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Today's club program

12th Installation Ceremony of the Rotary Club of Salt Lake Metropolitan Kolkata at De Sovrani Hotel, DD 21, Salt Lake Kolkata 64 from 9.00 AM onward
Chief Guest
Ajay Agarwal, Governor, 2019-20; RI District 3291
Guests of honor
Sudip Mukherjee, Governor Elect, RI District 3291
Rajesh Chirimar, Mayor-in-Council, Bidhannagar Municipal Corporation

About Ajay Agarwal, District Governor, 2019-20, District: 3291



District Governor Ajay Agarwal has several business interests, including **Daily Vishwamitra**, the oldest Hindi newspaper now in its 105th year of publication, real estate development and newsprint imports. He was educated in St Xaviers Collegiate School, Kolkata and St Xaviers College, Calcutta.

Having joined **Rotary Club of Central Calcutta** in 1988, he served as President in 1992-93, winning many laurels for the club. He served in numerous District, Zonal and International positions. He was GSE leader in 2006, and visited Hong Kong, Macau and Mongolia.

He has published proceedings papers for a number of international conferences. He has been a faculty for district training programs like RLI, PETS and SETS regularly. He has also been a keynote speaker at various programs in neighboring districts.

He is presently a member of **Rotary Club of Calcutta Millennium**, which was chartered in 2016. **In the course of his journey since 1988, he has introduced more than 65 members into Rotary.**

His spouse **Mamta** is a senior Inner Wheel leader. She was President, Association of Inner Wheel Clubs in India (2015-2016). Both are Major Donors. They are blessed with a daughter, **Aashika** who is married to Sudhir, and a son, **Atishay**, who is married to Nidhi.

A Message from Governor 2019-2020, RI District 3291



RC Salt Lake Metropolitan Kolkata
Dear members & Centurion President
I extend my warm greetings to you on the happy occasion of your Installation meeting.
You are beginning a new year of Service and Fellowship, which will be rewarding and enjoyable too.

Friends, let us use the CONNECTION that Rotary offers to have harmony and peace in all directions. This alone will give us strength to plan and implement projects which will build a better and a more equitable world.

I am sure your club will seize the moment and with the combined dedication and effort of all the members, prove to be in the vanguard of the centenary year.

Mamta & I will walk every step with you, as you show ROTARY CONNECTS THE WORLD.

Warm regards and best wishes for 2019-2020 and beyond

Ajay Agarwal

District Governor 2019-2020

Message from Sudip Mukherjee, Governor Elect, District 3291



Dear President and all members of Rotary Club of Salt Lake Metropolitan Kolkata,

It is heartening to note that your club is celebrating 12th Installation Ceremony. It is an auspicious occasion to usher in a new Rotary Year. Kudos to President (RY-2018-19) Rtn. Dr. Ankush Bansal for the good work he has done. Let me take the opportunity to congratulate President (RY-2019-20) Rtn. Dr. Sudha Chowdhary for taking up the mantle of leadership in the 100th year of Rotary movement in India.

I am sure your club will take up meaningful and sustainable service projects pertaining to Six Areas of Focus. Please also stress upon increase in Membership, contribution to TRF and thrust areas like Literacy and Wins.

Needless to say, under able guidance of Past Presidents, with your zeal and hard work the new Rotary Year will be a grand success and District Governor Rtn. Ajay Agarwal will have an inspired 'Team of Centurions Connecting through Service'.

Regards,

Rtn. Sudip Mukherjee

District Governor (2020-21)

About Rajesh Chirimar, Hon member, RC SLMK



Rajesh Chirimar, BA, Political Science, aged 47, member, Mayor-in-council, Bidhannagar Municipal Corporation, holding portfolio of Mass education, has always been available to support various community service activities in Bidhannagar.

In spite of being occupied in business, he is always available to serve persons in need.

He has always been available to support and remove encumbrances in RC SLMK's endeavors of various community services in Salt Lake area

Though being one of the most well-to-do councilors of the corporation, he leads a very humble life and is approachable by constituents of the community.

Rajesh lives with Mother, wife, two sons and a Golden Retriever.

