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CREATE HOPE in the WORLD

ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH

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### **UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS**

**24th November**: Inauguration of water kiosk at Calcutta Medical College.

25th November: RWM merged with Golf

Zotn November : RWM merged with Tournament

26th November: Mega Health Check Up

Camp

# NEXT RWM 1st December at HHI

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

दीप जलते रहे , मन से मन मिलते रहें , गिले शिकवे सारे दिलसे निकलते रहें , सारे विश्व में सुख शामि कि प्रभात ले आये,ये दीपों का क्वौहार ख़ुशी की सौगात ले आये !!

I wish you all had a great Festive time. May we at Mahanagar always keep illuminating the light of Hope with our resources and services.

Our heartfelt thanks to all who could attend our Diwali Meet - Royal Rajasthan. Such a big event can be successful only when we have a team of enthusiastic members working with love and dedication. A huge run of Gratitude to fellowship Chairmen Pramila Dugar and Roshni Jain for curating Royal Rajasthan in an exquisite style,

Club Treasurer Sanjay -Kavita Bhalotia,Rtn Raj Somani,members for coming forward with prizes and gifts and last but not least all the participants for putting up an excellent and entertaining performance.

Our Club has taken the Initiative to Host the 8th SAFGR ASIA Golf CHAMPIONSHIP organised by SAFGR KOLKATA CHAPTER on November 23rd, 24th and 25th, 2023 to support Literacy in India along with Rotary India Literacy Mission. Our Next RWM is merged with this event and it will be held on 25th November at Tollygunj Club. I request members to come forward to support this initiative. Each year, Rotary International highlights November as Rotary Foundation Month to emphasize the importance of and need for Rotarian support of The Rotary Foundation. Foundation helps Rotary members to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace by improving health, providing quality education, improving the environment, and alleviating poverty. Today we are honoured to have PDG Debashish Mitra amongst us as a Guest speaker who will inspire us by his deliberation on Joy of Giving.

Let's ward off the darkness by lighting the lamps of hope in the lives of the needy ones around us. May the Month November energise us with New Zeal - New ideas to serve the needy ones.

- Rtn. Jyoti Mahipal

President

### **Today's Speaker**



 $Debasish\,Mitra, born\,in\,a\,reputed\,family\,in\,Kolkata\,India\,did\,his\,schooling\,from\,the\,St\,Paul's\,School, Darjeeling.\,He\,obtained\,a\,Bachelor's\,Degree\,in\,Science\,\&\,Post-Graduation\,in\,Business\,Management\,from\,the\,University\,of\,Calcutta.$ 

He is the Chief Executive of Mitra Technical Service a firm that undertakes Turnkey Interior Designing & Furnishing Projects for MNCs & Indian Corporate across India for the last 35 years. He is currently Ethics Committee Member of Narayan Hridayalaya R.N. Tagore International Institute of Cardiac Sciences, Honorary Member of Mahaveer Seva Sadan & Life Member of Sri Aurobindo Pathamandir Kolkata. He is a member of prestigious Social Clubs like The Calcutta Club, Calcutta Rowing Club & Dalhousie Institute.

He joined the Rotary movement 35 years back in the year 1988 as a Charter Member of Rotary Calcutta Dhakuria D 3291 India & received the honor of serving D 3290 as District Governor India & Nepal during 2006-2007 the largest District in the Rotary

world in those days with 190 Clubs. During the year the District raised more than 5 Lacs USD & formed 8 new Rotary Clubs. He is a recipient of the Distinguished Service Award, Meritorious Service Award, Polio Regional Service Award & RI Presidential Citation for outstanding service to the suffering humanity. He initiated the first Rotary Medical Mission to Africa to Debasish is currently serving as National Committee Member-India National Polio Plus Committee for 5 Rotary Districts spread over 15 Indian States from 2018-24, Youth Service Coordinator 2022-24 & Chair Indo-German Rotary Inter-Country Committee. Debasish & his wife Papia successfully represented RI President & the First lady as RIPR to D 3132 India, RIPR to D 3500 Taiwan & RIPR to D 3281 Bangladesh. They have traveled all over the world in 40 Countries.

