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**RI DISTRICT 3291** 

CREATE HOPE

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DG Hira Lal Yadav & **First Lady Deepali** 





DGE Dr. Krishnendu Gupta



DGN Dr. Ramendu Homchaudhuri



## Message from **District Governor**

#### **Dear Presidents**,

In a unique event in this Rotary year, three Rotary Clubs have got together to organize their joint Changeover Ceremony! This reflects a spirit of goodwill and camaraderie amongst the members of

your three Clubs - Calcutta Centenary, Calcutta Renaissance and Kolkata Urbana!

Deepali joins me in congratulating you individually, as you assume the leadership of your respective Clubs. Taking up any responsibility is always a challenge and I am confident that you all will rise to the occasion!

I would thank your outgoing Presidents and all your Club members for the committed service rendered by your Club during Rotary year 2022-23 as we **Imagined Rotary!** 

Our world leader for 2023-24, Rtn. Gordon R. McInally has given us a dynamic theme "CREATE HOPE IN THE WORLD". His vision is that Rotary should exist everywhere in a style to suit everyone who has the desire to be part of Rotary and to help us Rotarians do good in the world. His goal is to restore hope to help the world heal from destructive conflicts and to help achieve lasting change, emphasizing the need for peace and continuity, including working toward diversity, equity and inclusion, while not neglecting our mission to end polio!

I consider myself EXTREMELY fortunate to have the opportunity of working with him! Continuing with a major initiative introduced by our own Rtn. Shekhar Mehta and followed by Rtn. Jennifer Jones - "Empowering Girls" will remain as Rtn. Gordon's focus area also, his other two focus areas being Mental Health and Building Peace Through Virtual Exchanges.

Rotary, my friends is a unique journey! Rotary gives us colossal opportunities to make new friends, strengthen our bonding with existing friends and together - we get the opportunity to serve mankind to the best of our abilities!

We are Creators of Hope in our Communities and in the World! Let us capture the attention of the world and lead the way toward possibilities far beyond our expectations to Create Hope in the lives of mankind!

Let's Enjoy Rotary and Make Rotary Enjoyable for Everyone!

Best regards,

Yours in Rotary Service Hira Lal Yadav District Governor 2023-24 Rotary District 3291

## **MESSAGE FROM RI PRESIDENT**



Even as we face new and serious challenges, Rotary takes care of its members and those we serve, works to build lasting peace, and embeds belonging and inclusion in everything we do. That is why I am asking everyone in Rotary to Create Hope in the World.

This year, we're prioritizing projects to support mental health. This effort is deeply personal to me. I know what it's like to see someone suffer in silence. I have also witnessed the power of personal connections, the value of discussing emotional and mental wellbeing, and the lifesaving impact of preventive care and treatment.

Research shows that performing acts of kindness is an effective step any of us can take to protect our well-being. And by building peace within, we become more capable of bringing peace to the world.

Building peace is the essence of Rotary. Many of our service projects foster the conditions for Positive Peace. We work tirelessly to overcome barriers and create new connections. This year, we'll promote virtual international exchanges for members to strengthen those vital connections.

Peace isn't a dream, and it's not passive. It's the result of working hard, earning trust, and having open conversations that may be difficult. Peace must be waged persistently — and bravely. Everything we do across our areas of focus has the potential to foster the hope that can make peace possible.

The spirit of connection and purpose should inspire every Rotary member. When club leaders focus on offering an excellent club experience, we retain more members and attract more prospective members. We must make our clubs as welcoming and as engaging as we can.

Our goal is to create a sense of belonging, from our club meetings to our service activities. We need to continue creating inclusive, welcoming environments where everyone can be their authentic selves. All people of action need to be able to imagine a place for themselves in Rotary — it's up to us to ensure they can do so.

Over the next year, I will be putting a focus on continuing our journey in diversity, equity, and inclusion — ensuring that Rotary reflects the communities we serve and continues to take significant steps toward accessing the full range of human talents and experiences, so that we can better serve humanity. And we will continue to empower women and girls by helping them unlock the potential already within them.