Club officials of year 2019-20

IPP: Dr Ankush Bansal 9831514886 □ President: Dr Sudha Chawdhary 9830094433 □ PE: Sumit Agarwal 9830116534 □ Vice-President: Indra Kumar Bagri 9830088553 □ Secretary: Kusum Chamaria: 9432207627 □ Jt Secretary: Archana Goyal 9831005457 □ Treasurer: Ashok Surana 9903900421 □ Bulletin Editor: PP Banwarilal Ajitsaria 9903900440 □ Sgts at Arms: Sumit Agarwal 9830116534 □ Dr Saktirupa Chakraborty 9007033775 □ Ansul

Agrawal 9734935187 □ Club Trainer: PP Uma Shankar Agarwal 9830459684 □ Club Admin Chair: PP Dr Aruna Tantia 9830400445 □ Membership Chair: Umprasad Datta 9831202838 □ Service Project Chair: Dr Saktirupa Chakraborty 9007033775 □ Foundation Chair: IPP Dr Ankush Bansal 9831514886 □ Literacy Chair: Archana Goyal 9831005457 □ Club Ambassador: PP Banwarilal Ajitsaria 9903900440

Ranjan Kuthari, Hon member, RCSLMK



Born in Calcutta in a family of business persons, Ranjan did his Electrical Engineering from Jadavpur University.

As a cricket player, Ranjan, an University Blue, represented East Zone, while at school and West Bengal while at campus.

Before starting his digital pre-press production business in Calcutta in early eighties, he was President, Bihar Steel Plant. Soon he expanded in commercial printing and packaging for buyers both within and beyond India.

Ranjan, a Major Doner, joined Rotary in 1989 and served club and district in various capacities over last thirty years. He had been the mentor of RCSLMK since chartered.

Married to Renu, who has been an Inner Wheel Club member, Ranjan and Renu are blessed with son Rohit, a Printing Engineer, married to Jyoti, father of three charming daughters and Executive Director of the company promoted by his father. Ranjan and Renu are also blessed with daughter Ruma, a qualified Company Secretary.

About Dr Sudha Chowdhary, President, 2019-20, RCSLMK



Dr Sudha Chowdhary is the eldest of her proud parents Mr Shyam Sunder Chowdhary and Mrs Bimala Devi Chowdhary and friend philosopher and guide of her three younger brothers, their spouses and kids.

Born in Kolkata on 23rd May, Dr Sudha had her schooling at Balika Siksha Sadan.

She is an MBBS from Burdwan Medical College and Hospital. She did her MS in General Surgery from IPGMER and SSKM Hospital. Since her early age, she has been a swimmer and a regular table tennis and badminton player.

Dr Sudha loves serving community through her profession and other means. At present Dr Sudha is attached with ILS hospitals and UMRI as consultant, General and Laparoscopic Surgery.

Acceptance and aspirations

Dr Sudha Chowdhary, President, 2019-20, RCSLMK

It's great pleasure for me to serve as centurion president for the year 2019-20 of Rotary club of Salt Lake Metropolitan Kolkata. It is the trust and faith of members of the club on me to consider me suitable for the post of president this year. I shall try my best to keep their trust and believe in me. Everything will be possible with the support of each of members. Without their support nothing can be done.

My goals are:

1. Increase in membership in our club by 5.
2. Form a new Rotract Club and an RCC.
3. Launch avoidable blindness (major cause is cataract) project along with Rotary Club of Central Calcutta through global Grant.
4. Close club's signature Global Grant Project titled Swabalamban-3 with distribution of 60 Nos. Cycle Vans,
5. Initiate Maternal and Child health care through Global Grant,
6. Adopt a village.

With Warmth

Rtn Sudha Chowdhary

Message from Mark Daniel Maloney, RI President, 2019-20



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28th May 2019

Dear fellow Rotarian,

I want to congratulate you on your installation to the office of 2019-2020 club president.

Club officers all have their own roles to play in ensuring their club's success, both this year and in the years to come. You have the opportunity to grow Rotary — to grow our service, to grow the impact of our projects, and, most importantly, to grow our membership so that we can achieve more. The example you set is essential in motivating your fellow Rotarians. Rotarians like you are the foundation of everything that Rotary seeks to achieve.

