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RI President : Rtn. Francesco Arezzo

District Governor : Rtn. Dr. Ashutosh Agarwal

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*We welcome you all to the 46th Installation Ceremony of
Team 25-26 of Rotary Allahabad Midtown*

About The R.I. President



Rtn. Francesco Arezzo

Rtn Dr. Francesco Arezzo, a member of the Rotary Club of Ragusa, Italy. He is an orthodontist in private practice. He is active internationally as a member of the Italian, European, and American orthodontics associations. He is vice president of the National Association of Italian Dentists for the province of Ragusa and was the founder and head for seven years of the delegation for Ragusa of the National Trust for Italy. A Rotary member for more than 30 years, Arezzo has served as vice chair of the Joint Strategic Planning Committee and as RI director, learning facilitator, and as district conference presidential representative. He is a Major Donor and Benefactor of The Rotary Foundation. He is married to Anna Maria Criscione, an entrepreneur in the tourism field. They have two children.

About The Chief Guest



C.A. Dr. Girish Ahuja

C.A. Dr. Girish Ahuja is a name to reckon with in the field of Chartered Accountancy, an alumnus of the renowned Shri Ram College of Commerce, Delhi, he has been nominated by the Government of India to hold various ranks and positions in prestigious Taxation Lawmaking Bodies. He has also been appointed as independent director in many listed companies of India. An encyclopaedia in direct taxes, he has authored over 25 books on direct taxation and has delivered over 4200 lectures in leading universities and institutes across India. He has been a patron of Tax Law Educare Society, a non-profit making voluntary organization, with the main objective to educate general public and professionals on Taxation, Law and Allied Matters for last ten years.

Message by the District Governor



**Rtn. Dr. Ashutosh
Agarwal**

It gives me immense pleasure to extend my heartfelt greetings and best wishes to the entire team of Rotary Allahabad Midtown.

Each new rotary year brings with it a renewed sense of purpose, fresh energy and an opportunity to serve our communities in more meaningful ways. I am confident that under Rotarian C.A. Vinay Goel's leadership, your club will continue to uphold the highest standard of Rotary service and inspire positive change in every project you undertake.

As we move forward with the presidential message **"Unite for Good"** let us remember that the real magic lies in our ability to dream big, collaborate and act with compassion good. Your club has always exemplified these values and I look forward to the incredible milestone you will achieve in the months ahead.

President's Message



Rtn. CA Vinay Goel

It is with deep gratitude and a sense of profound responsibility that I begin my journey as the President of Rotary Allahabad Midtown. As we embark on this new Rotary year, I am filled with optimism and commitment to uphold the ideals of Rotary and take our club to greater heights. Inspired by the vision of our Rotary International President and District Governor, we have chosen to align our efforts this year around four pivotal avenues of service:

✧ Environment ✧ Education ✧ Employment ✧ Health

In addition to these, we will actively pursue projects under Rotary's broader focus areas, foster youth engagement through Interact and Rotaract, and strengthen international friendships via global grants and fellowships.

Let this year be one of collaboration, compassion, and impactful service. I invite each one of you to be active participants, share your ideas, and join hands to make our projects more inclusive, sustainable, and far-reaching.

Let us live the true spirit of "Service Above Self", and together, write a new chapter of pride and purpose for Rotary Allahabad Midtown.

Secretary's Message



**Rtn. C.A. Saurabh
Agrawal**

It is with great pride and enthusiasm that I begin my journey as a Secretary of Rotary Allahabad Midtown. Each Rotarian shares a 'connect for life', which symbolises a unique bond of togetherness, forging new partnerships in pursuit of fellowship and service.

As Secretary, I promise to be the link that turns your ideas into actions, your dreams into reality, and your enthusiasm into purpose. I will strive to keep every member informed, engaged, and connected as we bring our ideas to life through collaborative projects, impactful service, and shared fellowship. I look forward for your cordial support and suggestions from all the fellow Rotarians.

From the Editor's Desk



Rtn. Geetika Agarwal

Greetings to all! As we embark on this new Rotary year, we are led by achievers in their own field and I am sure we will see many progressive projects and a deep sense of giving back to the society in this year. I have introduced a gratitude section from the President. Looking forward to covering it all in the Midtowner. Any input from all the members is most welcome. Hope you enjoy the read.

