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## FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK



### **Dear Friends and Supporters,**

I hope this message finds you in good health and high spirits. It is my pleasure to share the latest updates and reflections from the Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence. With the beginning of a new Rotary year, we step forward with renewed energy, guided by a fresh Leadership Team and a shared vision to serve with purpose and passion.

### **Moving Ahead with Purpose**

The journey of the past year has been inspiring, marked by dedication, resilience, and collective action. None of our progress would have been possible without the unwavering support of our volunteers, donors, and partners who believe in the power of community and compassion.

### **Be a Part of the Change**

The strength of our Rotary Club lies in the hands and hearts of those who come forward to make a difference. If you're looking to get involved, contribute, or simply learn more about our initiatives, we invite you to connect with us. Every action counts, and every contribution brings us closer to our mission.

Together, let's continue to bring hope, drive positive change, and uplift lives. Thank you for standing with us. I look forward to bringing you more stories of impact and inspiration in the days ahead.

Warm regards,

**RTN. Paulami Sengupta**

Editor, Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence

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## PRESIDENT'S INTRODUCTION



### **★ Welcoming Our New President – Rtn. Tarakjit Saha** **Installation Ceremony | Rotary Year 2025–26**

The evening of our Installation Ceremony marked more than just the change of Rotary leadership – it symbolized a fresh vision, a renewed energy, and a heartfelt commitment to community service. With pride and joy, the Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence officially welcomed **Rtn. Tarakjit Saha** as our **President for the Rotary Year 2025–26**.

Rtn. Tarakjit Saha brings with him a rich blend of **corporate experience, creative entrepreneurship, and deep-rooted service values**. His professional journey spans over **17 years** across reputed institutions such as **Citigroup, ICICI Bank, Yes Bank, and Kotak Mahindra Bank**, where he has led teams in marketing, sales, and strategic functions.

In 2017, he stepped into the world of entrepreneurship by co-founding **POWERPLAY**, a pioneering corporate events and brand engagement company. In a span of just 8 years, **POWERPLAY** has grown to become a trusted name in **MICE events, talent hunts, corporate activations, and sports-based campaigns**. Alongside this, he is also closely associated with **Purplecow Events**, known for its flair in **social and lifestyle event experiences**.



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Tarakjit's entrepreneurial ventures are strengthened by his dynamic and creative partners — **Saurabh Bangani and Vivek Jaiswal**, lovingly known in the circuit as "**SaurabhVivek – The Famous Duo.**" Their combined talent and camaraderie have brought unmatched vibrancy to stages and events across the region.

As a Rotarian, Rtn. Tarakjit has already demonstrated **visionary leadership, inclusive collaboration, and a strong bias for action.** He believes in the power of grassroots impact and leading by example — making him the ideal torchbearer of this year's Rotary International theme, "**Unite for Good.**"



Behind this strong leader is a supportive and accomplished family. His wife, **Nabamita Das**, is a senior HR professional working in Global Mobility at **Cognizant**, and their daughter, **Aishani Saha**, a student of **DPS Megacity**, is actively involved in the **Interact Club**, proudly continuing the Rotary tradition into the next generation.

As we step into this new Rotary year, we are confident that under President Rtn. Tarakjit Saha's guidance, our club will scale new heights in service, fellowship, and impactful initiatives.

Here's to a year of innovation, outreach, and united action!

Let us move ahead with purpose and passion, truly living the Rotary spirit of **Service Above Self.**



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**INTRODUCING ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT 25-26  
DR. FRANCESCO AREZZO**



A Global Leader in Colorectal Surgery

We are honoured to introduce Dr. Francesco Arezzo, a distinguished figure in the field of colorectal and minimally invasive surgery, to our readers.

Hailing from Italy, Dr. Arezzo is a Professor of Surgery at the University of Torino and a globally respected name in advanced laparoscopic and robotic colorectal procedures. With over two decades of groundbreaking work, he has significantly contributed to the evolution of minimally invasive techniques for colorectal cancer, inflammatory bowel disease, and proctologic disorders.

Dr. Arezzo's commitment to excellence in surgical education is equally remarkable. He has trained countless surgeons across Europe and beyond, delivering workshops, live surgical demonstrations, and participating in collaborative research efforts. He has also authored over 250 scientific publications and contributed to key surgical textbooks and international guidelines.

He is known not just for his surgical precision, but for his passion for innovation, education, and patient-centered care. As a frequent keynote speaker and invited faculty at global conferences, his presence is a source of inspiration for young medical professionals.

We warmly welcome Dr. Arezzo to our community and look forward to the knowledge, perspective, and global collaboration he brings with him.

**INTRODUCING DISTRICT GOVERNOR 25-26  
DISTRICT 3291 - DR. RAMENDU HOMCHAUDHURI**



Championing Healthcare Equity and Thalassemia Awareness

We are privileged to introduce Dr. Ramendu Homchaudhuri, a visionary in public health, hospital administration, and humanitarian service, whose tireless efforts continue to leave a deep impact on healthcare delivery and disease awareness in India.

With an illustrious career spanning over 30 years, Dr. Homchaudhuri has held several senior leadership roles in prominent hospitals and health organizations. A strategic thinker and compassionate leader, he has worked at the intersection of policy, practice, and people – consistently advocating for accessible, patient-centric healthcare.

One of Dr. Homchaudhuri's most notable contributions is his pioneering work in the field of thalassemia awareness and prevention. Recognizing the growing burden of this inherited blood disorder in India, he has led numerous screening camps, public awareness drives, and advocacy efforts to integrate thalassemia testing into routine health check-ups – especially for young adults and prospective parents. His vision is rooted in early detection and informed decision-making, aiming to reduce the incidence of this preventable condition through education and accessible testing.

In addition to his work on thalassemia, he has led several community health initiatives across maternal and child welfare, urban sanitation, and mental health. He remains a respected mentor, guiding younger professionals in public health with a blend of compassion and pragmatism.

As we welcome Dr. Ramendu Homchaudhuri into our Rotary family, we are inspired by his lifelong commitment to healthcare with heart, and look forward to learning from his journey of service, science, and social change.



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## CLUB SECRETARY'S INTRODUCTION

### ★ Welcoming Our Club Secretary – Rtn. Dr. Sharda Chakraborty Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence | Rotary Year 2025–26

As the Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence steps into a new chapter of impactful service and purposeful leadership, we are proud to welcome **Rtn. Dr. Sharda Chakraborty** as our Club Secretary for the Rotary Year 2025–26.

A woman of many talents and deep conviction, Dr. Chakraborty brings with her an inspiring blend of intellect, empathy, and dedication. She is an accomplished educator, career counselor, certified graphologist, and published author. Through her initiative, **Golden Future Career and Counseling**, she has guided and empowered over 1,000 individuals to navigate their lives with confidence and clarity.



Her journey has always been rooted in a passion for helping others – a value that resonates strongly with the Rotary spirit. Known for her excellent communication skills, compassionate mindset, and organized approach, she steps into the critical role of Secretary – often considered the backbone of a Rotary club's operations.

As Secretary, Dr. Chakraborty will oversee the seamless coordination of meetings, documentation, and communications, ensuring that our service efforts remain aligned, efficient, and impactful throughout the year.

We are confident that under her stewardship, our club's activities will not only be well-structured but also carry the essence of her thoughtful leadership. Her presence on the Board brings both strength and sensitivity – a combination that will serve the club well.

Here's to a year of strong foundations, clear communication, and collective success under the able guidance of **Rtn. Dr. Sharda Chakraborty**. We are proud to have her lead from the front.



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## MISSION STATEMENT

To serve with compassion, integrity, and innovation — addressing pressing community needs through impactful projects in health, education, environment, and empowerment, while fostering fellowship and inclusive leadership among Rotarians.

