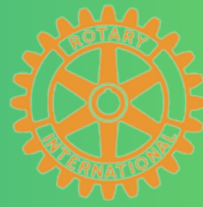




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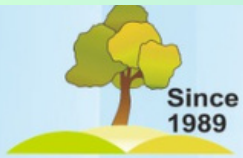
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## THE FOUR -WAY TEST

of the things we think, say or do

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*First*

Is it the TRUTH?

*second*

Is it FAIR to all concerned?

*third*

Will it build GOODWILL  
and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

*fourth*

Will it be BENEFICIAL to  
all concerned?

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# EDITOR'S DESK!!



Dear Members of RCDGC,

Wishing the Rotary Family a very prosperous 2024 !!

With great sadness, I have to announce the passing away of RCDGC Stalwart Rotarian VADM IJS Khurana. I would like all to take few minutes to read a brief on VADM IJS Khurana and applaud his achievements.

DESDC : Completed the course for Batch 1 students. Convocation was held on October 28th, 2023. In the presence of our Chief guest Mr. Mohit Mittal, MD of Overdrive Electronics, certificates were conferred by President Rtn. Rani Sohinder Nabha, along with Mr. Purnendu Hota, NIIT foundation.

A Cervical Cancer Vaccination Camp was held at Balwantraji Mehta Vidya Bhawan, Lajpat Bhawan. Total number of girls vaccinated were 140. A special thanks to Dr. Jyoti Bali and Rtn. Jyoti Dhir in providing support to the project.

Thank you to MEIR Commodities for Rs. 3.0 Lacs donation and to Rtn. Manorma Gogia for donating Rs. 50,000.00. Also, thank you to all those generous members who contributed towards X'Mas and New Year for Balwadi.

Thank you to all our Rotarians in making the Fellowship dinner held at Delhi Gymkhana Club, a real enjoyable evening. Keep smiling until we meet next.

## Food For Thought



Warmest Regards,

**Rtn. Kavita Laroia**  
Editor - in - Chief

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Members of RCDGC,

May this New Year come with a wind blowing happiness, good health, success and prosperity.

I hope you and your families are all doing well.

With great sadness in our hearts we lost our senior most revered VADM I J S Khurana ji. He was most respected and the 'Pillar of Strength' for our Club. Admiral Khurana ji was always encouraging, helpful and supportive. He will always remain in our thoughts. This is a great loss to the Nation, Community and Rotary.

We are very thankful for the donations received from MEIR Commodities Pvt. Ltd; Rtn. Manorma Gogia & DGN Ravinder Gugnani for our Rotary Projects.

Very grateful to Members for their generous contributions for Diwali & X'Mas Celebrations for the little ones at Balwadi.

I am also very pleased to share with Members that we had a very enjoyable X'Mas and New Year Celebrations with the students of DESDC & Sewing Centre. Thanks to Members for their contributions towards organizing the celebrations.

I would like to take this opportunity to request all members for their support to our upcoming Charity Ball. Your support is crucial in raising maximum funds through sponsors, donations, advertisements, silent auction items, corporate tables, and donor cards. These funds will not only sustain our ongoing projects but also contribute to fresh initiatives and projects that the club aims to undertake in the coming year.

Dear Members let's be ready to embark in amazing adventures in 2024.