REVISED SUBSCRIPTION AND EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT

As approved in the General Body Meeting held on 2nd July 2025, the Annual Subscription for the year has been revised as follows :

Members : ₹22000/-

Spouse Members : ₹15,000/- (No change)

However, an Early Bird Discount of ₹1,000/- is available to members who pay their dues on or before 30th September 2025. In such case, the payable amount would be ₹21000/- only and there is no discount on spouse membership fees.

New Members



Rtn. Ankit Deora

A Rotarian for more than 13 years now, he joins Rotary Allahabad Midtown for fresh growth and opportunities to serve the needy. By profession he is a Government Contractor for Indian Railways for their Automation Technologies working Pan India to meet their new technology goals. A Paul Harris Fellow with PH+6 recognition, he is eying to achieve each and every milestone with the help of Rotary.

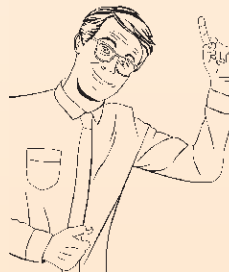


Rtn. Radhika Mishra

children.

She is an interior and garden, decorator who creates garden trays and green walls professionally by the name of "Ambience Unmatched". not new to Rotary, she is married to Rtn. Amit Mishra for last 26 years and has been actively participating in all activities as his spouse. They are blessed with two

True Rotarian



A doctor, lawyer, and a Rotarian in charge of fund raising all die and arrive at the Pearly Gates about the same time. St. Peter tells them they may each have one thing to take with them to Heaven. The doctor is first, and asks for \$1 million. This is given and proceeds to enter Heaven.

The lawyer, not to be outdone, asks for \$2 million. "Very well," say St. Peter and opens the gate to Heaven for the lawyer. Finally it is time for the Rotarian, who had just finished a fund raising project for The Rotary Foundation. St. Peter asks him what he would like to take to Heaven. The fund raiser moves up very close to St. Peter, and in a soft voice asks, "It it's not too much trouble, could I just have the names of those two people who were ahead of me in line?"

Rotary district awards 2024-25 bagged by our club

Held on 29th June at AMA, Prayagraj our club bagged 36 awards by the District. Congratulations to PP Rtn Radha Saxena and Past Secretary Neeruj Chugh and the team for bringing our club such galore.

PLATINUM AWARDS (14)

1. **BEST CLUB**
2. **BEST PRESIDENT** – PP Rtn. Radha Saxena
3. **BEST SECRETARY** – Rtn. Neeruj Chugh
4. **OUTSTANDING OCV AWARD** to Rtn. PP Radha Saxena and Rtn. Neeruj Chugh
5. **EXEMPLARY MEDIA COVERAGE** – PP Rtn. Dr. Divya Bartaria
6. **CLUB BULLETIN AWARD** – Rtn. Swati Kharbanda
7. **OUTSTANDING REPORTING** – Rtn. Madhu Agarwal



8. **OUTSTANDING BLOOD DONATION INITIATIVE** – PP Rtn. Saurabh Puri
9. **WATER SANITATION AND HYGIENE PROJECT** – Rtn. Manu Saxena
10. **DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT PROJECT** – Rtn. Dr. Arpit Bansal
11. **SWAWLAMBAN INITIATIVE** – PP Rtn. Radha Saxena
12. **LITERACY PROJECT** – Rtn. Abhishek Ranjan Agrawal
13. **EXEMPLARY CONTRIBUTION IN MAHAKUMBH**
14. **WONDERFUL PUBLIC IMAGE** – PP Rtn. Dr. Divya Bartaria

DIAMOND AWARDS

1. **SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENT PROJECT** – Rtn. Tarun Savla
2. **MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH PROJECT** – Rtn. Anuragini Singh

GOLD AWARD

1. **MEMBERSHIP EXTENSION** – Rtn. Ankita Maheshwari.

