharat Chowdary, Rotary Club Deccan

and actions into Big projects. He was behind projects like constructing 15 Eye Hospitals, carrying out more than 2500 Children Operations, starting and executing TEACH program which

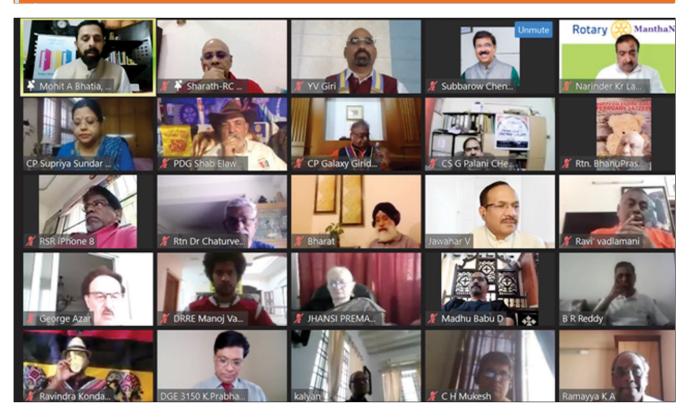


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is now the Nations Mission activity and many more. Hence he wants every Club to think BIG.. to do more. Similarly, Rotary International, though activity wise is growing year after year, numbers wise stagnated at 1.2 million for 20 years. Now our leader Rtn Sekhar jee declared Grow more to 1.3 Million, he certainly has plans to do it and it is not a mere statement.' Rtn Vadlamani further explained both the points by saying that Sekhar jee wants first every Rotarian to understand Service project, secondly as every Rotarian/ rotary club to plan big projects, thirdly as every club to involve and explain Non Rotary Partner/ Sponsor/ Corporate house to understand ... and with these three points big projects will come and Rotary image will

go up.

Answering another important point and Sekhar Mehta jee's focus on Empowering Women in his year, Rtn Ravi Vadlamani explained said that Sekhar jee already appointed 8 Women leaders into his Board of total 17 Leaders and has already set his Focus item on charge mode. He is also advising all Clubs to have at least 30% of the Cabinet with Women Rotarians and this kind of prioritization is never done earlier. Sekhar jee wants Clubs to take up various Service projects on empowering girl child, to facilities to women in rural areas to safety to women in work places and several other projects every where.

Rtn PDG Ravi also addressed another important point of bringing in young blood into Rotary especially in India where more than 60% of the population is below 40 years and explained that RI is planning to convert members Rotaract as Rotarians and thus the knowledge gained, interested generated will continue and very soon Rotaract member will become a good Rotarian. Sekhar jee and RI will soon declare that Rotaract is not one of the Projects of Rotary but will be integrated with Rotary. Rtn Ravi Vadlamani also said that Sekhar jee already appointed him (Ravi Vadlamani) as World Chair for Rotaract committee and he has plans to bring in 1 million Rotaract members in the next 3 years.

Rtn YV Giri, President, Rotary Club of Hyderabad East said ' ever since RI President Elect Rtn Sekhar Mehta declared his years RI Theme - Serve to Change Lives, we panned a Seminar and we are happy that PDG Ravi Vadlamani agreed to speak on the same and we also thank several other Rotary Clubsthat agreed to Co Host the program. Rtn PDG Jawahar Vadlamani coordinated the meeting introducing senior members. District Governor, Rtn V Hanumnatha Reddy appreciated the idea of Rotary Club of Hyderabad East and also other Host Clubs for making this Webinar.

Rtn Shart Chowdary who acted as the person asking questions to the Speaker came out with very important questions making the discussions very interesting and LIVE. Rtn Mohan Bhatia, Rtn Rama seshu also spoke. The Meet ing ended with appreciations for the initiative taken by Hyderabad East Rotary Club.

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