With Warm Regards

**Rani Sohinder Nabha**  
**President 2023-24**

# REMEMBRANCE

## VADM IJS KHURANA



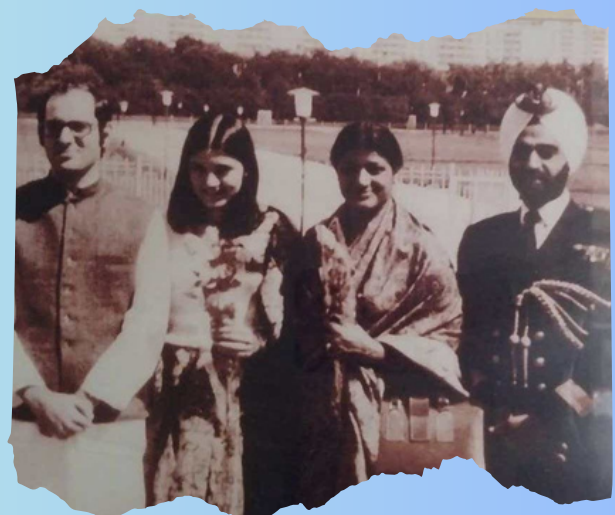
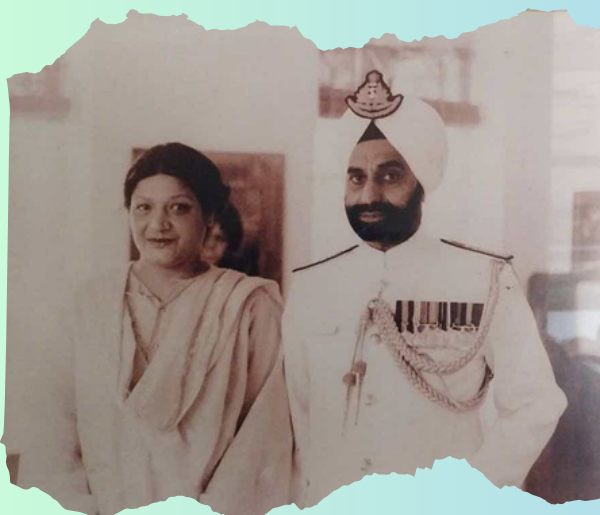
Vice Admiral IJS Khurana, PVSM (00072-N) was commissioned into the Executive Branch of the Indian Navy on 1st January 1951. He was deputed to Britannia Royal Naval College, Darksmouth, UK for initial Sub-Lieutenant Courses. Later he specialised as Navigation and Direction Officer. During his illustrious career spanning over 36 years he commanded IN Ships Betwa, Mysore and Dunagiri. Later he held the prestigious appointment as Naval Attache, at the Indian Embassy, Moscow, USSR. On his promotion to Flag Rank he commanded the Eastern Fleet as Rear Admiral. He also had the distinction of commanding the Western Fleet as a Vice Admiral. Finally, on completion of 36 years, he retired as a Director General, Indian Coast Guard on 30th June 1987.

After services form Indian Navy, Vice Admiral IJS Khurana joined **Rotary in 1991** and became **President in 2000-01**.

### Many First's

During his Presidency, executed Club's first Matching Grant project for Balgram for Rs. 4.07 lacs  
Executed yet another Matching Grant Project to the value of Rs. 2.43 Lacs – by giving Maruti Van for picking up Runaway Street Children. The Van was delivered by the then Chief Minister of Delhi, Smt. Sheila Dixit to Delhi Brotherhood Society.

First Charity Ball was held in March 2001 at the residence of Canadian High Commissioner. It was a gala evening of cocktail, dinner and dance performers by Russian Dancers. It was a grand success and enabled the club to fund its community service projects. It has now become the signature event of the club and the club is raising significant funds every year since then for club's projects year after year.



# VADM IJS KHURANA



Besides serving regular community projects of the club, Admiral Khurana has been in the forefront in supporting District projects/ events. On 26th January 2001, a big tragedy happened in the country – Devastating Earthquake in Bhuj, Gujrat. District Governor Rtn. Ashok Ghosh made an appeal to the clubs for contribution to help the victims. Admiral Khurana rose to the occasion and put in his best efforts to motivate members to come forward and donate whole heartedly for the cause.

He took active part in District Events and served on its various committees.

He has been decorated with **FOUR AVENUES OF SERVICE AWARD** by **ROTARY INTERNATIONAL**, an award given for excellent selfless service in all the Avenues of Service of RI.

In the Club, he has been taking active part in the club activities and the projects. Rotary Foundation has been his passion. He has been continuously TRF Chair every year since 2015-16. He has been motivating members for contribution to TRF and its importance. It has been his dream that our Club becomes 100% PHF Club which goal has been achieved in the year 2019-20 along with the hard work of President Rtn. Vibhuti Sharma.

Admiral Khurana is himself a major contributor to TRF, a Five Sapphire.

Admiral Khurana has been ably supported by his family in their endeavour for economically weaker section of the society. We also all know the contribution of late Guddi ji & Ravina Khurana, be it Charity Ball, Christmas Celebrations, Fellowships and other social events and service projects.

**Rotarian Admiral Khurana has been a Rotarian at heart, A True votary of Rotary.**



# CLUB ACTIVITIES

## CLUB MEETINGS

### SPEAKER MEETINGS



Speaker meetings were held at Imperial Hotel with prominent speakers:

**Mr. Mani Shankar Aiyar**, an Indian politician and former career Civil Servant Diplomat, who joined the Indian Foreign Service in 1963 & has been a Member of Lok Sabha & Rajya Sabha.

