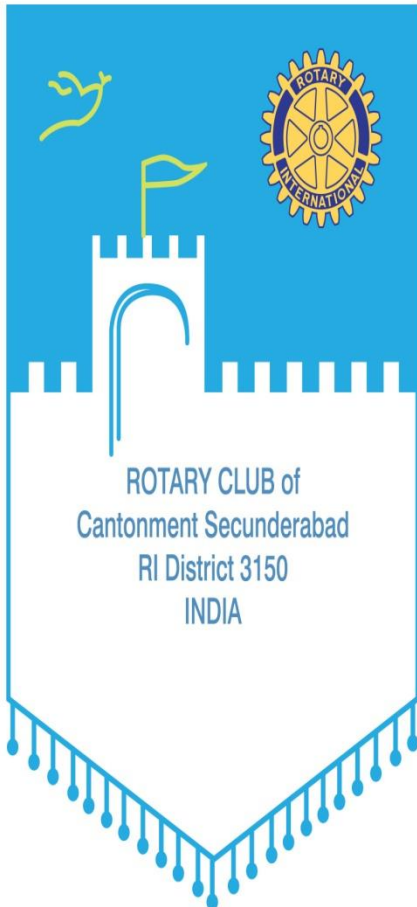


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2017-18 President
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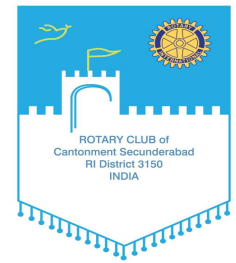


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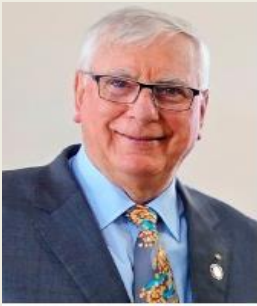
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Just 2 Numbers ..

RI President
Ian H.S. Riseley

When someone asks you, "What is Rotary?" what do you say? I think we've all had the experience of being asked that deceptively simple question and finding ourselves suddenly at a loss for words. Even the most articulate among us have a hard time capturing the essence of our organization in just a few sentences.

As an organization, Rotary has always had a difficult time conveying The scope of our work: not just what we do, but how we do it, and the value of what we contribute to the world.

As an accountant, I like numbers. They work in every language, and often they communicate complex information much more effectively than words.

That is why, in this Rotary year, I am asking each club to provide Rotary headquarters with two numbers:

- 1. the amount of money, both in cash and in kind, spent on humanitarian service;**
- 2. the number of hours of work performed in Rotary's name.**

If we want these numbers to be useful, they have to be accurate. That means beginning now to accurately track the hours and the money that our clubs spend on their service.

The simplest way for clubs to provide this information at the end of the year will be by entering it every month on Rotary Club Central – a tool that has been completely rebuilt and relaunched to be significantly more useful, and user-friendly, than it has been in the past.

There is not going to be any competition, recognition, or public use whatsoever of the numbers reported by any individual club. The goal is accurate and reliable numbers that we can present confidently our public image work, in our membership materials, and to our partners – numbers backed by specific data, on the club level, that answer not only the question, "What is Rotary?" but the question, "What does Rotary do?"



Basic Education and Literacy – Our Business and Priority

President Rtn J M Reddy

Welcome Cantons for another Rotary year 2017-18. Turn your passion for a change into action through Rotary.

We 1.2 Million Rotarians world over are actively engaged in changing the lives of society and communities around us.

We Rotarians with different business background having professional expertise in our classification field have great strength in extending service to humanity and communities around us.

