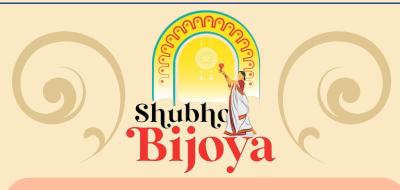
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MINUTES OF MEETING FOR AGOMONI, PRE PUJO CELEBRATION ON 18TH OCTOBER, 2023

- 1. RWM called to order.
- MOM of RWM dated August 25th 2023 confirmed by members.
- 3. Leave of Absence granted to Rtn. Noshir N Framjee.
- 4. National Anthem led by Rtn. Vivek Datta.
- 5. Induction of Rtn. Kaushik Banerjee by Rtn. Col. Ajay Kumar Mitra and Rtn. Nilanjan Basu by Rtn. Navarun Sen.
- 6. Felicitation of PP Rtn. Ritesh Kapoor & Mrs. Mallika Kapoor by Rtn. Pradip Das.
- 7. Agomoni, the Pre Pujo Celebrations, commenced by Dr. Vivek Datta and Rtn. Swapna Bhattacharjee.
- 8. Dance performance by Sushmita Da.
- Sunshine Collection ₹1700/-
- 10. Members Present 22
- 11. Guests Present 13



OUR GUEST SPEAKER TODAY

Ms. Bibi Russell

Bibi Russell, a luminary in the fashion industry, seamlessly integrates her creative brilliance with a profound commitment to social and economic development. A graduate of the London College of Fashion, she brought back over two decades of European expertise to her homeland, Bangladesh, in 1994.

In 1995, under the banner of "Fashion For Development," Bibi established Bibi Productions, a brand transcending fashion to rekindle age-old heritage. Her debut ready-to-wear collection, "Weavers of Bangladesh", unveiled at the UNESCO headquarters in Paris in 1996, marked a milestone. With UNESCO's backing, her brand graced international platforms, including the prestigious London Fashion Week.

Bibi's humanitarian spirit extends beyond fashion, as demonstrated by her unwavering dedication to uplifting street children. Her project has empowered numerous youngsters, turning 75 out of 100 street urchins into regular school attendees, fostering dreams and selfsufficiency.

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Hiralal Yadav District Governor, 2023-24



Ronit Mitra President, 2023-24



Rajesh Balasubramanian Secretary, 2023-24



Banashree Mitra Joint Secretary, 2023-24



Sunil Sonika Treasurer, 2023-24



Brinda Mukherjee

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Recipient of numerous awards, Bibi Russell's accolades range from "Woman of the Year" by Elle Magazine in 1997 to the "Lifetime Achievement Award" in 2019 from the British Bangladesh Fashion Council.

Internationally recognized for her positive energy, creative work and commitment to preserving cultural heritage through sustainable local development, Bibi Russell's impact reverberates globally.

In her own words, Bibi Russell encapsulates her mission: "When people see my collections, I want them to understand and appreciate all the work and effort that has gone into them. I want to preserve the heritage of my country, foster creativity, provide employment, empower women, and contribute towards the eradication of poverty. That's what I'm committed to do."

Her story unfolds through numerous awards, each a testament to her dedication, from being honoured as a UNESCO Special Envoy to receiving the prestigious "Cross of Officer of the Order of Queen Isabella" from the Government of Spain. Bibi Russell continues to illuminate the path of "Fashion for Development", leaving an indelible mark in the world of fashion and beyond.

MOMENTS FROM AGOMONI



UPCOMING ANNIVERSARIES & BIRTHDAYS

ANNIVERSARIES

Nov 21st: Rtn. Mekhla Chowdhury & Mr. Gautam Chowdhury

Nov 24th: Rtn. Anjali Aneja & Mr. Rajesh Aneja

Nov 29th: Rtn. Pritha Sanyal & Mr. Avik Sanyal

BIRTHDAYS

Nov 11th: Rtn. Kaushik Banerjee

Nov 15th: Rtn. Sudhir Ahuja

Nov 20th: Rtn. Noshir N Framjee

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