As we begin this journey together, I take inspiration from Scotland's national poet, Robert Burns, who in the 18th century spoke of all the world becoming kin, promoting "sense and worth, over all the earth." This has long been my call to action, and I share it now with you.

Let us build peace within and spread it freely. Let us create belonging and imagine the future of Rotary afresh. Let us work together joyously and Create Hope in the World.

Gordon R. McInally RI President 2023-24

## **ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA CENTENARY**

#### **EDITOR'S REPORT FOR INSTALLATION ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA CENTENARY**

District 3291Club ID 90740. The Rotary Club of Calcutta is a name that invokes a lot of pride in fostering and promoting fellowship and service. To celebrate its 100 years of existence, the Centennial President, Mr Purnendu Roychowdhury came up with an idea to take a leap of faith. To commemorate the Centennial Anniversary of RC Calcutta he wanted to promote a Focused Action Club that inculcates fellowship and business networking amongst the professionals and at the same time keep up the spirit of service. Thus, it happened. The genesis or foundation of The Rotary Club of Calcutta Centenary was took place on the 26th of September, 2019 at the Rotary Sadan, Calcutta. Blessed by the presence of Past Rotary International President Kalyan Banerjee, Past President of RC Calcutta Rtn. Vinay Nevatia, and DG's Representative Past President Sanjeeb Gandhi along with Centennial President Purnendu Roychowdhury and Secretary Anasua Das the journey started and the foundation was laid for the club. The Club formally received the Charter from RI President Mark Daniel Maloney at Rotary Sadan on 15th February 2020 during the Rotary India Centennial Summit. Presently, the club proudly represents 21 members who are people of action from myriad spheres of society.

"Rotary", the very coinage denotes a motion and notion that is circular and hence, dynamic. A global organisation networking 1.4 million Samaritans, friends and leaders who visualise and ideate a world where people unite and take action to perennial change, Rotary is indeed the ideal globe, in our communities, and in ourselves. No wonder, in its to hope and "create hope in the world" by working for peace and mental wellbeing. Attuning to this call from President R. Gordon R. McInally (2023-24), we, the members of Rotary Club of Calcutta Centennary also vow and look forward to proceed with aspirations to touch our dreams and spread those in our surroundings with rays of hope.

## resident

#### **Dear Friends**,

Congratulations to the team of visionaries for completing three glorious years. The previous years have witnessed phenomenal achievements & accomplishments by the club under the helm of some exceptional leaders like Rtn. Chirabrata Majumder and Rtn. Leena Das Ghosh. Besides, the club has been enriched by some remarkable contributions from each member who have helped to carry out a number of projects dedicatedly. I am really proud to be part of this 2023-24 enthusiastic team who are always ready to achieve any Centenary. and every target.

Presently, as I step up to take up this huge responsibility of the President of such a vibrant club, I take a pledge to dedicate my time & energy to the cause of Rotary, to work with this ever uber team of visionaries on meaningful projects that would continue to impact lives of the down trodden mass.

With rapid and steady growth of our club. I look forward to continue to serve mankind under the aegis of Rtn. Hira Lal Yadav. Let's create hope in the world... walking hand in hand.

Yours in Rotary Rtn. Amitava Banerjee **Club** President Rotary Club of Calcutta

#### **KNOW YOUR PRESIDENT**



Rtn. Amitava Banerjee (President, 2023-24): Joined Rotary Club of Calcutta Centenary in 2020 as Charter Secretary & has served the club in various important capacities ranging from Club Secretary, Vice President & Membership and presently, he has taken charge of the club for the year 2023-24. His contribution in building up and growth of this club is incredible. He has proposed eight (08)

members which are, till date, the highest number sponsored by any member in this club. He has received appreciation from RI for his contribution to the club in membership growth and other aspects. He has always been upgrading public image of the club with his influential capacity. An ardent believer in Rotary's mission, 'Service Before Self', he is an agile participant in welfare cause and service of common people from the very beginning of his joining Rotary, being inspired by Rtn. Purnendu Roychowdhury & Rtn. Chirabrata Majumder.