Congratulations again on your appointment as 2019-2020 club president. I look forward to a year of great accomplishments with your help, as *Rotary Connects the World*.

Kindest regards,

Mark Daniel Maloney
Rotary International President, 2019-20



Upcoming Club program

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| Aug 4, 2019 | Club's 12 th Installation at De Sovrani |
| Aug 10, 2019 | RWM: Talk on Golden Hour of Heart Attack! How to recognize and what to do? by Dr. Sunil Lhila |
| Aug 15, 2019 | Flag hoisting at JC, Salt Lake |
| Aug 25, 2019 | Multi specialty free health camp at Dutta Phulia village near Bangladesh Border, Nadia organized by Dimer Club along with RCC Chakdah, Dt: Nadia |
| Sep 8, 2019 | 25 beneficiaries will receive Cycle Vans under Global Grant 1524507 titled 'Swabalamban 3' at Amta Howrah |
| Sep 15, 2019 | 35 beneficiaries will receive Cycle Vans under Global Grant 1524507 titled 'Swabalamban 3' at Chakdah, Nadia |
| | Free Health camp at Chakdah, Gynae, Paed, Skin, Oral Cancer, Medicine doctors required |
| | Blood donation camp at Chakdah |
| | Project Green: Distribution of fruit plant sapling to 115 people at Chakdah |

Minutes of 468th regular meeting of RCSLMK held on Saturday, July 27, 2019 at JC 25 Salt Lake, Kolkata 700098 at 6.00 PM

President Dr Sudha Chowdhary welcomed guests and members and called meeting to order.

Members and guest rose and sang National Anthem.

Kusum Chamaria, Club Secretary

- Read the minutes of last weekly meeting of the club,
- Announced members' birthdays and wedding anniversaries falling within next fortnight, and

We meet 2nd and 4th Saturdays at GPT Group, JC 25, Salt Lake, Kolkata 700098 at 6.00 PM

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Shared upcoming club and District programs, Ashok Surana, Club Treasurer, shared that club had already complied updated financial commitments to Rotary International, RI District 3291 and Rotary News Trust.

President Dr Sudha Chowdhary welcomed and invited Deepak Pramanik, an old member and past president of RCLSMKS, to speak on Strategic planning at Club level.

PP Umapasrad Datta, before inviting to speak, gave a brief introduction to Deepak, a Mechanical Engineer from IIT Madras and an IIMC alumnus, who after working in few companies in Mumbai and Kolkata, had promoted AIDIAS, a management consulting firm. He and his jovial and ever smiling spouse Aparajita are blessed with two sons, who are pursuing higher education abroad.

Deepak Pramanik, after touching on brief illustrative definition of Strategic Planning, shared how, while being club president, he could encourage club members to attend and involve themselves in club activities through drawing attention and active participation of their family members. He further suggested regular sharing of club projects through Social media. In response to members' query, he suggested Rain Water Harvesting could be an effective project idea.

Anirban Majumdar offered vote of thanks.

VP Indra Kumar Bagri offered a memento to speaker Deepak.

President Dr Sudha Chowdhary

- Thanked Deepak Pramanik for sharing his thoughts, which gave a route map to ensure enhancement of both bonding among members and community service,
- Invited members and guests to dinner and
- Terminated the meeting

How year 2018-19 of RCLSMK went

I RCLSMK installs its 2018-19 President Dr Ankush Bansal



Rotary Salt Lake Metropolitan Kolkata formally installed Dr Ankush Bansal as its President for year 2018-19 in presence of Governor Mukul, Governor Elect Ajay, past Governor Raju, other district officials, guests and family of RCLSMK in the afternoon of Thursday, July 5, 2018 at hotel De Sovrani, Salt Lake.

President Dr Ankush presented upcoming club plan

Governor Mukul Sinha installed Dr Ankush Bansal as new President. Dr Ankush presented the new Board

Sumit Agarwal, club secretary, announced upcoming club and district programs and birthdays and wedding anniversaries of members.

IPDG Shyamashree Sen, mentioning IPP Kusum as ever-smiling club leader, cherished her presence in several projects of RCLSMK.

