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PEACE AND CONFLICT PREVENTION/RESOLUTION MONTH



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Through service projects and Rotary programmes, the Rotary family is committed to pursuing projects that address the structural causes of conflict, including poverty, inequality, ethnic tension, lack of access to education, and unequal distribution of resources. We train adults and young leaders to prevent and mediate conflict. We aid refugees who have fled dangerous areas. Rotarians also address the underlying structural causes of conflict by relieving millions of people suffering from poverty, inequality, ethnic tensions, lack of access to education and unequal distribution of resources. In yet another program to achieve worldwide peace, up to 100 Rotary Peace Fellows are selected to attend Rotary Peace Centers to participate in master's degree programs at one of the partner universities. Rotary Peace Fellows study subjects related to the root causes of conflict and explore innovative solutions that address real-world needs. There are more than 1,000 peace fellowship alumni are working in over 100 countries. Other programmes the clubs can undertake during the month include; Organise 'MUNA' (Modal United Nations Assembly) at College Level Engage in reconciliation of broken families, restoring relationship Help How people can live in peace with their families and their neighbours Assist Young Single mothers who are victims of sexual assault, through training them with self-help projects. e.g. Opening small business that may help them with their children. As of now the entire country is under turmoil and agitations by different sections of people and political parties calling for repealing Citizenship Amendment Act and National Register for Citizens. We Rotarians as dutiful citizens of the country are not supposed to take a side but make sincere efforts to settle the issue. Our role should be more a facilitator than advocate of any one side. The relevance of organisations like rotary is more distinct now than any time. Let us resolve that we will endeavour to do whatever possible to bring back peace and harmony in the country making the the rotary more and more relevant in a country like India.

Jai Rotary!

Rtn PHF M Kumaraswamy Pillai



We meet on Wednesdays at 7.30 pm at Revi Karunakaran Rotary Hall, Alleppey

Our Awards of Vocational Service Excellence will be given in the family dinner meeting for the current month. We propose to hold the meeting by third week of February.

The aims of Vocational Awards of Rotary are:

- To recognize VOCATIONAL EXCELLENCE of the highest order and to honor outstanding contribution by individuals or small teams of individuals for significant advancement in their vocational field.
- To inspire further enthusiasm and to give added reward to the exceptional achievers.
- To set an example to others, particularly youth, of the need to strive for VOCATIONAL EXCELLENCE for the benefit of their discipline.

A committee is formed in the last month's board meeting to select the eligible awardees and they have proposed most deserving personalities for the awards. Details regarding the event will be intimated after finalizing the same. We have to make the award night a memorable one. Please support and co operate by your presence with Anns and Annets.

Jai Rotary,

Rtn. K. Cherian.

Minutes of the Regular meeting dtd. 05.02.2020

The weekly meeting of the club started at 7.45PM with the invocation of Rtn. T. Sivakumar. The meeting was chaired by Rtn. Varghese Kurisinkal, Vice President, in the absence of the President. Vice President informed that the electrical work for three phase connection will start at the earliest. He invited Rtn. Kumaraswamy Pillai, AG Elect, who had attended AGTS on 1st and 2nd of February, to give an overview of the programme. Rtn. Kumaraswamy Pillai gave a detailed and critical view of the manner in which the event was conducted. Rtn. P.O.Thomas, District General Co(2020-21) also gave his observations on the programme. Rtn. Kumaraswamy Pillai said that Royalweeks has completed 32 issues this Rotary year and many of our members have given positive feed backs but one has pointed out about the print quality.

Rtn. George Thomas, Rtn. Sivakumar and Rtn. Gopinathan Nair joined the deliberations. The host of the day was Rtn. E. Anil kumar. Secretary proposed vote of thanks and the meeting adjourned at 8.30 PM.

Rtn. John Kurian,



THE FOUR WAY TEST

of the things we think, say or do

Is it the truth ?
Is it fair to all concerned ?

Will it build goodwill and better friendship ?
Will it be beneficial to all concerned ?

HISTORY OF ROTARY IN INDIA (Contd)