A meticulous organiser, he is the founder of Project Management Institute, West Bengal Chapter in Kolkata, one of the largest society for Project Managers, with its head quarter at Pennsylvania, USA. He has attended various global conferences across the globe from Project Management Institute. He has contributed in increasing members up to 400 plus from foundation of the chapter within a decade.

By profession he is Regulatory & Corporate Affairs Professional, attached in the field of Telecommunication for platform for philanthropy and a change for better across the more than two decades and currently working in the one of the world's biggest telecom startup as Circle Head of Regulatory, truest essence, Rotarians are "People in Action" who venture Kolkata. Amitava is also Vice Chairman of IT Council, East Zone in ASSOCHAM. He loves travelling, driving & photography & spending time with family & friends. He is avid networker with almost ten thousand social connections across all the social platforms. Contact him at: contact@amitavabanerjee.in

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

- Rtn. Leena Das Ghosh (IPP) Rtn. Leena Das Ghosh is an HR Personnel by profession. She is a Rotarian and attached to Rotary Club of Calcutta Centenary since 2020. She is the IPP ( immediate past president) of the club. Contact her at: leenadg@gmail.com
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Aloke Sasmal (Director – Public Image): Is a financial technology professional, associated with London Stock

Exchange Group and a highly esteemed member of Rotary Club of Calcutta Centenary, embodying the organization's principles of service, leadership, and community engagement. With a passion for making a positive impact, Aloke has been an active and dedicated Rotarian, contributing to Rotary's mission with a number of endeavours like youth and entrepreneurship programmes, projects on environment and sustainability, social equality, literacy and many more. He has spearheaded one of the flagship events Vintage Car Show with a theme of End Plastic Soup as a club chair of Non medical service. Contact him at: alokesasmal2011@gmail.com

## **GREEN BADGERS**

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## **ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA RENAISSANCE**



#### Know Your Incoming President

**Rupa Majumdar** is a Publisher, Essayist and Educationist. She is the Director and Editor of Dev Sahitya Kutir Pvt Ltd and has of late come up with a new publication house namely Raunaq Publication dealing with English and Bengali Content in both

Printed and Digital format. Rupa Majumdar is an Essayist and contributes regularly in different magazines, Newsletters, Editorials of different organisations both in Bengal as well as abroad. She is attached to Techno India Group as an Intellectual Content Advisor. She is an active member of number of Chamber of Commerce & Industry, as well as of Cultural Association of Bengal in North America promoting Bengali literature and Heritage.

#### **MESSAGE FROM RUPA MAJUMDAR**

(President 23-24 Rotary Club of Calcutta Renaissance)

Congratulations to IPP Shubhrangshu and our team of Rotary Club of Calcutta Renaissance for completing an eventful year .The previous year has witnessed quite a number of achievements in implementing projects related to career opportunities and vocational training, Inclusivity and literacy.

Presently, as I step up to take responsibility of the President of a vibrant club, I take a pledge to dedicate my time & energy to the cause of Rotary, to work with my team of visionaries under the leadership of our dynamic District Governor Rtn. Hira Lal Yadav on meaningful projects that will continue to create an impact in the society.

With rapid and steady growth of our club, I look forward to continue to serve mankind

Let's create hope in the world... walking hand in hand.

#### Dear Rotarians,

It has been an honor to serve as President of The Rotary Club of Calcutta Renaissance for the year 22-23 under dynamic leadership of my DG Rtn Ajoy Kr Law and his competent team. As I am handing over the responsibilities to Rtn Rupa Majumdar, I have mixed emotions. First ,relief, that I could handle my responsibilities well and second, satisfaction, our club could move a step forward. I am very excited as well as we have a very competent and passionate team taking over, who can take our club to the next higher level.

Last year we pursued the theme Imagine Rotary. Our focus area was youth engagement, vocational skills, diversity, equity & inclusion. While executing the projects personally, I learnt a lot and made so many new friends.

I would like to sincerely express my gratitude to each member for your friendship, support and all the effort you put forth to further our club. Thanks to our Past Presidents for guiding us at every step. Special thanks to Anindya, Rupa and Sid for the heavy lifting done throughout the year.