CLUB AWARDS (11)

1. **100 PERCENT CONTRIBUTORY CLUB**
2. **CONTRIBUTION OF 25 DOLLARS AVERAGE PER MEMBER IN ROTARY FOUNDATION** – PP Rtn. Neeraj Bhargava
3. **100 PERCENT RETENTION AWARD** – Rtn. Sudhir Potdar



4. **SPONSORING NEW CLUBS.. INTERACT CLUBS**
5. **PARTICIPATION IN DISTRICT EVENTS**
6. **TARU CHAYA** – Rtn. President Vinay Goel
7. **MAKAR SANKRANTI**
8. **KG TO PG** – Rtn. Vivek Gupta
9. **CLUB SERVICES** – PP Rtn. Amrita Agarwal
10. **ORGANISING SPORTS EVENTS** – Rtn. Harpreet Bhatia
11. **WOMEN EMPOWERMENT INITIATIVE** – Rtn. Smriti Shangloo

INDIVIDUAL AWARDS (8)

1. **SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF DISTRICT SECRETARIAT** – PP Rtn. Pankaj Jain



2. **SPECIAL DGRH AWARDS** – PP Rtn. Radha Saxena
3. **OUTSTANDING DISTRICT OFFICER** – PP Rtn. Pankaj Jain
4. **TOP CONTRIBUTION FOR THE SUPPORT FOR LOCAL CLUB PROJECTS** – PP. Rtn. Pankaj Jain
5. **CLUBS THAT HAVE TAKEN UP GLOBAL GRANTS** – PP Rtn. Ravi Talwar
6. **OUTSTANDING INTRODUCTION OF DG** – Rtn. Shefali Agrawal
7. **CONTRIBUTION IN DISTRICT MANAGEMENT**

8. **OUTSTANDING ASSISTANT GOVERNOR** – Rtn. Saurabh Puri
9. **BEST COUPLE AWARD** – PP Rtn. Radha & Rtn. Manu Saxena, DRFC PDG Rtn. Satpal & DGE Rtn. Poonam Gulati, PDG Rtn. Pradeep & PP Rtn. Devpriya Mukherjee, PP Rtn. Pankaj & Zonal Secretary Rtn. Sharmili Jain.
10. **DISTRICT MAJESTIC AWARD** – PP Rtn. Pankaj Jain
11. **VARIOUS AWARDS TO** – DRFC PDG Rtn. Satpal Gulati Ji and PDG Rtn. CA Pradeep Mukherjee.

Congratulations to the team of 2024-25!!

Message by Past President 2024-25



Rtn. PP Radha Saxena

As the club president and leader for 2024- 25 my journey was joyous as I learnt more than I lead with all the combined efforts of all the members. We truly kept the theme of 2024 - 2025 MAGIC OF ROTARY ALIVE. This tenure completed with 83 community projects, 2 vocational services 1 international service, 14 New Generation services 34 Public image initiatives and a total of 134 projects, 264 Press releases and 48 club meetings.

I would like to vision ROTARY as

R - REVOLVE

O - ONENESS AS

T - TEAM EFFORTS FOLLOWING

A - ASPIRATIONS

R - REALITY LEADING TO

Y - YOUTHFULNESS

Message by The Hony. Secretary 2024-25



Rtn. Neeruj Chugh

It's been an absolute honour serving as Hony Club Secretary of our glorious club. As I conclude my term I would like to thank the whole team and everyone for their selfless support throughout our tenure. I would like to especially thank President Radha Saxena for her energetic teamwork and with whom I enjoyed working on all the meaningful projects. I will surely miss these days and memorable times spent on service projects. It was an awesome learning and enriching experience.

Upcoming Projects

Skill Development Camp

On 12th July, lead by Rtn. PP Pankaj Jain and Rtn. PP. Sharmili Jain, we aim to educate 250 students in their areas of interest like cooking, carpentry, para medical etc. at Lala Manmohan Das School, Jhusi.

Tree Plantation – Continued project

On 12th July, We plan to plant about 4,000 plants of Mango, Amla, Neem, Sagwan etc. at Lala Manmohan Das School.

Club Meeting

On 20th July we will have a regular club meeting at El Chico and Employment Awareness Programme for the needy will be addressed.

Health Check Up Camp

On 27th July a health camp will be organised by Rtn. Dr. Arpit Bansal and his team with the help of Rtn. Vidup Agrahari, expected beneficiaries are about 500 and more.

