

Rotary CLUB CHANDIGARH | UNITE FOR GOOD

Open Hand

WEEKLY CLUB BULLETIN OF ROTARY CLUB CHANDIGARH | ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 3080 | INDIA

CHARTER 15227 | CHARTERED ON 10TH MAY 1958

ISSUE 46 | 18 May 2026

HOME CLUB OF **Rajendra K. Saboo**
ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT
1991-92

Francesco Arezzo
ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT
2025-26

Ravi Prakash
DISTRICT GOVERNOR
RI DISTRICT 3080

Abha Joshi Sharma
CLUB PRESIDENT

Arun Aggarwal
CLUB SECRETARY

CHARTER DAY TRIBUTE & VASUDHAIVA KUTUMBAKAM AT ROTARY CLUB OF CHANDIGARH

The weekly meeting began with a sumptuous fellowship hosted by Rtn. Abha J Sharma and Rtn. Brijesh Kumar as members gathered on Monday, 11th May 2026. The meeting was then called to order by President Rtn. Abha J Sharma. The President began proceedings on a solemn note, expressing heartfelt condolences on the sad demise of Rtn. Kanwaljit Singh Sekhon, and members observed a moment of silence to pray for peace to the departed soul and strength to the bereaved family. Thereafter, President Abha updated the club on ongoing service projects and upcoming initiatives, urging members to continue their active participation and uphold the spirit of Service Above Self.

It was a profound privilege for PDG Amjad Ali that he was invited as chief guest on the auspicious occasion of the 68th charter day of the Rotary Club of Chandigarh, which has dedicated one hall to the distinguished memories of Padma Shri R.K. Saboo Ji, PRIP, and Mrs. Usha Saboo Ji regarding their Rotary journey in this "Hall of Fame". In this poised, disciplined and elegant



function Raja Saboo Ji and Mrs. Usha Saboo Ji were present along with DG Ravi Parkash, PDG Manmohan Singh, PDG Madhukar Malhotra and PDG Parveen Goyal. On the 68th charter day of the club, DG Ravi Parkash spoke about the landmarks achieved by the club over the decades and lauded its legacy of impactful service. It was an honor for the club to hear PDG Amjad Ali to speak on the occasion on Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam and Man Ki

CONTINUED ON PAGE 2



Rotary Club Chandigarh
Invites you to
Thinkathon
Maneet Dewan
Founder CityNeeds
State Awardee

Rotary Impact Sprint
6:00 pm | 18th May 2026
Rotary House, 107-A, Sector 18-A, Chandigarh

Let's come together to ideate, innovate and create lasting impact!

Thinkathon
Monday 18th May
6 pm
Fellowship Host
Rtn Ankur Garg
Rotary House -107a Sector 18a . Chandigarh

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

Charter Day Tribute & Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam at Rotary Club of Chandigarh...

Baat about his Rotary journey under the distinguished guidance of his Mentor Raja Saboo Ji, who made him known in more than 200 countries through his speech on leadership. He congratulated President Mrs. Abha Sharma and all the Rotarians of Rotary Club of Chandigarh from all COG members and Rotarians of his proud District 3090 for their 68th charter day. He was personally honoured by Raja Saboo Ji, Bahin Usha Saboo Ji, President Abha Sharma Ji and all PDGs. He dedicated all these honors to his fellow COG members and each and every Rotarian of his district. The last para of his tribute to his mentor Raja Saboo Ji was as under:

*BHARAT NE DIYA HAI
PADMA SHRI*

*MERI TO DUA MALIK SE
WO IN KI UMAR DRAAZ
KARE*

*YEH KARTE RAHEIN MANAV
SEVA*

*AUR BAN JAIEN "BHARAT
KE RATAN"*

The highlight of the meeting was the address by guest speaker PDG Amjad Ali, an outstanding orator and dedicated Rotarian, who spoke on Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam with respect to Rotary. At the outset, he thanked President



