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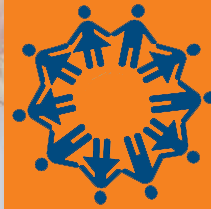
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**Today's**  
SPEAKER

**Joint meeting with**  
 RC Central Gardens, Calcutta  
 RC, Calcutta Millennium  
 RC, Calcutta Megacity

Subject: Legal Awareness Programme

## VASTU SHASTRA - A SUMMATION

Guest Speaker Shri Vijay Jain came across as an interesting narrator who had mastery on 3 different spheres of pseudoscience, *Vastu Shastra*, *Numerology* and *Graphology*. Each distinctly different, at the same time sharing similar characteristic on beliefs or practices.

On demand of members some of Shri Vijay Jain's suggestions mentioned during the meeting are listed below:

### Vastu

1. To find the effect of Negativity in any living/work place, we need to take plain glass bowls, fill it with water and put it in every corner of the house after adding 3-4 spoons of rock salt. Any colour change of water is indicative of the place being affected.
2. Vastu Pyramid made exactly as per the dimensions specs of Giza pyramid of Egypt can do wonders by placing its replicas in required areas of one's place. There are 200 diverse pyramids that are used as remedies for different problems.
3. Any leakage of water from a tap/pipe is suggestive of money wastage or loss. Effort should be made to address this water wastage issue immediately.

4. No wall clock should be placed on any south wall of a house or work place. The best suggested wall for a clock is the north wall.
5. The south-west corner of any house should not be kept empty as it is considered to be the place of Rahu and thus can act as an invitation to him.
6. We should never keep old and useless material/substances in the house as it attracts negative forces. It needs to be disposed at the earliest.
7. To augur prosperity he proposes that a deepak with its wick dipped in cow ghee alongwith 2 pcs of cloves (lavang) and 2 nos cardamom pods (choti elachi) is light and placed at exactly north point of the house everyday in the morning/evening.
8. The washroom is a place where negative power is reportedly most potent and to reduce it effects, we need to place solid pieces of rock salt in a glass bowl and keep it there, but should be replaced every 15 days. It is also suggested not placing any living plants in the bathroom/washroom.



Light Lamps and Diyas



Salt Absorbs negative energy

## NO NEED TO CARRY DRIVING LICENCE, RC OR INSURANCE NOW



Over the past few months, the government was trying to digitise driving licences and other documents so that the need to carry the physical documents could be eradicated. The efforts have finally come to a conclusion in new MV rule.

From October 1, 2020, you do not need to carry a driving licence, RC or insurance. This is set to make travelling easier and hassle-free. The new software will help in checking the person's vehicular documents by entering the registration number of the vehicle. The new software will also allow officers to issue challans and they can check all the details related to the vehicle at one platform.

The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MoRTH) released a notification stating various reforms and rules in the Central Motor Vehicle Rules 1989. The notification stated, "...various amendments in Central Motor Vehicle Rules 1989 requiring the implementation of enforcement, Maintenance of Vehicular Documents and E-Challans through portal w.e.f 1.10.2020 for better monitoring and enforcement of MV Rules."

It stated that the use of IT services and electronic monitoring will lead to better enforcement of traffic rules and make travelling easier without harassing the drivers.

The step was taken after the Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Act 2019 was passed on 9th August, 2019. The government stated, "The amendment inter-alia provides for the definition for Challan, Portal inserted as a requirement for providing the services through IT and further the enforcement of electronic monitoring and enforcement,"

With the new rule in place, all the vehicular documents can now be stored in an information technology portal and can be validated through the electronic means. All the details, be it disqualification or revocation, will also be reflected on the e-platform and details will be updated in a chronological order.

This will also help in monitoring the driver's behaviour on a regular basis.

Not just this, provisions have also been made to record the date and time stamping of inspection and identity of the Officer. So, if your documents are found validated through electronic means you will not be required to show physical documents, even in cases where the offence required seizure of the document.

*Contributed by PP Rakesh Bhatia*

### CLUB EVENTS

**October 10, 2020 RCM**

**Speaker : Dr. Anil Joseph**

**Topic: Demolition of Living Structures**

### DISTRICT EVENTS

**To be announced soon**



## ROTARY NEWS

### Pandemic and its impact on Education

Facing the challenges of COVID-19, Rotary clubs and partner organizations are finding new ways to support access to education. Recognizing that education is a pathway out of poverty, Rotary and other organizations have made significant progress in increasing access to learning in communities around the world.

Now, the COVID-19 pandemic is threatening to erase many of those gains. More than 91 percent of students worldwide have been impacted by temporary school closures, according to the United Nations.