FIRST INTERCITY MEET

The first RID 3120 Intercity Meet is on July, 13th at Hotel Surya, Varanasi. It's being hosted by Rotary Club of Varanasi Ganga.



The 4-Way Test

of things we do and say :

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

Projects and Services covered

Tree Plantation



“ Let's nurture nature and contribute to the health of our environment”

On 1st of July a nature walk was organised in the Company garden, of Prayagraj, where a club members participated with great enthusiasm. 51 Champatrees were planted and in the months of July and August we aim at plants 11,000 plants in various sites across Prayagraj in association with TaruVithika. This project is lead by Rtn. Rohit Agarwal and Rtn. Varun Sood.

C.A. Day and Doctors Day



To honour the contribution of the chartered accountants and the doctors to the society, our club, on 2nd of July felicitated the Chartered Accountants and the Doctors of our club in Town hall, Elchico.

Distribution of Books and Other necessities to the Underprivileged

On 5th of July at Vanvasi Kalayan Ashram we distributed books, clothes and boots. Approximately 40 children were benefited by this project. Books were contributed by Rtn. Abhishek Ranjan Agarwal, and clothes and boots were jointly contributed by PPRtn. Gaurav Mohan and PP Rtn. Abhishek Singh. The Club Project has been chaired by Rtn. Rajeev Arora and Rtn. Ankit Jain.



Blood Donation Camp

“ Be someone's lifeline, donate blood”

One of the most passionate projects of a club has been to save a life through blood donation. Lead by Rtn PP Saurabh Puri and Rtn. Siddharth Agrawal and hosted by Rtn Amit Agarwal and Rtn Geetika Agarwal at the GP Motors we collected over 100 Units of blood.



Our Team 2025-26

I.P.P. Rtn. Radha Saxena

PRESIDENT ELECT : Rtn. RITU KAMAL AGRAWAL

VICE PRESIDENT : Rtn. SANJIV JAIN

PRESIDENT NOMINEE : Rtn. NEERUJ CHUGH

TREASURER : Rtn. AMIT AGRAWAL (CA)

SENIOR JOINT SECRETARY : Rtn. MADHU Agarwal

JOINT SECRETARY 1 : Rtn. ROHIT AGARWAL

JOINT SECRETARY 2 : Rtn. ATUL AGARWAL

CLUB TRAINER PP : Rtn. SHRISH AGRAWAL

Sgt. At. ARMS : Rtn. AMAN LUTHRA/ Rtn. MANU SAXENA

DIRECTOR/ JOINT DIRECTOR

1. CLUB SERVICES/ADM. : PP Rtn. MAHESH SINGHANIA/ PP Rtn. NEERAJ BHARGAVA
2. SERVICE PROJECTS : Rtn. ANIL NARSARIA/ PP Rtn. SAURABH PURI
3. MEMBERSHIP : Rtn. ANKITA MAHESHWARI/ Rtn. SUDHIR PODDAR
4. YOUTH SERVICE, NEW GENERATION & INTERNATIONAL SERVICE : PP Rtn. AMRITA AGRAWAL/ PP Rtn. DIVYA BARTARIA
5. ROTARY FOUNDATION : Rtn. SANSKAR GUPTA/ PP Rtn. PANKAJ JAIN

ADVISORS TO BOARD

1. PDG Rtn. PRADEEP MUKHERJEE
2. PDG Rtn. SATPAL GULATI
3. PP Rtn. RAJEEV MAHESHWARI
4. Rtn. PREM PRAKASH AGARWAL
5. PP Rtn. ASHISH AGARWAL
6. PP Rtn. NEERAJ MEHROTRA
7. PP Rtn. ARUN BAGGA
8. PP Rtn. VINAYAK TANDON
9. PP Rtn. GAURAV MOHAN
10. PP Rtn. SANJAY GUPTA

