

"ASHOKA" ROTARY CLUB OF DELHI SOUTH



DECEMBER 2024/JANUARY 2025

**RI President Stephanie A. Urchick
District Governor, Rtn. Dr Mahesh Trikha**

Message from the President

GREETINGS ESTEEMED MEMBERS & SPOUSES

As we stand firmly in the heart of 2025, I take immense pride in reflecting on the incredible momentum we built through the final months of 2024 and the unparalleled energy with which we launched into this new year. December was a month of heartfelt service, unwavering commitment, and the embodiment of our shared mission to serve humanity with purpose and passion.

CLOSING OUT 2024 WITH PURPOSE

December was nothing short of inspiring as we engaged in impactful projects that touched countless lives. Through our Screening Camps for Residents of Leprosy Colonies, we reaffirmed our commitment to those often forgotten by society. We took a powerful step toward building a healthier tomorrow with Skin Donation Training & Awareness and culminating in life-changing Cervical Cancer Prevention Camps at New Era School, Sai Dham Faridabad and Sankalp.

Our commitment to community welfare went beyond healthcare. Swachhta Abhiyan at Lala Lajpat Rai Park reflected our dedication to a cleaner, greener future. In the biting cold, our compassionate members spread warmth through Blanket Distribution across Delhi NCR and Gurgaon, ensuring that those in need did not go unnoticed.

We strengthened our internal bonds through the RCDS Club Assembly and ended the year on a note of camaraderie and joy with our Christmas Fellowship.

SURGING INTO 2025 WITH UNMATCHED ZEAL

We did not just step into January; we stormed into it with a renewed sense of purpose, setting a pace even higher than the previous year. The spirit of unity and engagement was at its peak during Sanskriti – the District Conference, where we not only reflected on our achievements but also looked forward to a future shaped by dynamic leadership with the DGND Selection. Our commitment to inclusivity and empowerment was evident as we distributed walking sticks to 63 visually impaired individuals in Najafgarh, enabling mobility and independence.



Message from the President

Environmental sustainability remained at the forefront with the installation of waste bins at Qutub Golf Course and our 'Be A Jal Hero' initiative where aerators were installed to promote water conservation. These efforts stand as a testament to our dedication to preserving resources for future generations.

We continued our unwavering fight against cervical cancer, expanding our vaccination efforts to Vimukti NGO School in Jaipur, BLK Max for nurses, Gyan Bharti School in Saket, and Birla Vidya Niketan in Pushp Vihar. Each vaccination represents a life safeguarded, a future secured.

Beyond service, January was also a time for fellowship and enrichment. Lohri Fellowship at Friends Club & Golf Fellowship at Rambagh Golf Club, Jaipur brought us together in festive spirit, while our Speaker Meeting & Fellowship at Claridges provided valuable insights and an opportunity to strengthen the bonds that make our Rotary family so special.

OUR CHANGEMAKERS

True impact is made not just by vision but by the unwavering dedication of those who turn ideas into reality. Our heartfelt gratitude goes to the incredible individuals who have led the way in our journey of service.

Champions of Cervical Cancer Awareness & Vaccination:

Rtn. Vandana & Dr. Bhalla – Your relentless commitment to Cervical Cancer Vaccination Drives has safeguarded countless lives.

IPP Pramod Agarwal – Your engagement with RISA and coordination with district clubs played a pivotal role in launching the Schott Poonawala Funded Cervical Vaccination Drives.

Punita Taneja – Your tireless eight-week effort made the Cervical Cancer Drive at Vimukti NGO in Jaipur a reality.

Ajay Kumar – You pioneered the first-ever Cervical Cancer Vaccination Camp at Gyan Bharti School and an inclusive boys & girls camp at BVN School.

Kaval Ji and Sakshi Khanna Singh – Your unwavering on-ground support was crucial in executing the Cervical Cancer Vaccination Drives.

Architects of Unforgettable Leadership & Fellowships:

PP Rtn. Anil Agarwal – Your efforts in the District Conference, securing four outstanding keynote speakers, were the driving force behind its resounding success.

The Trio: Hon. Sec. Shweta Javali, Director Club Services Illa Jain Ji & Director Rajiv Gujral Ji – Your meticulous planning, down to the last detail, ensured the Christmas and Holi Fellowships at Claridges and Friends Club respectively were truly memorable.