## VISION STATEMENT

To be a beacon of sustainable service and social change in Kolkata and beyond — where every act of kindness strengthens community resilience, nurtures human dignity, and unites people for good under the true spirit of Rotary.





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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

### President's Column

Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence

**Month: July 2025**

Theme of the Month: Maternal and Child Health

RI Theme 2025–26: "Unite for Good"

Dear Fellow Rotarians, Friends, and Well-Wishers,  
As I pen down my first President's Column for this Rotary year, I feel a deep sense of pride and responsibility. **July 2025** has been a month of **action, connection, and meaningful service** – a true reflection of this year's Rotary International theme, "**Unite for Good.**"

With July being dedicated to **Maternal and Child Health**, our efforts were focused on reaching the grassroots, especially the underserved communities. From the heart of urban Kolkata to the remote villages of Bankura, our club's projects reflected both **compassion and commitment.**

We began the Rotary year with purposeful momentum, organizing a **Blood Donation Camp** and celebrating **National Doctors' Day**, saluting the selfless warriors of our healthcare system. Our **Financial Literacy Seminars** at The Polo Floatel and R.N. Singh Memorial School empowered young minds with tools for future financial independence.

A significant highlight this month was co-hosting the **RMBF East India Business Summit**. It was more than a business networking event – it served as a powerful platform for **entrepreneurial encouragement, Thalassemia awareness, and on-ground testing**, reaching over **500 participants.**

Our **Interact Club** added vibrancy with their **Rakhi Mela**, blending celebration with cause – raising funds through student-run stalls. Meanwhile, the soulful events in Saltora, Bankura – our **Harit Daan – Mega Plantation Drive**, the **Shobdotuli – Sit and Draw Competition**, and the **Mother & Child Support Program** at Maliya – deepened our grassroots engagement.

We concluded the month by supporting a **Mega Health Check-up Camp** in **Basanti Colony**, reaching **250+ beneficiaries** with much-needed medical services.

One of the most heart-touching achievements this month has been the successful execution of **6 free paediatric heart surgeries** under our club's initiative launched during the last Rotary year by **Immediate Past President, Rtn. Yogita Kichlu**. These surgeries have given children from underprivileged families a new lease on life and mark the beginning of a long-term mission of healing. We remain committed to supporting more such children in the months to come.

In total, we've **touched over 2,500 lives in just one month**, a strong testament to what's possible when we **unite with a shared purpose.**



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I would like to thank each and every member of **Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence** for coming together and serving society with such zeal. **Special appreciation to Rtn. Chandan Gupta, our Service/Social Projects Chair** this year, for steering these initiatives to success with dedication and vision.

A heartfelt thank you to **Mission of Mercy Hospital** for graciously providing us this wonderful venue for our **meeting and supporting our cause** with such warmth and generosity.

As we step into August, let us carry forward this energy, working **hand-in-hand to serve with humility, dream with clarity, and deliver with impact.**

### A short story to end with "The Little Lamp"

In a small village nestled between hills, a terrible storm once knocked out all power and left the entire village in darkness. People stumbled, scared and helpless, as the night grew colder and longer.

But in one hut at the edge of the village, a little girl named Meera lit a clay lamp and placed it by her window. Seeing her tiny light, her neighbour did the same. Then another, and another. Slowly, one by one, the villagers lit lamps and placed them outside.

Soon, the village wasn't dark anymore. The path was visible, people found their way home, and the storm didn't feel as frightening.

The village elder, with tears in his eyes, said,

**"It only took one child's lamp to light up an entire village."**



### The Message

Often, we hesitate to act, thinking our effort is too small to matter. But in service, no act is too little. One person's compassion can ignite a chain of hope and change.

Be that lamp. Start the light.

With gratitude and Rotary cheer,

**Rtn. Tarakjit Saha**

President 2025–26

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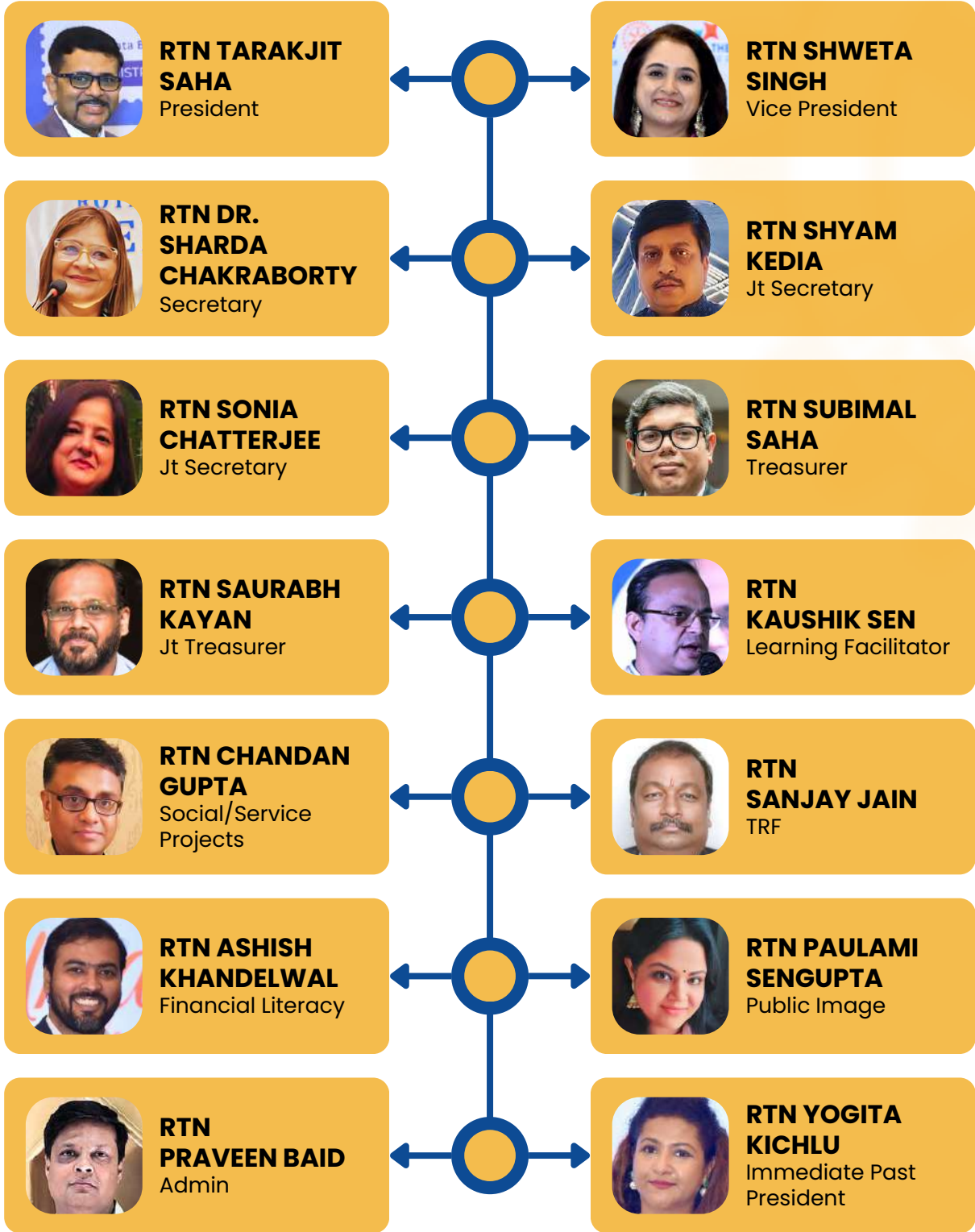
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By Kaushik Sen



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**Rtn. Sahana  
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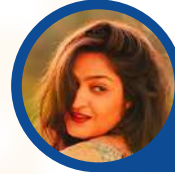
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Garments Store  
Sui Dhaga The Boutique



**Pranaadhika  
Sinha**  
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**Praveen  
Kumar Baid**  
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Bags, & Corrugated Box



**Prosun Das**  
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Consulting Services



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Parts



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Architect



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**Susmita  
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**Tarakjit Saha**  
Event Planner,  
Founder of POWERPLAY



**Vikash  
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**RTN. RIZWAN  
MOHAMMAD**

Warmest Welcome, we're excited to have you join us in making a meaningful impact in our community!

