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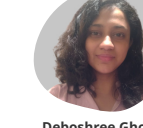
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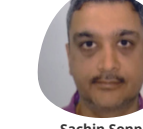
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Bikash Agarwal.....April 06

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Dear Members,

As we embrace the arrival of April, we are filled with a sense of renewal and purpose. The Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence continues to be a beacon of hope and positive change in our community, and we are proud to share the latest updates and accomplishments with you.

In this edition, we shine a spotlight on the power of education as a catalyst for change. From our ongoing projects supporting underprivileged children's education to our collaborations with local schools and educational institutions, we are committed to empowering the next generation with the knowledge and skills they need to succeed.

April also marks the celebration of Earth Day, a reminder of the importance of environmental conservation and sustainable practices. Our commitment to projects like "Adopt a River" and "Organic Farming" reflects our dedication to preserving our planet for future generations.

As we continue our journey of service, let us remain steadfast in our commitment to making a positive impact. Whether through community projects, fundraising efforts, or advocacy campaigns, every action we take brings us closer to our goal of a better, brighter future for all.

I extend my heartfelt thanks to our members, partners, and supporters for their unwavering support and dedication. Together, we are truly making a difference in the world.

Yours in Rotary,

RTN Soumik Kumar
Editorial Chair
Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence



Dear Members,

I am delighted to share with you the inspiring projects and initiatives undertaken by the Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence in the month of March 2024. Our commitment to service and community development has once again shone brightly through these impactful endeavors.

The Blood Donation Camp held on March 01st was a testament to our dedication to saving lives and promoting health awareness in our community. Concurrently, our observance of World Music Therapy Day for Mental Health on the same day emphasized our commitment to holistic well-being.

The POLIO FREE WORLD RALLY, a District 3291 Project, on March 03rd was a significant step towards eradicating polio and ensuring a healthier future for generations to come. It showcased our unwavering resolve to combat preventable diseases and promote immunization.

Our celebration of Women's Day on March 08th was a heartfelt tribute to the remarkable women in our club and community. It underscored our commitment to gender equality and women's empowerment in all spheres of life.

The Evening Shelter for Children of the sex workers on March 11th provided a safe and nurturing environment for vulnerable children, reflecting our dedication to supporting marginalized communities and ensuring their well-being.

Lastly, the Street Drama and Seminar on protecting water bodies on March 31st raised awareness about the importance of environmental conservation and sustainable practices. It showcased our commitment to preserving our natural resources for future generations.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to each and every one of you for your dedication, passion, and unwavering support. Together, we are making a tangible difference in the lives of those in need and in our community as a whole.

Yours in Rotary,

RTN Chandan Gupta
President, **Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence**



PROJECTS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2024

March 01

Blood Donation Camp

March 01

**World Music Therapy
Day for Mental Health**

March 03

**POLIO FREE WORLD
RALLY, DIST 3291
Project**



PROJECTS FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2024

March 08

**Womens Day
Celebration**

March 11

**Evening Shelter for
Children of the sex
workers**

March 31

**Street Drama, seminar
on protecting water
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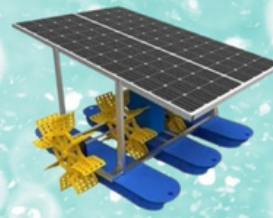
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BLOOD DONATION CAMP

01 MARCH 2024



The Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence joined hands with Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Engineering College to orchestrate a highly successful blood donation camp on March 1, 2024. A remarkable total of 85 donors generously contributed, many of whom were first-time donors. This initiative holds particular significance as it precedes the onset of summer in Bengal, a time when the demand for blood typically surges. With the increased likelihood of accidents, heat-related ailments, and illnesses during the warmer months, ensuring an ample blood supply becomes paramount. By donating prior to the onset of summer, we fortify our healthcare system, save lives, and extend vital support to those in need of blood transfusions.





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WORLD MUSIC THERAPY DAY FOR MENTAL HEALTH

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World Music Therapy Day holds profound significance as it highlights the transformative power of music on health, serving as a platform to recognize the therapeutic potential of music therapy. It underscores the vital importance of integrating music into healthcare practices, illuminating its capacity to enhance mental and emotional well-being worldwide. This day fosters a deeper appreciation of music as a healing modality and honors the dedicated professionals who contribute to the field of music therapy.

On March 1st, the Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolences commemorated World Music Therapy Day at Rotary Sadan, co-hosting the event. Distinguished scientist Dr. Dipak Ghosh delved into the unexplored realms of the mind and its intricate connection to the impact of music. Various experts shared both practical and theoretical insights on utilizing music to soothe and calm the mind. The event provided an enriching experience for all attendees, fostering a deeper understanding of the therapeutic potential of music.



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POLIO FREE WORLD RALLY, DIST 3291 PROJECT

03 MARCH 2024

The eradication of polio represents a monumental achievement for Rotary International. On March 3rd, Rotary District 3291 orchestrated an awareness rally focusing on polio, with the active participation of the Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence as Associate Co-Host. Engaging in a motor rally that commenced from Kolkata Laketown Clock Tower, traversed through Laketown Bangur, Dumdum Park, and concluded at Kestopur after three hours, club members and their families rallied together for this noble cause.



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WOMENS DAY CELEBRATION

08 MARCH 2024

On World Women's Day, the Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence curated a poignant discussion session at a café in Kolkata, uniting women delegates from various fields including entrepreneurship in textiles, restaurant ownership, art, medicine, and social entrepreneurship. Together, they candidly shared their personal journeys, discussed the hurdles they faced, and illuminated how they triumphed over challenges.



Inspired by the narratives and experiences exchanged, the Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence, alongside these accomplished women, committed to establishing a shared platform. This initiative aims to mentor and support more women, nurturing self-sufficiency and empowering them to forge dignified and sustainable livelihoods. It's a commendable endeavor by the club towards women's empowerment.



EVENING SHELTER FOR CHILDREN OF THE SEX WORKERS

11 MARCH 2024

On March 11th, the Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence proudly unveiled its second learning center, situated at Sonagachi Roads, catering specifically to the children of sex workers. This center is a dedicated space offering education, extracurricular activities, and a nurturing environment for these vulnerable children, particularly during the evenings when their mothers are occupied with their profession.

The inauguration ceremony was graced by the presence of Minister of State, Smt. Sashi Panja, who commended the initiative and pledged her full support to the Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence. She also advocated for the establishment of day centers for children of sex workers, emphasizing their vital importance. It's worth noting that the first education center commenced its operations on December 11th, 2023, at Kalighat's red light area, and has been successfully operating ever since.



STREET DRAMA, SEMINAR ON PROTECTING WATER BODY

31 MARCH 2024

The Rotary Club of Kolkata, in collaboration with the Garfa-Dhakuria-Haltu Jolashoy Rokkha Committee, orchestrated an impactful environmental awareness program. With a strong focus on the conservation, protection, and rejuvenation of water bodies, the event featured an essay competition, a speech contest, and a drawing competition, all centered around the crucial theme of safeguarding water bodies.

Local authorities, municipal committees, residents, and our club played integral roles in this endeavor. Witnessing the youth actively engaged in environmental issues, advocating for sustainable practices, and demonstrating an understanding of biodiversity was truly inspiring. The program concluded with a compelling street drama highlighting environmental awareness.

Our club remains steadfast in its commitment to actively contribute to this citizen-driven movement. We pledge not only a one-day effort but ongoing dedication to the cleaning, protection, and revitalization of three vital water bodies in our community.





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