Message from the President

Golf Captain Amarjit Ji – You spearheaded an exceptional Fellowship at Rambagh Golf Club, an experience we hadn't witnessed in the past five years.

Senior Rotarians: Mahavan & Kausy, Lakshmi & Neerja Khanna, Amarjit Ji, Pradeep Bahri & Sonya, Manoj & Arti Malhotra, Ajay & Sonali Kaushik – Your enthusiastic participation elevated both the Golf Fellowship and the Cervical Cancer Vaccination Drive in Jaipur.



Leaders in Service & Sustainability

Shailen – Your leadership in the "Be a Jal Hero Initiative" showcased the power of aerators in water conservation, inspiring future sustainability champions.

IPP Pramod Ji & Inderjit Ji – Your guidance in crafting a vital Fellowship Budget ensured financial strength and sustainability.



Future Torchbearers

Kaval Ji & Dr. Manish – Your willingness to lead the club as Presidents in RY 2025-26 and RY 2026-27 embodies the spirit of Rotary—service above self.

Each of you has been an integral part of our mission, shaping a future filled with hope, health, and harmony. Your dedication and passion inspire us all to serve with even greater zeal.

A FUTURE FUELLED BY SERVICE AND DEDICATION

As we move forward, let us carry this spirit of service, innovation, and unwavering commitment. Our journey is not defined by the activities we complete but by the lives we touch, the changes we inspire, and the legacy we build. The momentum we have generated in these months is a powerful force—one that will propel us toward even greater impact in the months to come.

Let's continue to push boundaries, embrace new challenges, and serve with even greater enthusiasm. Together, we are not just making a difference; we are transforming lives.

With gratitude and determination!

RTN. SARVPREET SINGH
PRESIDENT

Achievements to Date.....

Rotary
Delhi South



- Leprosy Screening Camp
- Skin Donation Training & Awareness
- Cervical Cancer Vaccination Drive
- Cervical Awareness Session

Aereators for Water Preservation

The graphic displays the four main areas of focus for Rotary: Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention, Disease Prevention and Treatment, Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene, and Maternal and Child Health. Below these are the Rotary logo and the motto "SERVICE ABOVE SELF". At the bottom, it lists three additional focus areas: Basic Education and Literacy, Community Economic Development, and Environment. The text "ROTARY'S AREAS OF FOCUS" is prominently displayed on the right side.

Entrepreneurship Program

Blanket Distribution
Walking Sticks Distribution

Swachta Abhyan





Dear Rotary Family,

As we usher in the vibrant season of Basant Panchami, a festival that celebrates the arrival of spring and the triumph of knowledge, it brings to mind the spirit of renewal, growth, and community. This is a time when we can reflect on our efforts and the impact we create in the world around us.

In the spirit of both Basant Panchami and our commitment to Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR), we at Rotary continue to focus on creating a positive change in society. Our CSR initiatives, aligned with the values of service above self, aim to improve lives, build stronger communities, and foster sustainable development. From providing educational resources to empowering underprivileged communities, our collective efforts are helping to cultivate a more equitable world.

Just as the vibrant yellow of mustard fields brightens the landscape during Basant Panchami, let us take this moment to appreciate the difference we are making together. As Rotarians, we are a part of a global network that understands the power of giving, of reaching out to others, and of creating a ripple effect that transforms lives.

On this auspicious occasion, let us recommit to the values that unite us and renew our dedication to making a positive impact. May this season of renewal inspire us to continue sowing the seeds of hope, progress, and compassion