In 1939 District 89 was bifurcated to create District 88 also which consisted of Afghanistan, Burmah and part of undivided India. B. Issue 33. Thakur, Col. Warren Boulton and again B. T. Thakur were the D. G. s between 1939 and 1942. The district conferences of District 88 were held at Calcutta (regn. 220), Bhopal and Agra (regn. 82). District 88 was subsequently renumbered as District 90 which had one of its conferences at Jamshedpur with Nitish C. Laharry as District Governor. This conference had a registration of 154 and RI President's representative was Sir Frederick James. In 1950, there were only 198 clubs with a Rotarian strength of 7,785 in the whole of Asia, the least numbers both in matter of clubs as well as total number of Rotarians, among the six Rotary regions then existed. With independence, growth began to pick up in India. In seven years (up to 1954) 54 clubs could be added. By 1958, there were five Rotary districts in India, Ceylon, Burmah, Pakistan, Nepal and Bhutan with about 7,500 Rotarians. In another ten years, there were 430 clubs and 16,055 Rotarians in these countries. In 1968-69, Pakistan became a separate district. The number of districts in India was 12 in 1970-71. From seventies the growth of Rotary in India picked up some momentum. The number of clubs which stood slightly above three hundred, more than doubled in the next ten years. The same tempo continued in the first half of eighties also. In 1980-81 there were 899 clubs in India in 14 RI districts with a membership of 35,172 Rotarians. The first Asia regional conference was held in Delhi in 1958 with a registration figure of 2,913. The regional office established in Bombay in 1934 was shifted to Singapore in 1939, but the same was closed down in 1948. A full fledged regional office was opened in Delhi in 1984. Another Asia regional conference was held in Delhi in 1987 and this regional conference broke all previous registration records with its 10,501 registrations. Delhi again was fortunate to host the Council on Legislation in 1998. The extension of Rotary in the second half of eighties broke all previous records. The number of clubs chartered between 1985 and 1989 (362 clubs) was more than double the number of clubs formed between 1975 and 1984. In the first half of nineties also Rotary continued to grow well. 317 clubs were chartered during these years. District 3140 alone contributed 50 clubs during the period. Rotary in India took up the Calgary Challenge in the right earnest. During 1996 a record number (133 To be exact) of new clubs were chartered in India. As a result of this unprecedented growth, the number of clubs in the beginning of 1997-98 was 1791 with a membership of 68,043. During 1997-98, however, there was slight dip in membership. Though the number of clubs increased to 1817, the Rotarian count came down to 67,759. During 1998-'99 again both the club count as well as membership in the clubs increased and reached the figures 1947 and 69,859 respectively. During 1999-00 India lead the Rotary world in the formation of new clubs. Out of 570 new clubs added worldwide during the year, India's contribution was 102 clubs with 3049 charter members. Indian district 3200 chartered the highest number of clubs - 17. As of 1 July 2000, India had a Rotarian strength of 71,531 in 2077 clubs. Growth of Rotary in India between 1980 and 2000 outstripped the growth of Rotary elsewhere in the world. When the world membership which stood 853,000 in 1980 gradually climbed to 1,188,000 in 2000-01, Rotary's strength in India showed a growth from 35,000 to 79,000. In other words when the world growth was about 40 percent, India recorded an astonishing 125 percent.

India does it again

In meeting the '21st Century Membership Challenge' during 2000-01 also, Rotary in India repeated its performance. Rotary district 3160 in India was world winner with a 52.38 percent increase in membership. (14 New clubs and Net gain 703 members). District Governor P. Bhaskar Reddy received the award at the San Antonio, Texas, USA, convention on June 27, 2001. District 3050 could add 1217 members to claim the number one position in net growth despite the trying situation in Gujarat due to the earth quake devastation. A noteworthy feature of the membership development in district 3050 was that the growth was mostly in the existing clubs. During the period of '21st Century Challenge' (from 1 July 2000 to 15 May 2001) Rotary membership grew from 1,162,581 to 1,187,112, posting a gain of 24,531 and India's contribution to this figure was a very significant 7,000. When the final tally for the year was taken at the RI head quarters on 30 June 2001, the total Rotarian count in India was 79,316 in 2186 clubs. (Net gain of 7,738 members. The number of clubs increased by 110) The year 2001-02 (the year of 'Global Quest') was no different. Leading the Rotary world, India registered a growth of 18% with a net gain of 14,209 members. Out of the top five districts in membership growth, two were in India. (Dists. 3150 with 118 percent growth & 3260 with 67 percent growth).

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY dear Rotarians ANNES & ANNETS February

6 Venugopala Panicker

7 Asif D/o Moh.Sali

7 Harisankar S/o Vidhu Unnithan

8 S.Murugan



Out of the top ten clubs with highest membership growth as many as six were from India. (Bareilly North, Cuddalore Central, Green Woods-Yellandu, Jaggayyapet, Mangalore East, Murwara). Out of the six RI membership coordinators who were recognized on stage at Barcelona Convention, two were from India: Past Governor Hemant Ahuja and Past Governor C.S. Ramachandran.

During 2007 - 08, it was the turn of District 3230 of India to be the world number one in membership growth. Mirroring the global trend, after the Global Quest for the next five years the membership showed a see-saw trend. After 2007 the growth momentum once again picked up. The number 93,029 as of June 2007 jumped to 107,962 as of July 2010. The club count which was 2186 in 2001 increased to 2,896 as of July 2010.

Zone boundaries change

In the beginning of 1995-96, when the system of regions in the Rotary world was abolished and the new zone system was introduced, India had 1,654 Rotary clubs in 28 districts and the number of Rotarians was 58,777. The 28 districts in India were under zone five and six

Vice-President in the Chair

At the meeting held on 05.02.20, in the absence of President Rtn Cherian, Vice-President Rtn Varghese Kurusinkal chaired. Kudos to Vice-President for the wonderful chairing.



Rtn P O Thomas speaks on the AGTS recently held at Kumarakom

Engagements

Next Meeting: @7.30 pm on 12.02.2020
 Hi-tea hosted by: Rtn Mohd Shafeeq



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