

Ka PATENG NONGKYNTI

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Fellow Rotarians ,
Warm Rotary Greetings!!

September has been a month filled with purpose, fellowship and service. Together, we have carried forward the Rotary spirit through meaningful initiatives and impactful activities.

Here's a quick recap of what we achieved this month;

Teachers' training Workshop- conducted at Mairang in collaboration with Rotary Club Orchid City , empowering teachers with tools for greater effectiveness.

Nation Builders Award- Recognizing and honoring the invaluable contributions of 5 teachers who shape our future generations.

Club fellowship and Networking- strengthening bonds within our Rotary Family and celebrating the spirit of togetherness- wherein four members of the club attended a meeting of zone 13 organized by Rtn. S.K.Lato (Assistant Governor 25-26) at Jowai Orchid resort, Thaadlaskein.

Ongoing projects on progress on literacy, healthcare and community initiatives that continue to bring smile and hopes.

Each of these milestones was possible because of your active participation, dedication and goodwill. As we move forward, let us carry the same energy and enthusiasm in the coming months, working hand in hand to serve our community and live to Rotary's motto- 'Service above self'.

Warm regards

In Fellowship,
Rtn. Gayatri Marnie Batkhar,
President 2025-26.

From the Editor's Desk

Dear Fellow Rotarians,
Greetings from the Editorial Team!

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September has been a very exciting month for RCSH being the Literary Month of the year according to the Rotary Calendar. The Club had two meaningful programmes. One was the Teacher's Training Programme held at Mairang in collaboration with Rotary Orchid City, Shillong and the District School Education Officer at Eastern West Khasi Hills District together with the Deputy Commissioner, Ms Anita Kharpor who inaugurated the programme. This programme has helped to forge new partnerships and to also understand the wide gap that needs to be bridged between the urban and rural when it comes to resource mobilisation and training. It is our endeavour as a Club to be able to continue in this direction in the future.

The Club also observed the National Builders' Award and this was given to five very deserving educators who think and work creatively and out of the box bringing change not only within the school/s but in the community at large. This exercise allows us as Club members to appreciate individuals who are part of the larger scheme of creating individuals with a critical mind thus instilling in the young ones the spirit of hard work, perseverance and to contribute for the greater common good through word, thought and deed.

We are equally excited for the preceding months as the Club continues with its activities and service projects in different parts of the city.

With best wishes,
Farida Warjri

TEACHER'S TRAINING PROGRAMME AT MAIRANG

The 2 days Teachers Training Workshop was held in Mairang for Secondary School Teachers in collaboration with Rotary Club of Orchid City ,Shillong. It was a long drawn planning process and with the cooperation of the Club members, the programme went off smoothly and was well attended. The programme saw the coordination and collaboration also with DC Eastern West Khasi Hills District, Ms Anita Kharpor, DSEOs and SDSEO, Education Department Government of Meghalaya. There were altogether 64 participants from different schools and excellent Resource Persons-namely Br Ryan Fernandes on Teachers' Giftedness, Dr. Ms. B.H.Buam on Paradigm Shift in Education and Pedagogical Practices, Mr. Trueman E Basiawmoit on Emotional well being and Mr Donboklang Majaw on Seeing to Learn: Visual Communication in Today's Classroom .

The programme was very well received amongst the participants and they expressed their gratitude to the two organising Clubs RCSH and RCOC, Shillong under the dynamic leadership of the two Presidents , Rtn Marnie Batkhar and Rtn Dr Mary Anne Jyrwa along with the Literary Chairpersons', Ms Monideepa Sen and Dr.Reema Vareen Diengdoh. Rtn Hemen helped with the designing of the letter heads for joint club letters and also the certificates, Rtn .Monideepa meticulously took care of every detail and helped in the planning and coordination along with RCOC, Rtn Gideon Kharmawphlang helped in providing direction for networking. The programme was attended by Club members Rtn. Monideepa Sen.Rtn Dr,Kaveri Barthakur, Rtn Gideon Kharmawphlang, Rtn Dangsan Khyriem,Rtn Anupam Choudhury,Rtn Pooja Banerjee, Rtn. Sangeeta Kar, Rtn Farida Warjri and Rotarylet Joshua Warjri.



THE NATION BUILDER AWARDS CEREMONY

The Nation Builder Awards is one of the most sought after event in the Club as this marks the salutation and appreciation of individuals who give their all in making a difference in the lives of young impressionable minds. This year, 2025, RCSH with the initiative of the President Rtn Marnie G Batkhar and the Literary Chair, Rtn Monideepa Sen, were able to identify five very unique individuals who have braved many odds and have continued to add smiles and joy to the young in their classrooms and outside. The five awardees for the NBA 2025 are :

Samaria Pathaw is an educator with 15 years of nurturing young minds and shaping future citizens. She founded Merry Land School at Mawlein Mawkhan, Ri Bhoi District in 2010.