Warm Regards

Bhuvana Shashinath



MEET THE MAGICIANS OF DECEMBER 2024/JANUARY 2025

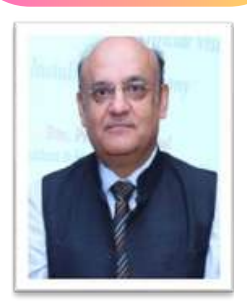


Cervical Cancer
Vaccination &
Awareness Drives



Rtn. Vandana Bhalla

Cervical Cancer
Vaccination and
Awareness Drives



Rtn. Neeraj Bhalla

Cervical Cancer
partnership with
NGO Vimukti



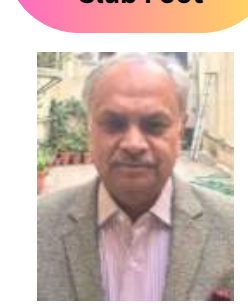
Rtn. Punita Taneja

Donation for GOL,
Cervical Cancer &
Club Foot



Rtn. Amar Nath Goyal

Donation for GOL,
Cervical Cancer &
Club Foot



Rtn. Vinod Poddar

District
Conference



Rtn. Anil Agarwal

RCDS Interaction
with Rotary
California



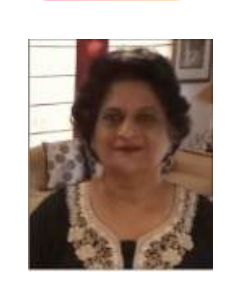
Rtn. Arvinder Brara

Christmas &
Lohri Fellowship



Rtn. Rajiv Gujral

Christmas
Fellowship



Rtn. Ila Jain

Lohri
Fellowship



Rtn. Sakshi K Singh

Lohri
Fellowship



Rtn. Shweta Javali

Jaipur Cervical Cancer Camp Support



Rtn. Amarjeet Singh



Rtn. Lakshmi Khanna



Rtn. Neeraja Khanna



Rtn. Pradeep Bahri



R'anne Sonya Bahri

Jaipur Cervical Cancer Camp Support



Rtn. S Madhavan



Rtn. Kausy Madhavan



Rtn. Manoj Malhotra



R'anne Aarti Malhotra



Rtn. Ajay Kumar



R'anne. Sonali Kaushik

SCREENING CAMPS FOR RESIDENTS OF LEPROSY COLONIES



When the State Leprosy Officer Dr Shintoo Doomra, informed us that the Delhi State was conducting Screening Camps for residents of Leprosy Colonies in Tahirpur, Shahdara .

District on 16th, 17th and 18th December 2024 and requested to provide the personnel for Customized Footwear assessment during the camps we rose up to the occasion As part of our camps which we conduct 4 to 6 time monthly, to provide succor to the Leprosy patients, we provide them footwear, self care kits and provide them physiotherapy.



The State Leprosy Officer's request was for custom made shoes for the patients who had lost the digits of their feet, who had amputations on their feet and could not wear the normal shoes provided for leprosy patients. We therefore sent our shoe technicians to work along with the Delhi government team for measuring the sizes of the feet and to subsequently provide them shoes.

THE CAMPS WERE HELD AT:

16/12/2025 Shanti Kusth Samiti

17/12/25 - Ekta Vihar Kusht Ashram

18/12/25 - Sarvodaya Sewa Kusht Ashram

Total no. Foot measurement for customized footwear taken were 27 The SLO and his team were grateful for our intervention.



SKIN DONATION TRAINING & AWARENESS



It's a gesture that goes beyond life, helping survivors heal both physically and emotionally. It was attended by 150 audiences along with District Dignitaries. It was very well managed event. President Rtn. Sarvpreet Singh attended this event.

Rotary Club of Delhi South and Rotary Club of Delhi West under the Leadership of PDG Ashok Kantoor and in association with AIIMS organised a **Skin Donation Training and Awareness Program** on 21st December 2024 at AIIMS Burns and Plastic Surgery Block with ORBO.



Skin donation is a remarkable act of kindness, offering a second chance to those who have suffered severe burns or injuries.

Cervical cancer VACCINATION DRIVE

RCDS conducted their **Cervical Cancer Vaccination camp** for 201 girls at New Era School Mayapuri. Members present from our club were IPP Pramod Aggarwal, First Lady Rtn Sakshi Khanna Singh. Schott Poonawala was our donor.



Blk Max supported us with their medical team comprising of doctor, nurses, nursing staff and ambulance. The camp went off smoothly and we concluded the camp as this was our second dose.



Donate Your Skin



Save a Burn Victim

AWARENESS CAMP ON CERVICAL CANCER PREVENTION AT SANKALP



On 7th Dec. 24, Sankalp Foundation and RC Delhi South, organised an Awareness Talk on Cervical Cancer Vaccination, at the Koolie Camp. This is a large slum area between Munirka and Vasant Vihar, with a population of a few thousands, living in this slum.

Ms. Anupriya and Vandana Bhalla met up with the Sarpanch and the ladies of this camp, first. Vandana Bhalla gave an Awareness Talk to the 70 to 80 ladies present there.

The ladies openly discussed and cleared all their doubts and inhibitions, on Cervical Cancer, and the prevention of it. The talk was quite a success, as they all understood the importance of this Vaccination.

