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#### From President's Desk



Our Rotary Club of Waltair is a beacon of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusivity (DEI), showcasing the power of unity in diversity. We proudly celebrate all festivals, exchanging warm greetings that reflect our rich cultural heritage. As a microcosm of India's diverse landscape, our club's unique character shines through our unanimous selection and election of the upcoming team.

The lifeblood of our club is our members, and our strength is directly proportional to our membership. I firmly believe that "Each One Bring One" is a potent slogan that can propel our club's growth. It's thrilling to see members embracing this spirit, bringing in new faces, and injecting fresh energy into our community. Let's harness the magic of numbers! More members mean more vibrancy, more diverse perspectives, and a stronger network. As we move forward, I urge each of you to bring in at least one new member and help our club thrive.

To our directors and chairpersons, I request that you come prepared with proposed programs for your respective portfolios. Please develop a minimum of two initiatives for the upcoming months, enabling us to build on our momentum and create meaningful impact.

Together, let's continue to celebrate our diversity, foster inclusivity, and make our Rotary Club of Waltair a shining example of service, fellowship, and community spirit.

Rtn S DEVANANDU PRESIDENT

# Project: NETRA



The Rotary Club of Waltair conducted a successful eye health screening on December 8th, initiated by Rtn PP Nani garu at the Waltair club. This community-focused event brought together members of the Rotary Club of Waltair, who volunteered their time to support the screening. The event's primary objective was to provide free eye health checks up, promoting early detection and treatment of eye-related issues.

The eye health screening was a testament to the Rotary Club of Waltair's commitment to serving humanity. By organizing such events, the club aims to make a positive impact on the community, particularly among vulnerable populations. The screening also highlighted the importance of regular eye check-ups in maintaining good eye health. By providing access to eye care services, the Rotary Club of Waltair is helping to create a healthier community.

The success of the eye health screening was made possible by the collective efforts of Rtn PP Nani garu, the Rotary Club of Waltair members. This event demonstrates the club's dedication to addressing pressing community needs and promoting the values of Rotary International. As the Rotary Club of Waltair continues to undertake such initiatives, it reinforces its reputation as a driving force for positive change in the community.

### Project: ICHA





On 11th of December The Rotary Club's latest endeavor is a testament to its commitment to serving humanity. A 1000 sq. ft. cottage, valued at ₹14 lakhs, has been constructed at the ICHA Foundation in Kondakarla, Anakapalli district, specifically for the benefit of cerebral palsy children. This noble initiative aims to provide a supportive environment for these special children, enhancing their quality of life.

The inauguration of the cottage was graced by District Governor Rtn M Venkateswara Rao garu, The event also saw participation from the Assistant Governor Rtn Murali Krishna garu and dedicated club members, who have worked tirelessly to make this project a reality. Their collective efforts have culminated in a facility that will bring joy, comfort, and empowerment to the lives of cerebral palsy children. This project was Visioned and initiated by Rtn IPP Samuel Ben Victor garu, the chair of the project is Rtn PP Usha Reddy garu, the coordinator of the project is Rtn Ajay garu.

The ICHA Foundation, located in Kondakarla, has been providing care and dignity to children from underprivileged backgrounds, including those abandoned by their parents <sup>1</sup>. The Rotary Club's contribution to this foundation will significantly enhance its capacity to support special children. The cottage will offer a safe, nurturing space for these children to grow, learn, and thrive.

As the Rotary Club continues to undertake such meaningful initiatives, it reinforces its commitment to creating positive change in the community. The construction of this cottage serves as a shining example of the club's dedication to serving humanity, particularly the most vulnerable members of society.

# Project: WARMTH





14th December 2025The Rotary Club of Waltair embarked on a heartwarming initiative to distribute blankets to roadside shelterless people, bringing warmth and comfort to those in need during the chilling cold. President S Devanandu, IPP Samuel Ben Victor garu, Rtn PP Usha Reddy garu, and Rtn Ajay garu actively participated in this noble endeavor, demonstrating the club's commitment to serving the community.

As the temperatures dropped, the club's efforts brought solace to countless individuals struggling to cope with the harsh weather conditions. The blanket distribution drive was a testament to the club's dedication to addressing the pressing needs of the underprivileged. By providing essential aid, the Rotary Club of Waltair reaffirmed its pledge to make a positive impact in the lives of those it serves.

This selfless act of kindness not only reflected the club's values but also inspired others to join forces in making a difference. As the club continues to undertake such initiatives, it strengthens its bond with the community and fosters a spirit of compassion and empathy. The Rotary Club of Waltair's blanket distribution drive will undoubtedly be remembered as a shining example of its unwavering commitment to serving humanity.

### Project:INCLUSIVITY



The Rotary Club of Waltair, in association with the YMCA and Nee Thodu organization, hosted a joyous Christmas celebration with the transgender community on December 21st at the YMCA premises. This heartwarming event was a testament to the club's commitment to promoting inclusivity, acceptance, and compassion towards all members of society. The celebration brought together individuals from diverse backgrounds, fostering a sense of unity and belonging.

The event was marked by festive cheer, music, and merriment, as the transgender community members were treated to a day of fun, food, and festivities. The Rotary Club of Waltair members, along with volunteers from the YMCA and Nee Thodu society worked tirelessly to ensure that every guest felt welcome and included. The celebration was a powerful reminder that everyone deserves to be treated with dignity, respect, and love.

The Rotary Club of Waltair's initiative to engage with the transgender community is a significant step towards promoting social acceptance and eradicating stigma. By hosting this Christmas celebration, the club has demonstrated its commitment to creating a more inclusive and compassionate society. The event served as a platform for building bridges, fostering empathy, and promoting understanding between different communities.

As the Rotary Club of Waltair continues to undertake such meaningful initiatives, it reinforces its dedication to serving humanity and promoting the values of Rotary International. The Christmas celebration with the transgender community will be remembered as a shining example of the club's commitment to creating positive change and promoting social harmony.

### Project: CELEBRTIONS



On December 28th, the Rotary Club of Waltair gathered to celebrate its monthly meeting, which was aptly combined with Christmas and New Year celebrations. The joyous event was made possible by the generous sponsorship of Rtn PP Williams garu, Rtn Sheila Jackson garu, Rtn Samuel Ben Victor garu, Rtn Kavita garu, and Rtn Pathrudu garu. Their contributions ensured that the evening was filled with merriment, camaraderie, and festive cheer.

The celebrations were a wonderful opportunity for club members to come together, strengthen bonds, and reflect on the past year's achievements. The evening's festivities included a range of activities, which brought out the spirit of giving, sharing, and joy that defines the Rotary Club of Waltair. As the members celebrated, they also looked forward to the new year, recommitting themselves to the club's mission of serving humanity.

The Rotary Club of Waltair's Christmas and New Year celebrations were a resounding success, thanks to the collective efforts of the sponsors, organizers, and participants. The event served as a testament to the club's values of fellowship, generosity, and compassion. As the club continues to grow and thrive, it remains committed to spreading joy, kindness, and warmth throughout the community, making a positive impact on the lives of those it serves.