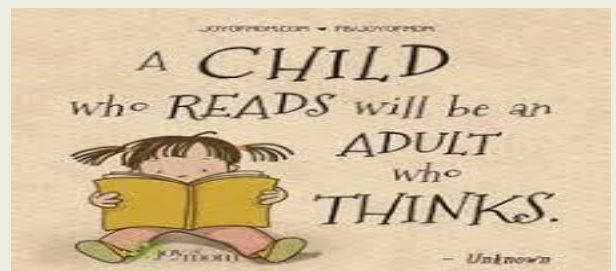
Rotary members are helping others in communities around the world every day through thousands of service projects. We have started our year by taking up several service projects in July and August. like distribution of note books, organizing Blood donation camp, tree plantation etc.

We shall continue to take up other service projects helping communities directly like we do every year in our club in the coming months.

We have also realized that training school going students for their overall development in personality and character building is more important than helping them with study materials as this will help the future society and make a big impact and long term change.

We made this training program for school going children as our main strategic approach and working with passion to train as many students as possible by organizing specially designed training programs.

Accordingly, we are planning to take up training of students in many schools in our communities with the help of other NGOs and shall continue this as our main focus for the year and years to come.





Charter President'
Rtn B R Ramagopal

Revival of 'The Cantonment Times'

I am very glad that our '**The Cantonment Times**' is being revived after a short gap. I congratulate Rtn PP Rangan and Ann Padma Rangan for having accepted the responsibility to bring out the in-house bulletin / newsletter on regular basis.

If I remember correct, the first issue of '**The Cantonment Times**' was brought out in July 2002. Those days it was printed and posted to members. We had members sponsoring the monthly issues to meet the printing and postage costs.

Incidentally, I was the Editor for about 3 years or so – so I know how difficult a task it is to bring out the bulletins on regular basis. It is a herculean task to collect articles and information from members. Invariably the editor has to find some interesting news / articles to fill in the short fall. Finally, everything must be edited and put together in a presentable way under the pressure of the President to meet the deadline.

Eventually it becomes a thankless job! – as members don't give any feedback or they will criticise that the bulletin is not interesting (forgetting that they themselves have not responded to Editor's request for good & interesting articles)!! I am just sharing this so that all members get motivated to provide interesting articles. (*I am no better – Padma has been asking me for a write up or article & I am writing this after many many reminders!*)

Wishing Padma & Rangan all the best in their endeavour as the Editorial Team for this year.

Club Activities & Events – July 2017

Date	Event	Agenda & Activity
10-07-2017	Club Assembly	Recognized the members who won District Awards for 2016-17 and plan for the installation
12-07-2017	Launch of student development program	A long term Student Development Program was launched at Government Mudfort School Secunderabad for overall development of students focussing on Hygiene, Social behaviour and Personality development .
12-07-2017	Book Distribution	1100 Note books distributed at Govt. Picket High school & Primary School
13-07-2017	Book Distribution	1500 Note books distributed at Trishul Park Govt. High School, Primary School and Girls High School. The interactors of St. Michael's School had distributed stationery and bags.
15-07-2017	Installation Ceremony	Rotarians from various clubs graced the occasion with Rtn P R Ramesh as the Chief Guest and AG, Rtn Ganesh as the installation officer. 3 new members were installed.
24-07-2017	Book Distribution	120 Note books were distributed at Kalasiguda Govt School
24-07-2017	Visit to a KGBV school	Rtn J M Reddy visited One of our Global grant sponsored KGBV school in Ellanthkunta to review their progress.
25-07-2017	Interact Club Installation	The interact club with 203 interactors at Sadhu Vaswani International School with students showcasing the projects completed
27-07-2017	Board Meeting	1st Board Meeting welcoming the new board members and plan for execution of the new projects and reviewed progress of projects already in process

