

# ROTARY CLUB OF SONARPUR



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- D.G. Rtn. Brojo Gopal Kundu Inducted New Member Rtn. Srimanta Chatterjee.
- DG. Rtn. Brojo Gopal Kundu Make our Club visit On 17th March 2018.



- Club Organised RYLA on 24th and 25th March 2018

## PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE



Ian H.S. Riseley  
President 2017-18  
April 2018

At the 1990 Rotary International Convention in Portland, Oregon, then President-elect Paulo Costa told the gathered Rotarians, "The hour has come for Rotary to raise its voice, to claim its leadership, and to rouse all Rotarians to an honorable crusade to protect our natural resources." He declared a Rotary initiative to "Preserve Planet Earth," asking Rotarians to make environmental issues part of their service agenda: to plant trees, to work to keep our air and water clean, and to protect the planet for future generations.

President Costa asked that one tree be planted for each of the 1.1 million members that Rotary had at the time. We Rotarians, as is our wont, did better, planting nearly 35 million trees by the end of the Rotary year. Many of those trees are likely still flourishing today, absorbing carbon from the environment, releasing oxygen, cooling the air, improving soil quality, providing habitat and food for birds, animals, and insects, and yielding a host of other benefits. Unfortunately, while those trees have kept on doing good for the environment, Rotary as a whole has not carried its environmental commitment forward.

That is why, at the start of this year, I followed Paulo Costa's example and asked Rotary to plant at least one tree for every Rotary member. My goal was to achieve a good beyond the considerable benefits that those 1.2 million (or more!) trees would themselves bring. It is my hope that by planting trees, Rotarians will renew their interest in, and attention to, an issue that we must put back on the Rotary agenda: the state of our planet.

Environmental issues are deeply entwined in every one of our areas of focus and cannot be dismissed as not Rotary's concern. Pollution is affecting health across the globe: More than 80 percent of people in urban areas breathe unsafe air, a number that rises to 98 percent in low- and middle-income countries. If current trends continue, by 2050 the oceans are expected to contain more plastics by weight than fish. And rising temperatures are well-documented: Global annual average temperatures increased by about 2 degrees F (1.1 degrees C) from 1880 through 2015. That this change was caused by humans is not a subject of scientific debate, nor is the likelihood of vast economic and human disruption if the trend continues unchecked. The need for action is greater than ever – and so is our ability to have a real impact.

As past UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon put it, "There can be no Plan B, because there is no Planet B." Our planet belongs to all of us, and to our children, and to their children. It is for all of us to protect, and for all of us in Rotary to make a difference.





**Thalassemia Awareness Program  
At Our Rcc Ashram Anandam**

**Happy Birthday**  
**Anne Sarbori Das**  
**4th April**  
**Anne Mukta Ray**  
**5th April**

**Happy Birthday**  
**Rtn. Santanu Ghosh**  
**on 9th April**  
**Hiya - Daughter of**  
**Rtn. Santanu Ghosh**  
**on 15th April**

*Bring love into your home.*



*"It is easy to love the people far away.  
It is not always easy to love  
those close to us.  
It is easier to give a cup of rice  
to relieve hunger than  
to relieve the loneliness and pain  
of someone unloved in our own home.  
Bring love into your home  
for this is where our love for  
each other must start."*

## Minutes Of Meeting.

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING NO 1359 HELD ON 17<sup>TH</sup> MARCH  
2018 AT 7.30 PM**

