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RI President's Message



Dear Rotarians, Rotaractors, and friends,

This does not seem like a time for great optimism, but it has to be. Long before Rotary was founded, the world dealt with great crises that tested humankind's ability to progress and endure. In the age of Rotary, the world has faced many more catastrophes; however, we have survived, and every step of the way, Rotary has helped the world heal.

Every great challenge is an opportunity for renewal and growth. I revealed the theme of Rotary Opens Opportunities at the International Assembly in San Diego just as the COVID-19 crisis was beginning, but these are words that I have believed for many years.

Rotary is not just a club that you join; it is an invitation to endless opportunities. We believe in creating opportunities for others and for ourselves. We believe that our acts of service, large and small, generate opportunities for people who need our help, and that Rotary opens opportunities for us to live a richer, more meaningful life, with friends around the world, based on our core values.

Governments and institutions are gaining a greater appreciation for the types of public health partnerships that are critical to our work. People stuck at home, eager for greater connections and hungry to help their communities, are now embracing the values we have promoted since our beginning.

All of this is positive news, but just because there are greater opportunities than ever for Rotary to thrive does not guarantee that we will succeed. The world is changing rapidly — and was doing so even before this crisis. People were starting to move away from regular lunch meetings and toward online gatherings. Friendships were being cultivated and revived in social media relationships even before most of our meetings moved to Zoom and Skype. Younger generations have a strong desire to serve — but have questioned whether they could play a meaningful role in organizations like Rotary or whether they might make a bigger impact forming different types of connections. Now is the time to put everything on the table, test new approaches, and prepare Rotary for the future.

The COVID-19 crisis has forced all of us to adapt. This is good, and our new Action Plan specifically calls on us to improve our ability to adapt. But adaptation is not enough. We need to change, and change dramatically, if we are to face the challenges of this new age and provide the Rotary that the world so desperately needs.

This is our great challenge, not just in the next year but into the future. It is up to us to remake Rotary for these new times — to wholeheartedly embrace the ideas, energy, and commitment of young people eager to find an outlet for idealism. We must become an organization fully enmeshed in the digital age, not one that simply looks for online ways to keep doing what we have always done.

The world needs Rotary now more than ever. It is up to us to make sure that Rotary Opens Opportunities for generations to come.

HOLGER KNAACK
President, Rotary International

District Governor's Message



Dear Sky Rockers,

Warm Greetings to you from RI President Holger Knaack & Susanne!!

I would like to congratulate TEAM DAZZLERS for their Dazzling Rotary Year. Despite these challenging times, the team has put together a wonderful year.

A true Rotarian is one who contributes to the community, especially during the times of need to make the world a better place. While the nation was under lockdown, our COVID warriors of 3190 were out on streets providing - meals, dry ration, clothes, toiletries, masks, sanitisers and other essentials to the stranded and the needy. Your club's committed participation in the recovery and reconstruction for our society is undoubtedly appreciated.

While COVID-19 imposed many challenges, we ensured to transform these challenges into new opportunities. For instance, the training programs for the year 2020-21. While in-person training was not possible, we organised video conferencing calls for majority of our training programs. I appreciate and applaud the Sky Rockers Team for adapting to these online training programs. Furthermore, I am proud to mention that RID 3190 was the first District in the entire world of Rotary to conduct full-fledged training programs online.

Congratulations to District Trainer PDG K P Nagesh for successfully completing all the mandatory training programs and many more. I thank each one of you for your active participation in it.

Rotary Opens Opportunities. The current situation has brought to light unique events that can be conducted to serve the community. Therefore let's join together to focus on environment and agriculture to create a positive impact and make a difference in the society. We have lined up various projects for the Rotary year 2020-21. Some of them being - Kamadhenu, Kalpavruksha, tree planting, blood bank, school benches, solar lamps, lake rejuvenation, vocational training programs, RYLAs, women empowerment. As RI President Holger Knaack says, "Everything we do opens another opportunity for someone, somewhere". I would like to invite you for your active participation in these projects to create a significant outlook for the rest of the community.

RI President Knaack wants "clubs to focus on keeping current members engaged and adding new members who are the right fit for your club". I appeal to all of you to work towards 100% retention while looking for organic growth of your Club membership. Let us also encourage Youth in Rotary, Women in Rotary and support our Rotaractors and Interactors in their activities. I request your whole-hearted support for the District Conference "Darbar" and Bandhana, ICGF registrations, fellowship & learning opportunity that would get the show on road as soon as the pandemic comes to a halt.