Club Activities & Events – August 2017

Date	Event	Agenda / Activity
2-8-2017	Installation Ceremony St. Michael's School Interact Club	Colourful and spectacular show by the Interact teams displaying their amazing work of previous year and upcoming plan
2-8-2017	Roshni Program	Roshni counseling program at St. Michaels for class 10 students was highly appreciated
3-8-2017	Blood Donation Camp	96 Men & Women from 99 RAF Shamirpet donated blood . RC Hyderabad Deccan arranged for the blood collection and PDG Jawahar Vadlamani the special guest was overwhelmed with the response
3-8-2017	Tree Plantation	Members of the Club, Jawans of RAF, staff and students of CRPF school took part in Tree Plantation Program adding greenery to the campus
3-8-2017	Interact Club Installation	The Interact club was successfully launched for the year at CRPF school
8-8-2017	Awakened Citizen Program	7 Teachers from the Government Schools attended the value based program conducted by The Ramakrishna Math. The teachers were trained to impart life skills and values as part of formal curriculum
10-8-2017	Club Assembly	Club members gathered for the 1st Club Assembly of the Rotary year and presented their ideas and plans for the year
14-8-2017	Joint Meeting for Independence Day Celebration	Club members took part in the joint celebration with the Twin City Clubs presided by D Subba Rao, Ex-Governor of the RBI
15-8-2017	Independence Day Celebration	Club members celebrated Independence Day at the adopted Picket School with a lot of patriotic fervor. Special sweets and gifts were arranged for the students
19-08-2017	Maithrivanam (District Membership Seminar)	President and Director Membership Development participated in the meeting arranged at Leonia Resorts
20-08-2017	District Literacy Training & Seminar	Club trainer Seetha facilitated the Literacy Meet arranged at Gymkhana Club, Banjara Hills
23-8-2017	Wellness Program	Roshni team addressed the students of CRPF Public School on "STRESS". Also a special program for officers on "How to Identify Suicidal Symptoms " The program was very well received.
24-08-2017	Speaker Meet & Honouring of PHF Members	Nidhi Anand from The Ramakrishna Mission gave an insight into the benefits of the 'Awakened Citizen' program. RCCS will support taking this forward for about 25 Government schools. Club also honoured 2 members for PHF membership
31-08-2017	Behavioural & Addiction Program for Interact Schools	Rtn Malathi with Roshni Team conducted Behavioural and Addiction Program for high school students of Sherwood Public School
	Board Meeting	Monthly board meeting held to discuss the Teachers Day Celebration, NBA and other ongoing and new projects
	Training of Board Members	Trainer Seshadri conducted a Roles & Responsibilities training session for the Board Members. Home

Upcoming Club Events Calendar September & October 2017

Date	Event	Agenda / Activity
September		
7-9-2017	Teacher's Day Celebration	Recognising and Honouring Teachers for their impact and contributions Release of RCCS Cantonment Times News Letter
9-9-2017	New Member Orientation	3pm-5pm Hotel Ebony, Hyderabad No Lectures, No Registration Fee Just send your name and phone number to Rtn P Seshadri 9849082520
14-9-2017	Board Meeting	To be announced
21-9-2017	Club Meeting	To be announced
Last week	Fellowship Dinner	To be announced
September - October	Skill Development Training	Skill Development training Program will begin from September at Mudfort Government School for middle and high school Rtn Kuldeep will run this program in collaboration with RCCS and Happiness NGO
October		
27-10-2017 to 29-10-2017	Hearing Aids Distribution Project	Starkey Foundation to distribute hearing aids for up to 1200 children under 16 years and RCCS with MVF to organise and coordinate logistics and requirements .

More details will follow closer to date. Club meetings are normally held on Thursdays 7pm @Hotel Taj Tristar, S D Road, Secunderabad

RCCS 2017-18 Installation Ceremony
15 July 2017
Know your Team



Assistant Governor Rtn Ganesh and Chief Guest Rtn P R Ramesh installed the club's 17 member cabinet, 35% of which has 6 women leaders.