Some experts fear school closures and the loss of some family incomes could keep children out of school indefinitely. The school closures, job losses, and need for physical distance have further complicated things.

Fortunately, Rotary has a history of tackling the world's most challenging issues. Members, some with years of experience in education, are addressing the needs that lie ahead.

Teachers use data plans funded by Rotary club donations to record their lectures on smartphones to send to the families. Children receive homework packets with their food deliveries that include experiments they can do at

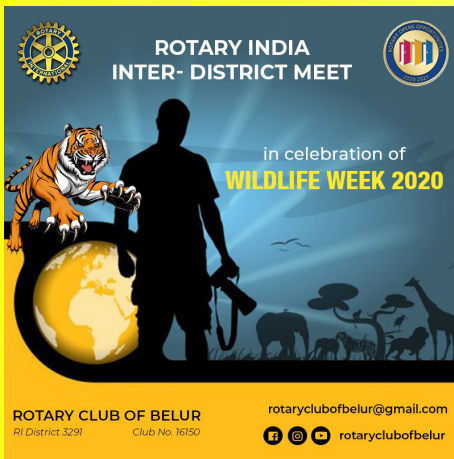
home. Students can use WhatsApp to send questions about their homework to the teachers. Instructors use voicemail to answer questions, and send photos of solutions to math problems.

Like many schools worldwide, the pandemic forced Safe Passage to address an issue it's been debating for years: how to best integrate online or remote learning into its education plans. Most remote learning involves technology like tablets. But the area's lack of internet access, as well as security concerns like theft, make distributing technology for students to learn at home a daunting task.

With the unpredictability of the pandemic, many schools will have to reinvent education and Rotary who helps clubs design education grants, in line with these needs and by understanding what people are able to accept and use — cognitively, socially, and emotionally.

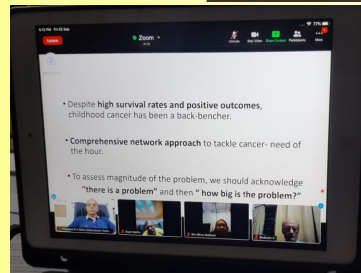
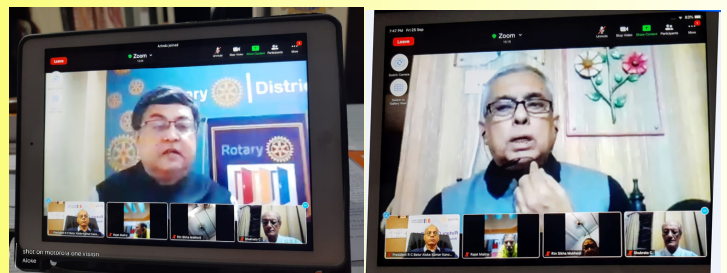
### CLUB NEWS :

Our Club has developed few more mnemonics for the social media platform and are being reproduced below.



### DISTRICT NEWS :

District organised a programme on Paediatric cancer on 25th September, 2020. It was a big success with many rotarians attending the event including President Alope Kanodia and other RCB members.



**Rotary India completed 101 years of establishment in India on 26th September, 2020.**



# Birthdays

**Rtn Dr. Sarbari Swalka on 05<sup>th</sup> October, 2020**

**Minutes of 2418<sup>th</sup>  
e- RCM of Rotary  
Club of Belur  
held on 26<sup>th</sup> of  
September  
at 5 p.m.**

Minutes of 2418th E- RCM of Rotary Club of Belur was held on 26th of September at 5pm on Zoom e-cloud platform..

The 2418th e Regular club meeting meeting was called to order by President Alope Kanodia. He requested members to rise for the recorded national anthem being played and thereafter invited Rtn Rashmi Patwari to offer invocation to God which was conducted by her in a very graceful manner.

More than 32 members and spouses attended the Virtual RCM. President Alope put up the motion of minutes of previous 2417th RCM which was adopted.

Later Secretary Amar Club conducted the club business of informing members about the forthcoming events as well as sending out birthday's greetings. Moving forward, President Alope invited Rtn Piyush Doshi to introduce the speaker for the day Mr Vijay Jain who spoke on the topic of "Vaastu Shastra And Beyond"

Vaastu expert Vijay Jain mentioned quite a few Vaastu tips which could benefit members and shed light on various aspects of Vaastu being related to laws of nature. He briefed mostly on house, kitchen direction and so on and spoke about small things which we all can do to keep away from negativity around us.

Later during an interactive session with members Vijay Jain was kept more than busy with their queries and with time being a constraint the session was to wrapped despite may questions still needed to be answered.