Rtn. Meera Prasad and I wish you success in all your endeavours and assure you the best of our support. Stay Safe,

Yours in Rotary,
Rtn Nagendra Prasad
District Governor, RI Dist 3190.

Incoming Sky Rocker President's Message

Dear Rotarian family,

This is our silver jubilee 25th Anniversary year of our club. Over 25 years our club has grown from strength to strength, and we are now a healthy vibrant 70 member strong club which has attracted the attention of the district. Our senior members have even become active in the district 3190 administration.

We face new challenges this year with determination and courage and shall emerge Successful. We have planned many interesting family events especially for the second half of the Rotary year.

God bless Rotary and God bless you all.

Yours truly,
Rtn. Bharath Asuri
President 2020-21



Outgoing Dazzler President's Message

Greetings my dear fellow Rotarians,

As an outgoing President of this illustrious club, if I have to briefly share my experience about the year gone by, I would confidently say that there is no other organisation in the world like Rotary that inspires its members to connect with the world to see opportunities no matter how hard the times are. When, I took over the mantle from Rtn. Rajaram Krishnamurthy, a true leader who lived upto his year's theme 'Be the Inspiration' to connect with the world in line with the theme for my year 'Rotary Connects the World', I had never thought that by the end of the term, Rotary would be opening fresh opportunities to me. I am happy with the opportunity provided to me as District Fellowship Chair when the Rotary theme for this year is 'Rotary Opens Opportunities'.



Our incoming President Rtn. Bharath Asuri, Secretary Rtn. Rajgopal Hegde and Treasurer Rtn. Sarangan are dedicated Rotarians and I am sure that they will do their best to keep our club flag high. As I move on with the new responsibilities entrusted to me, I extend a very warm welcome to the incoming Board of Rotary Bangalore Rajmahal Vilas and wish them the very best.

Thank you all once again and I pray the almighty to give us strength to serve, better and better, year after year!

Yours truly,
Rtn. Sanjay Krishna
President 2019-20

Reflections of the Year 2019-20 Gone by

In support of women empowerment through **Project Durga**, a sum of Rs.1,50,000/- was contributed to SME One Source Make in India Foundation.



250 saplings were planted as part of **District Kotinatti** and our club **connect to conserve project**.



Connect to Care with MSSSI: The club supported a fundraiser - a Photography Exhibition- in aid of Multiple Sclerosis Society of India, held at Chitrakala Parishath.

This also gave the opportunity to release our 'Save Water and Food' sticker for public awareness.

Our 73rd **Independence Day** was celebrated among the students and staff of BBMP Gopalram school, where sweets were distributed to the students.



An all day (non-invasive) **Breast Cancer Screening camp**, in association with B.Pac and Citizens for Sustainability, Sanjaynagar (CiFoS), held in Geddalahalli, Sanjaynagar.

Hearathon - a marathon - was a run organised to raise awareness of the need to screen hearing in newborns, keeping in mind **The Shruti Samvaad Project**.



Our club received the charter certificate for the 1st ever **Rotary Community Corps (RCC)** established in our club history in the name **RCC- RMV Arkavathy**. The RCC comprises of 15 local residents of Koira Village.

The **charter installation** of the office bearers of Farooqia English Medium Girls' High School's **Interact club**, took place in the presence of District Interact chairman Rtn. Shankar.



Our first joint family meeting of 7 Rotary Clubs which was well attended by over 130 Rotarians, Anns and Annets. The gathering was addressed by Rtn. Ashwath Ramaiah, speaker for the day on the subject **Happy Family life**.

In the **Youth Service month**, we had the young Rotaractors of Presidency College address the members of the club & other Rotaractors. The interactive talk was on the Youth of Today.



A **medical health check-up** was conducted for the Pourakarmikas working in the RMV area. It was held on two days. On the 2nd & 4th of October.

Club President Rtn. Sanjay Krishna, got to **exchange flags with the Rotary Club of Durham, United Kingdom**, which is a part of Rotary North East (District 1030) serving North East England, chartered in 1923.





On the occasion of World Sight Day, RI District 3190's project of **Rotary Vision 2020** with the help of the Avoidable Blindness Committees, conducted eye screening camps at various schools and an old age home.