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## CHANGEOVER CEREMONY



### Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence Installs Rtn. Tarakjit Saha as President for 2025–26

**Kolkata, June 28, 2025:**

The Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence celebrated its **5th Installation Ceremony** at Spring Club, Kolkata, with the grand installation of **Rtn. Tarakjit Saha** as President and **Rtn. Dr. Sharda Chakraborty** as Secretary for the Rotary Year **2025–26**.

The ceremony was graced by **Past Rotary International President Shekhar Mehta** and **District Governor Dr. Ramendu Homchaudhuri (2025–26)** as Guests of Honour, alongside a distinguished gathering of Rotarians, dignitaries, and well-wishers.

In his acceptance speech, **President Tarakjit Saha**, a seasoned corporate professional and founder partner of **POWERPLAY Events**, unveiled a powerful vision for the year ahead — focused on **healthcare initiatives, youth empowerment, financial literacy, mental wellness, and environmental sustainability**.



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# CHANGEOVER CEREMONY

**Flagship projects announced included:**

- **Arogya 5 Series** (Paediatric surgeries, HPV Vaccination, Member Health Camps)
- **SIP of HOPE 3.0** (Clean drinking water)
- **Nivesh Nirvana** (Financial literacy for all)
- **Project S.A.F.E.** (Mental health & addiction awareness)
- Special initiatives on **Thalassemia prevention** and **RCC expansion**

The evening also saw the induction of five new members, the declaration of the Board for 2025–26, and a heartfelt vote of thanks by Vice President Rtn. Shweta Singh.

With strong leadership, dynamic planning, and the blessings of Rotary stalwarts, the Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence is poised to make 2025–26 a landmark year of **Service Above Self**.

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# Project Stories

FOR THE MONTH OF **JULY 2025**

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**DATE:** 1<sup>ST</sup> JULY, 2025

**EVENT:** BLOOD DONATION CAMP, DISTRICT 3291 – SUPPORTED

**VENUE:** ROTARY SADAN, KOLKATA

**DIRECT BENEFICIARIES:** 64

2

**DATE:** 1<sup>ST</sup> JULY, 2025

**EVENT:** NATIONAL DOCTORS' DAY

**VENUE:** GENESIS HOSPITALS, KOLKATA

**DIRECT BENEFICIARIES:** 50

3

**DATE:** 2<sup>ND</sup> JULY, 2025

**EVENT:** FINANCIAL LITERACY SEMINAR

**VENUE:** THE POLO FLOATEL, KOLKATA

**DIRECT BENEFICIARIES:** 55

4

**DATE:** 4<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2025

**71ST GENERAL MEETING**

5

**DATE:** 12<sup>TH</sup> & 13<sup>TH</sup> JULY

**EVENT:** RMBF KOLKATA EAST INDIA BUSINESS SUMMIT 2025

**VENUE:** UNIVERSITY OF ENGINEERING & MANAGEMENT (UEM),  
NEW TOWN, KOLKATA

**DIRECT BENEFICIARIES:** 500

6

**DATE:** 15<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2025

**EVENT:** FINANCIAL LITERACY SEMINAR

**VENUE:** R.N. SINGH MEMORIAL SCHOOL, KOLKATA

**DIRECT BENEFICIARIES:** 85

# Project Stories

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**DATE:** 19<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2025  
**EVENT:** RAKHI MELA – BY INTERACT CLUB OF ROTARY CLUB OF KOLKATA BENEVOLENCE  
**VENUE:** R.N. SINGH MEMORIAL SCHOOL, KOLKATA  
**DIRECT BENEFICIARIES:** 400+

8

**DATE:** 19<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2025  
**EVENT:** HARIT DAAN – MEGA PLANTATION DRIVE  
**VENUE:** SALTORA MODEL SCHOOL, PABAYA, BANKURA  
**DIRECT BENEFICIARIES:** 1000

9

**DATE:** 19<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2025  
**EVENT:** SHOBDOTULI – SIT AND DRAW COMPETITION  
**VENUE:** SALTORA MODEL SCHOOL, PABAYA, BANKURA  
**DIRECT BENEFICIARIES:** 89

10

**DATE:** 20<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2025  
**EVENT:** MOTHER & CHILD SUPPORT – RY THEME FOR JULY MONTH  
**VENUE:** MALIYA TRIBAL VILLAGE, BANKURA  
**DIRECT BENEFICIARIES:** 50

11

**DATE:** 27<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2025  
**EVENT:** MEGA HEALTH CHECKUP CAMP – SUPPORT  
**VENUE:** BASANTI COLONY, KOLKATA  
**DIRECT BENEFICIARIES:** 250+

12

**DATE:** JULY, 2025  
**EVENT:** FREE PAEDIATRIC HEART SURGERIES  
**DIRECT BENEFICIARIES:** 6

1<sup>st</sup> July

## Blood Donation Camp, District 3291 – Supported



The poster features logos for Rotary District 3291, The Bengal Obstetric & Gynaecological Society, and a blood donation symbol. The main title is 'BLOOD DONATION CAMP' in large red letters, with the slogan '“Donate Blood, a gift of life”' below it. It lists the lead host and co-hosts, the date and venue, and includes an illustration of a person donating blood.

Rotary District 3291 | The Bengal Obstetric & Gynaecological Society

# BLOOD DONATION CAMP

“Donate Blood, a gift of life”

Supported by  
**Lead Host : Ankuran Kolkata**  
**Co-Hosts :**

<i>Amelia Kolkata</i>	<i>Calcutta Samaritans</i>	<i>Calcutta Universe</i>	<i>Calcutta Inner City</i>	<i>Hooghly</i>
<i>Belvedere Gardens Calcutta</i>	<i>Central Calcutta</i>	<i>Aabahamaan Kolkata</i>	<i>Calcutta Laban Hrad</i>	<i>Jodhpur Gardens Calcutta</i>
<i>Calcutta Amory</i>	<i>Kolkata Lakes</i>	<i>Ballygunge</i>	<i>Calcutta Mid South</i>	<i>Kolkata Benevolence</i>
<i>Calcutta Endeavour</i>	<i>Calcutta Acropolis</i>	<i>Behala</i>	<i>Calcutta Mid West</i>	<i>Mudhyamgram Metropolitan</i>
<i>Calcutta Magnum</i>	<i>Calcutta Dalhousie</i>	<i>Budge Budge</i>	<i>Calcutta Nabadiganta</i>	<i>Salt Lake Central</i>
<i>Calcutta New Town</i>	<i>Calcutta New Horizons</i>	<i>Calcutta Majestic</i>	<i>Calcutta North East</i>	<i>Salt Lake Metropolitan</i>
<i>Calcutta Park Point</i>	<i>Calcutta Mayfair</i>	<i>Calcutta South Circle</i>	<i>Calcutta Pointers</i>	<i>Sonarpur</i>
	<i>Ballygunge Uptown</i>	<i>Calcutta</i>	<i>Calcutta Renaissance</i>	<i>Tollygunge</i>
	<i>Calcutta Metropolitan Serampore</i>	<i>Calcutta Ayanana</i>	<i>Calcutta South Central</i>	<i>North Suburban</i>
		<i>Calcutta Centenary</i>	<i>Calcutta South City Towers</i>	<i>North Calcutta</i>
		<i>Calcutta Charnock City</i>	<i>Calcutta South Extension</i>	
		<i>Calcutta Elite</i>	<i>Calcutta South Suburban</i>	
		<i>Calcutta Empathy</i>	<i>Ganga Heritage</i>	

Rotary Sadan, Kolkata | 1st July, 2025

Date: 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2025

Event: Blood Donation Camp, District 3291 – Supported

Venue: Rotary Sadan, Kolkata

Direct Beneficiaries: 64

### Blood Donation Drive Kicks Off Rotary Year with Compassion

**Rotary District 3291**, in collaboration with several Rotary Clubs, began the Rotary Year 2025–26 with a noble act of service by organizing a **Blood Donation Camp** on **1st July 2025** at **Rotary Sadan, Kolkata**. The **Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence** proudly co-hosted this impactful initiative, reinforcing Rotary’s commitment to community health from the very first day of the new Rotary year.