Batskhem Thabab has worked as an Assistant Teacher in a private school since 2017 and very recently , Batskhem started the Raibah Living Library which includes a community library, a herbarium, bee keeping sessions, story telling sessions, art and handicraft, traditional games and nature walks. He has transformed this area and have given communities agencies and a place to learn beyond the four walls of a classroom.

Thaibi Roy Choudhury is an Assistant Teacher at Laitumkhrach Bengali Higher Secondary School. Thaibi brings with her a host of skills from being a dance and yoga instructor, to theatre artist, a trained guide and an excellent skill in creative writing, script writing and rendering.

Majella Badwar is not only a teacher but a living narrative of educational revival in Meghalaya. She started her teaching career in 1995 in the then Shishu Vidyalaya (set up in 1955) which was later renamed as Clear Springs Secondary School in 2018 after much changes and transformation to the school brought about by Majella's vision and strong determination to see every child included in the school system. She has won many accolades both in the state and at the national level.

Sosthiness Warshong is a Special Educator cum Orientation and Mobility Instructor at Jyoti Srota Inclusive School, Shillong. She has a Masters in Education and a BEd in Special Education (Visual Impairment).



INDUCTION OF NEW MEMBER

The RCSH had its monthly meeting at the residence of our President, Rtn Gayatri Marnie Batkhar. Of the many points of discussion, the induction of a new Rotary member was the highlight. Rtn Kaushik Barman is an Investment Banker and a Relationship Manager currently working with HDFC Bank. Rtn Kaushik has a vast experience in helping clients maximise their investments and wealth management. He has an MBA from Don Bosco Institute of Management, Guwahati and a Bachelor's Degree in Biotechnology.

Rtn Dr Kaveri Barthakur gave an overview of Rotary and the work we do and also handed the Rotary pin to Rtn Kaushik. Rtn Dr Manoj Sharma handed the Four Way Test of Rotary to our new member. We welcome Rtn Kaushik into the Rotary family and we wish him the very best in all his endeavours.

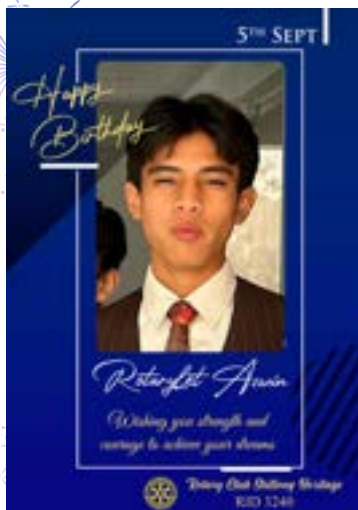
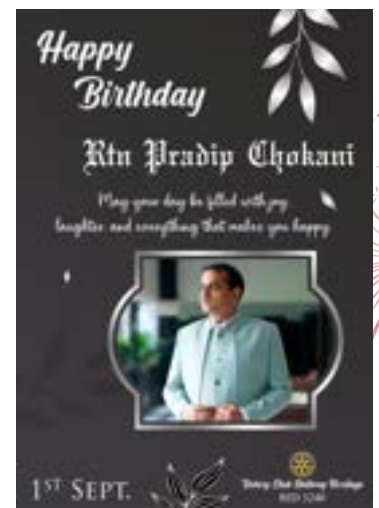


CLUB FELLOWSHIP AND NETWORKING

RCSH members namely Rtns Dr Barnali Bhuyan, Pooja Banerjee (Club Secretary), Anupam Choudhury, Mewaker Pakma visited Zone 13 at Jowai Orchid Resort, Thadlaskein on the 6th September 2025. This was a visit to build partnership and to celebrate the spirit of Rotary. The meeting was organised by Rtn. S.K. Lato (Assistant Governor 25-26).



Celebrations of September



CELEBRATIONS OF OCTOBER

Birthdays

- 2nd Rtn Farida Warjri
- 6th Rtn Sanjay Singh
- 9th Rotarylet Taaniskha Mordani
- 13th Rtn Jasbir Singh
- 15th Rotarylet Ambalika Das
- 24th Rotarylet Nikos A. Batkhar
- 26th Ann Cynthia Jyrwa
- 27th Rtn Dr Debomallya Bhuyan
- 28th Ann Raima Mordani

Anniversary

- 20th Rtn Donkumar War & Ann Laribhalin Lyngdoh