RCCS BOARD MEMBERS 2017-18

1	President	Rtn JM Reddy
2	Secretary	Rtn Geeta Magesh
3	Treasurer	Rtn Subbaraj Gowra
4	Immediate Past President & Director TRF	Rtn Sudhir
5	Vice President	Rtn Rajender Singh Yadav
6	President – Elect	Rtn Venkat Gummalla
7	Director – Administration & Club Service	Rtn Narasimha
8	Director – Membership	Rtn Krishna Mohan Gupta
9	Director – Public Relations & Vocational Service	Rtn Raaj Sreeram
10	Director Service Projects	Rtn Farzana Ali
11	Director New Generation	Rtn Manju Gupta
12	Director – Literacy & WINS	Rtn Mohan Nishtala
13	Sergeant-at-arms	Rtn Rajiv Gupta
14	Technical Officer	Rtn Srikanth Gummala
15	Joint Secretary	Rtn Gayathri
16	Editorial Team - Cantonment Times	Rtn S V Rangan Ann Padma Rangan
17	Club Trainer & Executive Director	Rtn Seetha

Club Meetings, Board Meetings, Joint Meetings



Book Distribution, Interact Club Events, Training Programs



Interact Club Events, Counselling & Training Seminars



Blood Donation Camp, Tree Plantation



Independence Day Celebrations



Club Adopted School at Secunderabad Picket Renovation Progress



A Bit More ...

This is a recurring feature and we will learn a bit more about all our members in each edition. 3 New Rotarians were inducted to our club in July 2017. Read on and let's get to know them a little better and how they can **“Make a Difference”** to Rotary.



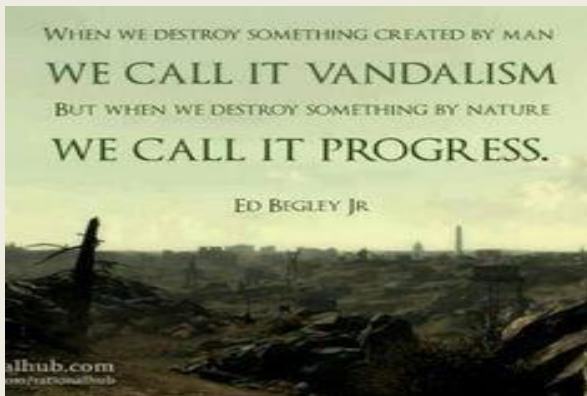
A bit more



Name	Vijaya Laxmi	Ramani Rao	Jyothi Kiran
Classification	Manpower Consultancy	Consultancy - ISO	Law Practice
Introduced by	J. M. Reddy	Seetha Vuppala	J. M.Reddy
How I can make a difference in Rotary	I wish to help the the younger generation, specially the school going children by motivating them to achieve their true potential. I have been helping the less privileged people in my community at a personal level and hope to reach out wider through Rotary.	I would like to take up projects related to Girl Child to promote : 1. Hygiene 2. Confidence Building 3. Participation in Sports I would also like to help Donate books to the Schools we have adopted	I love to educate people on their legal, fundamental and democratic rights especially the women sect the deprived, vulnerable and younger generation.
I am passionate about	Encouraging the school going children for their overall development.	Good education and personality development in children.	Am passionate about making the young generation specially girls strong and dutyfull towards society.
My Philosophy in life	Having number of friends and maintaining good relations with all relatives and friends.	To be a go-getter.	Maintaining good relations and being assertive and firm on one's ideology and personality.



By Invitation
Rtn Raj Sreeram



Too much GOOD becomes EVIL in time. The medicines, the plastic, the chemicals which are all there for our good, have actually become the bane of the society. The next generation is going to face the harsh realities of our 'PROGRESS'.

Notice the hand that is passing on the baton; it has a firm grip on the tube till the very last moment. Notice the hand that is taking the baton; it is unshaken and sure, accepting the challenge. The person accepting the baton does not look back, he just extends his hand behind with full belief and trust.

There is so much in the picture above, lessons to learn, actions to be understood and above all it is all about belief and trust. All through the run, the first runner's aim is to hand over the baton to the other runner at the fastest so that he in turn does the same by passing on the baton to the next runner and so on. In a relay race there are 4 runners and the game ends there, but in life the race doesn't stop. It goes on and on. one generation passes on the baton to another and they to another and it has been happening through ages.

