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## Rotary Mussoorie

Charter 6556 Club No. 15367

Serving Since -26th March 1947

MEETING No. 3818

### AGENDA

Information / Discussion

on upcoming Project

At 5pm

Venue- Tavern Restaurant



Rotary Mussoorie's meeting no. 3816 on 1st May'25 was held in Tavern. **Guest speaker Ms. Surbhi Agarwal** was invited to present a talk on 'Urban Planning Through the Centuries in and around Mussoorie'.

**President Sanjay Jain** called the meeting to order & started the meeting by giving a token of gift to PP Manoranjan Tripathi for his upcoming wedding Anniversary. Thereafter, the speaker Guest Ms. Surbhi Agarwal was welcomed by the President along with her friend Aparna who was accompanying her. **PP N.K. Sahni** gave her brief introduction.



**Ms. Surbhi Agarwal**, is a Mussoorie based History & Art researcher & curator. She runs a VR Art space Gallery promoting local talent & nurturing creative intellect. Since 2011 she's been curating Landour lecture series, a community platform. She's a convener of IN-TACH Mussoorie chapter & always thinks in the welfare of Mussoorie. As, the evening unfolded, it took each one present down the memory lane, remembering the quiet, simple & enchanting days of Mussoorie. Ms. Surbhi gave a wonderful slide presentation touching on the Rich history & culture of the Queen of Hills. The talk was followed by a QA session. **PP Pramode Sawhney** thanked the guest for refreshing everyone with the bygone memories

Mr. President requested all to contribute for the upcoming Scholarship Program on Thursday 27th May'25 Towards the end, a two minute silence was observed as condolence for **Smt. Sudha Shah** mother in law of R'Annet Meenal Shah (Daughter of PP Shailendra Karanwal & R'Anne Rashmi Karanwal) & **Smt. Sudha Bhargav** wife of PDG Ramesh Bhargav from Shimla.

PDG Ranbir Singh & President Sanjay Jain presented a Token of Thanks to the **Guest speaker Ms. Surbhi Agarwal**



**Punctuality Leads to Performance !**  
*A way to motivate our Fellow Rotarians ,*  
**Winner:**  
*PD Ranbir Singh*



**Wear the Lapel Pin with Pride**

*Lucky Draw Winner :*

*PP Feroz Ali*



**Time for Presents...!!**

***President Sanjay Jain presented gifts to PP Manoranjan Tripathi for his 45th wedding Anniversaries on 4th May***





Rotary Mussoorie's meeting no. 3817 on Thursday, 8th May'25 was organized at Luxury Inn by Stotrak, from 11:00 AM onwards with the Agenda of 'A special workshop organized by Rotary Club Mussoorie in collaboration with Singer Company' under **Director Vocational Service Training Rtn. Yogita Goyal & Chairman Vocational Service Training PP Arjun Kaintura**, featuring :

- Certificate Distribution to students who have successfully completed their stitching classes at RVTC
- Free Servicing of Sewing Machines (all brands) for all the beneficiaries.
- Special workshop for students who are under going stitching course at RVTC.

The Chief Guest for the event was **Smt. Meera Saklani Chairman Mussoorie Nagar Palika**, who was welcomed by **President Sanjay Jain**. Director Vocational Training **Rtn. Yogita Goyal** briefed the guests & workshop participants about the event & introduced the Trainer team from Singer Co. who further demonstrated the working of the advanced Singer machines purchased by Rotary 2 years back. First Lady **Renu Jain**, **R'Anne Jaijaiwanti Karanwal**, **Rtn. Nupur Karanwal Kaintura**, **Ashu Jain** were the first few to take advantage of the initial practical demo. of the advanced sewing machine, later on followed by RVTC stitching Trainer **Mrs. Zeenat** & others present. **Ms Ashu Jain** an enthusiast in serving the community donated one sewing machine on the occasion, in the name of her late parents **Mr. Hemendra K. Jain & Shakun Jain**, to one of the participant ladies. She has been quite supportive in Rotary Projects earlier as well.