The camp witnessed enthusiastic participation from Rotarians, volunteers, and members of the public, resulting in the collection of **64 units of life-saving blood**. Each donation contributes significantly to the critical need for blood in local hospitals, especially for accident victims, surgical patients, and individuals with chronic illnesses.

The event served as a reminder that even a simple act like donating blood can have a profound impact—saving lives and spreading hope. It also set the tone for the year ahead, aligning perfectly with this year’s Rotary theme: **“Unite for Good.”**

Our heartfelt thanks to all the donors, volunteers, and partnering clubs who made this initiative a success. Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence remains committed to supporting meaningful healthcare interventions in the months to come.

1<sup>st</sup> July

# Blood Donation Camp, District 3291 – Supported



1<sup>st</sup> July


## Nivesh Nirvana 1.1 - National Doctors' Day

Date: 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2025

Event: Nivesh Nirvana 1.1 - National Doctors' Day

Venue: Genesis Hospitals, Kolkata

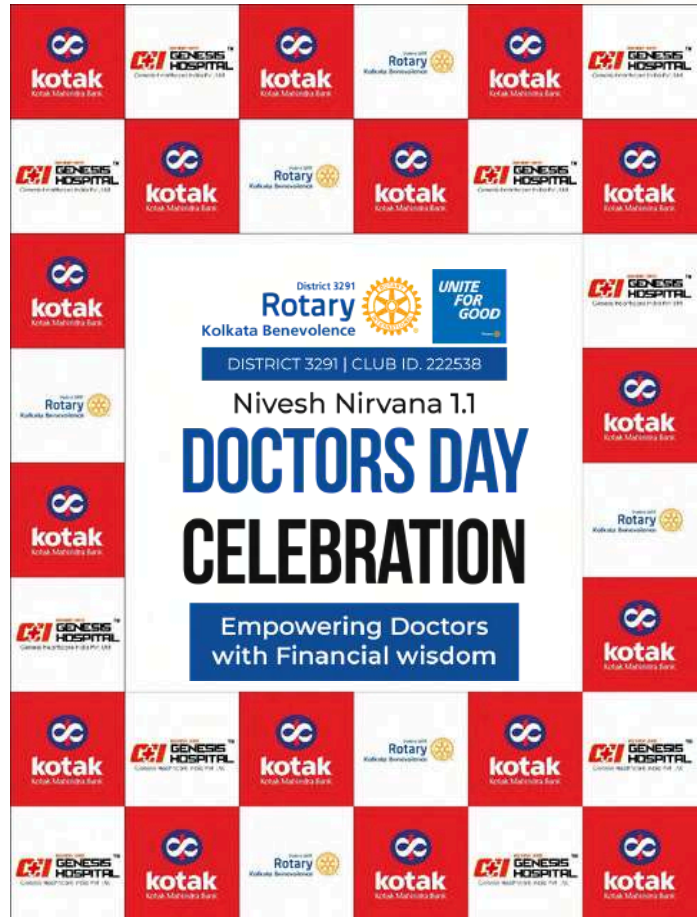
Direct Beneficiaries: 50

 **Celebrating Doctors' Day with Dignity, Learning, and Gratitude**

Venue: Genesis Hospital, Kolkata | Date: 1st July 2025

In Association with Genesis Hospital | Supported by Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd.

On **1st July 2025**, to mark **National Doctors' Day**, the Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence came together with **Genesis Hospital** and **Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd.** to honour the relentless service and compassion of our medical fraternity. The event was thoughtfully curated to blend **financial literacy, recognition, and celebration**—all in one meaningful gathering.



The program commenced with a **Financial Awareness Session** led by **Ms. Aritra Poddar**, Branch Manager of Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd. She, along with her dynamic team, engaged the audience of over **50 doctors** with an insightful presentation on **customised financial solutions and investment avenues** specially tailored for medical professionals. The session was both **practical and empowering**, equipping our healthcare heroes with tools for better financial planning and security.

Following the session, each attending doctor was **felicited with a special memento and a curated gift hamper**, a small but sincere gesture of appreciation for their tireless commitment to healing and humanity. The atmosphere turned celebratory with a **joyful cake-cutting ceremony**, bringing smiles, conversations, and camaraderie to the fore.

This event stood as a **testament to the Rotary spirit**—recognising those who serve, while adding value to their lives beyond their profession. It was a morning of **learning, gratitude, and togetherness**, reminding us that service to those who serve is a powerful act of kindness in itself.

1<sup>st</sup> July

## Nivesh Nirvana 1.1 - National Doctors' Day

We thank **Genesis Hospital** for their collaboration and extend our deepest appreciation to **Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd.** for their generous support and participation.

**Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence** remains committed to **Unite for Good**, building bridges between professions, causes, and communities.



2<sup>nd</sup> July

## Nivesh Nirvana 1.2 Financial Literacy Seminar

District 3291  
**Rotary**  
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Nivesh Nirvana 1.2  
**DOCTORS DAY CELEBRATION**  
Empowering Doctors with Financial wisdom

**Date:** Wednesday, 2nd July, 2025 | **Time:** 06:00 PM Onwards  
**Venue:** Hotel Floatel Strand Road, Kolkata

**Followed by complimentary Dinner**  
RSVP Rtn. Tarakjit Saha +91 9051181111,  
Rtn. Dr. Sharda Chakraborty +91 9761917555, Rtn. Shweta Singh +919007316995

Date: 2<sup>nd</sup> July, 2025

Event: **Nivesh Nirvana 1.2** Financial Literacy Seminar

Venue: The Polo Floatel, Kolkata

Direct Beneficiaries: 55

### **Doctors' Day Celebration at Floatel – A Toast to Those Who Heal**

*Date: 2nd July 2025 | Venue: The Polo Floatel, Kolkata*

*Supported by Balaji Nivesh in association with DSP Mutual Fund*

Continuing our commitment to recognising the contributions of medical professionals, the **Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence** hosted a **special Doctors' Day Celebration** on **2nd July 2025**, aboard the picturesque **Floatel** by the Hooghly River. This serene evening gathering was more than a tribute—it was an investment in the lives of those who dedicate theirs to saving others.

The event was made possible with the support of **Balaji Nivesh**, who partnered with **DSP Mutual Fund** to bring a financial dimension to the evening. The highlight of the program was an enlightening **Financial Awareness Session** by **Mr. Ajit Srivastava**, Regional Head of DSP Mutual Fund. With clarity and relevance, he spoke on **mutual fund strategies, long-term investment planning, and financial security**—all specially curated for medical professionals and working individuals navigating today's complex financial landscape.

2<sup>nd</sup> July

## Nivesh Nirvana 1.2 Financial Literacy Seminar

The event was attended by **65 guests**, including eminent doctors, professionals, and Rotarians, creating a lively and meaningful atmosphere of **learning, networking, and appreciation**.

The Floatel's scenic ambience, combined with thoughtful interactions and engaging discussions, turned the evening into a **perfect blend of gratitude and empowerment**. Doctors were not only appreciated for their unwavering dedication but were also given tools to plan for their own well-being—because those who care for all deserve to be cared for too.