Later, even the 70 and 80 year olds wanted us to vaccinate them, against Cervical cancer. Unfortunately the age to be vaccinated is between 9 and 26 years only. They all took Consent Forms home and were keen to get their children and grandchildren, boys and girls, vaccinated by us, on 29th December, when the Vaccination Camp was to be conducted, in the Community Hall of Munirka Enclave.



CERVICAL CANCER VACCINATION CAMP AT SAI DHAM FARIDABAD



DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT



Cervical Cancer Vaccination camp was held in Sai Dham Faridabad, on the 20th December 2024. It was organised by President Virender Mehta Faridabad NIT, RC Delhi South and Motilal ji of SaiDham. Cabinet Minister Vipul Goel and DG Mahesh Trikha were our chief guests. We vaccinated 612 young girls from



underprivileged homes. They came there, from several schools of Faridabad, to be vaccinated. They were brought in by buses and dropped back to their schools later.



Schott Poonawala's team from Bombay, our Principle donors, were also present for this camp. Blk Max and Accord Hospital were the supporting hospitals that conducted the vaccinations.



RC Delhi South President Sarvpreet, IPP Rtn Pramod Aggarwal, Rtn Dr Neeraj Bhalla were present.



This was a very big camp which was managed successfully and ran smoothly. Our project got a lot of coverage and publicity in the media.



सर्वाङ्कल कैंसर को लेकर रोटरी की मुहिम प्रशंसनीय : विपुल

सर्वाङ्कल कैंसर को लेकर रोटरी की मुहिम प्रशंसनीय है। यह मुहिम 20 दिसंबर 2024 को साईधम फरिदाबाद में आयोजित की गई थी। इस मुहिम में 612 युवा महिलाओं को टीका लगाया गया।

मुख्य अतिथि विपुल गोयल, कैबिनेट मंत्री, दिल्ली सरकार, और डीजी महेश त्रिखा, एनआईटी फरिदाबाद, शामिल थे।

इस मुहिम का आयोजन रोटरी क्लब ऑफ़ देली साउथ और रोटरी क्लब ऑफ़ फरिदाबाद नेटवर्क द्वारा किया गया था।

इस मुहिम का उद्देश्य युवा महिलाओं में सर्वाङ्कल कैंसर के प्रति जागरूकता बढ़ाना और टीकाकरण को प्रोत्साहित करना है।

इस मुहिम में शामिल होने वाले लोगों का शुक्रार्पण किया गया।



CERVICAL CANCER VACCINATION CAMP WITH VIMUKTI NGO SCHOOL



DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT



Joint venture, Cervical Cancer vaccinations, of District 3011 and 3056 was held on 11th January.

We had come to Jaipur, from Delhi and vaccinated 344 girls and boys. Our Cervical Cancer vaccination camp, was a major success.

Cervical Cancer Awareness Talk, we had conducted for around 200 parents, in Vimukti School NGO, on 20th November. All our children were from a big slum area in the vicinity, and Udayan, a home for the orphaned and abandoned girls.

We conducted this camp in Vimukti NGO School. Our chief guest was DG Dr Rakhi Gupta District 3056. She is now keen to get many children, from such centres, schools and colleges, vaccinated against Cervical Cancer. We are grateful to DG Dr Mahesh Trikha and DG Dr Rakhi Gupta President Sarvpreet Singh, First Lady Sakshi, Rtn Kaval, Rtn Punita and all who supported and helped us, for this venture.

Vandana Bhalla
Rotary Club Delhi South
District Chair 3011
Cervical Cancer.



CERVICAL CANCER VACCINATION CAMP FOR NURSES AT BLK MAX



DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT



Cervical Cancer Vaccination Camp was held on 29th Jan'25 at **BLK Hospital**, New Delhi. 300 nurses and nursing staff were vaccinated.

We are very thankful to management of BLK Hospital for their unconditional support. It was attended by Rtn. Vandana Bhalla, Rtn. Kaval Verma & Rtn. Shailen Verma.

300 से अधिक छात्राओं को लगाई सर्जिकल कैंसर वैकसीन

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Cervical Cancer Vaccination Camp was held on 30th Jan '25 at **Gyan Bharti School, Saket, New Delhi** and **Birlya Vidya Niketan, Pushp Vihar, New Delhi**. 232 Boys & Girls were vaccinated during this camp. We are very thankful to management of Gyan Bharti School and Birla Vidya Niketan for their unconditional support. Special thanks to President Sarvpreet, Dr Neeraj Bhalla and Rtn. Vandana Bhalla for their efforts in convincing Gyan Bharti School Management and Children's Parents through multiple awareness talks & calls. For BVN, it was our 3rd Camp.

