

4th Board of Directors Meeting



The 4th Board of Directors Meeting was held on 16th January at Hotel Rajdhani Regency at 5:30 PM in a cordial atmosphere. The Board reviewed pending membership dues and decided to issue reminders, with one member clearing dues for 2024–25. Concern was raised over the absence of RCGS on the District 3240 map in the conference souvenir, and it was resolved that the President would formally inform the District Governor. The Board unanimously approved the formation of a new Rotaract Club. The District Grant opportunity for procuring 7 wheelchairs and 7 sewing machines was discussed, along with a proposed tailoring training programme through an NGO, and timely application submission was encouraged. It was also decided to hold a separate meeting on Thalassemia to plan effective utilization of trust funds. The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks and was adjourned by the President at 6:00 PM.

RCGS wishes Happy Birthday to

Rtn. Rupali Kalita	1st February
Rtn. Biswadip Barooah	3rd February
Rtn. Nibedita Baruah	10th February
Rtn. Pradeep Jain	19th February
Rtn. Jayanta Goswami	20th February
Rtn. Mahim Chandra Deka	20th February

RCGS wishes Happy Anniversary to

Rtn. Jayanta Madhab Baruah & Anne Rima	4th February
Rtn. Dr. Ranjan Kr. Bora & Anne Nabami	5th February
Rtn. Dipak Bhagawati & Anne Loni	9th February
Rtn. Chandan Rajkhowa & Anne Chayanika	10th February
Rtn. Devajyoti Hazarika & Anne Joyshree	15th February
Rtn. Dr. Hitesh Baruah & Anne Nabanita	21st February
Rtn. Rajesh Bhatra & Anne Rajshree	21st February
Rtn. Pradeep Jain & Anne Babita	21st February
Rtn. Barun Borpujari & Anne Ultra	23rd February
Rtn. Dr. Nareswar Sarma & Anne Bibha	24th February



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Club of Gauhati South

FORTNIGHTLY BULLETIN OF
THE ROTARY CLUB OF GAUHATI SOUTH (RI DIST 3240)

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From the Editor's Pen ...



Each year, the commemoration of Republic Day on 26th January becomes a reminder to each Indian of one's patriotic roots. To the seniors citizens it is a revisiting of the essence of being a part of a strong democratic, secular, socialist republic nation that has been built over the past seven decades overcoming every challenge and rejoicing in every victory with pride.

For the younger generations it is an infusion of a sense of pride and belongingness to a nation that focuses on progress, innovation and reaching greater heights. It perhaps sees hope in the future to be able to weather all crises and challenges and become stronger year after year.

We Rotarians in India feel increasingly proud that we belong to a strong nation, a nation that promises to act local and think global for future progress and upliftment of our ideals, focusing on universal brotherhood and shared goals in the international scenario.

We can definitely be proud of our nation, our India, a free country for over seven decades now where the world looks up as a force to reckon with. We are not only rich in our heritage and culture but we are also rich in our human resources, young minds of vision and intellect and diverse natural bounties that help us to dream and achieve greater heights.

Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

Rotary's Vision Statement

Minutes of the 2375th Weekly Rotary Meeting held on 16th January 2026

The President called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM, marking the beginning of a meaningful and culturally vibrant evening. The proceedings commenced with the solemn rendition of the National Anthem, after which all Rotarians, Annes, and guests were warmly welcomed.

The President conveyed heartfelt appreciation to the Rotarians and Annes for enhancing fellowship by sharing traditional Bhogali Bihu delicacies, which added warmth, joy, and a rich cultural essence to the gathering.

The house was then briefed on the deliberations of the Board of Directors Meeting held prior to the WRM. The key highlights included:

- A proposal to donate seven wheelchairs and seven sewing machines to the Assam Cancer Care Foundation and three other organizations.
- An upcoming webinar on Physiology, to be organized in collaboration with the Rotaract Club of Gujarat.
- Updates on the Rotary Youth Exchange Programme, featuring Rtr. Priyanka Roy.
- Finalization of the club picnic date and venue.
- An overview of the Street Dog Welfare Project, including a presentation by Anish Debbarma.

Rtn. Dipak Bhagawati then shared an informative briefing on "PRATIDHWANI", the 36th District Conference of Rotary International District, held at Shillong, giving members insights into the key experiences and learnings from the event.

Adding cultural depth to the evening, Rtn. Bani Kanta Das delivered a short yet insightful talk on Bhogali Bihu, beautifully highlighting its traditions, values, and significance.

A lively and engaging segment followed with the Bhogali Bihu Quiz, conducted by Rtn. P. D. Choudhury, where ten prizes were won by enthusiastic participants, creating a cheerful and competitive spirit.

The highlight of the celebration was the traditional Koni Juj (Egg Fight), conducted by Rtn. Dipak Bhagawati, who also emerged as the first winner by successfully breaking six eggs.