Thereafter, Chief Guest **Mrs. Meera Saklani** addressed the audience & presented a few words of motivation to the ladies present. She said she's always keen to support Rotary Mussoorie for such causes towards community service.

A token of thanks was presented to the Chief Guest by the First Lady **R'Anne Renu Jain**.



**PP D.K. Jain** thanked the Chief Guest & everyone present, **Rtn. Yogita Goyal**, **Manish Goyal** & the Management of Stotrak Luxury Inn for their hospitality & the media present on the occasion.



Rtn. Yogita Goyal later was delighted to share that the Singer 2-Day Workshop was successfully completed, after the certificate distribution on the 2nd day to all trainee students who successfully completed the stitching courses at RVTC. Present on the occasion was also R'Anne Rita Jain.

A total of **38 ladies benefited** from the workshop, gaining valuable skills and confidence. Additionally, all RVTC machines were serviced and repaired, ensuring smooth functioning for future sessions.

President Sanjay Jain said, it's a valuable initiative aimed at empowering local women through skill development and equipment maintenance.

Together, Rotary continues to empower and uplift the community around.

Lunch was provided for all during the two day workshop , for which **PP Deepak Gupta , Rtn. Deepak Aggarwal & Rtn. Ashwani Mittal** contributed Rs. 1000/- each .

***Certificate Distribution to students who have successfully completed their stitching course at RVTC***



## *Free Servicing of Sewing Machines*



### *Workshop for students undergoing stitching course at RVTC*



**(PLEASE BLOCK YOUR DATE)**

• Scholarship Program

&

DG Visit on 27th May '25

• Blood Donation Camp on 31st  
May'25

• AG visit on 23rd May'25

• Pathology test camp for  
Rotarians on 25th May'25



## Greetings



Rtn. Rajat Aggarwal celebrated his 48th Birthday on 12th May '25.



PP Vinesh Sanghal will Celebrate his 64th Birthday on 20th May '25.

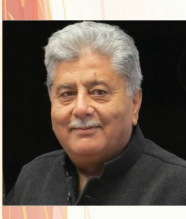
PP Col. S B Lal & R'Anne Kshem  
Will Celebrate their 63rd Wedding Anniversary  
on 19th May '25



PP C R Arya & R'Anne Santosh  
Will Celebrate their 58th wedding anniversary  
on 19th May '25



PP D K Jain & R'Anne Rita  
Will Celebrate their 48th wedding anniversary  
on 20th May '25



PP Aalok Mehrotra completed his 42 years of dedicated Rotary Service on 12th May'25.



Rtn. Sandeep Sahni will complete his 13 years of dedicated Rotary Service on 17th May'25.



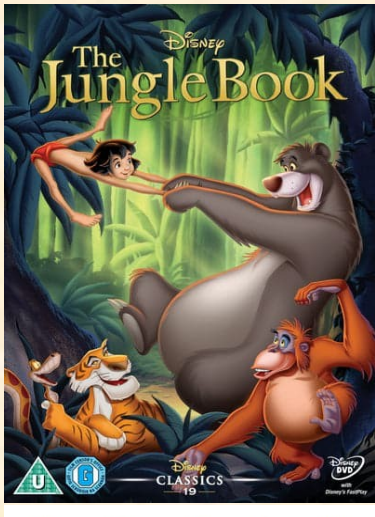
PP Dr. K S Bisht will complete his 52 years of dedicated Rotary Service on 19th May'25.



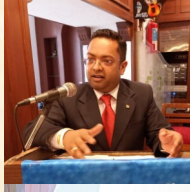
Rtn. Nupur Karanwal Kaintura will complete her 3 years of dedicated Rotary Service on 15th May'25.