As the sun set over the Ganges, so rose a deeper bond between service and support—true to our Rotary ethos of **“Service Above Self.”**

We extend our heartfelt thanks to **Balaji Nivesh** and **DSP Mutual Fund** for making this celebration not just special, but impactful.



4<sup>th</sup> July

## 71st General Meeting



# GENERAL MEETING NO. 71


(MANDATORY MEETING)

8th July, 2025  
5:30pm – 8:00pm


**Venue:** Mission of Mercy Hospital  
125/1, Park Street, Kolkata 700017

### [Minutes of the 71st Regular Meeting](#)

**Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence**

 **Date:** Friday, 4th July 2025

 **Time:** 6:30 PM

 **Venue:** Mission of Mercy Hospital, 125/1 Park Street, Kolkata 700017

Presided by: President Rtn. Tarakjit Saha

**Minutes Prepared by:** Secretary Rtn. Sharda Chakraborty

4<sup>th</sup> July

## 71st General Meeting

### 1. Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by **President Rtn. Tarakjit Saha**.

### 2. National Anthem

- All members stood together for **the National Anthem**.

### 3. President's Address

- President Rtn. Tarakjit Saha extended a warm welcome to all members and highlighted the Rotary International theme for July: Maternal and Child Health. He spoke about the importance of aligning club initiatives with meaningful impact in this area.

### 4. Project Launch & Discussion

**The President introduced and invited discussion on the following July projects:**

- Harit Daan – A green initiative promoting plantation and sustainability
- Shobdotuli – A creative literacy initiative focusing on expression and education
- Mother & Child Event – An outreach program to support maternal health and child care
- Members contributed to planning and volunteered for project execution.

### 5. Member Contributions

**Several members shared their suggestions and ideas:**

- Rtn. Jharna Bhattacharjee shared concepts around involving women's groups.
- Dr. Chitra Sen offered insights from training experience to enhance skill development project outcomes.
- Other members contributed valuable thoughts on outreach and logistics.

### 6. Launch of Membership Welcome Kit

**President Rtn. Tarakjit Saha unveiled the club's new Membership Kit, designed to offer a warm, value-driven welcome to new Rotarians. The kit included:**

- A live Plant – symbolizing growth and sustainability
- A personalized Membership Certificate
- A Manipal Health Card – promoting wellness and care
- A Rotary Kolkata Benevolence-branded Bag
- The initiative was well-received and appreciated by all members present.

### 7. Vote of Thanks

- Secretary Rtn. Sharda Chakraborty delivered a heartfelt vote of thanks, appreciating the members' active participation and the President's leadership.
- A special thank you was extended to Mission of Mercy Hospital for their continuous support and graciously hosting the club meeting at their venue.

4<sup>th</sup> July

## 71st General Meeting

### 8. Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm , followed by Birthday celebration, fellowship and refreshments.



### Attendees

Arghya Dey  
Ashish Khandelwal  
Ayindrila Bhattacharya  
Chandan Gupta  
Dr. Chitra Sen  
Dr. Sharda Chakraborty  
Jharna Bhattacharjee  
Kaushik Sen  
Prosun Das  
Rizwan Mohammad  
Rohit Sadaka  
Sahana Bhowmik  
Sanghamitra Ghoshal  
Sanjay Prasad  
Saurabh Kayan  
Shweta Singh  
Shyam Kedia  
Subimal Saha  
Susanta Mondal  
Susmita Chakravarty  
Tarakjit Saha



4<sup>th</sup> July

# 71st General Meeting



12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> July

# RMBF Kolkata East India Business Summit 2025



Date: 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> July, 2025

Event: RMBF Kolkata East India Business Summit 2025

Venue: University of Engineering & Management (UEM), New Town, Kolkata

Direct Beneficiaries: 500+

## ***Empowering Entrepreneurs, Promoting Health, and Building Bridges***

*Date: 12th & 13th July 2025 | Venue: University of Engineering & Management (UEM), New Town, Kolkata*

*Co-Hosted by: Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence*

The **RMBF East India Business Summit 2025** concluded on a high note on **13th July 2025**, after two electrifying days of **learning, collaboration, and innovation**. As proud **Co-Hosts**, the **Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence** played a key role in promoting **entrepreneurship, thalassemia awareness, and free medical testing**—demonstrating how business and benevolence can go hand in hand.

The summit kicked off with a **grand inauguration**, setting the tone for a weekend filled with **engaging panel discussions, visionary keynote speeches, and interactive networking sessions**. Topics covered included **entrepreneurship, family business dynamics, retail growth, artificial intelligence, global trade strategies, and financial wellness**—reflecting the pulse of today's rapidly evolving business landscape.

12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> July

## RMBF Kolkata East India Business Summit 2025

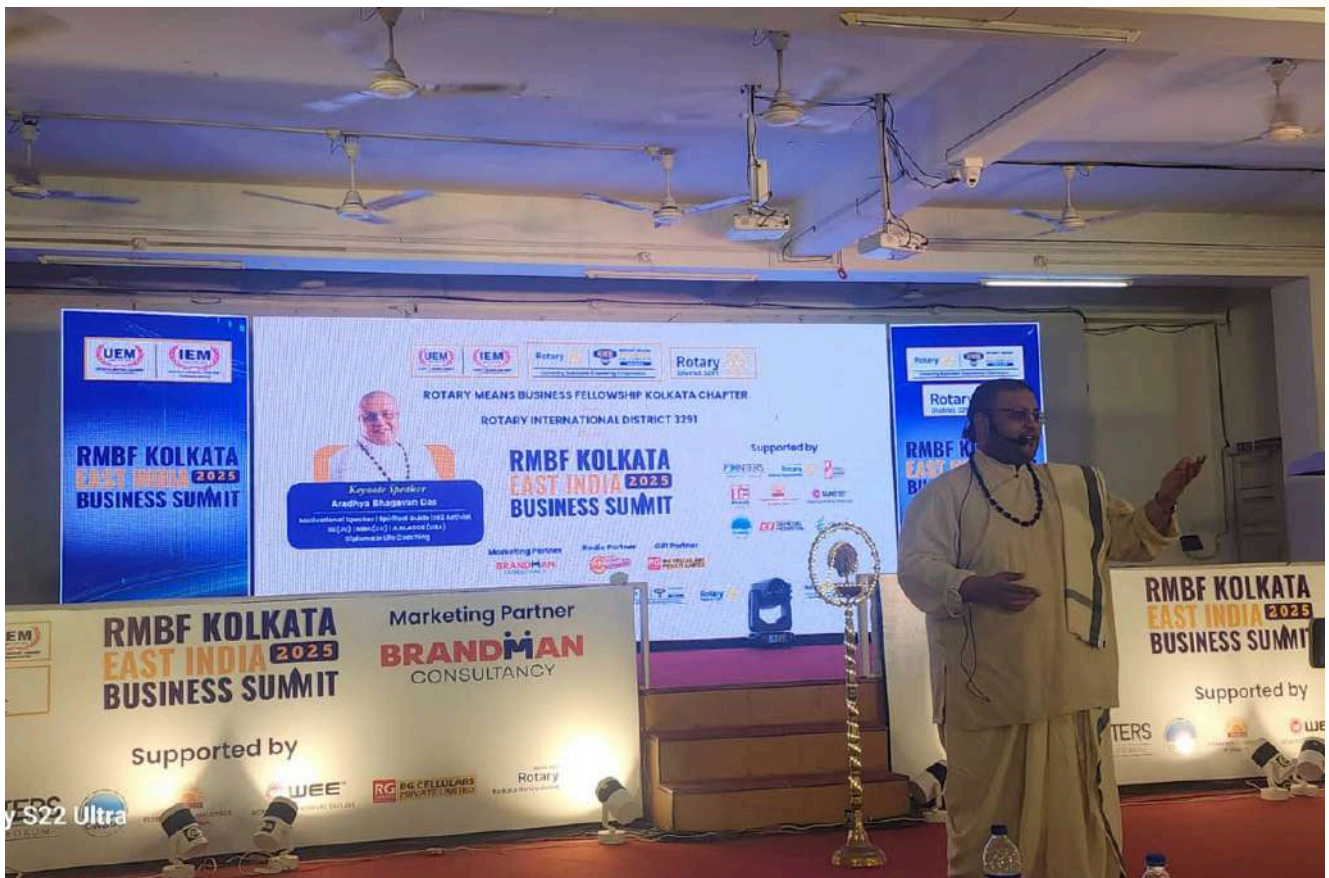
A central highlight of our involvement was the launch of the **'Zero Thalassemia Movement'**, accompanied by **free Thalassemia testing** for attending guests—an initiative that seamlessly merged health advocacy with a large-scale business event.

