





ROTARY CLUB OF KOLKATA BENEVOLENCE

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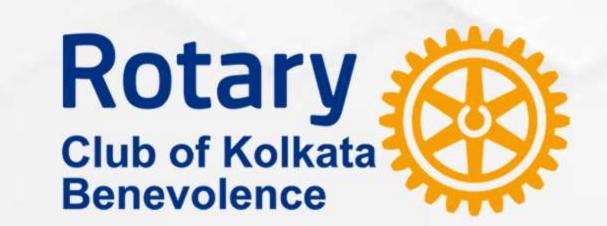
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From the Editor's Desk

Warms wishes dear members!!!

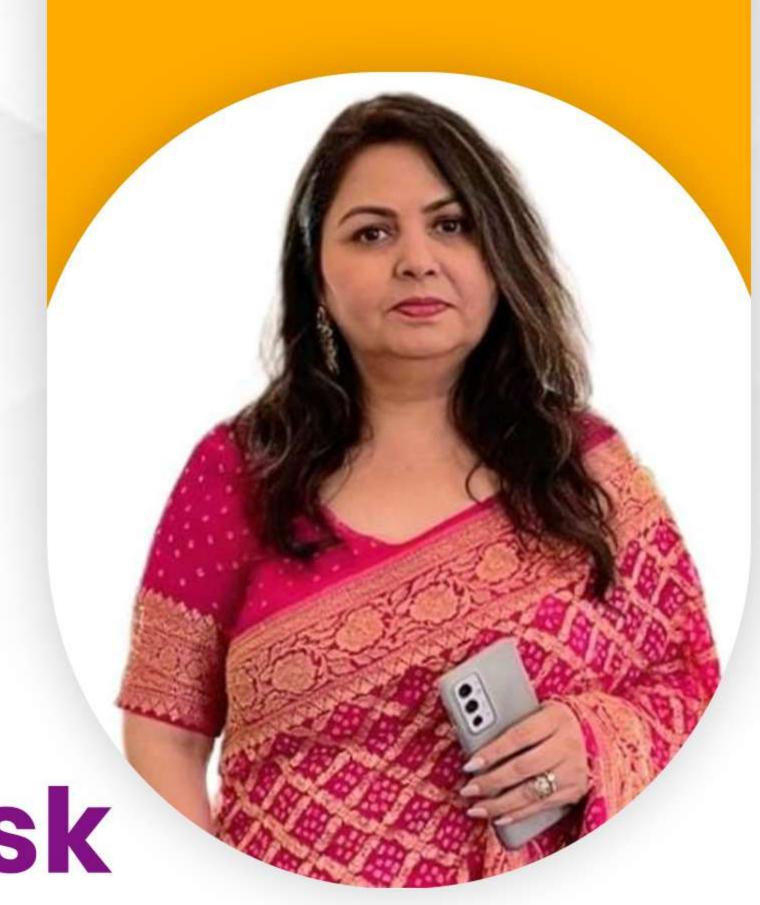
The past month was full of festivities and celebrations, and we dedicated the month to "Shakti", meaning women empowerment and celebrating womanhood. Our activities were dedicated to acknowledge the "Nari Shakti" within, the Tejaswini puja Samman felicitating the community pujas which were put together by women organizers, the saree distribution among the sex workers at Sonagachi Red Light Area were small such initiatives taken by us. We also participated in an online seminar on mental health, which is one of the alarming issues across the globe. We are glad that we could address this issue, which is affecting everyone across all age groups. We ended the month with a small blanket distribution activity at Joynagar. Our aim is to set up an operation theatre in a general hospital at Joynagar, and for that we would require all your help and generous contributions to make our fundraising event, "Achhe Din" (a Hindi comedy play) a success. We would have many more updates about the event in our next editions.

Wishing you all a Happy Thanksgiving!!!!

-Rohit Raj Ghosh | Newsletter Editor | RY 2022-23







From the President's Desk

Greetings to my Rotarian friends and dear Club members!!

October month has been amazing with all the festivities and celebration. We are now gearing up for one of the most important event, which is the fund raising event wherein we are having a Hindi comedy play "Achche Din "in collaboration with "THE PLAYMAKERS" at Kala Kunj on 11th December. We are raising the fund for construction of an Operation Theatre unit in a general hospital in Joynagar, which will cover 16 blocks and will serve approximately 5 lac people of that area. As the name of the play suggests it will surely bring in some "achche din" for the people in Joynagar.