The vote of thanks was proposed by Vijay K Sharma in a delightful manner. Since there being no other business remaining to be transacted, President Alope terminated the meeting.

**Rtn Alope Kanodia, President**

**Rtn Amar Malhotra, Secretary**

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Vaidhyaraja namah tubhyam yamarajasahodara |

Yamah tu harati pranam vaidhyarajah dhanani cha ||

Translation:

O Doctor, I salute you! You are the brother of Yama Raja |

While Yama only takes the life, the doctor takes the money too ||



**MY favourite  
exercise  
is SMILING!**

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9. No living plants should ever be placed in ones bedroom. Besides artificial plants should not be kept in the house/office ever.
10. While cleansing the house floors we need to add a pinch of rock salt with whatever disinfectant solution used by us.
11. Weave 51 mango leaves into a bhandwar with the help of a black thread and tie it on the main gate of one's office/house. However it needs to be changed every 15 days.

### **Numerology:**

According to Mr.Vijay Jain **24** is considered to be luckiest number in the world as it is a number of family, harmony, idealism, companionship and long-term security. To derive its benefits we need to take a square piece of paper preferably 9x9 cm and write the number 24 in the centre of it in blue ink and keep it in one's wallet/handbag, cash book or paste it on the south wall of one's house/office.

### **Graphology:**

We should never give up writing as it helps in keeping our mind agile and reduces the chances of memory loss in our old age. He felt if all of us continue to write 1 page daily we can be more or less assured of not suffering from a brain stroke as well.



## India: Home to Myriad Symbolic Colours

India has always been exalted and remembered fondly as the country of symbolic colours. To an outsider, the colourful culture, streets, and stories seem like a page out of an ancient folk tale. But colour, in essence, has been a large part of the Indian consciousness.

From the **deep orange marigold flowers** that bejewel almost every celebration to the deep hues of red that deck up the bride on her most important day, symbolic colours in India have, over time, become synonymous with religion – an expression of faith and beliefs. In a country as diverse and culturally vibrant as India, it is perhaps the common, simple expressions of colour that hold together the multitudes of outlooks, lifestyles, and traditions. In India, be it north, south, west, or east, colour and culture go hand in hand. Just like many other cultures across the world, there are some typical classifications of colour to be found in India.

**Red** is dynamic and continuously breathing fire in the eyes of the beholder. It incites fear and is the colour associated with one of the most revered goddesses in Hindu mythology – **Durga**, her fiery image enhanced by her red tongue and almost red eyes. Red also stands for purity and is the preferred colour for a bride's garment.

**Red** has a deep meaning in the Indian psyche. It commemorates the union between two people and is visible right from the wedding, where the bride wears brilliant hues of red to the **red tikka** that she adorns after the wedding as a sign of her commitment. It is perhaps easy to see why red also symbolize fertility and prosperity. It is the colour of the fertile clay that reaps harvests and better lives and is used widely in prayer ceremonies and offerings. And India could hardly be celebrated as the land of spices without its most feisty ingredient — **chillies**. And while red symbolizes fertility and purity, it also connotes certain sensuousness and demands positive energy.

Some of the universally celebrated colours find their origins in the spices that are used widely across geographic and religious divides. **Turmeric**, for instance, while being used for cooking in both the north and the south, is also used in ceremonies offering prayers and marriages. **Yellow** symbolizes sanctity and is an essential herbal ingredient applied on the body and face by women in the subcontinent. In a country steeped in religious beliefs, the origin of most colours lies in the powers and mythical lives of its gods.

The colour **Blue**, for instance, is associated with **Lord Krishna**, perhaps one of the most favoured Gods in India. As is evident for any agricultural economy, **green** symbolizes a new beginning, harvest, and happiness.

**Green** symbolizes nature and therefore is a manifestation of God himself. India is a country steeped in tradition, culture, and rich and fabulous history. Kings and kingdoms, saints and followers, rebels and fighters have traversed the paths of its glorious past and have all played a small but significant role in ascertaining the perception of colours today.

Perhaps one of the most poignant factors in the perception of colours in the Indian psyche is the religious undertones that coexist at almost every phase of an "Indian's life."

The colours of India have mesmerized rulers, outsiders, and visitors – perhaps more so because of the stories and legends that bind its people, its culture, and its beliefs. The "**rani**" **pink** of mystical Rajasthan, the pastel tones of southern India, the joyous, bright hues of the northern frontier, and the warm, bright colours of the east offer a kaleidoscope for insight into an almost perfect blend of history and modernism. And perhaps a trip down its many roads will lead you to an understanding of its pulse. Maybe you'll take the road untaken and bring home a whole new hue to your life.