Abha J Sharma and the club for inviting him and extending such warm hospitality. He specifically expressed his deep gratitude and love for PRIP Rajendra K Saboo, acknowledging him as his guiding force and inspiration in Rotary. PDG Amjad Ali shared that the concept of Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam, meaning "The world is one family", is inscribed at the entrance of Parliament and finds mention in the Maha Upanishad, the Bible, Shri Guru Granth Sahib, and Rotary's own Mool Mantra. Having travelled to 24 countries, he concluded that humanity is

fundamentally one through his B1 to B8 analysis. B1 Birth, B2 Breathing, B3 Blood, B4 Bed or Sleep, B5 Bread or Food, B6 Burial, and B7 Belief or Faith all prove we are equal. All faiths pray to one Supreme Power with common prayers like Sarbat Da Bhala and Vishva Ka Kalyan. He concluded that $B1 + B2 + B3 + B4 + B5 + B6 + B7 = B8$, where B8 stands for Brotherhood, the true essence of Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam. The talk left members deeply moved, reinforcing that Rotary's work transcends boundaries and that brotherhood is our ultimate goal.

CELEBRATIONS

20 May	Rtn Anil Khanna	9316135981
20 May	Rtn Sukhjit Singh Gill	9356065058
23 May	Rtn Pawan Kumar Pahwa	8872799908
24 May	Rtn Dr. Pardaman Singh	9814014010
24 May	Rtn Manjula Sularia	9815313944
Anniversary Greetings:		
18 May	Rtn Dr. Bhavneet Bharti & Dr. Sahul	9914208327
19 May	Rtn J. B. Bhasin & Ann Kanchan	9814127432

With Best Compliments from
Rtn Jagesh Khaitan

KUANTUM PAPERS LTD.
MANUFACTURERS OF
HIGH QUALITY WRITING & PRINTING PAPERS

W1A, First Floor, Tower A, Godrej Eternia
Plot No.70, Industrial Area, Phase 1, Chandigarh
Tel: 0172 5172737

GREWAL EYE INSTITUTE
GEI

Bringing future
of Eye Care
to Tricity

SCO: 168-169, Sector 9C, Chandigarh - 160 009 (INDIA)
+91 172 5056969 | www.gei.co.in | info@gei.co.in



Voluntary Blood Donation Camp

Date: 13 May 2026

A Voluntary Blood Donation Camp was organized at the Blood Centre-37 by the Art of Living in collaboration with the Rotary Club Chandigarh.

The camp received an encouraging response, with 25 volunteers donating blood.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Mrs. Usha Khanna and Rtn. Ashok Khanna for their invaluable support and contribution to this noble cause and their presence at the camp.

PP Rtn. Jatinder Kapur and Rtn. Prem Mehandru also attended the camp. Thanks to hard work by Rtn. Dr. Manish Rai and his Team.



Today, **Government Model High School Sector-22/C, Chandigarh** conducted the WASH (Water Sanitation and Hygiene) session, and it went very very well. The session was coordinated by Ms. Satinder kaur

Facilitators: Ms. Kirti, Ms. Ananya Goel and Mr. Inderpal

Total Sessions Conducted: 04

Total Students Covered: 311

Students Covered: Class 1st to 10th

On 29th April 2026, a Menstrual Hygiene Management (MHM) and Gender Sensitization session for boys, along with a pads distribution drive for girl students, was successfully conducted at **Government Model High School, Makhan Majra, Chandigarh**. The session was well-received and effectively coordinated by Ms. Anjana Sharma.

Facilitators: Ms. Kirti, Ms. Trisha, and Mr. Inderpal

Total Sessions Conducted: 07

Total Students Covered: 347

Classes Covered: 6th to 10th



MEDIA COVERAGE



मोहाली भास्कर 08-05-2026

800 मासूमों की धड़कनें लौटा चुका है रोटरी प्रोजेक्ट फतेहगढ़ साहिब के मासूम के दिल का छेद हुआ बंद, रोटरी क्लब ने दी नई जिंदगी