The camp was attended by President Sarvpreet, Dr Neeraj Bhalla, Rtn. Vandana Bhalla, PP Amarnath Goyal, PP Inderjeet Singh, R'anne Dindi, R'anne Neeraja, Rtn. Kaval Verma & Rtn. Shailen Verma.



BE A JALHERO



ENVIRONMENT

Water is the essence of life. It sustains our bodies, fuels our food chain, and supports every species on our precious Earth. It is our shared responsibility to conserve this invaluable resource to secure the future for generations to come.



We installed aerators at our Interact Partner School, Birla Vidya Niketan on 10th January 2025. Over 50 students participated. Rtn Shailen Verma did the presentations and demonstration. Out veteran member Rtn Amarnath ji, President Sarvpreet Singh, PP Lalit Sawhney and Rtn Kaval Verma supported this event. Aerators sponsor was Kanishk Jain from Jalhero.

Aerators are versatile tools that contribute to sustainable resource management, healthier ecosystems, and cost savings across a wide range of applications.



BIN INSTALLTION AT QUTUB GOLF COURSE

President Rtn. Sarvpreet Singh and First Lady Rtn. Sakshi Khanna Singh sponsored the first bin for the plastic waste collection at Qutab Golf Club on 6th January 2025 in presence of QGC Secretary Shri I S Kohli. The initiative was flagged off. Mr. Kohli has whole heartedly appreciated RCDS efforts in helping him enhance the environment within the Club premises.



SWACHTA ABHYAN

Rotary Club of Delhi South organised the Swachta Abhiyaan at Lala Lajpat Rai Park, New Delhi on 8th December 2024 in the morning led by Hon'ble Justice G S Sistani. RCDS members meeting with Councillor Mr. Sharad Kapoor & Mandal President Mr. Sachin Ahuja.



Rtn. Nishant Kalia along with Rtn. Shruti Kalia actively participated in this event form our Club.



BLANKET DISTRIBUTION



Rotary Club of Delhi South in association with Social Vision runs a small school for 60 children with special needs, including hearing disabilities, mental health challenges, and autism). First Lady Rtn. Sakshi Khanna Singh celebrated her Birthday with differently-abled children in Najafgarh on 1st January 2025.



It was a humbling experience to cut the cake with them and distribute 30 blankets, bringing warmth and smiles to these wonderful children. President Rtn. Sarvpreet Singh was also present at the occasion.



Rtn. Kriti Makhija and Rtn. Sumit Makhija Rotary Club of Delhi South distributed Blankets at M3M Gurgaon on 30th January 2025 in the remembrance of their father's Birthday. They also distributed sweets along with blankets to needy people.



BLANKET DISTRIBUTION

We are very thankful to PP Anil Agarwal and Gul for organizing this blanket distribution drive.



COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



On 13th January, President Rtn. Sarvpreet Singh, First Lady Rtn. Sakshi Khanna Singh, PP Anil K Agarwal and Gul, Rtn. Pramod Agarwal, Rtn. Arjun Mehta and Rtn Rajeev Seoni distributed the blankets at Vasant Udhyan Park, Vasant Vihar, New Delhi in collaboration with our NGO partner Sankalp School. The distribution was done to residents of Collie Camp, Munirka Village and Shiva Camp.

Inspite of the The chilly and windy afternoon posed its own set of challenges. Additionally, the enforcement of the Delhi Election code of conduct added complications, as authorities restricted us from distributing blankets in the public park. so they were distributed in the premises of the Vasant Vihar Gurudwara.



BLANKET DISTRIBUTION

PP Deepak Kapoor and R'anne Sarita Kapoor distributed 200 blankets to keep the needy and construction workers cosy in these chilly winter days.



BLANKET DISTRIBUTION



COMMUNITY
ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT

PP Lalit Sawhney, R'anne Jayshree Sawhney, Rtn. Shailen Verma, R'anne Kaval Verma distributed Blankets in the construction sites, garbage collectors and sweepers of Gurugram 200 people benefited during these cold wintery days.