COMMITTEES CHAIRMAN/ CO- CHAIRMAN

Committees Under Service Projects Chairman / Co-Chairman

Director- Rtn. Anil Narsaria/ PP Rtn. Saurabh Puri

1. Vocational Service : Rtn. Manu Saxena / Rtn. Dr. Ritesh Agarwal
2. Community Service : Rtn. Rajiv Arora / Rtn. Ankit Jain
3. Fund Raising & Charities : Rtn. Ashutosh Agarwal / Rtn. Atul Agrawal
4. Blood Donation : PP Rtn. Saurabh Puri / Rtn. Siddharth Virendra Agarwal
5. Health & Disease Prevention : Rtn. Dr.Arpit Bansal / Rtn. Dr. Neeraj Sinha
6. Environment & Plantation : Rtn. Rohit Agarwal / Rtn. Varun Sood
7. Literacy PP Rtn. Neeraj Mehrotra
8. Village Adoption PP Rtn. Gaurav Mohan
9. Woman Empowerment Rtn. Smriti Shangaloo
10. Old Age Home & Child Empowerment PP Rtn. Abhishek Singh

Committees- Membership Chairman / Co-Chairman

Director- Rtn. Ankita Maheshwari/ Rtn. Sudhir Poddar

1. Membership Development & Orientation Extension : Rtn. Vidhup Agrahari

2. Membership Retention : PP Rtn. Ashish Agrawal
3. Membership Classification : PP Rtn. Vinayak Tandon
4. Membership Screening : PP Rtn. Sanjay Gupta

Committees Under Club Administration, Club Service Chairman / Co-Chairman

Director- PP Rtn. Mahesh Singhania/

PP Rtn. Neeraj Bhargava

1. Club Meeting & Function : Rtn. Nitin Agarwal/Rtn. Pallavi Agrawal
2. District Assembly / Function : Rtn. Sanjeev Kapoor/ Rtn. Jitendra Gupta
3. Family Of Rotary : Rtn. Amit Mishra
4. Sports & Fitness : Rtn. Harpreet Bhatia / Rtn. Praveen Godbole
5. Club Bulletin & Rosters : Rtn. Geetika Agarwal / Rtn. Swati Kharbanda
6. Attendance PP : Rtn. Yashwant Maheshwari
7. Public Image : Rtn. Shiv Shanker Singh/ Rtn. Anuragini Singh

Committees under Youth Service , New Generation & International Service Chairman / Co-Chairman

Director- PP Rtn. Amrita Agrawal/

PP Rtn. Divya Bartaria

1. Chairman Rotract : PP Rtn. Ravi Talwar
2. Chairman Interact : Rtn. Vidhup Agrahari / Rtn. Neeruj Chug
3. Ryla : Rtn. Yashovardhan Gupta
4. International Service : PP Rtn. Niraj Agrawal

Committees of Rotary Foundation Chairman / Co-Chairman

Director- Rtn. Sanskar Gupta/ PP Rtn. Pankaj Jain

1. Global Grant : PP Rtn. Sanjay Gupta/ Rtn. S.K. Jaiswal
2. Global C S R Contribution : Rtn. Peeyush Kesarwani

Knight In the Shining Armour – Council of Past Presidents

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|------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. PP Rtn. Raj Kamal Agrawal | 10. PP Rtn. Gaurav Mohan | 19. PP Rtn. Ravi Talwar |
| 2. PP Rtn. Pradeep Mukherjee | 11. PP Rtn. Sanjay Gupta | 20. PP Rtn. Abhishek Singh |
| 3. PP Rtn. Rajiv Maheshwari | 12. PP Rtn. Anil Shah | 21. PP Rtn. Shrish Agrawal |
| 4. PP Rtn. Satpal Gulati | 13. PP Rtn. Mohd. Farhanulla | 22. PP Rtn. Yashwant Maheshwari |
| 5. PP Rtn. Ashish Agarwal | 14. PP Rtn. Neeraj Agarwal | 23. PP Rtn. Dr. Divya Bartaria |
| 6. PP Rtn. Neeraj Mehrotra | 15. PP Rtn. Vineet Agarwal | 24. PP Rtn. Pankaj Jain |
| 7. PP Rtn. Arun Bagga | 16. PP Rtn. Anand Agarwal | 25. PP Rtn. Saurabh Puri |
| 8. PP Rtn. Vinayak Tandon | 17. PP Rtn. Arvind Agarwal | 26. PP Rtn. Amrita Agarwal |
| 9. PP Rtn. Neeraj Bhargava | 18. PP Rtn. Mahesh Singhania | 27. IPP Rtn. Radha Saxena |