Rotarians and Rotaractors of Dist.3190 came together for Pinkathon- **A Walkathon for Sustainable Menstruation and Menstrual Health for Women**. This helped support the Womens Microentreprise - Gramalakshmi- that makes reusable cloth pads.



Celebrating **our club adopted daughter** - Kum. Pooja's birthday was celebrated with her and her familys presence.

The club along with the district cultural team presented Karnataka Sambhrama Rotary Sangama on Nov 4th to mark **Karnataka Rajyotsava** at Chowdiah Hall.



Interact Milana: A congregation held in Nelamangala, where the club sponsored the making of 4-way test scrolls.



Rotary Vision 2020 - a District 3190's project was supported and adopted by our club. Primary and secondary eye screening camps were held in 13 government schools for the children, over 2 months. 1749 children were screened with the distribution of 210 spectacles in 4 schools. The club was also conferred the Best Club award by the District for the most schools covered.

A **trip was made to Koira lake** in the Devanahalli District. Our members walked along the lake with friends from Rotary Bangalore Basavanagudi and Down Town and lake conservationist Mr. Anand Malligavad.



A **family trip to the Bhadra Tiger reserve** was made in December. 35 members and their families made the journey to the Jungle Lodges resort in Bhadra. Some lucky members also witnessed a leopard and a rare sighting of a tiger, alongside the lake.

The year 2020 started with **Celebrations of 100 years of Rotary in India.**



Our club **co-hosted an International Night**, held at Bangalore International Centre, Domlur.

The WiNs and MHM mega drive with over 20 participants - Rotarians, Rotaractors and Anns - visited over 10 schools to conduct the program. and distribute MHM kits and the recyclable cloth sanitary pads - Aaram - made by Grama Lakshmi - a micro-enterprise started for women empowerment.



12 Rotary Bangalore Club and 4 Rotaract clubs came together in a large gated community of Orion Gateway, Rajajinagar, to **raise awareness on the Pulse Polio Program supported by Rotary**, ahead of Polio NID day.

A special **movie screening** was organised by the club, with 11 more Rotary Clubs and 4 Rotaract clubs, for a full house - to watch the documentary of our own backyard 'Wild Karnataka'.



As people of Action, members of the club helped conduct the **Polio NID** in two Primary Health Centres (PHCs) where 4055 & 8506 children were immunised respectively.

Contribution of Rs.3,00,000/- have been made by Rtns. Sanjay Krishna & Rtn. Harikrishna.

The **unveiling of Billboards** was done by Area Corporator Anand, fixed in AECS Park, Sanjaynagar, for supporting the park maintenance/upkeep along with the RWA for a period of three years.



4-Way test boards, both in English and Kannada, were fixed in the AECS park, that is surrounded by a large residential community.



On our **Charter Anniversary, 12th of February**, we held a joint meeting with our parent club Rotary Bangalore Peenya and Grand Parent Club Rotary Bangalore West. The meeting was graced by speaker Mr. M.K. Prasad, who gave a talk on 'Peace and Dynamism, together life is a celebration'.

Our club participated in an event organised by Rotary Bangalore Abilities to give away the **Vocational excellence awards to the differently-abled individuals** and also contributed a portion of cash reward for the Awardees.



Ganga Puja was conducted to mark the beginning of Lake Rejuvenation Project in the presence of District Governor Rtn. Dr. Sameer Hariani on the auspicious day of Shivarathri festival.

Vocational Excellence Award was conferred upon Mr. S. Karthikeyan, Chief Naturalist at Jungle Lodges and Resorts, for his work in Connecting people to nature.





5600 dictionaries were sponsored by the club, of which 2000 were distributed to 8th standard students at the Sree Siddaganga Mutt, Tumkur during the event.

The **4-Way Test** was also incorporated in the dictionaries, in both Kannada and English, at the front and back of the book.

A joint meeting of 6 clubs to felicitate the “Black Bees” of the IFMR Bikers who covered 4200kms from Kanyakumari to Kolkata to promote the **Rotary India Literacy Mission (RILM)** - “Asha Kiran Project”, was held.



A contribution of Rs. 25,000/- for the Asha Kiran Project was given by the club.



Our partner Rotaract Club of Presidency College and Rotaract of Bangalore Rajmahal Vilas in association with Amara Soundarya Foundation, with support from the club, conducted **Rota Olympics 2020**, for the public and differently abled children.