President Dr Ankush invited everyone to enjoy high tea. President Elect Dr Sudha Chaudhary offered vote of thanks.

In the meeting, instead of inert memento, guests were offered live growing, specially cared, potted plants

II RCLSMK sponsored YUBAKARSAN 2018 was held successfully at DPS New Town



RCLSMK sponsored inter-school fest titled, 'YUBAKARSAN' was held successfully at DPS New Town on July 27 & 28, 2018. Students formed committees and participated in

live proceedings of events that included, among others, United Nations Human Rights Council; Lok Sabha Committee; United Nations Environment Program; Bandhni Competition; Documentary Film Making; Socio-psychological Film Making and many others

Participating schools were the Heritage School; DPS Howrah; DPS Ruby Park; DPS Megacity; Promila Memorial Institute; St Francis Xaviers; Sri Sri Academy; Mangalam Academy; Mahadevi Birla World academy; and Arabinda Institute.

III Investiture of Interact Club of DPS Town



Investiture of Interact Club of DPS New Town was held at the auditorium of the campus on Thursday, August 9, 2018.

President Dr Ankush Bansal, club Secretary Sumit, PP Kusum Chamaria, Archana Goyal, Indra Kumar Bagri, Ashok Surana of RCLSMK were present

IV District Governor's official visit to RCLSMK



On Saturday, September 29, 2018, Governor Mukul Sinha made his official visit to the Rotary club of Salt Lake Metropolitan Kolkata. President and club members welcomed him.

Governor Mukul inducted Ansul Agarwal, Club's new member to the world of Rotary.

Governor Mukul formally congratulated President and members of club for hosting a meaningful DG Visit

President Dr Ankush presented club plan for year 2018-19.

Governor Mukul conducted Assembly

V RCLSMK distributes 100 Mosquito nets among persons in need



President Dr Ankush and PP Kusum distributed 100 mosquito nets in front of the idol of Goddess Kali at CK Market, Salt Lake on Monday, November 5, 2018

VI RCLSMK holds medical camp & distributes blankets

Dr Aruna Tantia, past President and editor, Spectrum, writes



RCLSMK's medical camp with RCC Nabankur Sangha, Chakdah, Nadia saw more than 150 patients ranging from Gynae to orthopedics. Lt Gen Dr SP Datta, past president, Dr Sen, PP Dr Chitra Ray, PE Dr Sudha Chowdhary, Dr Ushasi and I examined patients and gave them advises besides medicines.

Each patient was screened for Diabetes and hypertension by dedicated team of ILS hospital and Rotaractors. Local volunteers from RCC Nabankur Sangha guided the patients.

Cases of Prolepses, Goitres, Epilepsy, Severe diabetes and arthritis were seen. Total Rs 40000.00 worth of medicines was distributed besides Rs.40000.00 spent in blanket distribution.

The camp was blessed by local politicians who also helped distribution of club sponsored 200 blankets.

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VII 20 Cycle Vans handed over at RCC Dearah ASHA, Meena Khan, District 24 Parganas (S), West Bengal



The 6th phase of RCLSMK and Rotary Gold Coast Lake Success, USA initiated distribution of Cycle Vans and rickshaws under Global Grant 1524507 held at Meena Khan involving RCC Dearah ASHA (Association for Social & Humanitarian Action) was on Sunday, Feb 3, 2019. 20 Cycle Vans were handed over to the beneficiaries



The RCC identified 300 kids studying at ten secondary schools, who cannot buy Geometry Boxes for furthering their studies. RCLSMK, on the same day, came with 100 Geometry boxes for meeting needs of some of the kids.

Along with distribution of 20 cycle vans, club handed over two hand-pulled tri-cycles to two persons with weak / deformed feet / legs to let them earn with minimum effort for moving.

VIII Club hands over consumables to Hospital & Maternity Home

On February 3, 2019, PP Kusum Chamaria and PE Sudha Chaudhary, among others, distributed medical goods such as bed sheets, disposable gowns, masks and dressing sheets at Dr BC Roy General Hospital & Maternity Home, New Barrackpore.