*The Jungle Book Movie was shown to basic English speaking students to make learning English fun for them as part of Curriculum*





## [Our Pride of Rotary Mussoorie](#)



**Past President Nitin Gupta...** *A Zestful & exuberant player towards life itself.., with strong belief to serve Humanity*

*from his youth, be it as a Rotaractor or later as a Rotarian. A friend of all , with a smile that never fades to pass on Happiness to the other...*

A passionate family man & hard core business man he is ! Multi-tasking all with such smoothness. PP Nitin Gupta son of Late Ashok Gupta who was also a very dedicated Rotaractor himself. He did his schooling from Wynberg Allen School followed by Lawrence School Sanawar. After a bit of an experience from Hindu College Delhi, he came back to his hometown Mussoorie & Graduated in B.Com from MPG College, Mussoorie HNB University. He took over the reigns of his family business Medical store '**A. Kumar and Co.**' and multifolded it into a departmental store along with the famous bakery -'**Kumars Happiness**'. He's expanded his business into Hotels '**Kempty Boutique Hotel**' & recently started an additional venture by the name of '**Bummy Cottage... a Villa stay & cafe.**'



His wife is the most Graceful & an intellect & highly talented **Pooja Gupta** who graduated from Daulat Ram College Delhi. She's his greatest pillar of support in life. R'Anne Pooja is also a Past President of Rotaract club Mussoorie.



They're blessed with 2 daughters & a son. **Samragyi** the eldest daughter is pursuing her BA. LLB & is in her 4th year. **Manasvi** a highly talented & promising child is in 10th standard & son **Utkarsh** in 4th class in Wynberg-Allen School. Besides being involved in other social organizations PP Nitin Gupta is also a **Past Worshipful Master of Lodge Dalhousie-10 Mussoorie.**

## **A Glimpse of His Journey in Rotary**

**PP Nitin Gupta's** connect with Rotary goes back to **1998** when he became the **Charter President of Rotaract Club Mussoorie**. Soon after, he joined Rotary Club Mussoorie on **27<sup>th</sup> November 2004**. It was when Rotary started its **66th** year of **'Service Above Self'** in a grand manner. At a simple yet impressive tea meeting on **25TH July 2013** at Tavern Mussoorie, **PDG Major Som Dutt** installed the new team and the baton of Presidentship was passed on to **Rtn. Nitin Gupta**. Secretary was **Rtn. Dalip Agarwal**.

### **Key Projects:**

Best efforts were put to personify the RI Theme **ENGAGE ROTARY CHANGE LIVES** of many underprivileged in community by working on the following projects.

- **Rotary Mussoorie Medical Aid**  
- Under the very able Chairmanship of PP Suvigya Sabharwal, the club was instrumental in setting high standards by disbursing medical aid worth **Rs1,18000/-** (one lacks eighteen thousand) approximately to 10 needy patients suffering from various diseases.

- **Rebuilding Uttarakhand:** President Nitin Gupta, PP N.K.Sahni, and PP D.K.Jain visited the villages around Thathyur which were severely affected by the Uttarakhand Disaster, to assess the severity of the calamity as well as, to have a firsthand knowledge of the requirements disaster struck people. **Rotary India** had committed to rebuild and reconstruct **176 schools** in the district of Rudraprayag and Utrakashi & agreed to provide benches and desks for 160,000 students. **Rotary Mussoorie** contributed generously for the Uttarakhand disaster relief fund

- Matching Grant for CHILD WELFARE PROJECT was held in September 2013 (Chief Guest- DG Rakesh Aggarwal). This Matching Grant of approx **US\$2000/-** was equally matched by Rotary Mussoorie to benefit 231 students from 7 schools of Mussoorie.

- **66th Rotary Mussoorie Charter Day** was celebrated on 27th March 2014. All the Past Presidents were Honored with a token of appreciation.