The club contributed Rs.1,00500 to the local Corona Warriors in support of common kitchen for all teams working in the RMV area during **COVID relief**.



Contributions of Rs.25,000 also helped support local hospitals, designated to take care of COVID patients, with PPE kits.





COVID relief effort: The club distributed 1,700 dry ration kits to the affected households at the Containment Zone, in Ward 18 Gedalahalli, Bengaluru. Ours was the only club to have served the containment zone in District 3190.

JOINT COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT
An initiative of the Dazzler Presidents of District 3190

Host Clubs for the Project : ROTARY CLUBS

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basavanagudi • Basaveswaranagar • Brigades • Central • Centennial • Down Town • Gokul Vidya • Greater Jayanagar • High Grounds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • J.B. Nagar • J P Nagar • Junction • Kalyan • Kengeri • Kuvempunagara • Malgudi • Metro 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nagarabhavi • Nandini • Nelamangala • North West • Orion Gateway • Palmville • Platinum City • Prime • Rajmahal Vilas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rajajinagar • South Parade • Sadashivanagar • Tumkur • Tiptur • Udyog • Vidyanarayapura • Vijayanagar • West
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FREE MEDICAL SUPPORT TO NEEDY PATIENTS

Artificial
Limbs

Wheel
Chairs

Cataract
Surgeries

Dialysis

Blood
Collection
Drive

38 Dazzler Presidents and clubs from District 3190 came together to **jointly conduct community service projects**. Our club contributed by conducting Blood Donation camps and tree plantation around Koira Lake. The total cost of the projects undertaken was over Rs.7.5 lakhs.

The club sponsored masks for SSLC exam going students along with the district. At work places masks and shields bearing the club logo were distributed across the city and in the RMV area.



The first ever virtual convention was conducted by Rotary International and the RI President Mark Daniel Maloney acknowledged that canceling the convention in Honolulu was a difficult decision but said he was inspired by how members worldwide have stayed connected, adapted to their changing circumstances, and helped those in need during the crisis.



The **signature Service project** of the club for the year 2019-20 namely, the **Rejuvenation of the Koira lake** in the Arkavathy catchment area in Devanahalli. Over 20 lakhs has been spent and is an ongoing long term project.



During the year, the clubs activities were reported in the media in many newspapers.



CLUB CONTRIBUTIONS:

MAJOR DONORS

Rtns. Usha & Shankar
Rtn. Kirti Mehta

EPF DONORS

Rtn. Sanjay Krishna
Rtn. Harikrishna

72 Donors

Amount given to ANNUAL FUND: \$ 21,471
Amount given to POLIOPUS FUND: \$ 4,213

TOTAL Amount : \$ 25,684.95

PHF RECOGNITIONS

Rtn. Bharath Asuri
Rtn. Arvind Chanchani
Rtn. Eshwaran
Rtn. Mohan Rao
Rtn. Sabareesan

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

100% Member Contribution to TRF at 26.5\$

Virtual Thanksgiving Celebrations

All good things must come to an end. Endings are always a time for gratitude. After year filled with activities, fun & frolic, it was time to reflect on the year gone by.

Members of the club shared their experiences, followed by recapping the events of the year gone by. This was followed by messages from our Assistant Governor Rtn. Raguram, The District Secretary Rtn. Harshavardhan and District Secretary General Rtn. Vijay Tadimalla. The President Rtn. Sanjay Krishna rendered a heartfelt and moving Thanksgiving message encapsulating the memories of the year gone by. The night ended with our DG Rtn. Dr. Sameer Hariani appreciated the clubs growth, our members and their involvement with the District and the projects undertaken at the club level.



From the Editors Desk

“For last year’s words belong to last year’s language
And next year’s words await another voice.
And to make an end is to make a beginning.”
-T.S Elliot

It is my honour to take over as the club’s new bulletin editor from Rtn. Rajesh Kunder who did a marvellous job for many many years. I look forward to working with the incoming team led by Rtn. Bharat Asuri and wish the outgoing team great success in their new roles.

As we begin the new Rotary year with fresh enthusiasm, I have no doubt that our members will take our club to greater heights and turn every challenge into opportunity in these unprecedented times.

- Bulletin Editor
Deepa Padmanaban

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