Gratitude by the President

The President would like to express his heartfelt gratitude to Rtn. PP Shrish Agrawal and Rtn. PP Saurabh Puri, Rtn. PP Pankaj Jain, Rtn. PP Yashwant Maheshwari, Rtn Ankita Maheshwari, Rtn. Manu Saxena, Rtn. Rohit Agrawal, Rtn. Varun Sood, Rtn. Madhu Agarwal, Rtn. Geetika Agarwal and Rtn. Dr. Ashutosh Chaudhary for helping him build the foundation for this year and special thanks to the team below-

Mid town Medical corps

They have contributed generously (USD 6,000) for Cervical Cancer Project.

Rtn. CA Amit Agrawal

Rtn. Atul Kumar Agrawal

Rtn. Peeyush Kesarwani

Rtn. Rajesh Agrawal

Rtn. Rohit Agrawal

Rtn. PP Sanjay Gupta

Rtn. Saurabh Agrawal

Rtn. PP Saurabh Puri

Rtn. Shiv Kumar Jaiswal

Rtn. PP Shrish Agrawal

Rtn. Tarun Savla

Our President Rtn. Vinay Goel too has contributed to the above cause.

Interesting Facts

❖ **Dr. Bidhan Chandra Roy** : Known as the "grand panjandrum of medicine," Dr. Roy was a renowned physician and a key figure in establishing medical institutions like the Jadavpur T.B. Hospital. His contributions are so significant that his birth and death anniversary (July 1st) is celebrated as **Doctors' Day** in India.

❖ **CA day** is celebrated in honour of the Institute of Chartered Accountants (ICAI) of India which was established on July 1, 1949. The day recognises the contribution of chartered accountants to India's financial landscape and economic growth.

Food for Thought

In an age dominated with noise, both literal and digital, silence is fast becoming a forgotten virtue. Yet silence has long held a central place in human reflection, wisdom and even progress. Across cultures, faith and philosophies silence is not viewed as emptiness but a source of strength and insight.

Today we live in the world that requires constant expression, the need to react, comment and share almost without a pause. And in this process, we have lost the habit of reflection. Speech can inform, but silence can transform.

Isaac Newton, one of the history's most brilliant minds was

known as the "wool gatherer" someone who has lost in his thoughts. It was in his silence where his most revolutionary ideas took place. It was in this reflection of thoughts, he often saw what others missed.

Psychologists have found that regular moments of silence can reduce stress, improve memory, sharpen focus and enhance creativity. In short silence helps us think more clearly and live more fully.

Moreover, silence can be a powerful tool in social relationships. Most conflicts begin between individuals or nations- begin with words spoken in haste. Poorly chosen words can escalate tension while silence can prevent them. Choosing not to speak in anger is not a sign of passivity, it is wisdom. It shows emotional strength and the ability to rise above temporary provocation.

French writer, Ernest Psichari has described silence as "a bit of heaven that comes down to earth" capturing what many sages and thinkers have discovered through years of experience - silence is not the absence of meaning, but it is its gateway.

From **The Speaking Tree**, Article by Farida Khanam

Edited by Rtn. Geetika Agarwal

Contributed by Rtn. PP. Shirish Agarwal

Happy Birthday

Happy birthday to our Dear Midtowners. We wish you a healthy and happy year ahead.

3rd July - Rtn. Dr. Ankur Kesarwani

10th July - Rtn. Anand Agarwal

11th July - Rtn. Deepak Bhargava

13th July - Rtn. Arpit Bansal

18th July - Rtn. Yashovardhan Gupta

19th July - Rtn. Ankita Chaddha

20th July - Rtn. Vineet Agarwal

21st July - Rtn. Dr. Inderjeet Parihar
(Honorary member)

21st July - Rtn. Shilpi Mitchell

28th July - Rtn. CA Amit Agarwal

Happy Anniversary

Happy anniversary to the charismatic couples.



1st July

Rtn. Dr. Ashutosh &
Dr. Astha Chaudhary

6th July

Rtn. Amit &
Rtn. Anu Goel