Beyond knowledge-sharing, the summit was a vibrant celebration of **culture and creativity**. Attendees were treated to **soulful musical performances**, a **dazzling fashion show**, and **felicitations** honouring changemakers who are redefining excellence in their fields. The bustling expo zone also featured a wide array of **innovative business stalls**, fostering partnerships and local enterprise development.

The event echoed the theme of **'Local to Global'**, bringing together **entrepreneurs, thought leaders, and professionals** from diverse backgrounds, all united by a common goal—**growth with purpose**.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to every **speaker, guest, partner, stall owner, volunteer, and participant** who made this summit a phenomenal success. Your presence, energy, and ideas brought this vision to life.

At **Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence**, we believe that **business can be a powerful vehicle for change**, and this summit proved just that.



12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> July

# RMBF Kolkata East India Business Summit 2025



15<sup>th</sup> July

## Nivesh Nirvana 1.3 Financial Literacy Seminar



Date: 15<sup>th</sup> July, 2025

Event: **Nivesh Nirvana 1.3** Financial Literacy Seminar

Venue: R.N. Singh Memorial School, Kolkata

Direct Beneficiaries: 85

### **Empowering Young Minds: Financial Literacy Workshop at R.N. Singh Memorial School**

In an age where financial decisions shape the quality of life, **financial literacy** has become a vital skill for the youth. Educating students about money management, budgeting, savings, and financial planning not only prepares them for real-world challenges but also fosters a sense of responsibility and independence early on.

Recognizing this pressing need, the **Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence**, in association with **Balaji Nivesh Pvt. Ltd.**, organized an insightful **Financial Literacy Workshop** on **15th July 2025** for the **Interact Club of R.N. Singh Memorial School**.

The session introduced students to essential financial concepts—such as understanding the value of money, the habit of saving, identifying debt traps, and making informed financial choices. The workshop was interactive and engaging, sparking curiosity and encouraging practical thinking among the young participants.

Such initiatives go beyond academics, laying the foundation for a generation that is not only educated but also financially aware and empowered. The Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence remains committed to nurturing such holistic development in students through meaningful and timely interventions.

15<sup>th</sup> July

# Nivesh Nirvana 1.3 Financial Literacy Seminar



19<sup>th</sup> July

## Rakhi Mela – By Interact Club of Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence



Date: 19<sup>th</sup> July, 2025

Event: Rakhi Mela – By Interact Club of Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence

Venue: R.N. Singh Memorial School, Kolkata

Direct Beneficiaries: 400+

### **A Day of Colour, Creativity, and Charity**

Date: 19th July 2025 | Time: 11:00 AM – 2:30 PM

Venue: School Courtyard, R.N. Singh Memorial School, Rajdanga

Organised by: Interact Club of R.N. Singh Memorial School

The spirit of Rotary shone brightly on 19th July 2025, as the Interact Club of R.N. Singh Memorial School, under the aegis of the Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence, hosted an electrifying cultural fest titled ★★ AURA ★★ – Celebrate Art & Creativity.

Set in the vibrant courtyard of the school, AURA was a perfect blend of talent, teamwork, and thoughtfulness. The event featured 11 beautifully curated stalls, where students showcased and sold a delightful range of rakhis, handmade crafts, paintings, and other creative items. Complementing the artistic side were lively food stalls, brimming with student-made treats and popular snacks that kept the festive spirit high.

19<sup>th</sup> July

## Rakhi Mela – By Interact Club of Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence

What made **AURA** truly special was the **purpose behind the celebration**. The Interactors proudly announced that **all proceeds from the event would be used for charitable causes** through the **Interact Club of R.N. Singh Memorial School**, reinforcing the core Rotary value of **“Service Above Self.”**

The initiative not only encouraged **entrepreneurial thinking and creativity** among the students but also instilled a deep sense of **social responsibility and empathy**. It was heartwarming to witness young changemakers using their talents and energy to bring about positive impact.

As mentors and Rotarians, we are incredibly proud of our young Interactors for organising such a **meaningful and joyous event**. Their passion and purpose echo Rotary’s belief that **when youth leads with compassion, the future is in good hands**.



19<sup>th</sup> July

## Rakhi Mela – By Interact Club of Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence



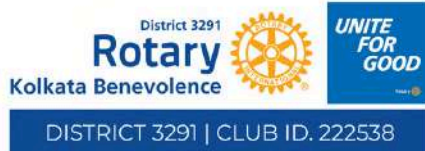
19<sup>th</sup> July

# Rakhi Mela – By Interact Club of Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence



19<sup>th</sup> July

## Harit Daan – Mega Plantation Drive



### Mega Plantation Drive **HARIT DAAN**

Plantation of 300 Tall Trees at a single location

**Date:** 19th & 20th July, 2025

**Time:** 10:00 AM Onwards

**Venue:** Saltora, Bankura

**RSVP**

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Date: 19<sup>th</sup> July, 2025

Event: **Harit Daan** – Mega Plantation Drive

Venue: Saltora Model School, Pabaya, Bankura

Direct Beneficiaries: 1000

**Greening Bankura: Rotary Leads Mega Plantation Drive at Saltora**

On **19th July 2025**, the **Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence**, in collaboration with the **Bengal Tree Foundation**, took a significant step toward environmental sustainability by organizing a **Mega Plantation Drive** in the drought-prone **Bankura district** of West Bengal.

The drive was conducted at **Saltora Model School, Pabaya**, where close to **500 indigenous tree saplings** were planted with great enthusiasm. The event was honored by the presence of the **Block Development Officer (BDO)**, the **Headmaster**, and several dedicated teachers of the school, along with committed Rotarians and local volunteers.

What truly set this initiative apart was the **active involvement of the school's students**. Each student personally planted a sapling and pledged to take responsibility for nurturing its growth. This sense of ownership not only instilled environmental awareness but also created a deep-rooted connection between the children and nature.

This green initiative is envisioned to grow into a **thriving mini forest** of native species, contributing to climate resilience, improved air quality, and restoration of ecological balance in the region.

Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence remains deeply committed to sustainable projects that impact both people and the planet—this plantation drive being a proud example of that mission in action.

19<sup>th</sup> July

# Harit Daan – Mega Plantation Drive



19<sup>th</sup> July

## Shobdotuli – Sit and Draw Competition



Date: 19<sup>th</sup> July, 2025

Event: Shobdotuli – Sit and Draw Competition

Venue: Saltora Model School, Pabaya, Bankura

Direct Beneficiaries: 89

### When Art Speaks for the Earth

Theme: "Environment"

As part of our ongoing commitment to **environmental awareness and youth engagement**, the Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence organised a vibrant **Sit and Draw Competition** at **Saltora Model School** in Bankura on **19th July 2025**. The event saw **89 enthusiastic students** come together, armed with colours, brushes, and a shared mission – to speak for the planet through art.

The chosen theme, "**Environment**," inspired participants to explore pressing ecological issues through their creative lens. The young artists poured their hearts into illustrations of **lush green forests, endangered wildlife, pollution-free cities, and the dangers of climate change**. Their works carried bold messages and emotional resonance, reminding us that the next generation is not just watching – they are ready to act.