**PRESIENT CALLED MEETING NO 1359 TO ORDER.**

- 1) THE PRESIDENT WELCOMED DISTRICT GOVERNOR RTN BROJO GOPAL KUNDU, FIRST LADY MRS BANDANA KUNDU, RTN PRABIR CHATTERJEE, DIST SECRETARY (ADMIN), RTN SANDIP BANERJEE, DIST SECRETARY (CO-ORDINATION) AND ALL MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILY AND GUEST OF THE CLUB FOR THERE GRACIOUS PRESENCE AT ROTARY CLUB OF SONARPUR IN THIS EVENING OF RWM & DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S VISIT FOR THE YEAR 2017-18. PRESIDENT REQUESTED RTN SANDIP BANERJEE, DIST SECRETARY (CO-ORDINATION) TO LEAD THE NATIONAL ANTHEM.
  - 2) THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING NO1358 WAS CONFIRMED BY THE MEMBERS.
  - 3) PRESIDENT TOGETHER WITH THE SECRETARY RTN PROLOY MAZUMDAR PRESENTED THE FILE, MINUTES BOOK AND OTHER RELAVANT DOCUMENTS AS REQUIRED BY THE DISTRICT GOVERNORS OFFICE TO DG RTN BROJO GOPAL KUNDU FOR ASSESSMENT. DISTRICT GOVERNOR REQUESTED TO PRESENT THE PROJECTS COMPLETED TILL DATE, SO THAT ALL THE MEMBERS AND GUEST CAN BE UPDATED, WHICH THE PRESIDENT HAS DONE.
  - 4) THE ONGOING PROJECTS AND THE UPCOMMING PROJECTS OF THE CLUB WAS DISCUSSED IN THE MEETING AS FOLLOWS: ONGOING PROJECT OF MONTHLY TUTION FEES TO A GIRL STUDENT MISS SUPARNA DUTTA, JOINT RYLA AT IITD JOKA ON 24<sup>TH</sup> & 25<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, ETC. AND UPCOMING PROJECT OF NEW VENDING MACHINE TO KAMALA CHATTERJEE GIRLS SCHOOL AND SANITATION PROJECT FOR NEW TOILET AT KALIDHAN INSTITUTION UNDER EIRWT GRANT. DG REQUESTED TO EXTEND THE SANITATION PROJECT AND INCREASE THE BUDGET AND COVER WINS AS WELL, WHICH WILL BE HELPFUL TO THE SCHOOL.
  - 5) PRESIDENT WAS REQUESTED BY THE MEMBERS TO GIVE A BREIF INTRODUCTION OF MR SRIMANTA CHATTERJEE WHO WAS SCHEDULE TO BE INDUCTED AS A MEMBER WITH ROTARY CLUB OF SONARPUR.
  - 6) PRESIDENT THEN REQUESTED DG RTN BROJO GOPAL KUNDU TO INDUCT MR SRIMANTA CHATTERJEE AS A MEMBER OF OUR ROTARY CLUB. MR S. CAHTTERJE WAS INDUCTED BY ATTACHING ROTARY PIN AND CERTIFICATE, DIRECTORY ETC WAS HANDED OVER TO HIM. THE NEW INDUCTED MEMBER WAS ASKED TO DELIVER A BREIF SPEECH WHICH WAS DONE AND APPRECIATED BY THE HOUSE.
  - 7) PRESIDENT REQUESTED DG BROJO GOPAL KUNDU TO SAY SOME WORDS FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE CLUB, WHICH HE HAS ADRESSED AND WAS APPRECIATED BY THE MEMBERS AND GUESTS OF THE CLUB PRESENT.
  - 8) PRESIDENT ANNOUNCED THE FELICITATION SESSION AND THE SAME WAS DONE AS FOLLOWS: PRESIDENT FELICITATED DG RTN BROJO GOPAL KUNDU BY HANDING OVER FLOWES AND A TOKEN GIFT ON BEHALF OF THE CLUB, FIRST LADY BANDAN KUNDU WAS FELICITED BY ANN MITA DASGUPTA, RTN PRABIR CHATTERJEE WAS FELICITATED BY SECRETARY RTN PROLOY MAZUMDAR & RTN SANDIP BANERJEE WAS FELICITATED BY RTN PP DEBASIS CHAKRABORTY.
  - 9) AFTER THE FELICITAION SESSION VOTE OF THANKS WAS OFFERED BY RTN SANJIB RAY.
  - 10) SECRETARY RTN PROLOY MAZUMDAR ANNOUCED THE UPCOMING DISTRICT PROJECTS, BIRTHDAYS, MARRIAGE ANNIVERSERIES AND SUNSHINE COLLECTED.
- MEMBERS PRESENT 12 SUNSHINE COLLECTED 240/-