Members had an amazing time at the '**Light & Sound Show**' at '**Pradhan Mantri Sanghralya.**' The show was truly mesmerizing, and it brought a unique blend of joy and knowledge. After the show, President Rtn. Rani Sohinder Nabha hosted a delightful dinner, making the evening even more special.



### FELLOWSHIP

We had a lovely memorable fellowship dinner at Delhi Gymkhana Club. Members fully enjoyed the evening with great food and Hospitality. Thanks to the fellowship group for co-hosting.



# CLUB ACTIVITIES

## ONGOING PROJECTS

### DESDC



We're thrilled to bring you the latest updates and achievements from the DESDC family. It has been a dynamic and successful quarter, with significant milestones and achievements to celebrate.

Completion of the Course for Batch 1

**Career Edge Program Completion:** We're delighted to announce the successful completion of the Career Edge Program for Batch 1. Our students have demonstrated exceptional dedication and hard work throughout the course.

**English for Job:** The 'English for Job' module progress has been impressive. Students have not only enhanced their language skills but also gained valuable insights into effective communication in professional settings.

**Career Options Exploration:** Industry experts provided invaluable insights into various career options, enriching the students' understanding of potential paths in their respective fields.

**Students Activities:** A highlight of this quarter was the Group Presentation by our students, showcasing their collaborative skills and subject knowledge.

**Industry Interface:** Students had the opportunity to visit Overdrive Electronics Pvt. Ltd. and engage in a meaningful interaction with professionals from Hexaview Pvt. Ltd., broadening their industry perspectives.

**Celebrations:** X'Mas & New Year celebrated with the students. Members enjoyed mesmerizing dance performances and soulful singing by talented students.

### Diverse and Noteworthy Placements:

All students opting for jobs were successfully placed across various industries, including Big Four Audit firms, Hotels, Hospitals, Office Equipment companies, and Luxury Retail. Six students underwent specialized training in the Hospitality Industry, thanks to Mr. Rohit Bhatia of RIG Institute of Hospitality & Management, securing placements at Le-Meridian Hotel. Three students secured positions at Ernst & Young, a global financial powerhouse. Four students were selected by DHLI Hospital for training in medical services. Infres Methodex, Puri's International, and NIIT Foundation also welcomed DESDC graduates into their folds.





# CLUB ACTIVITIES

## ONGOING PROJECTS

### **BALWADI**

Currently there are 59 children. The club continues to support Teacher's Salary; Mid-day meals; Infrastructure Maintenance. Special Thanks also go to Ms Mala Dhingra who continues the legacy of Late Rtn. Amrit Dhingra and supports the monthly health camps. The Club also celebrated Diwali and X'Mas with the children at Balwadi and distributed 2 sets of Thermals and goody bags.



### **SKILLS DEVELOPMENT CENTRE**

**Sewing Centre at South Extn:** Currently there are 5 girls learning the course.

**Sewing Centre at Gurugram:** At the Gurugram Centre, currently there are 2 batches with 29 girls.

**Sewing Centre at Noida:** At Noida Centre there are 10 girls are learning the course

**IT Learning at Rani Bagh:** At Rani Bagh IT Learning Centre is Currently running 2 batches with 12 students. 17 students completed their course in the month of November/ December.



# CLUB ACTIVITIES

## OTHERS PROJECTS

### **CERVICAL CANCER ELIMINATION DRIVE**

Held a Cervical Cancer Vaccination Camp at Balwantray Mehta Vidya Bhawan, Lajpat Bhawan and Vaccinated 140 girls from BMVB School and DAV School, Vasant Kunj. Camp was well attended by Members of RCDGC and District 3011. We Thanks to 'The Cancer Foundation' for providing Cervavac vaccine at the subsidized rates. A big Thanks to BLK Max Hospital for providing the Medical Support. Also, thanks to Dr. Jyoti Bali for monitoring the camp. Special thanks to Rtn. Jyoti Dhir for spearheading the project.



### **EYE CHECK UP CAMP WITH Dr. SHROFF'S**

On advise of the various criterion adopted by Shroff's such as size of slum population, income level of the area, availability of existing eye care facilities, etc have selected Madanpur Khadar village, Near Sarita Vihar & Badarpur Border. On 28th December SCEH organized a free Eye Checkup Camp where 121 patients registered for the OPD and 20 patients were referred to Dr. Shroff's Eye Hospital for free Cataract surgery.













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