- **LITERACY PROMOTION** – (continued throughout the year)  
- Assisted the students of Sanskrit Mahavidyalaya, Mussoorie to participate in the Inter School Track and Field Events by giving 28 pair of shoes to the athletes. Seven students of various schools were given educational equipment.

- Water pump was presented to MYSSM School to enable the students to have access to uninterrupted pure drinking water throughout the year.

- 44 warm sweaters were distributed to the students of Mussoorie Girls Inter College, Mussoorie.

- A Book Bank was made at Mussoorie Girls Inter College and 330 course books were donated to the school for the benefit of the education of the under privileged students of the school.

- **SANITATION AND DRINKING WATER PROJECT-**

- A water purifying system with an over head tank, basin, nail clipper, soap and towels was set up at three government schools by Rotary Mussoorie.



- All the National Immunization Days were observed by the Rotarians.

- Sum of **Rs21000/-** raised at 'The world's Greatest Meal' fireside dinner.

• **Scholarship Program-** The Club disbursed over **Rs. 3 lakhs** to **171 meritorious and needy students** from 11 government and other Hindi medium schools as well as students of Mussoorie Post Graduate College . **Cdr. Prakash Mehrotra** was the Guest of Honour.

• **Rotary Mussoorie Mega Medical Camp** was held on 11th May 2014 at MYSVM School, Mussoorie. There were 475 registrations of the patients who benefited with eye check-up, Audiometric, dental check, Gynecology check up & Pap-smear test, etc. patients suffering from Cataract were successfully operated at Drishti Eye Centre, Dehradun

• **Blood Donation Camp** - 3rd PP Kuldeep Raj Sahni Memorial Blood Donation Camp was held on 31st May 2014. **151 Units of Blood** was collected. Rotary Mussoorie Recognized and felicitated all the **130 enthusiastic Blood donors**.

• **The Annual Vocational Awards Function of Rotary Mussoorie** was held on 29th May 2014.

• **50 Nepali Bahadurs** were honoured by Rotary Mussoorie who are working in Mussoorie for over 30 years. A **specially designed raincoat** was presented to each *Bahadur* to protect them from adverse weather and rains.

• 50 *Bahadurs (Porters)* and over 75 rag Pickers of Mussoorie were given clothes.

• Rotary Mussoorie contributed a sum of **\$ 4000/-** approx. to The Rotary Foundation.

• **Donated 2 Buses to Purkal School** in Collaboration with Rotary Germany scholarship. It was attended by Past RI President Raja Saboo.

• **NEW PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS** through Rotary Mussoorie

- Rtn. Dalip Agarwal

- Rtn. Feroz Ali

- Rtn. Arjun Kaintura

- Annet Kanika Singh

(granddaughter of PP D.P.Sing)

• **Guest Speakers :**

- **Dr. Jonathan Long** – Principal Woodstock School, Mussoorie.

- **Shri Kush Verma** Director General National Institute of Administrative Research, LBSNAA.

- **Mr. R. Meenakshi Sundaram-VC-** Mussoorie Dehradun Development Authority.

• **Awards and Recognition:**

- **Best President to,**

**President Nitin Gupta**

- **Best Secretary to,**

**Rtn. Dalip Aggarwal**

**PP Nitin Gupta I'd say is...**

*Smiles for miles... He lives the*

*Theme : Spread positivity &*

*laughter to change lives around...*

*an Amazingly Happy go Lucky ,*

*dynamic personality... A man of*

*Conviction .*

*Joys , Laughters, givingness are*

*the Real colours of life for him.*

*“Jeene ka andaaz wo , jo har dil ko  
chhu jaaye...!!! “*

*Year of Presidentship...*


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**ENGAGE ROTARY CHANGE**

**LIVES**





**Rotary**  **Service Above Self**

**6th Rotary Mussoorie Board Meeting** was held on 8th May'25 at Neelam Restaurant hosted by **PP Vipul Mittal & Rtn. Rajat Aggarwal** where all the Directors presented their reports & important decision were taken for upcoming projects