19<sup>th</sup> July

## Shobdotuli – Sit and Draw Competition

Judging the competition was no easy task. The **sheer originality, passion, and talent** displayed by these young minds made the selection of just three winners a real challenge. Each entry was a testament to their growing awareness and sincere concern for the world they will inherit.

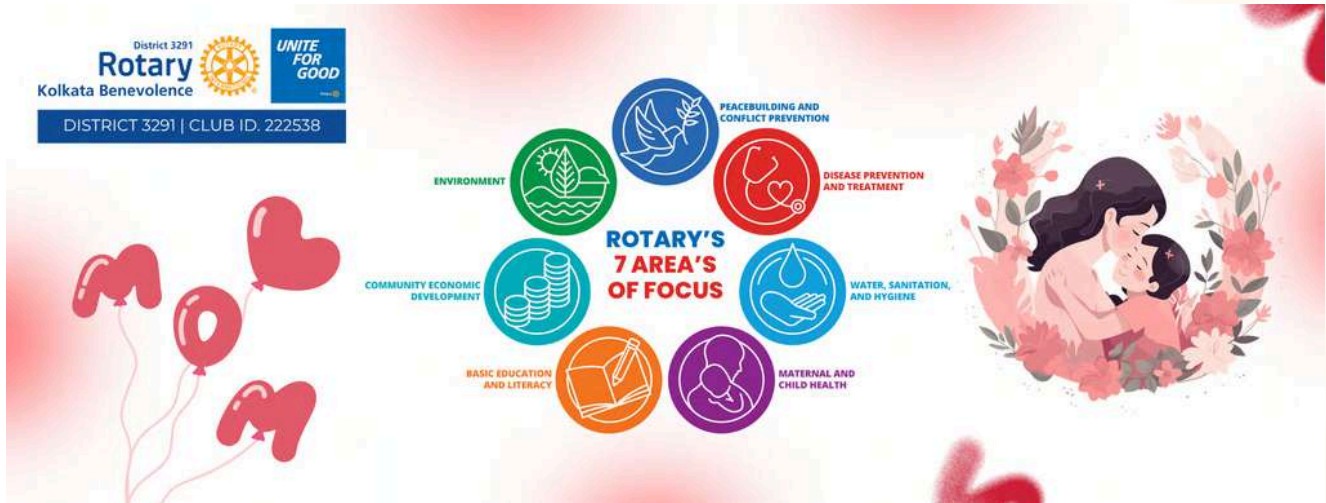
This artistic initiative was not merely a competition—it was a **platform to nurture responsibility, spark dialogue, and promote creativity for a cause**. By giving children an outlet to express their environmental consciousness, we take a step closer to shaping **empathetic, responsible, and proactive citizens of tomorrow**.

We thank the school authorities, volunteers, and local supporters who made the event a success, and most importantly, we applaud every participating student for reminding us, through colours and imagination, why the Earth is worth saving.



20<sup>th</sup> July

## Mother & Child Support – RY Theme for July Month



Date: 20<sup>th</sup> July, 2025

Event: **Mother & Child Support – RY Theme for July Month**

Venue: Maliya Tribal Village, Bankura

Direct Beneficiaries: 50

### 👩‍👧 July – Rotary's Month of Mother and Child Health

In line with Rotary's global focus for the month of July – **Mother and Child Health** – the **Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence** undertook a deeply meaningful initiative in the tribal village of **Maliya, Santal Para**, nestled in the remote interiors of Bankura district.

This small hamlet, home predominantly to the **Santal tribal community**, remains deprived of basic necessities such as **electricity, clean water, and sanitation facilities**. Upon witnessing the living conditions firsthand, our members were moved and motivated to commit to the **long-term upliftment of the community** through planned, sustainable development interventions.

As an initial gesture of care and solidarity, we organised a **workshop and support session** for **tribal mothers and their children**, focusing on maternal well-being, child nutrition, and basic hygiene awareness. Each attending mother was provided with a **packet of nutritious health drink**, meant for both herself and her child, symbolising our belief that care begins with nourishment and dignity.

The event was not just an act of service – it was the **beginning of a relationship** built on **trust, empathy, and hope**. The interactions with the women and children of Maliya highlighted the urgent need for continued support and engagement, and our club has resolved to return with further initiatives including **sanitation projects, education drives, and health awareness programs**.

As Rotarians, we believe that sustainable change starts with **small but sincere steps**. Through this visit, we reaffirmed our commitment to being catalysts of that change – one mother, one child, one village at a time.

20<sup>th</sup> July

# Mother & Child Support – RY Theme for July Month



27<sup>th</sup> July

## Mega Health CheckUp Camp - Support



Date: 27<sup>th</sup> July, 2025

Event: **Mega Health CheckUp Camp** – Support

Venue: Basanti Colony, Kolkata

Direct Beneficiaries: 250+

 **Extending the Gift of Health to the Underserved**

*Co-Hosted with Rotary Club of Calcutta LabanHrad*

In a strong display of **Rotary collaboration and community outreach**, the **Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence** joined hands with the **Rotary Club of Calcutta LabanHrad** as co-hosts for a **Mega Health Check-Up Camp** at **Basanti Colony, Kolkata** on **27th July 2025**. The camp was designed to provide **comprehensive medical services** to the underprivileged, free of cost or at highly subsidized rates.

The camp catered to over **250 beneficiaries**, many of whom had never previously received proper medical attention. The array of services offered included:

- **Blood Tests** (Sugar, Cholesterol, Blood Count)
- **Eye Check-Ups**, including screening for **Cataract Surgery**
- **Spectacles** at subsidized prices
- **Orthopedic and Physiotherapy Consultations**
- **Anemia Screening**, with provision for **medicines and surgeries**
- **Gynecological Consultations**
- **Pediatric Care**
- Distribution of **Calcium and Iron Supplements**

27<sup>th</sup> July

## Mega Health CheckUp Camp - Support

This well-organized initiative brought together a dedicated team of **doctors, specialists, volunteers, and Rotarians**, ensuring each patient was treated with care, dignity, and respect.

What stood out most was not just the **range of medical services**, but the **human touch** – the genuine concern shown by every volunteer and professional who participated. For many attendees, this wasn't just a health camp – it was a **lifeline**, a much-needed intervention that could make the difference between illness and recovery.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to the **Rotary Club of Calcutta LabanHrad** for their leadership and coordination, and to all participating partners and volunteers who made this camp a success. Together, we took a meaningful step toward our shared Rotary goal – **health and dignity for all**.



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## Free Paediatric Heart Surgeries



Date: July, 2025

Event: **Free Paediatric Heart Surgeries**

Direct Beneficiaries: 6

### ❤️ **A Vision of Compassion, A Mission of Hope**

Under the remarkable leadership of our **Immediate Past President, Rtn. Yogita Kichlu**, the **Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence** launched one of its most impactful initiatives to date — **Free Heart Surgeries for Children** from economically disadvantaged backgrounds. What began as a dream rooted in empathy has now transformed into a **lifesaving mission**, giving children not just a new lease on life, but also a chance to live it fully.

The **first surgery** under this program was successfully conducted on **4th July 2025**, setting the tone for what would become a deeply meaningful journey for our club. Since then, a total of **six successful surgeries** has been completed, each one a **story of resilience, courage, and healing**. More surgeries are already in the pipeline, and with each passing day, our commitment to this cause grows stronger.

We take this opportunity to **applaud and deeply appreciate Rtn. Yogita Kichlu** for her **vision, determination, and heart-driven leadership**. It was her unwavering belief that **no child should be denied the chance to live a healthy life due to financial hardship** that made this project a reality. Her initiative has not only saved lives but also inspired every member of our club to think bigger, act bolder, and serve deeper.

July

## Free Paediatric Heart Surgeries

These surgeries are made possible through **collaborations with leading hospitals**, compassionate medical teams, and generous donors who have stepped forward to support this noble cause. However, the **need is vast**, and the journey is far from over.