Sanskriti - District Conference 2024-25, which was held at Hotel Leela Ambience Gurgaon on 4th/5th January 2025. Our projects were showcased during the conference which was appreciated by District dignitaries. PP Dr Pushpa Sethi was elected DGND 2027-28.

PP Rtn. Anil K Aggarwal was honored with a Trophy for Elite Sponsor by the District Governor. This recognition was awarded for his securing the Chief Guest, Speakers, and several sponsorships for the District Conference. President Sarvpreet Singh and Firts Lady Rtn Sakshi Khanna Singh were honoured with the Patron Trophy. PP Rtn. Rajiv Gujral received the biggest award right at the beginning.

It was the privilege of hosting an exceptional speaker – Lt. Gen. Gurmit Singh, the Hon'ble Governor of Uttarakhand.

It was attended by President Rtn. Sarvpreet Singh, First Lady Rtn. Sakshi Khanna Singh, PP Rtn. Anil K. Agarwal, PP Rtn. Pramod Agarwal, PP Rtn. Tridibes Basu, R'anne Sanghamitra Basu, Rtn. Dr. Neeraj Bhalla, Rtn. Vandana Bhalla, PP Rtn. Rajiv Gujral, PDG Deepak Kapur and PP Rtn. Lalit Kumar Sawhney from our Club.





Our Rotractors went for a Heritage walk in the Apricity of December Afternoon.

"Fort & Feast: A Winter Heritage Stroll", where history meets flavor on a perfect winter afternoon. We kicked off with a hearty breakfast at the lively Chandni Chowk Street Food, savoring local treats that'll warm your heart. Then, we explored the majestic Red Fort, basking in the beauty of Delhi's heritage and the refreshing winter air.

Our Rotractors visited Udayan Ghar for Girls to raise awareness about cyber crime and educate them on online safety.

It was the perfect outdoor escape for a relaxing, fun-filled weekend!

The girls were highly interactive, sharing their own stories and discussing movies related to the topic. The session sparked meaningful conversations about how to navigate the online world securely.



To wrap up the day, they served them a comforting meal of Rajma Chawal, along with a sweet treat, leaving everyone with smiles and a sense of accomplishment.

It was a rewarding experience to connect with the girls and share valuable knowledge in a warm, supportive environment.



DEDICATION TO CARDIOLOGY

A seminar on the 16th Asia Pacific Vascular Intervention Course was held on 21-22 December 2024 at the Hyatt Regency, New Delhi. .



MEET OUR GOLF CHAMPION

We proudly announce Rtn. Arvinder S Brara as the winner of the Super Senior Golf Championship at Delhi Golf Club on 20th December 2024.

RTN BRARA JI PRESENTING COMPLETION CERTIFICATES

Our Rtn. Arvinder S Brara presented the completion certificates to senior Engineers of Oil Industry Safety Directorate on the final day of the 3 day training program conducted from 2 to 4 December 2024 on Hazop and Risk Assessment in Refineries by Mantec Consultants Pvt Ltd, New Delhi.



Our Rtn. Dr. H K Chopra was Chief Guest of this event and he was recognised for his valuable contribution to and dedication towards the fields of Cardiology.



RCDS CLUB ASSEMBLY

Rotary Club of Delhi South organised the Club Assembly 2024-25 at the Viceroy, Claridges Hotel, New Delhi on 22nd December 2024.

Many important discussions were held on budgets, projects, fellowship etc during the Assembly. It was attended by 54 members. It was very well managed under the leadership of President Rtn. Sarvpreet Singh, Club Services Director Rtn. Ila Jain and Director Rtn. Rajiv Gujral. It was very fruitful discussion.