This was RCLSMK's little effort. Those medical goods were handed at the right place.

The referred hospital was part of consignment that RCLSMK had received as gift in kind from Rotary Brisbane Centenary, Australia.

IX Swabalamban 3: 25 Cycle Vans handed over at RCC Vateguri Janakalyan Sangha, Dist: Howrah, West Bengal

Rotary Salt Lake Metropolitan Kolkata and Rotary Gold Coast Lake Success, USA initiated distribution of Cycle Vans under Global Grant 1524507 at Amta involving RCC Vateguri Janakalyan Sangha, Dist: Howrah on Sunday, Feb 24, 2019. 25 Cycle Vans were handed over to the beneficiaries.



Local Block level leaders were happy to be present in the project. The distribution turned out to be community event, where families of RCC members and beneficiaries joined.

X Inaugural Installation of Rotaract Club of Salt Lake Metropolitan

The Rotaract Club of Salt Lake Metropolitan formally stepped into the world of Rotary. Installation and charter hand over took place in

presence of Rajani Mukherjee, past Governor and Rotary and Rotaract members on 6th April 2019 at RCLSMK's meeting venue.



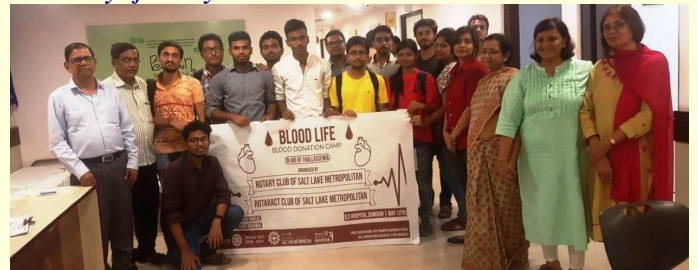
Rotaract members with guests and RCLSMK members

RCLSMK President Dr Ankush decorated **Rotaract President Souvik** with Rotaract Club Collar and pin. He also handed over hammer and gong to Rotaract President Souvik for conducting meetings.

Vibrant group of Rotaractors were given words of wisdom by the Guest of Honor of the evening: past Governor Rajani Mukherjee. Such words were applicable to Rotary members. The Past Governor stressed upon variations in competencies among members, which could be utilized for serving community.

Before termination of the meeting, RCLSMK President Dr Ankush invited everyone to brief vegetarian dinner at the adjacent cafeteria.

XII Family of Rotary and Rotaract members donates blood



Summers are always crucial for thalassaemia patients who require periodic blood transfusion. Due to heat blood cannot be stored for long and there is a crisis in blood bank.

Members of RCLSMK and Rotaractors of Salt Lake Metropolitan organized free voluntary blood donation at ILS hospitals Dumdum on Sunday, May 12, 2019 under leadership of club president Dr Ankush Bansal. Club President Elect Dr Sudha Choudhary set the wheel rolling by being first donor. Rotaractors and some of the young members of the family of RCLSMK followed suit.

Though 30 persons volunteered, 23 of them were able to donate. Apart from PE Dr Sudha Choudhary, Rotary member Ansul Agarwal, Ms Rekha Agarwal, mother of club Secretary Sumit, Vivek Surana, son of Club VP Ashok Surana and Rotaractors were the donors. RCLSMK is thankful to Bhoruka Research Centre (Blood Bank) and ILS Hospital, Dumdum

Birthdays of Rotary members in August 2019

- Archana Goyal on August 11, 2019
- Rajkumar Rajgharia, past Governor on August 15, 2019
- Jhulan Basu, past Governor on August 16, 2019
- Kusum Chamaria, past President on August 21, 2019

Anniversaries of Rotary members & spouses in Aug 2019

- Sp Sunayana & PDG Utpal Majumdar on August 15, 2019
- Sp Sipra & PDG Aniruddha Roychoudhury on August 17, 2019

August is Membership & Extension Month

UNWIND

A documentary on Kingfisher planes: 'Saare Zameen Par' 9All are grounded)

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We all are tourists & God is our travel agent who already fixed all our Routes Reservations & Destinations. So Trust him & Enjoy the "Trip" called LIFE.