We call upon our **fellow Rotarians, friends, corporate partners, and well-wishers** to join us in this mission of the heart. Every contribution, big or small, helps us reach another child, another family, and another future full of promise.

If you'd like to be part of this life-transforming initiative — as a donor, partner, or volunteer — please reach out to **Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence**. Together, let's continue what Rtn. Yogita Kichlu so beautifully began: **healing hearts and building hope, one child at a time.**



## STORY

### মনন

মানুষের জীবন এক নদীর মত। ছোটবেলায় কাটে ঝর্ণাধারার মত উদ্দামাতবে তাতেও কিন্তু অনেক বিরল কাহিনী আছে আমরা সেই অজানা আবার কিছু জানা বা অর্ধসত্য কাহিনী গুলো সামনে আনার চেষ্টা করি কি? জানতে চাই পাশের মানুষের মনের ভেতর কি ঝড় চলছে?

মনোরোগ বিশেষজ্ঞের পরামর্শ নিতে বলে কিভাবে নদীকে অন্তঃসলিলা থেকে বাঁচানো যায় সেই চেষ্টা করি কি? সামাজিক নাগরিক হিসেবে আমাদের সমাজের প্রতি কি এই দায়বদ্ধতা নেই?

অকারণে নদীপথে জঞ্জাল পড়লে বাঁধ দিলে কিভাবে আইনি পরামর্শে তাঁর থেকে মুক্তি পাওয়া যায় তার পথটাও কি দেখিয়ে দিই? তাহলে তো একটা অন্ধকার গলি থেকে আলোর পথে একটি মানুষকে হাত ধরে নিয়ে আসা হয় , আমাদের ধর্ম তো তাই শিখিয়ে এসেছে। কেন এত আত্মহননের খবর শুনতে হবে বলুন তো?

আত্মহননের আগে তো তিনটে সিঁড়ি পেরোতে হয় ?

1. প্রতিকূলতা 2. স্ট্রেস 3. ডিপ্রেসন

তারপর আসে আত্মহনন।

এই তিনটে ধাপ থেকে কি সেই অসহায় মানুষগুলোকে আমরা বের করে আনতে পারি না ? বলতে পারি না আগে একটু নিজেকে ভালবাসো, আত্মব্রহ্মকে তুষ্ট করো , তুমি ঠিক জীবন যুদ্ধে জয়ী হবে, মানুষ এখনো আছে মানুষের পাশে, জীবনকে মোহনায় গিয়ে মিশতে দাও যেখানে অনন্ত সাগর অপেক্ষা করছে তোমার জন্য। তোমার গতিপথে প্রতিকূলতা এসেছে তুমি নিজেই নিজের গতিপথ পরিবর্তন করে আবার বয়ে চলো, ফল্গু নদী হয়ে যেও না।

অকালে শেষকৃত্যের কান্না নয় আমরা ঝর্ণা থেকে মোহনার শব্দ শুনতে চাই। আর এই অসহায় সময় কাউকে পাশে না পেলেও Rotary kolkata Benevolence কে সদা সর্বদা পাশে পাবেন , শুধু আপনাদের হাতটা বেরিয়ে দিয়ে আস্থা রাখুন। আমরা আছি আপনাদের পাশে আপনাদের সাথে।





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### Contemplation

Human existence is like a river. Childhood moves like a reckless waterfall. Rare, untold tales can be found even in those early streams. Should we make an effort to reveal those little-known, frequently overlooked facts?

Do we ever pause to sense the storms raging inside the minds of those around us?

Can we, with the guidance of mental health professionals, prevent that river from turning into an underground stream—silent, invisible, and lost?

As socially responsible citizens, don't we owe something to our society?

When obstacles clog the river's path when debris or barriers weigh it down shouldn't we show the way forward, even offer legal help when needed, to clear that flow?

Isn't that what humanity, compassion, and faith have always taught us  
To take someone by the hand and guide them from darkness into light?  
Why then must we so often hear of lives lost to suicide?

Before someone reaches that final step, they climb three silent stairs:

1. Adversity 2. Stress 3. Depression

Can we not pull them back from these edges?

Can we not whisper, "First, love yourself. Nourish your soul. You "can" and "will" win this battle. There "are" still people who care."

Let life flow to its destined confluence, where an infinite ocean awaits.

If you face a storm, you can always change course. Don't dry up and disappear...flow forward, not as a buried stream, but as a living, breathing river.

Let us not hear the cries of untimely loss.

Let us hear the music of the river reaching the sea.

And in your most helpless hour, if you find no one else beside you

Know this:

**Rotary Kolkata Benevolence** will always be there for you.

Just extend your hand, and place your trust.

We are with you.

Always.





## TESTIMONIAL FOR ROTARY CLUB OF KOLKATA BENEVOLENCE & ROTARY CLUB OF CONTAI

I wish to express my deepest gratitude to Mr. Tarakjit Saha of the Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence and Mr. Goutam Kr Roy of the Rotary Club of Contai, West Bengal, who stood beside me like unwavering pillars during one of the darkest and most challenging moments of my life.

While on a short holiday trip to Digha, my father suddenly passed away, leaving our family devastated. He was accompanied by my mother, and the situation quickly spiraled into chaos. I rushed to Digha with my close friend Abhik Sengupta, only to find myself in a situation I was completely unprepared for. Since my father's passing had occurred in a hotel, it became a legal matter involving the local police, FIR procedures, and a mandatory post-mortem. Emotionally broken and with no prior experience of handling such a crisis, I felt lost.



It was then that Tarakjit Da stepped in with his ever-reliable Rotary network. He immediately connected me with Mr. Goutam Kr Roy from the Rotary Club of Contai, who not only guided us through the legal formalities but also ensured that the post-mortem process was completed on time without unnecessary complications. He went a step further and arranged a driver to take us back to Kolkata safely—a gesture I will never forget.

Throughout this ordeal, my sister Aditi, Abhik, and I found strength through the compassionate support of these two remarkable individuals. Thank you, Tarakjit Da, for constantly checking in, providing emotional strength, and coordinating help from afar. And to Goutam Sir, your on-ground assistance and empathy were nothing short of lifesaving.

To both the Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence and the Rotary Club of Contai—thank you for being true examples of "Service Above Self." You gave us the strength to cope when we needed it most.

With heartfelt gratitude,  
Kaushik Pal ❤️❤️

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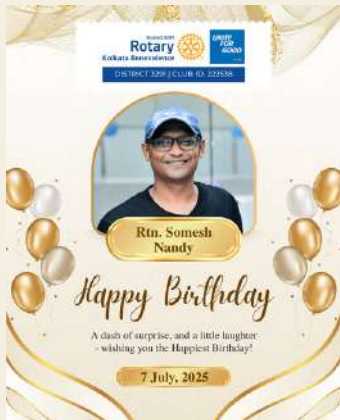
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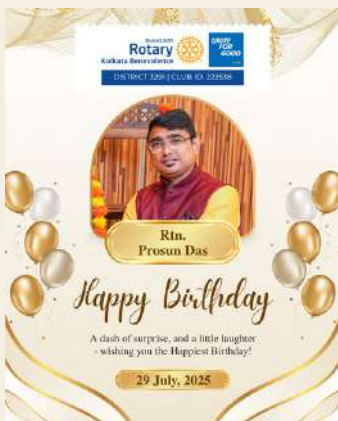
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Warm wishes to all our members celebrating their birthdays in July!  
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- **With love, The Benevolence Family**

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**NAVIN MISHRA & KAMINI MISHRA – 14 JUL**  
**PAULAMI SENGUPTA & VISWAJIT MODAK – 21 JUL**

Wishing all our members celebrating anniversaries in July a joyful year ahead filled with love and blessings.

**- With love, The Benevolence Family**

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