Every generation looks at providing a better world/life to another and during one's life time goes through the travails that come their way. We have seen the progress that each generation has made and what they have provided for the next. Be it material, emotional or spiritual. We have come a long way. We have all the comforts and lifestyle our forefathers wouldn't have even imagined. But alongside are the miseries of war and hatred, poverty and ill health.

Are we standing up to the trust that the next generation has imposed on us? Are we leaving them with a better world than what we have received? Are our actions clear of all or anything bad? Are we living only for ourselves or at the cost of their future?

We need to address all of the above points. We can't, but be guilty for the deterioration of our world. It is high time we acknowledge our lapses and join hands in changing our methods and working towards a better tomorrow. We should realize that they are our children who have to suffer our misadventures.

Much has been said on this topic on many forums but there is nothing much to be shown. **As Rotarians, let us do our bit.**



10 GST Basics for Laymen - Rtn S V Rangan

History & Facts	Key Principles	Benefits
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1
Goods & Services Tax (GST) was first conceptualised in India 17 years ago and implemented live on 1st July 2017.
In the year 2000, the Vajpayee government started a discussion on GST by setting up an empowered committee headed by Asim Dasgupta. He was the then Finance Minister of West Bengal.

GST would apply to most goods and services (with some exceptions)
Goods have been defined as every kind of movable property.
Services have been defined as “anything other than goods”.

2
About 160 countries in the world have the GST.
Presently, there are around 160 countries that have implemented the GST or VAT in some form or the other. France was the first country to have introduced GST.

India, being a federal country, is going to have a dual-GST structure – Central GST and State GST. The only other country with a dual GST is Canada.

3
The Constitution of India has been amended to insert articles empowering the government of India to levy GST.

4
GST is based on the principle of destination based tax as against the earlier principle of origin based tax.

Taxes will be levied as follows:

IGST	Integrated GST (for Inter state, Exports, Imports etc)
CGST	Central GST (Intra State)
SGST	State GST (Intra State)
CESS	As applicable

5
Rates
Globally, the standard GST rate varies from 1.5% in Aruba to 27% in Hungary.
The GST Council in India has proposed a four-tier rate structure

No Tax	High Essentials like Food products
5%	For Essentials
12% & 18%	Standard Rates applicable to most goods & services
28%	Luxury goods and Sin goods

6
States will be compensated for 5 years. Since GST is a consumption based tax any revenue loss for states would be compensated.

7
Taxpayers with an annual turnover of Rs. 20 lakhs would be exempt from GST.

Compounding option (i.e. to pay tax at a flat rate without input credits) is available to small specified taxpayers having an annual turnover of up to Rs.75 lakhs.

An anti-profiteering clause has been provided as a transitional measure to ensure that businesses pass on the benefit of input credit / reduced tax to the consumers.

8
GST replaces a total of 17 taxes (8 Central and 9 State)
Merging a large number of Central and State taxes into a single tax will mitigate cascading or double taxation.

Common set of authorised banks
Single point interface for challan generation in the GSTN.

9
With PAN linked taxpaying GST will improve tax compliance
End-to-end IT system, would plug revenue leakages

10
GST is expected to boost economic growth and also make Indian products competitive in the domestic and international markets.

The journey and evolution of the Indian National Flag - 70th Independence Day Special



Sister Nivedita Flag 1904-1906

Swami Vivekananda's disciple, Sister Nivedita in 1904 made the first red and yellow flag with 'Bande Mataram' written on it in originally in Bengali and later Devnagari. The flag also had the symbols of the sun, the star and the lunar crescent.



The Lotus Flag 1906

This flag came to be known as the 'Calcutta flag' or the 'Lotus flag', as it had eight half-opened lotuses on the orange strip. The flag is believed to be designed by Sachindra Prasad Bose and Sukumar Mitra. It was unfurled on August 7 in the year 1906 at Parsee Bagan in Calcutta (now Kolkata).



