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A message from President **RAHUL GOENKA**



Dear Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji

Namaste,

In the normal course of events, various leaders would come on television, radio, social media platforms, news prints, etc., calling for Indians to remain united, strong and maintain the peace. Tonight, no such call is needed. It has already been delivered by the Indian people. We have seen the unity of India in face of another terrorist attack, this time on civilian tourists from across India. We have seen the strength of India in the endurance of its security forces, working past exhaustion. We have seen the fluttering of flags, the lighting of candles, the saying of prayers in every Indian language. We are seeing the unity of a loving, and a giving people, who have made the grief of strangers their own. Tonight we are a country awakened to yet another danger and called again to defend freedom. Our grief has turned to anger, and anger to resolution. Among those killed was a young son of the country, Shubham Dwivedi. From the accounts of the survivors, the terrorist asked whether he is Hindu or Muslim, on learning he is a Hindu, they killed him. We also understand from one account that, Eshanaay (Shubham's wife), who survived the attack, asked the terrorists to kill her as well. However, they spared her life to use her as a witness to convey a message to her Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

We are sure, Shri Modi ji, you have received the message. We use this platform to amplify the message... They have started this war, we urge you to end it... Our war on terror begins in Jammu and Kashmir, but it does not end there. It will not end until every terrorist group in the world, who even thinks of harming an Indian, has been found, stopped and defeated. Whether we bring our enemies to justice, or bring justice to our enemies, justice should be served. We Indians are asking, why do they hate us? They hate what you are holding in your hand and reading freely... Our freedom of speech and expression. They hate our freedom of religion, our freedom to vote and assemble and disagree with each other. They hate our Freedoms...

This hate is disguised as various forms... for Indians, it fight over territory of Jammu and Kashmir. These terrorists kill not merely to end lives, but to disrupt and end a way of life. With every atrocity, they hope that Indians grows fearful, retreating from the influence we wield in the world and forsaking the rewards of Freedom that, our ancestors and, we have earned with the price of our blood.

Indians are asking: How will we fight and win this war? We urge you, Shri Modi ji, to direct every resource at your command, every means of diplomacy you influence, every tool of intelligence you wield, every instrument of law enforcement under your command, every financial influence at your disposal, and every necessary weapon of war you have, to the disruption and to the defeat of the terror network and its perpetrators. As civilians and Rotarians, we are committed to working towards conflict resolution and building a future where there is peace. With the help of our PP Rajendra Ruia, we are establishing a Rotary Peace Centre in India. Through academic training, practice and global

networking opportunities, the Rotary Peace Program develops the capacity of its alumni of peace & development professionals to become effective catalysts of peace.

I assure all Indians that, as is our culture, we will meet violence with patient justice... assured of the rightness of our cause, and confident of the victories to come under our Prime Minister's leadership.

Jai Hind

In Service to Country and Community

Ek Bharatiya

WE STAND TOGETHER

OUR HEARTS GO OUT TO THE VICTIMS OF THE PAHALGAM TERROR ATTACK

OUR THOUGHTS ARE WITH THE VICTIMS OF
THE TERROR ATTACK IN PAHALGAM. DEEPEST
CONDOLENCES TO THE AFFECTED FAMILIES
IN THIS TIME OF SORROW.



Rotary Peace Fellowships



Each year, Rotary awards up to 130 fully funded fellowships for dedicated leaders from around the world to study at one of our peace centers.

Through academic training, practice, and global networking opportunities, the Rotary Peace Centers program develops the capacity of peace and development professionals to become effective catalysts for peace. The fellowships cover tuition and

fees, room and board, round-trip transportation, and internship and field-study expenses.

Since the program began in 2002, the Rotary Peace Centers have trained more than 1,800 fellows who now work in over 140 countries. Many serve as leaders in governments; NGOs; education and research institutions; peacekeeping and law enforcement agencies; and international organizations like the United Nations and the World Bank.

Our fellowships

The Rotary Peace Fellowship is designed for leaders with work experience in peace and development. Our fellows are committed to community and international service and the pursuit of peace. Each year, The Rotary Foundation awards up to 50 fellowships for master's degrees and up to 80 for certificate studies at premier universities.

<https://www.rotary.org/en/our-programs/peace-fellowships>

Speaker Meeting - 16th April, 2025

Guest Speaker - Dr. Saili Bendre

Sleep: Your Secret Weapon for a Healthier Life

Dr. Saili Bendre spoke on the importance of Good Sleep for Good Health. Not getting enough quality sleep regularly raises the risk of many diseases and disorders.

However, there's more to good sleep she explained "One is how much sleep you get. Another is sleep quality - that you get uninterrupted and refreshing sleep. The last is a consistent sleep schedule." She gave tips on getting a better night's sleep, sleep disorders and methods to cure sleep disorders



Annual Day of KDNS School

On 19th April 2025, KDN Shruti School hosted its Annual Day program at Jamnabai Narsee School. The Chief Guest for the event was Mrs. Devangi Dalal, Director of Hearing Hearts and Co-founder of the Josh Foundation. The event was also attended by several distinguished guests, including RCBW President Mr. Rahul Goenka, School Trustee Rtn Dr. Manoj Patel, President Elect Rtn Jayant Sanghavi, Community Director Rtn Mahesh Kokate, Rtn Tejas Sura, Rtn Dr. Sushil Rungata, Rtn Dr. Manohar Shaan, Rtn Samapti Patel, Rtn Usha Jaychandran, Rtn Kinny Kaul, Rtn Nalini Puri, RAnn Anuja Goenka and RAnn Dr Nirupa Rungta. JNS

Principal Mrs. Sonali Gandhi also joined the event. The program included exciting dance performances from students of different grades. There were also two drama performances — one was a mime act, and the other talked about healthy eating habits and the importance of adding millets to our daily food. Both plays were enjoyed by everyone and left a lasting impression on the audience. The entire event was a success and it was a fun and memorable day for everyone present.

-Rtn Mahesh Kokate



BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY GREETINGS



R/Ann. Birthdays

20 April : R/Ann Baiju Shyam Shah

Rotarian Birthdays

17 April : Rtn. Narendra Parekh

17 April : Rtn. Paulomi Mehta

19 April : Rtn. Mahendra Wadhvani

Anniversaries

19 Apr : Rtn. Dr. Kalpana Sarangi & Devasish Misra

22 Apr : Rtn. Ramesh & Shashi Damani

23 Apr : Rtn. Rajeev Kumar & Chhaya Jain