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MEMBERS



Dear Rotary Family,

As we embrace the crisp air and vibrant hues of November, we are delighted to share the heartwarming endeavors that have defined our commitment to community well-being. This month, our focus has been on nurturing mental well-being and fostering creativity, encapsulated through two remarkable projects: the Mental Awareness Session and the Drawing Competition.

Mental Awareness Session: In our unwavering pursuit of holistic health, the Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence hosted a Mental Awareness Session. Recognizing the importance of mental well-being in today's fast-paced world, we invited experts to guide us through discussions on stress management, mindfulness, and the importance of creating a supportive community. The session aimed not only to impart knowledge but also to destigmatize conversations around mental health, reinforcing our commitment to a healthier and more compassionate society.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the speakers who generously shared their expertise and insights, making the Mental Awareness Session a meaningful and enlightening experience for all participants.

Drawing Competition: Creativity knows no bounds, and this sentiment was vividly expressed in our Drawing Competition. We witnessed a burst of imagination and artistic flair as participants, young and old, showcased their talent on canvas. The theme of the competition centered around positivity, resilience, and community spirit – values that resonate deeply with the Rotary ethos.

Congratulations to all the participants for their captivating artwork! The Drawing Competition not only celebrated artistic expression but also served as a platform to bring our community together in a shared celebration of creativity.

As we reflect on these projects, we are reminded of the impact we can create when we come together with a shared vision. The Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence is not just an organization; it is a family united by the common goal of service above self.

Thank you to everyone who contributed their time, energy, and enthusiasm to make these projects a success. Your dedication strengthens our resolve to continue making a positive difference in the lives of those we serve.

Let us carry this spirit of benevolence forward, embracing the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead. Together, we illuminate the path towards a brighter and more compassionate future.

Warm regards,

RTN Soumik Kumar
Editor, **Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence**



Dear Fellow Rotarians and Friends,

As we step into the month of November, I am filled with immense pride and gratitude for the incredible spirit of service that defines the Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence. This month, I would like to take a moment to reflect on the collective efforts and camaraderie that continue to shape our journey of making a positive impact.

Unity in Diversity: Our club is a testament to the strength that comes from diversity. We are a tapestry of unique individuals, each bringing their skills, perspectives, and passion to the Rotary family. It is this rich diversity that enables us to address challenges, create meaningful projects, and forge connections that transcend boundaries.

Fellowship and Friendship: Rotary is not just an organization; it is a family of like-minded individuals bound by the common thread of service. The friendships we cultivate within our club and the broader Rotary community are the foundation of our success. Let us continue to cherish and nurture these bonds as we work together towards our shared goals.

Service Above Self: The Rotary motto, "Service Above Self," is not just a set of words; it is a guiding principle that propels us to make a difference in the lives of others. Every act of kindness, every project undertaken, and every effort to uplift the community is a testament to our commitment to service. Let us carry this spirit forward with unwavering dedication.

Gratitude for Volunteers: A heartfelt thank you to each volunteer who contributes their time, skills, and enthusiasm to our club's endeavors. Your selfless commitment is the driving force behind our success. It is through your efforts that we continue to be a beacon of hope and positive change in Kolkata and beyond.

Looking Ahead: As we navigate the rest of the year, let us embrace the opportunities for growth, collaboration, and innovation. Together, we can create a lasting impact and leave a legacy that reflects the true spirit of Rotary.

I am honored to serve as your President, and I am inspired by the passion and commitment of each member of the Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence. Let us continue to be the catalysts for positive change, knowing that our collective efforts ripple far beyond the confines of our meetings.

Wishing you all a fulfilling and joyous month ahead.

In Rotary Service,

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

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PROJECTS FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2023

October 16

**Mental Health
Awareness**

October 18

**Drawing Competition
for children of a
Lesser God**

October 21

**Sharad Samman
Public Image Initiative
Service**

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS

16 OCTOBER 2023



RN Singh Memorial High School hosted a mental health awareness session in collaboration with the Interact Club. The event, led by child psychologists Deepti Sarkar Halder and Sudakshina Banerjee, aimed to familiarize students with the significance of mental health and provide insights on how to maintain it. The engaging two-hour session involved interactive activities such as the snowball exercise and role-playing, concluding with a 5-minute meditation for holistic well-being.



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Interact Club of RN Singh Memorial High School
organizing a session on

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DRAWING COMPETITION FOR CHILDREN OF A LESSER GOD

18 OCTOBER 2023

Durga Puja, Bengal's most cherished festival, casts its celebratory net wide, drawing in people from all walks of life. Yet, amidst the festival's luminosity, a poignant absence lingers at the heart of the red-light areas. Here, the children, often overlooked, find themselves excluded from the main celebrations.

In a beautiful initiative, the Rotary Club of Kolkata's Benevolence orchestrated a sit-and-draw competition exclusively for the children of sex workers. A remarkable 40 children from the red-light areas eagerly volunteered to participate. The winners received well-deserved prizes, while every participant was honored with medals, certificates, and a thoughtful snack box.

Adding a touch of artistic grace to the event, the competition was judged by the distinguished Japanese painter, Hakata Pochimaru. This initiative not only celebrated creativity but also extended a warm embrace of inclusivity to those who often find themselves on the fringes of festivity.





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Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolences orchestrated a momentous Durga Puja Porikroma, intertwining fellowship and celebration in the heart of Bengal's grand festival. As a beacon of community service and camaraderie, the club's inaugural event was not merely a showcase of surface-level festivity but a testament to Rotary's unwavering commitment to community engagement and cultural celebration.

Designed with strategic precision, the Porikroma served as a dynamic platform for fostering deeper bonds among club members while acknowledging the intricate artistry and devotion embedded in organizing the finest pujas across the region. By bestowing recognition upon these pujas, Rotary Club not only championed cultural appreciation but also cemented stronger ties with the local community.



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The Porikroma provided a firsthand immersion into the diverse tapestry of artistic expressions and religious fervor that characterize Durga Puja celebrations, offering a profound journey through Bengal's cultural richness. It served as a catalyst for fostering unity and understanding among members, aligning seamlessly with Rotary Club's ethos of recognizing excellence and driving positive community impact.



In addition to honoring Tridhara, Maddox Square, and 66 Pally, the club also bestowed prizes upon Ideal AquaView for Best Pujo for Social Impact and New Town Upasana Socio Cultural Association for Best Pujo for Innovative Idea "108 Dhunuchi Dance."



In conclusion, Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolences' Durga Puja Porikroma, coupled with the commendation of exemplary pujas, stands as a shining beacon of how a service organization can seamlessly integrate cultural celebration, community engagement, and fellowship-building. This initiative not only amplifies the club's public image but also etches an indelible mark on the hearts of participants, reaffirming Rotary's pivotal role as a catalyst for positive change.

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