All the best to Rtn. Rupa for the year ahead. She brings in high energy and passion and I am sure we are going to have a fantastic year. I am looking forward to working alongside you to help make it all happen.

	1.	Rupa Majumdar
	2.	Shraddha Agarwal
	3.	Subhrangshu Sanyal
	4.	Anindya Dey
<b>C</b> -	5.	Siddhartha Ray
	6.	Prakash Nahata
	7.	Nihar Chakravarty
	8.	Anunoy Basu
	9.	Sanjeeb Gandhi
	10.	Mausam Lihala
	11.	Vijay Jain
	12.	Amitava Chakraborty
	13.	Arindam Mukherjee
	14.	Dr. P. S. Mukherjee
<b>~</b>	15.	Sumita Ganguly

President Vice President Immediate Past President Secretary Treasurer Club Learning Facilitator Sergeant-at-Arms Club Editor Club Admin Chair Membership Chair Service Projects Chair Service Projects Chair Service Projects Chair Public Image Chair Foundation Chair

#### **CLUB REPORT 2022-23**



Date	Project	Classification
2nd July 2022	Social entrepreneurs IP masterclass with IIMC	Community Economic Development- Awareness
19th Nov 2022	Science-o-pedia at BITM	Vocational
30th Dec 2022	Happy Scools- Purulia- Distribution of Sports & Educational Materials	Basic Education and Literacy
19th March'23	BoiBasanta- with RC of Calcutta Centenary	Basic Education and Literacy
21st May 2023	Barnali 2.0	Diversity, Equity & Inclusion



## **ROTARY CLUB OF KOLKATA URBANA**

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – 2022-23



#### Dear All,

Rotary Club of Kolkata Urbana (RCKU) has completed its glorious journey of another year (22-23) with meaningful and versatile activities. As a part of the District 3291 of Rotary International, RCKU, in its short tenure, has endeavored to contribute to the community in all the areas of focus of Rotary.

With the major focus on three areas- Environment, Basic Literacy & Education, Health & Fighting Diseases; RCKU has implemented a number of projects to touch beneficiary lives directly. We have completed 40 projects in the last one year catering to the needs of the community around us.

Of special mention is our signature HAPPY SCHOOL Project, by transforming a school with 240 students in a village by giving benches, books, note books, school bags, safe drinking water, sports materials, painting of the entire school, plantation, etc and finally inaugurating it by our Hon'ble DG.

I am indeed privileged and proud to lead RCKU as President 2022-23, which boasts of a bevy of efficient Past President, Secretaries, Office Bearers, Chairs and Members; whose contribution has been invaluable to take the Club to new heights.

I am grateful to our beloved members and their partners for their whole hearted support in executing the Club activities and fantastic projects. Members & their spouses are the true assets of our club and I am sure that with their honest and sincere efforts; RCKU will achieve its goal in all areas of our activities.

We emphasize on "Every member to Lead at least one project" to involve all members and their partners in our activities.

RCKU has achieved many milestones and accolades, and with our consistent commitment; we hope to touch new pinnacles of service.

Wishing RCKU to Grow More under new leadership and the new team and Do More in Service above Self.

#### Rtn. Susanta Mallick Rotary Club of Kolkata Urbana 2022-23

### SECRETARY'S MESSAGE



#### **Dear Members**

Rotary Club of Kolkata Urbana completed the Rotary Year 2022-23 successfully on June 30th 2023. After successful completion of almost three years of existence, RCKU rolled over to another new Rotary year in July 2023.

new board and team in presence of our District Governor Rtn. Ajoy Kumar Law and other

distinguished district officials and with a roadmap and calendar rolled out. As usual, throughout the year, the involvement of all our members and their family members, the encouragement to participate actively in executing more than 40 projects that our club have been able to complete, has been outstanding and overwhelming, to say the least.