रिटी रिपोर्ट | मोहाली

रोटरी क्लब चंडीगढ़ और फोर्टिस हॉस्पिटल मोहाली की सहयोगी में चल रहे 'रोटरी हार्टलाइन प्रोजेक्ट' ने मानव सेवा के क्षेत्र में नया कीर्तिमान स्थापित किया है। प्रोजेक्ट के तहत 800वीं जीवनरक्षक हार्ट सर्जरी सफलतापूर्वक पूरी की गई। यह उपलब्धि फतेहगढ़ साहिब



के 7 वर्षीय अभिजात की सर्जरी के साथ हसिल हुई, जो जन्मजात दिल की बीमारी (दिल में छेद) से पीड़ित था। आर्थिक तंगी के कारण परिवार इलाज में असमर्थ था, जिसे रोटरी क्लब खरड़ के सहयोग से फोर्टिस मोहाली पहुंचाया गया। यहाँ डॉ. टीएस महत और डॉ. रजत गुप्ता की टीम ने सफल ऑपरेशन कर बच्चे को नई जिंदगी दी। रोटरी क्लब की प्रेसिडेंट आभा शर्मा ने बताया कि यह प्रोजेक्ट अब सात समंदर पार तक अपनी पहचान बना चुका है।

मोरिडा में वाल्मीकि जी का सत्संग आज

मोरिडा आदि धर्म समाज (आधस) पंजाब की ओर से आज मोरिडा में वाल्मीकि सत्संग आयोजित किया जा रहा है। इस संबंध में जानकारी देते हुए सामाजिक नेता मोहन लाल काला, पूर्व पार्षद मोरिडा ने बताया कि वाल्मीकि सत्संग 8 मई को शाम 6 बजे से रात 9 बजे तक डॉ. भीम राव अंबेडकर कम्युनिटी हॉल, मोरिडा में होगा। उन्होंने बताया कि इस अवसर पर वाल्मीकि समाज के प्रमुख शंकरचर्चर्य दशरथ रत्न रावण सत्संग से संगतों को निहाल करेंगे।



Rotary Club of Chandigarh and Fortis Hospital Mohali Mark 800th Life-Saving Heart Surgery under Rotary Heartline Project

Punjab De Lehar News: Stay updated with the latest news, Punjabi local news, trending topics, and events from local, national, and global regions. punjabdeleharnews.blogspot.com

<https://punjabdeleharnews.blogspot.com/2026/05/rotary-club-of-chandigarh-and-fortis.html>

15:15



रोटरी क्लब खरड़ चंडीगढ़ अंडे फोर्टिस हॉस्पिटल मोहाली ने रोटरी वारंटलाइन प्रोजेक्ट अर्थात् 800वीं जीवन-रक्षक दिल की सफल सर्जरी की

Punjab De Lehar News: Stay updated with the latest news, Punjabi local news, trending topics, and events from local, national, and global regions. punjabdeleharnews.blogspot.com

<https://punjabdeleharnews.blogspot.com/2026/05/800.html>

15:15

Rotary District 3080

SERVICE ABOVE SELF

Rotary Club Chandigarh

PRESENTS

TURNING INTENT INTO ACTION

Ideas today. Action tomorrow.

ROTARY IMPACT SPRINT

THINKATHON

REVEALING ON

6.00 pm | 18TH MAY 2026

Rotary House, 107-A, Sector 18-A, Chandigarh

SERVICE ABOVE SELF

#PeopleOfAction

Rotary District 3080

CELEBRATING

100th RYLA

Congratulations

to all participating clubs & District RYLA Chair Rtn Teena Virk

Many More to Follow

Nurturing Youth For a Bright Future



Ravi Prakash
District Governor 25-26

Teena Virk
District Chair RYLA

You are cordially invited to attend

Orientation cum Installation
Interact Club
DBels
Dass & Brown Experiential Learning School

Sector 6, MDC PANCHKILA

Date : 20th May 2026

Time : 11:00 am

Team 2025-26
Rotary club chandigarh



BEWAJAH
KHUSHIYAAN
LUTAO
COCA-COLA
PILAO

