

Newsletter

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Note from Rtn Dr Kaushik Sil



As a child I became familiar with Rotary's name while browsing the Readers' Digest magazines that my family used to subscribe to. I could have never imagined then that one day I would be a part of great organization. It happened just a few years ago when Rtn Sharmila Roy (di), a school senior, asked me to join Club of Calcutta Rotary Pointers. The fact that it is a club exclusively for South Point alumni, helped me to decide rightaway.

The journey since that day has been a big revelation of how much good work can be done by ordinary people like me and the satisfaction one can obtain from it. I am involved with various medical projects, particularly those related to mental health and menstrual health, and as a Rotarian I have seen the respect and blessings one receives from the beneficiaries.

I have deliberately kept myself away from non- medical projects as I am still learning the nuances of all that Rotary does. It is amazing how our RCCP founders have picked up the intricacies of Rotary work in a relatively short time and are executing Global Grant Projects. I admire their effort and sincerity to keep RCCP moving from strength to strength.

Hopefully in near future, after learning all the ropes from them, I will be able to be in their shoes and help to take RCCP forward. Long live RCCP.

Rtn Dr Kaushik Sil



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Sanitary Napkin Distribution Centre at Katwa

Project date: 9th November 2024

NGO Afflatus runs an umbrella project called Ghorey Ghorey Sanitary Pad that aims to ensure availability of sanitary napkins at affordable price for rural women. The self- functioning mechanism is a mode of income generation for women, thus facilitating their financial independence and empowerment. Together with Afflatus, RCCP is setting up numerous self-help groups in rural areas and urban slums. This project is for Katwa Block and beneficiaries will be women of nearby villages.

Each unit will consist of 6 women responsible for packaging and selling, and will cater to approximately 1000 beneficiaries on every order cycle. The profit generated will be distributed among the 6 women in charge.

Once all packets are sold, the unit will place order for the next cargo from the sales revenue which thus becomes a rolling capital.

The success of a unit will be measured by how quickly it is able to sell all packets and place the next order. More orders will mean more profit for the unit and propagation of healthy menstrual habit amongst the village women.

RCCP is funding the establishment of this centre at a cost of Rs 35, 850, that will benefit 1000 women. Approximately 50 hours were spent on the project.

The project lead Rtn Nabanita Khan was helped by Rtn Soumya Priya Mukherjee and Rtn Sachindra Rao.

Category: Maternal & Child Health-Menstruation Hygiene Management Project



Lekha PoRa- Academic Assistance Project for Bethune School students

Project date: 24th November 3024

Lekha PoRa is an umbrella project of RCCP for those students who come from underprivileged backgrounds, are keen to pursue formal education but face financial difficulties. Lekha PoRa helps them by buying them books and/or paying their tuition fees.

Working with Susmita Nandi of Kalapi, this project aims to help 2 meritorious girls who earlier studied in a school for Santhali students in Purulia, and were later helped by Susmita Nandi to secure admission in Class XI in Bethune Collegiate School, Kolkata. RCCP is assisting Saraswati Murmu and Falguni Singh Mura by buying them books for the new semester.

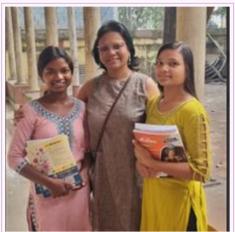
Rtn Nabanita Khan led the project that cost approximately Rs 2600, took 10 hours to complete and has benefitted two.

Category: Basic Education & Literacy-Scholarships

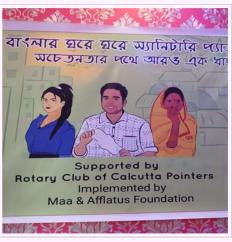


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Birthday

Birthdays

Rtn Siddhanta Mukherjee

8th November

Rtn Arindam Roy Choudhury

17th November

Rtn Dr Sujoy Majumdar

24th November

Rtn Sanjukta Majumdar

25th November

Rtn Partha Narayan Mitra

29th November



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Rtn Colonel SP Mukherjee (Retd)

Secretary:

Rtn Nabanita Khan

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Rtns SutapaRoy, Snehajyoti Saha

Upcoming Projects in December 2024

- 1. Aparajita Cervical Cancer Vaccination program at Batighar, Kalighat 2. MAA as a co-host with RC of Calcutta
- North East

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