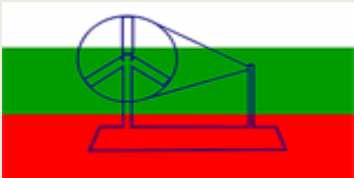
The Berlin Flag 1907

This flag was designed by Madam Bhikaji Cama, Vinayak Damodar Savarkar and Shyamji Krishna Varma and unfurled at Stuttgart, Germany, on August 22 in 1907. The flag had three colour stripes saffron, yellow and green with Vandemataram inscription



Home Rule Flag 1917

Bal Gangadhar Tilak, mobilised the Home Rule movement against the British empire. The flag was designed with the Union Jack included on top. The flag also had the Big Dipper or Saptarishi constellation and the crescent moon and star.



The Charkha Flag 1921

The flag was made up of two colours Red and Green-representing the two major communities - Hindus and Muslims and had a Charkha or Spinning Wheel to symbolise economic regeneration.



The First Tricolour 1931

In 1931 a landmark resolution was passed to remove any communal significance to the flag. The colours and their significance were changed and adopted as Saffron indicating the strength and courage of the country, white indicating peace and truth and green for fertility, growth and auspiciousness of the land.

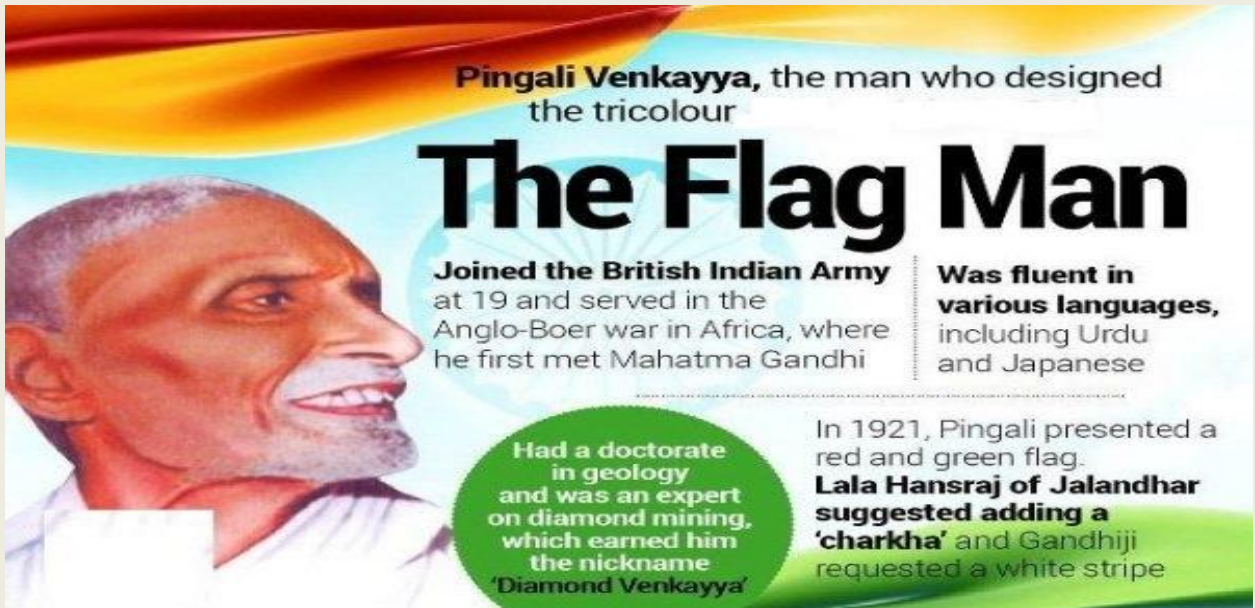


Independent India Tricolour 1947

The flag was adopted by the Constituent Assembly on July 22, 1947 as Free India's National Flag. The colours and their significance were retained. The Ashoka Chakra was adopted in place of the spinning wheel to signify Dharma.