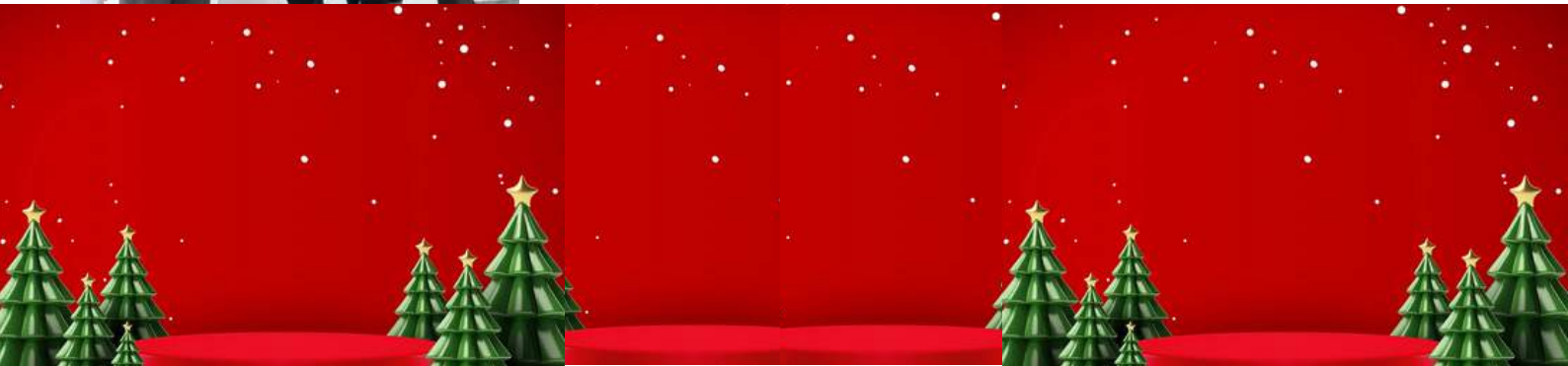
X'MAS FELLOWSHIP



Rotary Club of Delhi South Club organised Christmas Fellowship at the Viceroy, Claridges Hotel, New Delhi on 22nd December 2024 in afternoon, 64 Rotary family were gathered, a sight to see, in festive joy and harmony. The buffet adorned with a feast so grand, Delights prepared by a masterful hand. The laughter rose, the glasses clinked.

As always, stories were shared, and spirits linked. The DJ played, the rhythm was right, and dancing lit up the afternoon light. Memories made, a time so sweet, with laughter and love, the day complete. Here's to this gathering, full of cheer, a celebration we'll cherish year after year.







HAPPY LOHRI



Rotary Club of Delhi South Club organised Lohri Fellowship at the Friends Club, Friends Colony West, New Delhi on 8th January 2025. 58 Rotary family members were gathered that night to spend an evening filled with warmth, laughter and joyous spirit of togetherness.

दीपक जी के शब्दों का कमाल,
हर दिल में जगाया नया ख्याल।
कविता में छुपा जो प्रेम का सार,
बन गया रात का सबसे बड़ा
उपहार।

दीउषा जी की आवाज़ का जादू,
हर सुर ने छेड़ा मन का तार।
गीतों ने भर दिया समां,
बना दिया शाम को और भी
खास।

रोटरी मैजिकल परिवार का साथ
अनमोल,
हर पल में बसी भावनाओं की बोल।
यादों में सजी ये सुंदर रात,
सदा रहेगी दिलों के साथ।



HAPPY LOHRI



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SPEAKER MEETING



Regular Club meeting (2429) of Rotary Club of Delhi South was held at the Viceroy, Claridges Hotel, New Delhi on 19th January 2025 followed by Drinks and Lunch. Speaker for the day was Dr. Blossom Kochhar. She gave an elaborate talk on 'Beauty & Wellness, which was appreciated by one and all.



Blossom Kochhar is a Pioneer of Aromatherapy and Natural Beauty in India. She is a trailblazer in aromatherapy and natural beauty care, renowned for integrating the healing power of nature with modern science. As the founder and chairperson of Blossom Kochhar Aroma Magic, she has popularized aromatherapy both in India and globally.

It was followed by the question answer session. She was presented a token of gratitude by PP Rtn. Anil K. Agarwal and First Lady Rtn. Sakshi Khanna Singh. It was attended by 53 members. It was very interesting session and a lot of health and wellness related information was imparted.



JANUARY FELLOWSHIP



SOM DUA JI's JOURNEY OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP



My Mentoring journey began in the 1990s with Rotary Career Guidance Camps in schools like BVN, DPS, and Blue Bells. It evolved into Mentoring for Empowerment and Entrepreneurship through my involvement with BYST in 2002. This led to my certification as a Mentor by City & Guild, London in 2008.

In 2016, I became Chairman of BYST Faridabad, focusing on Entrepreneurship. In 2017, I joined the National Mentors Panel and chaired the Training Committee for Mission Mentoring India, training mentors across India.

In 2023, as Chairman of BYST Faridabad's Strategy Committee, I work on Entrepreneurship Capacity Building, influenced by challenges like innovations, digitalization, and global disruptions. UN's SDGs and GOI's Mission Viksit Bharat @2047 significantly impact entrepreneurship.