Many members enthusiastically participated in this traditional game, making the moment joyous and memorable.

In the absence of the regular Secretary, Rtn. Gayatree Goswamee presented the meeting statistics, reporting a total attendance of 47 members. Shinshine Collection of Rs 730/-

The meeting concluded with a warm and comprehensive vote of thanks delivered by Rtn. Jamuna Prasad Sharma, acknowledging all contributors and participants for making the meeting a grand success.

Following the soulful rendition of the Jatiya Sangeet, the President adjourned the meeting at 7:30 PM, bringing a culturally enriching and fellowship-filled evening to a close.



Republic Day

On 26 January 2026, the Rotary Club of Gauhati South marked Republic Day with a meaningful visit to the Navajeevan Shelter Home for Girls at Barihat, reaffirming its commitment to service and compassion.

The Navajeevan Shelter Home for Girls, located at Barihat, is dedicated to the care, protection, and rehabilitation of girls in need. The home provides a safe, secure, and nurturing environment for girls from vulnerable backgrounds. At present, the shelter is home to 12 girls aged 10 years and above, all of whom are pursuing their education in local schools.

The visit began on a heartwarming note as the girls warmly welcomed the Rotary members with handmade badges crafted by their own hands. Each girl then introduced herself, followed by a beautiful welcome song, which deeply touched everyone present.

As part of the visit, RCGS handed over essential food items including egg trays, tea, sugar, biscuits, salt, chira, mustard oil, milk etc. contributing to the daily needs of the shelter. The girls also proudly showcased their handcrafted creations, which were thoughtfully displayed for the members to admire, reflecting their creativity and skill.

The warmth of the interaction continued as the girls graciously served tea and snacks, making the visit even more memorable. Adding to the spirit of generosity, Rtn. Bani Kanta Das generously donated Rs. 1,500 to support the shelter home.

The members present during the visit were President Rtn. Priyama Goswami, Secretary Rtn. Dipanwita Ghosh, Rtn. Nawajyoti Sharma, Rtn. Gayatri Bhattacharyya, Rtn. Renu Goswami, Rtn. Manjusri Baruah, Rtn. P.M. Goswami, Rtn. Giti Bujarbaruah, Rtn. Nibedita Barua, Anne Loni, Anne Rina, Rotarylet Anmol, and spouse Mr. Rai.

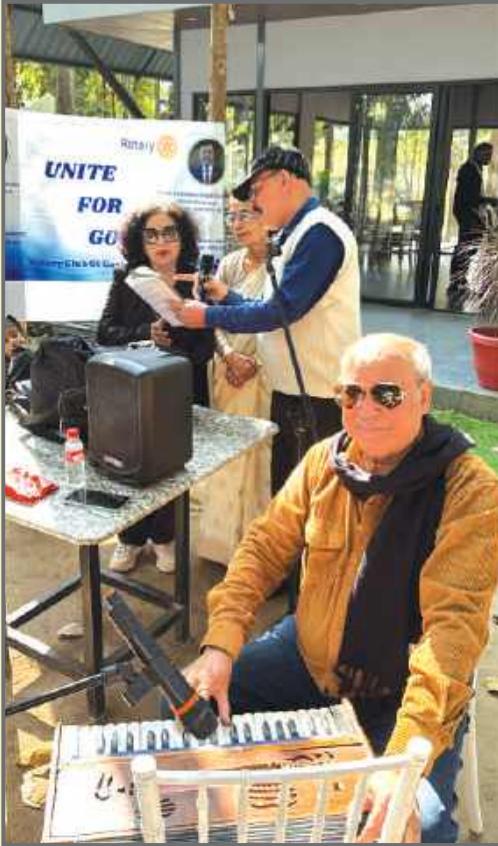
The visit was a truly enriching experience, filled with warmth, joy, and a renewed sense of purpose, making the Republic Day celebration both meaningful and memorable.



ARJB Farms, located in Mirza, Guwahati, is an eco-friendly, nature-centric resort offering modern amenities such as a multi-cuisine restaurant, air-conditioned rooms, a swimming pool, spa, and gym. The resort promotes organic farm-to-table dining and houses a vibrant nursery with over 1,000 varieties of plants. It also provides scenic spaces ideal for weddings, photoshoots, and other events, with a few facilities still under construction.

The gathering became even more lively as members including Rtn. Dr. R.N. Mazumder, Rtn. Probin Barthakur, Rtn. Jayanta Barman, Rtn. P.M. Goswami, Rtn. Rajesh Bhatra, Rtn. Renu Goswami, Rtn. Gayatri Bhattacharyya, Rtn. Nibedita Barua, along with several Anns, delighted everyone with a variety of songs. The musical session featured Biya Naam, evergreen numbers by Late Jayanta Hazarika and Late Dr. Bhupen Hazarika, as well as popular Hindi songs. The celebration reached its highlight when Rtn. Gayatree Goswamee danced gracefully to a song beautifully rendered by Rtn. P.M. Goswami.