The Flag Man

Pingali Venkayya - a freedom fighter from Bezawada (now Vijayawada Andhra Pradesh) designed our Tricolour



Pingali Venkayya, the man who designed the tricolour

The Flag Man

Joined the British Indian Army at 19 and served in the Anglo-Boer war in Africa, where he first met Mahatma Gandhi

Was fluent in various languages, including Urdu and Japanese

Had a doctorate in geology and was an expert on diamond mining, which earned him the nickname 'Diamond Venkayya'

In 1921, Pingali presented a red and green flag. **Lala Hansraj of Jalandhar suggested adding a 'charkha'** and Gandhiji requested a white stripe

Authorised Manufacturer

Karnataka Khadi Gramodyoga Samyukta Sangha located in Bengeri village of Dharwad district in Karnataka is the only unit that holds the manufacturing rights of our Flag.



Hoisting the Tricolour

Industrialist Naveen Jindal moved court to allow ordinary citizens to hoist the national flag. The Supreme Court issued a final ruling in 2004 that flag-displaying is a fundamental right of all Indian citizens.

India Quiz

7 questions for India @70



1. What was the name of the Famous magazine published by Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi?

- a) Independent
- b) Kesari
- c) Indian Mirror
- d) Young India

Show Answer

2. The 'Gateway of India' was built to commemorate which event?

- a) Arrival of Vasco da Gama in India
- d) In memory of Mahatma Gandhi
- c) The Victory of Marathas over Mughals
- d) The Landing of King George V and Queen Mary

Show Answer

3. How many countries celebrate their Independence Day on 15th August?

- a) 5 - Bahrain, Congo, Korea, Liechtenstein and India
- b) 2 - India and Pakistan
- c) 1 - India
- d) 3 - India, Pakistan and Korea

Show Answer

Details

Bahrain - 1971 from the British
Congo - 1960 from France
Korea - 1945 from Japan
Liechtenstein - 1866 from Germany
India - 1947 from the British

4. The international border between India-Pakistan along the state of Punjab is known as which line?

- a) Line of Control
- b) Mannerheim Line
- c) Radcliffe Line
- d) McMahon Line

Show Answer

5. India shares it's longest international border with which of the following country?

- a) Nepal
- b) Bangladesh
- c) China
- d) Pakistan

Show Answer

Details

The length of Indo Bangladesh border is 4097 KM or 2545-miles

6. Which Indian citizen was Conferred the "Nishan-e-Pakistan" the highest civilian award of Pakistan?

- a) Mahatma Gandhi
- b) Morarji Desai
- c) Atal Bihari Vajpayee
- d) Abul Kalam Azad

Show Answer

7. India lies in which hemisphere of the globe?

- a) North and East Hemisphere
- b) North and West Hemisphere
- c) South and East Hemisphere
- d) South and West Hemisphere

Show Answer

Telangana Handlooms & Amazon MOU - 2017



There are 17,000 handloom varieties ethnic to our state of Telangana!.

Amazon India has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Telangana Department of Handloom and Textiles, to enable weavers to directly sell their products to Amazon customers across the country.

Amazon will create specialised training modules and conduct workshops for handloom weavers and artisans to enable them to use e-commerce platform.

Amazon has already partnered with Union Ministry of Textiles and handloom weavers in about eight states to promote and sell handlooms and handicrafts produced locally.

The products of Telangana handlooms weavers will be available on [‘Handicrafts and Handlooms’ store on Amazon.in](#).