My team and club members have always been a great support to me and looking forward for the same support from all for this noble cause. Request all to actively participate in the event and make it a grand success.

We also have plans to have some more interesting and unique events coming up. Till then, stay tuned...
Stay Safe, Stay Happy!!

Thanking you Regards Rtn Reshma Narwani President 22-23





Rotary Club of Kolkata Benevolence

List of events for October 2022

| SI. No | Event's Name | Event's Date |
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| 1. | Tejaswini – Pujal Pandal Judging event | 1 st October 2022 |
| 2. | Saree Distribution at Sonagachi | 1 st October 2022 |
| 3. | Tejaswini Award Ceremony | 21st October 2022 |
| 4. | Mental Health Session | 22 nd October 2022 |
| 5. | Distribution of Blankets | 28 th October 2022 |





TEJASWINI SAMMAN PUJAS

We were honoured to collaborate with RC Calcutta Avyanna during Durga Puja, in organising Tejaswini Samman, to felicitate and encourage women power. This award is to recognize and felicitate Durga Pujas that are totally managed by women. These pujas were run by self-generated resources with full involvement of women, who looked into every aspect of pujas, right from the inception, marketing, sponsorship, rituals, bhog preparation etc. On 1st October(Sasthi morning), our



small team from Benevolence family had visited a few pujas, and judged them on various parameters, we had visited the Patuli Mahila Brindo Puja, Nabarun Sangha Club, Vidyasagar Eastzone Association Club, Modern Park Sarbojonin Durgostsav Committee. We had a wonderful time interacting with the committee members, and understanding how they had planned the festivities and carried out the execution.























DISTRIBUTION OF SAREES TO THE WOMEN OF SONAGACHI RED LIGHT AREA





On 1st October evening we had conducted a small activity to distribute sarees to the women of Durbar Mahila Samanwaya Committee. It could not have been a better occasion to celebrate women, among them, marginalised and oppressed sections of the society. It felt great to bring a little joy and happiness to their lives, and see the sense of gratitude on their faces. We extend our gratitude to Club President, Rtn. Reshma Narwani and Club Vice President, Rtn. Chandan Gupta to participate and successfully carry out the project.

















TEJASWINI AWARD CEREMONY

On 21st October, we were honoured to be a part of the Tejaswini Samman Award Ceremony. The prizes were given out to the puja committees that were managed by women, which were run solely by women. It was a wonderful initiative to felicitate the members for their consistency and their efforts in carrying out the pujas over the years, with the same passion and devotion. The Award Ceremony was held at Offbeat CCU in the presence of our respected DG, RTn. Ajoy Kumar Law. The evening became more eventful with the presence of respected singer, Smt. Usha Uthup, and her energetic songs brought out the festive spirit to its full glory.



A list of the winners:

1.Tejaswini Prothoma - Baranagar Kashful

2.Tejaswini Dwitya- NSC Sports Club

3.Tejaswini Tritya - Ultadanga Jagarani Sangha & Nabarun Sangha Club (Tie)