Debasish & Papia are a Major Donor couple & generous givers for good causes. They are blessed with only son Avishek married to Dipthi both MBAs from the Melbourne Business School & working as Senior Strategists for two reputed MNCs in Melbourne Australia..

- PDG Debasish Mitra

### **HIGHLIGHTS**



### Diwali Meet - Royal Rajasthan

Deepawali...The festival of lights represents the victory of light over darkness and hope over despair. It brings joy and togetherness, where we celebrate the efforts put in at Mahanagar to bring about a smile in this world. Hence, at Mahanagar, we celebrated this special festival in our way.

Our President Jyoti Mahipal with the help of the fellowship committee consisting of Pramila Dugar and Roshni Jain curated a beautiful evening in Rajasthani style naming it "Rajasthan Royals". Everyone was decked up in Rajasthani style. The venue was superbly decorated according to the theme with multicolored kites and touch of the ancient royalty and the food was lip smacking. Few game counters were also arranged for the entertainment of the members and family. There was a grand lottery event where many prizes in the form of silver coins were distributed among members. PP Deepak Choudhary and treasurer Sanjay Bhalotia did their share of fun and leg pulling wonderfully while giving away the prizes. Our super enthusiastic members and their partners participated in Ghoomar dance and fashion show. PP Sanjay Dugar, Seema Somani and Aparna Biyani impressed the audience with their musical performance.

The Best Dress Couple award was given to Surendra and Shashi Agarwal. The best dressed Bannasa award was given to Sanjay Dugar and the Bannisa award to Roshni Jain.

It was a was a fun-filled evening celebrated truly in a Royal grandeur.

Wishing each Mahanagar members and their families a happy and prosperous Deepawali. I thank everyone who could come and make this event a big success. Next year we shall celebrate this festival with same enthusiasm and vigor.

-By PE Rtn Pramila Dugar



# Diwali Meet - Royal Rajasthan

### **Childrens Day Celebration**

Mahanagar celebrated children's day at our Vocational Center where we distributed stationary items, toys, educational materials, Biscuits and Chocolates to100 children. The goods were sponsored by Sodexo and Cadbury.



### **Project - Mangrove**

4 days of training being organized at the Vivekananda Institute of Biotechnology under the Sundarbans Mangrove Grant. On 9th November, RC Mahanagar & IHF were present along with 25 beneficiaries of 1st





### **Project - Paediatric Cancer**

On 14th November, we joined hands with LBC (Life Beyond Cancer) to celebrate Children's Day at SSKM.An entertaining program was organised for children who survived cancer under our project Paediatric Cancer. Many beneficiary





children performed a dance show, there was magic show sponsored by Mahanagar and children were given gifts also. PP Ashok Agarwal took care of Registration and Rtn Sanghmitra Ghosh was active in handling the event.

Puzzle 10

### CONGRATULATIONS!



Nikhita Gandhi is getting felicitated by St. Xavier College (Calcutta) Alumni Association.

# **Answer for Puzzle 9**

### **ANSWER:3**

### **Explanation:**

The top number minus the bottom left-hand number is multiplied by the bottom right-hand number to give the number inside the triangle.

The members who participated are:Neelam Jalan, Sweta Choudhary, Aditi Ray, Deepali Bhandari and Ratan Agarwal.

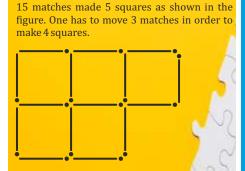
And the winners are: 1.Deepali Bhandari 2. Aditi Ray

# Happy Birthdays

Nikita Shah 20-Nov Rtn. Aditi Ray 20-Nov Anju Surana 23-Nov Rtn. Mahendar Singhal 25-Nov Neena Lakhotia 26-Nov Atn. Uttam Bagaria 26-Nov Rtn. Vikas Tibrewal 28-Nov Kavita Biyani 30-Nov

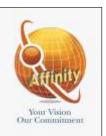
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