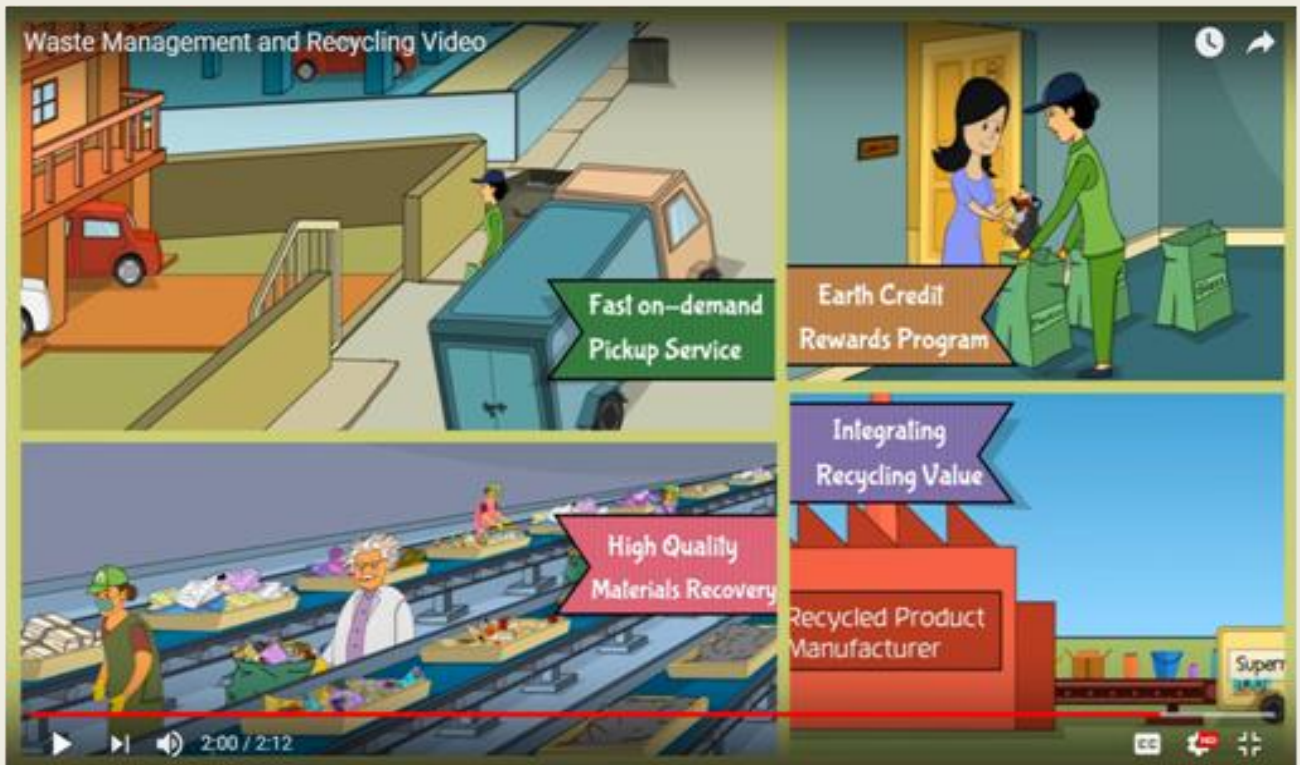
So the next time you plan to buy traditional handlooms, do look up Amazon to directly support the weavers of our state.



What A Waste!

Banyan Nation – Profitable Waste Management

- Waste will be collected from your doorstep
- You can get credits for it in the form of cash, phone recharge, coupons etc.
- Value is recovered from the waste at Materials Recovery
- Green products recycled and redployed back for use.



Hyderabad based waste management startup **Banyan Nation** emerged as the winner for the Intel & DST Innovate for India 2017 Challenge for creating a zero-waste platform. Combining informatics and hardware engineering Banyan Nation aims to root out bottlenecks in India's recycling value chain. Mentored by Intel, Banyan Nation has now partnered with the Telangana government to deploy their zero-waste platform in the city of Warangal and plans to get to other cities and districts in the state soon.

To learn more visit:

<https://www.facebook.com/BanyanNation/>

Do not miss watching this 2 minute video

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4JDGFNoY-rQ>

The Future Digital India!

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"You caught a virus from your computer and we had to erase your brain. I hope you've got a back-up copy!"