4.Shera Jyoti Swarupa - Durbar Mahila Durgotsav Committee

5.Shera Atmadeepa - Duer Pally Mahila Brinda

6.Shera Swayamjyoti - Rainbow Atheletic Club

7.Shera Adwitya - Modern Park Sarbojonin Durgoutsab Committee

8.Shera Pratyay - Kali Dutta Street Sarbojanin Durga Puja Samity

9.Shera Srijan Vibha- Lake South Club

10.Shera Paribesh - Ekta Floral Cultural Association

11.Shera Samaj Chetona - Newtown Sarbojanin Durgotsab Samiti

12.Shera Alankar - Gariahat Hindustan Club

13.Shera Aitijhya - Palm Avenue Nibedita Sangha

14.Shera Shilpa Chetona - Hiland Park Utsav Committee

15.Shera Ekta - Kalbari Pramila Brinda Welfare Association

16.Shera Urjoshi - Patuli Mahila Brinda Puja

17.Shera Prachesta - Rajballavpara Sarbojanin & Kalighat Youth Organisation

18.Shera Shaktishiropa - Avenue House Puja Committee







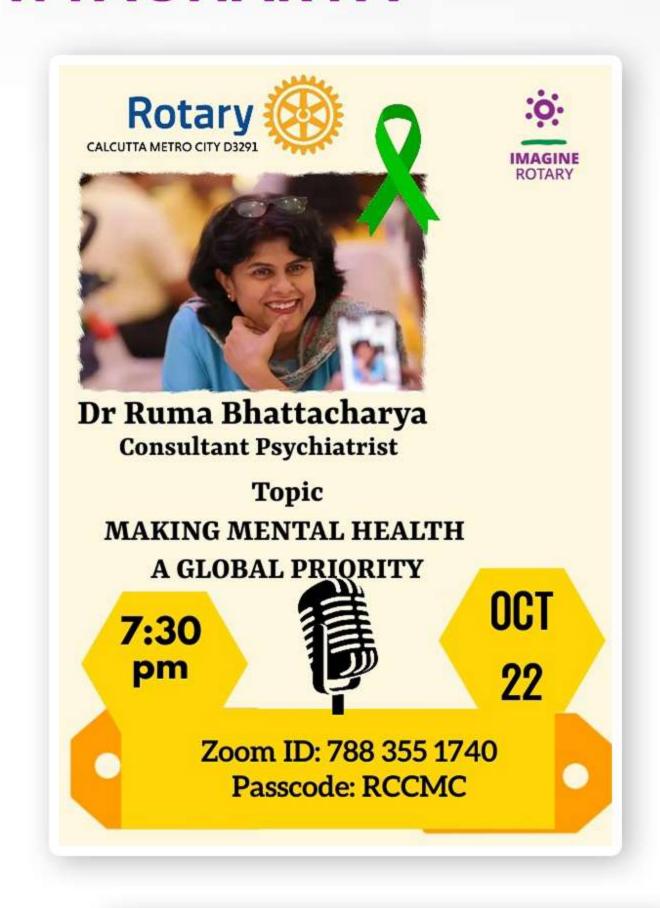


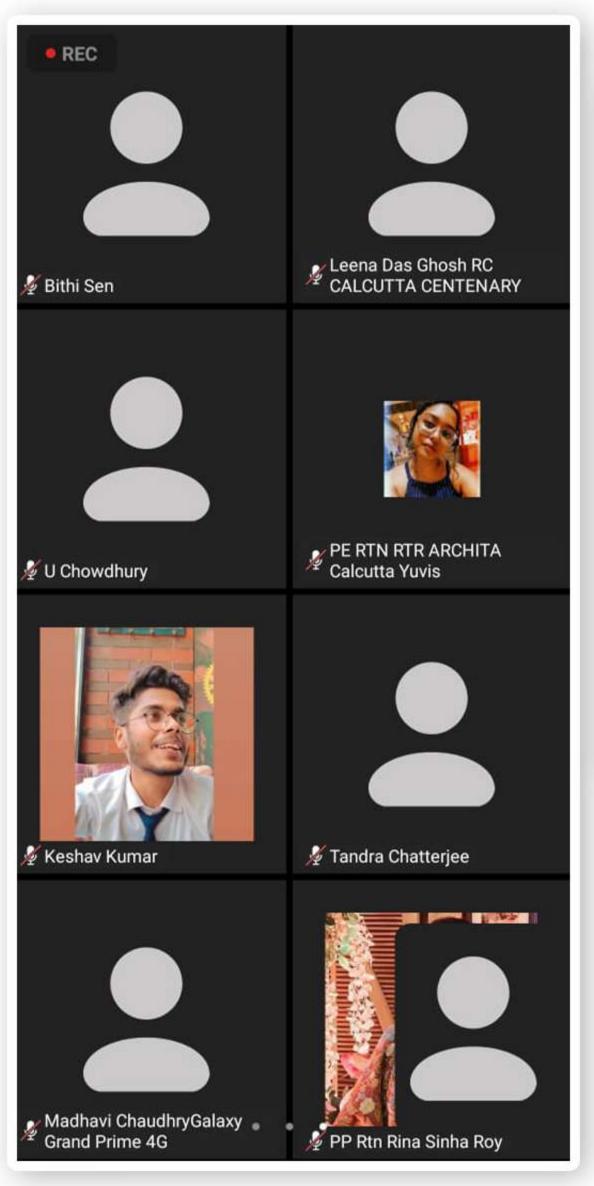




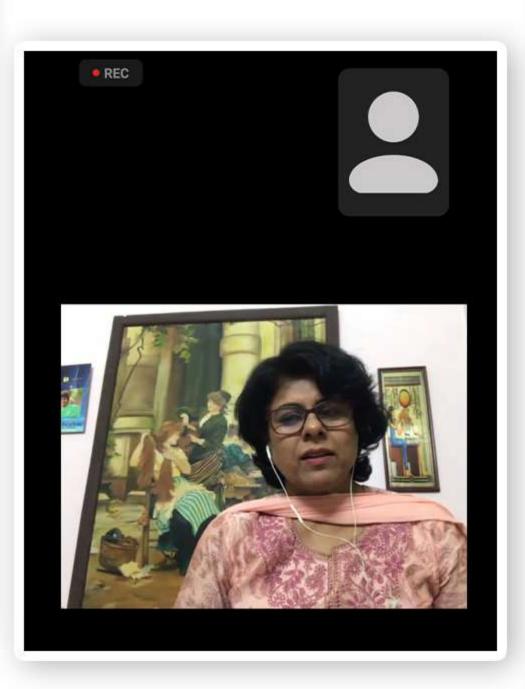
MENTAL HEALTH SESSION BY DR. RUMA BHATTACHARYA

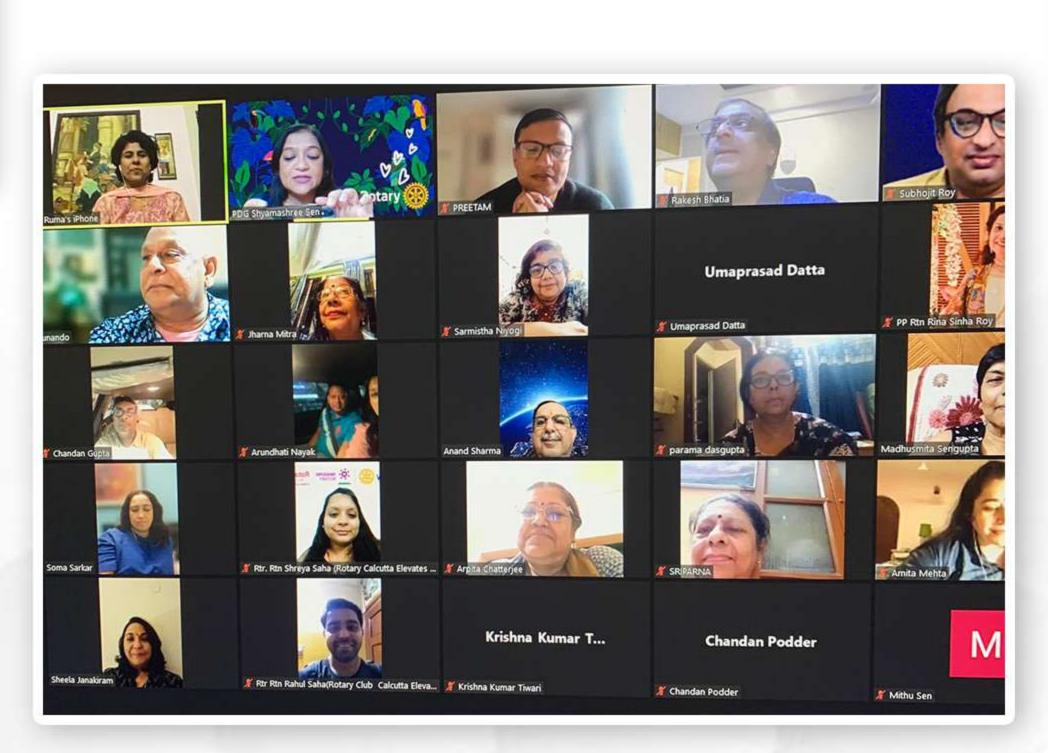
We are proud to be a part of a short online session hosted by RC of Calcutta Metro City on 22nd October. The topic of the session was , "Making Mental Health A Global Priority." The session was taken by Dr. Ruma Bhattacharya, a member of MP State Branch of Indian Psychiatry Society. She is a renowned psychiatrist from Bhopal and a respected Rotarian there. She is also the Chairperson of SAARC psychiatry federation's Stigma & Mental Health Committee. The event was successful in the highlighting the societal stigmas and ways how to tackle them in dealing with mental health issues. Another unique characteristic of the event was that it was hosted by all the Rotary Clubs having a lady president during the current Rotary year.

















DISTRIBUTION OF BLANKETS AT JOYNAGAR

On 28th October a few of our members had carried out a blanket distribution drive at Joynagar in association with Human Development Centre. We had managed to distribute 115 blankets. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Rtn Amit Soni, Rtn Sachin Sonpal, Rtn Varun Agarwal, Rtn Pawan Dalmia, Rtn Shweta Singh, Rtn Meenu Parekh, Rtn Neeraj Kejriwal and Rtn Tarakjit Saha for their generous contributions to this noble cause.