Our aim is to encourage young people to pursue Entrepreneurship for Inclusive Growth and Sustainability, with a focus on Green, Rural, and Social Entrepreneurship to address SDGs & ESG challenges.

My Mentorship journey now encompasses Entrepreneurship Development and Mentors Development, focusing on Outreach Programs, Skilling & Internship, Startup Support, and Mentorship.

We also focus on Women Empowerment through Vocational Training Centres and Government Schemes, with Mobile Mentoring Clinics aiding outreach. Addressing unemployment, we empower youth with Skilling and Internships, providing both Employment and Entrepreneurship options through Mentorship.

My journey continues to evolve, shaped by socio-economic developments and support from partners like Rotary Delhi South, BYST, and PHDCCI. This journey enriches my life and gives me a sense of purpose.

Let's convert Job Seekers into Job Creators



Entrepreneurship

FAMILY NEWS

SONYA PRADEEP ADITI TRIP TO ALASKA

PART 1



Alaska, known for its vast landscapes and stunning natural beauty, was a dream destination for us. After hearing so much about Alaskan cruises, we booked a 7-day trip with Holland America for August 2024. However, due to visa issues, particularly the requirement of both American and Canadian visas for the cruise, we faced delays, and by the time I received mine, the deadline to pay the balance for the cruise had passed. Disappointed, we reluctantly canceled.

Our daughter Aditi, based in San Francisco, suggested an alternative: flying to Alaska and exploring by land.



This turned out to be a blessing, as we were able to experience a variety of sights, food, and drinks.

We flew Alaska Airlines from San Francisco to Anchorage, Alaska's most populous city, where we stayed in a cozy AirBnB near the city center. Anchorage offered many attractions, including 49th State Brewing for craft beer and local food, Whiskey Ramen with over 400 whiskeys, and more. We visited the Tourist Office and took a bus tour that covered Alaska's history, wildlife, and culture, including the devastating 1964 earthquake. Anchorage is also known for its many seaplanes, which add to the unique charm of the city.



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The next day, we embarked on the "26 Glacier Tour," a scenic two-hour train ride to Whittier, followed by a 5-hour wildlife and glacier cruise in Prince William Sound. The scenery was breathtaking, with sea lions, icebergs, and stunning glaciers. We saw College Fjord, where glaciers are named after Ivy League colleges. The experience was unforgettable, with the highlight being the majestic natural surroundings.

We also visited a sled dog kennel, where we learned about the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race, an annual endurance test covering over 1,500 kilometers. It was fascinating to see the crossbred sled dogs trained for stamina and speed.

Next, we visited the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center, a non-profit sanctuary for injured or orphaned wildlife, where we saw animals like grizzly bears, wolves, moose, and eagles. The changing weather, from sunny days to bone-chilling cold, reminded us of the untamed nature of Alaska.



As our journey ended, we reflected on the awe-inspiring beauty of Alaska, a place that truly connects one to the forces of nature.



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FEBRUARY CELEBRATIONS



BIRTHDAY

06 Rajinder Sehgal
 12 Neena Chhibber
 12 Kirit Javali
 12 Shirin Khajuria
 16 Devendra Taneja
 17 Parveen Gulati
 20 Som Nath Dua
 24 Sanjay Khajuria
 24 Shailen Verma



Happy Wedding Anniversary

03 Chitra & Arjun Mehta
 07 Shashi & Amar Nath Goyal
 07 Shruti & Nishant Kalia
 11 Priyanka & Naman Agarwal
 14 Indu & Jag Mohan
 15 Raji & Rajinder Sehgal 
 15 Neeru & R S Atroley
 16 Aarti & Manoj Malhotra

17 Pushp & Anand Gupta
 18 Yoko Hirokawa & Vinay K Srivastava
 21 Aarti & Pankaj Poddar
 23 Rita & Suneel Bhasin
 24 Sheetal & Manish Dhawan
 26 Kaval & Shailen Verma
 27 Chhaya & Alok Agarwal

Our guiding ethical framework

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THE FOUR WAY TEST
 OF THE THINGS WE THINK, SAY, DO

- 1 Is it the **TRUTH**?
- 2 Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
- 3 Will it build **GOODWILL & BETTER FRIENDSHIP**?
- 4 Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?