

## 1352<sup>nd</sup> REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING AT CALCUTTA CLUB



### MINUTES OF THE 1352<sup>nd</sup> RWM HELD ON 26<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER, 2024 AT CALCUTTA CLUB

1. President Rtn. Tunir Chakravarti calls the 1352<sup>nd</sup> RWM to order and requests all members to stand for the National Anthem led by Rtn. Rakhee Biswas.
2. Minutes of the 1351<sup>st</sup> meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> October, 2024 is confirmed, minutes of which have been circulated. Inner Voice has also been circulated.
3. LOA is granted to Rtn. Kaushik Banerjee, Rtn. Noshir Framjee, Rtn. Pradeep Gooptu, Rtn. Brinda Mukherjee, Rtn. Chandrani Chakraborty, IPP Ronit Mitra, Rtn. Anindya Palchaudhuri and Rtn. Banashree Mitra.
4. President welcomes 3 Rotarians on Goodwill Visit from Rotary Club of Calcutta, viz. PP Sujata Pyne, Rtn. Savani Gooptu and Rtn. Shampa Ghosh. President, Innerscity and PP Sujata Pyne, RC Calcutta exchange club flags.
5. President also welcomes Ms. Samita Medhora, guest of Rtn. Amitava Ghose and a prospective member. The latter introduces Ms. Medhora. She herself spoke about her work in the field of child welfare over the last 39 years.
6. Rtn. Yvonne D'Silva, past member, visits Innerscity and is welcomed by the President. She has joined Rotary Club of Port Phillip, Melbourne. She speaks of her experience in her present club vis-à-vis Innerscity and says that here the gratification is much more due to hands on delivery of service. She stressed on importance of education for children and urges clubs to do projects in this area. President presents her the club flag for handing over to her President. Yvonne has connected the two Presidents for joint projects in the near future.
7. PP Sujata Pyne shares some significant projects of RC Calcutta with a view to reaching out to district clubs to maximise utilization of the facilities given by the club:
  - a. Dialysis Centre at Balananda Brahmachari Hospital in Behala where free/highly subsidized treatment is given.
  - b. Prosthetic limbs in collaboration with Mahavir Seva Sadan for life long care of the beneficiaries.
  - c. Paediatric intensive care unit at Matri Bhavan in Ramkrishna Sarada Mission, Tollygunge for subsidized treatment of mother & child.
  - d. Thalassemia Blood Bank at Howrah.
  - e. Cancer detection van coming up shortly.
  - f. A Rotary Experience Centre will be opened soon which would be a training centre for future Club Presidents and Secretaries. It will run under mentorship of Star Presidents and PDGs.

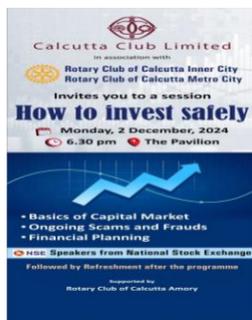
PP Sujata invites us to join hands for joint projects with them. She also urges for contribution to Rotary Foundation.
8. President invites Rtn. Rajesh Subramaniam to hand over a cheque of Rs. 50,000/- to Mr. Sanjoy Ghosh for development and upkeep of 3 pre-primary schools in a Adivasi village, Rajnagar in Birbhum where 130+ students are enrolled. These schools are run by an Organisation called Swayambar Nari. This amount is sponsored by Rtn. Rajesh.

Mr. Ghosh say that they are grateful to Innerscity as they have already installed toilets and tubewells in the past in these locations in collaboration with Bees Trees Water.
9. President informs about projects done in the last fortnight :
  - i) On 24<sup>th</sup> November, visit to our RCC Usthi to donate 4 sewing machines for vocational training of local villagers and 2 desktop computers for the students.
  - ii) On 25<sup>th</sup> November, an awareness program was held on Cervical cancer and sexually transmitted diseases at Prem Chandra Boral Street Red Light Area at Bowbazar in association with Durbar Mahila Samanoy Committee and Kolkata Municipal Corporation. It was attended by more than 50 sex workers. Dr. Sujata Dutta conducted the program. Sri Biswarup Dey, local councillor was also present.

- iii) On 17<sup>th</sup> November, a fellowship was sponsored by Rtns. Amita Saha, Kaushik Banerjee and Kaushik Ganguli. It was greatly enjoyed by all.
- 10. President announces the upcoming programs/projects as follows:
  - i) On 2<sup>nd</sup> December, a vocational programme on 'How to invest safely' will be organized in association with Rotary Club of Calcutta Metrocity and Calcutta Club. Officers from National Stock Exchange(NSE) will speak on financial planning and how to avoid scams/fraud.
  - ii) On 13<sup>th</sup> December, a hand on workshop on AI & IOT will be held from 10 am - 4 pm at Rotary Sadan. Students of vernacular medium will participate in the workshop. It would be a joint program with Rotary Club of Calcutta.
  - iii) On 13<sup>th</sup> December, a fellowship will be sponsored by Rtns. Mekhala Chowdhury, Pritha Sanyal and Amitava Ghose. However, Rtn. Amitava informs that there might be changes in the date or venue or both.
- 11. President announces that AGM & next RWM will be held on 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2024 at 6.30 pm at Calcutta Club.
- 12. Secretary conducts Club business.
- 13. 12 members, 4 visiting Rotarians and 2 guests are present.
- 14. The sunshine collection is Rs. 500/-.
- 15. The meeting ends with thanks to all members present and greetings to Rotary Club of Calcutta.

### FINANCIAL LITERACY PROGRAM ON 'HOW TO INVEST SAFELY'

A program on Financial Literacy was held at Calcutta Club on 2<sup>nd</sup> December, 2024 by Rotary Club of Calcutta Innercity in association with Rotary Club of Calcutta Metro City and Calcutta Club. The speakers were from National Stock Exchange(NSE), viz. Ms. Soumi Saha, Manager Investor Services, Mr. Chinmoy Mallick, Manager Arbitration and Ms. Mohini Mukherjee, Manager. The topic of the evening was 'How to Invest Safely'. The focus of the session was on how to avoid being scammed/defrauded in today's online trading and investing environment. There was overwhelming response from the audience of about 90 participants.



**Rtn. Amit Paul, President Elect attends the first District Meeting of Rotay year 2025-26**



## Support to Pre-primary Schools in Adivasi village at Birbhum

Rotary Club of Calcutta Innercity has been providing financial aid to run 3 pre-primary schools in a Adivasi village, Rajnagar in Birbhum where 130+ students are enrolled. These schools are run by an Organisation called Swayambar Nari. Our Club donated Rs. 50,000/- for development and upkeep of the schools. In the past also, tubewells and toilets were installed in the area for the community's benefit by Innercity with support from Bees Trees Water.



### Anniversaries

**29<sup>th</sup> November**

***Rtn. Pritha Sanyal & Avik***

**4<sup>th</sup> December**

***Rtn. Anindya Pal Chowdhury & Pameli***

**4<sup>th</sup> December**

***Rtn. Swapna Bhattacharjee & Sanjoy***

**6<sup>th</sup> December**

***Rtn. Kaushik Ganguli & Mala***