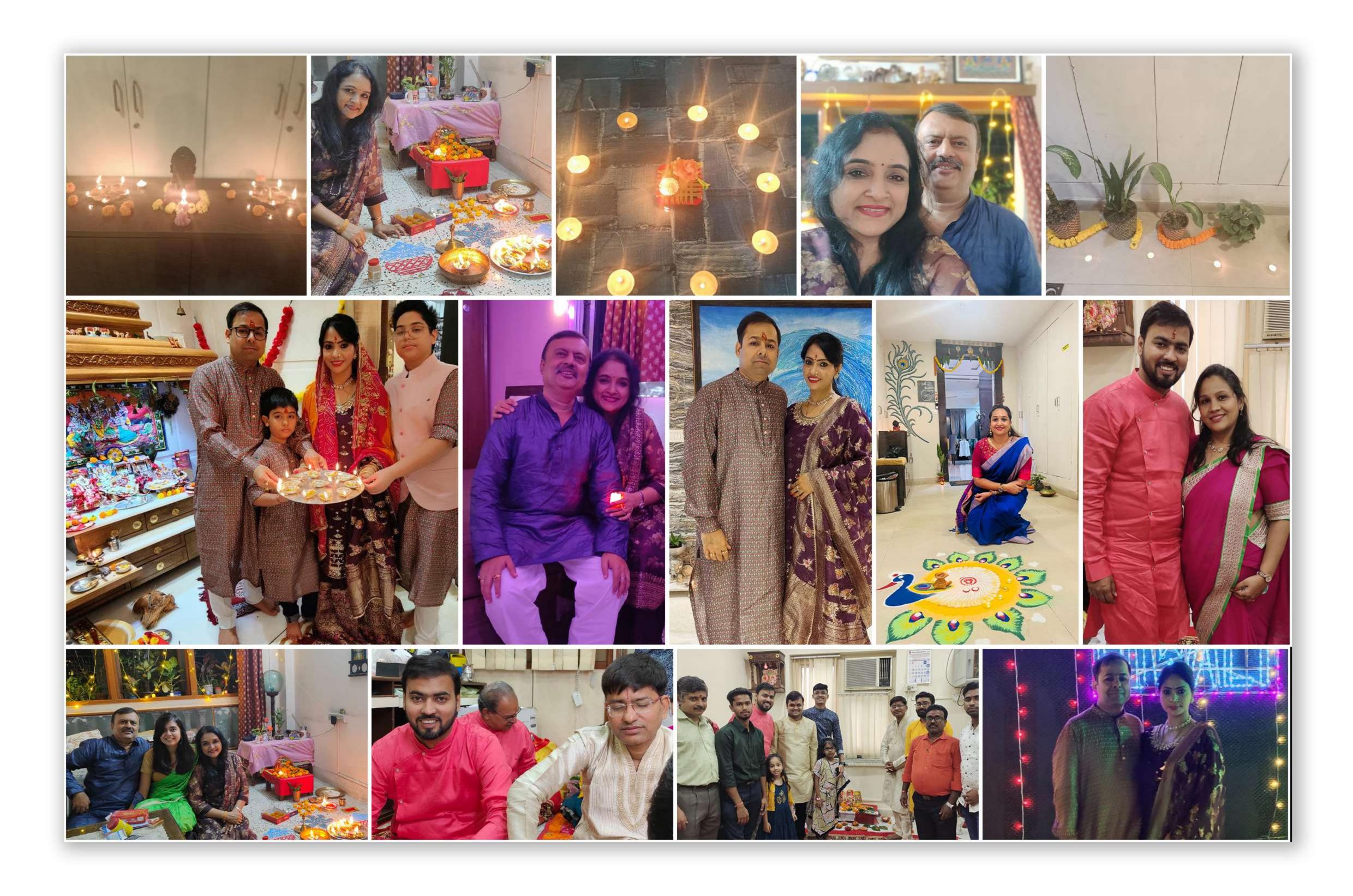






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DIWALI LIGHTS - CELEBRATIONS BY OUR CLUB MEMBERS

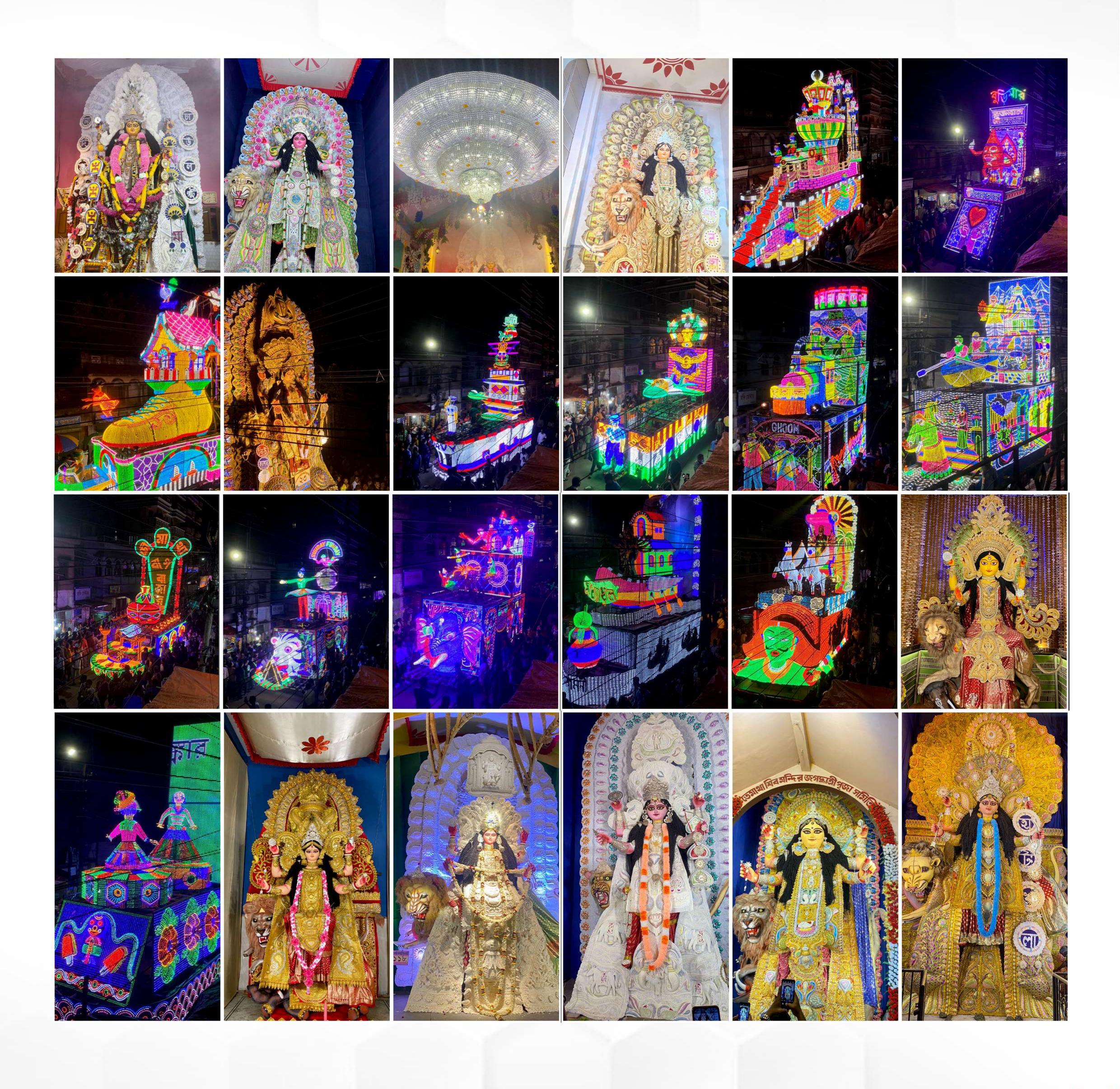






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JAGADDHATRI PUJA CELEBRATIONS AT CHANDANNAGAR







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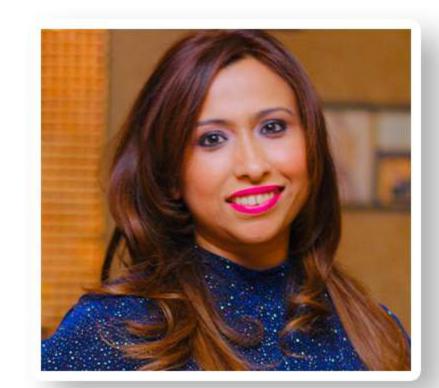
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