Although a Housie game had been planned, it could not be conducted due to time constraints. Members later enjoyed lunch at 2:00 p.m., after which some departed for home. Several members, however, joined the President for a visit to the Navajeevan Shelter Home for Girls at Barihat, scheduled at 3:00 p.m., marking a meaningful conclusion to a day filled with fellowship, fun, and service.



Minutes of the 2376th Weekly Rotary Meeting held on 26th January 2026

The 2376th Weekly Regular Meeting was held in a serene and picturesque setting at ARJB Resort, Mirza–Chandubi Road, surrounded by nature, with both open-air and roofed arrangements adding to the charm of the occasion.

The meeting was formally called to order by the President at 11:00 AM. The proceedings began with the rendition of the National Anthem, followed by a warm welcome address by the President, who extended heartfelt greetings to all Rotarians, Annes, and Rotarylets present.

The President conveyed sincere appreciation to all members for their enthusiastic participation and extended a special token of appreciation to Rtn. Nawajyoti Sharma, Rtn. P. M. Goswami, and Rtn. Jayanta Goswami for their support and contributions to the club.

Warm birthday greetings were conveyed to Rtn. Renu Goswami, making the occasion even more joyful.

Under President's Announcements, members were informed about the club's proposed visit to Navajeevan Shelter Home for Girls at Barihat, scheduled at 3:00 PM after the picnic. The President earnestly requested all participants to join the visit and take part in the distribution of food items, reinforcing Rotary's commitment to service and compassion.

In the absence of the regular Secretary Rtn. Dipanwita Ghosh, the secretarial report was presented by Rtn. Gayatree Goswamee, reporting a total attendance of 32 members, including Annes and Rotarylets. The meeting concluded with the soulful rendition of the Jatiya Sangeet, after which the President invited all members and their families to relax and enjoy the picnic fellowship, bringing the formal proceedings to a close on a cheerful and harmonious note. The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 AM.



Minutes of the 2377th Weekly Rotary Meeting held on 30th January 2026

The 2377th Weekly Regular Meeting of the Rotary Club of Gauhati South was held on 30th January 2026 at Rajdhani Regency Hotel. The meeting was called to order by the President, Rtn. Priyama Goswami, at 6:30 PM sharp. The proceedings commenced with the National Anthem, followed by a warm welcome extended to all Rotarians, Annes, and guests present.

The President felicitated Rtn. Renu Goswami for hosting the fellowship and conveyed birthday greetings to Rtn. Renu Goswami and Rtn. Jayanta Barman. Rtn. Manjusri Baruah was then invited to brief the house on the Club Picnic held on 26 January 2026 at ARJB Resort, Barihat, and the Republic Day visit to the Navajeevan Shelter Home for Girls at Barihat. During the visit, RCGS distributed essential food items including egg trays, tea, sugar, biscuits, salt, chira, mustard oil, and milk, contributing to the daily needs of the shelter. The girls also showcased their handcrafted creations, which reflected their creativity and skills and were appreciated by the members.

The President further updated the members on the CSR project *Swargarath*, which is ready for handover to Bhetapara Kalia Kanai Shmashan Samiti. The tentative date for the handover was announced as 16th February 2026, subject to the availability of DG Dr. Rtn. Dr Kameswar Singh Elangbam representatives from SBI.

The in-house speaker, Rtn. Dr. R. N. Mazumder, delivered an insightful PowerPoint presentation on "*What We Need to Know About Rotary*", highlighting Rotary's history and core values. The session was informative and well appreciated by all present.

The Secretary's report was presented by Rtn. Dipanwita Ghosh, reporting a total attendance of 27 Rotarians and Annes. A formal vote of thanks was proposed by Rtn. Nibedita Barua, followed by the rendition of Jatiya Sangeet. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.



PICNIC TIME !!

On 26 January 2026, the Rotary Club of Gauhati South enjoyed a delightful picnic at ARJB Resort, located near Barpatima Village, Barihat, on the Mirza-Chandubi Road, approximately 35 km from Guwahati.

Set amidst lush natural surroundings, ARJB Resort offered a serene and picturesque environment. The combination of open-air and roofed seating arrangements added charm and comfort to the occasion, making it an ideal venue for fellowship and relaxation.

The picnic began with a delicious breakfast featuring luchi, chana ghugni, eggs, and tea. The resort also thoughtfully arranged vegetable sandwiches for members who arrived later. Following breakfast, a brief 2376th Weekly Regular Meeting (WRM) was conducted for about 20 minutes.

After the meeting, members explored the expansive resort premises and captured many memorable photographs. The resort's buggy car facility was especially enjoyed by the ladies and Rotarylets, allowing everyone to comfortably experience the large property.