Our focus has been to choose more local projects to serve the needy in and around Urbana while continuing our projects at Sundarbans with our RCCs paved ways to create a happy school at Bantala, a village situated only a few kilometres away from where we live, a sewing machine skill development centre at Mundapara, situated just next door, helping a local orphanage, Universal Smiles with various projects, Distributing cloth bags to replace plastic bags to the staff, vendors and workers at Urbana etc. Some of the ongoing projects started for cervical cancer awareness program, hosting medical camps, publishing RCKU Rotary Calendar and "RCKU-Cyclothon" and many awareness programs with our Urbanite neighbors and family members has been very well appreciated by the community members and district officials.

While we present our closing accounts now, I would take this opportunity to sincerely thank each and every member of our RCKU family for all their selfless support and friendship and contributions and donations for many projects, without which it would be impossible for us to perform. Needless to add here that because of the extraordinary work done in last three years by RCKU members, our club has now been recognized as a one of most active clubs of our district, within a short period of its existence within our district and this year also, we have won awards and accolades from the district officials. I take this opportunity to thank our President, Treasurer and Board Members 2022-23 and all other members for providing all the necessary support to me during the entire year, at the same time also welcome our new RCKU President Rtn Jayanta Guha, and his team and wish them all the very best for the upcoming year as RCKU continues its journey to grow and flourish as an organization based on the Rotary values of 'Service over self' and continue to make positive differences in the lives of those who are less privileged around us.

Regards Rtn. Ashis K Mukherjee Secretary Rotary Club of Kolkata Urbana 2022-23

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE 2023-24

Today marks a new beginning as we enter a new Rotary year with new hopes, a renewed pledge, and fresh set of ideas.

A fresh chapter will be written in the annals of our club which we fondly refer to as RCKU. We will continue to build on the foundation that has been built over the past years and we would join hands to Create Hope in the World.

Friends, am humbled and privileged to take over the baton from Susanta da and to lead an exceptional group of members. I take this opportunity to acknowledge and thank Susanta da, Ashis da, the BoD for 22-23 and all our members for yet This year, we started with installation of our another outstanding Rotary year and I commit to do my best to lead our club to further glory.

> All of us who are part of this movement called Rotary have already made a commitment - a commitment towards humanity. I know you will step up each time we come together to make a difference, each time we embark to create an impact, each time we would ignite hope. I seek your support in whichever way you can to create a vibrancy that surpasses our

individual aspirations and which reverberates much beyond in our community.

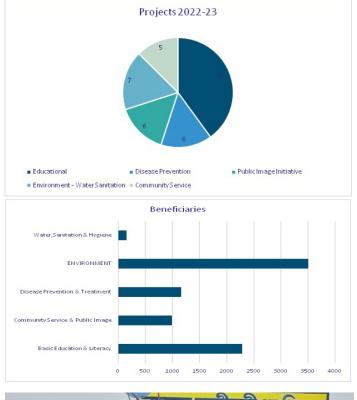
We create magic when we join hands, we create hope when we collaborate and I am delighted to celebrate our changeover with two vibrant clubs - Calcutta Centenary and Calcutta Renaissance. I wish Amitava and Rupa and their respective club members, the very best for the Rotary year.

"Change will not come if we wait for some other person or some other time. We are the ones we've been waiting for. We are the change that we seek." - Barack Obama

Regards Rtn. Jayanta Guha President Rotary Club of Kolkata Urbana 2023-24



#### PROJECTS AT A GLANCE – 2022-23





Inauguration Ceremony of the Happy School Project 2022-23 being attended by (from left) AG Rtn Jitesh Gutgutia, RCKU President Rtn Susanta Mallick, DG Rtn Ajay Kumar Law, Rtn Miloni Rao, First Lady, Mitali Law, Rtn Anshu Bery, Padma Govind, RCKU Secretary Rtn Ashis K Mukherjee, Purba Bhattacharya, Rtn Shibapriya Sen, Rtn Suchismita Tagore Mukherjee, Rtn Debarati Ghoshal, Rtn Mithu Banerjee, Anindita Mukherjee, Rtn Mahua Sur Roy, Rtn H Govind, Ms. Sunita Mondal,Principal - Bantala Kalidebi FP School, Bantala, Kolkata, Ms. Lily Sarkar (Teacher) and Mr. Gaurav Chakraborty(Teacher)



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