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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - GOVERNORS' VISIT

Dear Pattinathars,

Greetings Everyone! - As we welcome the start of a New Year! Not a new Rotary Year-but the beginning of a new Calendar Year of 2019. We are half-way through our year together, with six more months to go. A Lot has been accomplished, and we all have a lot more to do! After some down time over the holidays, it is now time to get back into action.

As we step in to 2019, Sasibanu joins me in thanking you for your contributions to our Club and Rotary International. This Rotary



year brought exciting change and new growth to our club. It has been a thrilling experience so far.

In January many of us feel the energy of a fresh start and the opportunity to think about the year ahead. And with the New Year beginning we often think of those New Year's resolutions. What are our resolutions as a Rotarian? The beginning of a new year is a good opportunity to renew inspiration for the rest of the Rotary year and to think about the goals that we and our Club members set. It is also time to consider where our club has been this year, and where we are heading to.

I am so thankful to each and every one of our club members and your individual contributions, whether it be time, talent or treasure (and sometimes all three!). 2019 is an opportunity to renew our commitment to both Rotary and our fellow Rotarians. Participate in a new project. And of course, I request everyone to bring a friend (or two. . . or five) to our club meeting or event this year and share the magic of Rotary with others.

I encourage any prospective member receiving this message to resolve to "do good" in 2019 by joining the Rotary International family. No other organization can offer you the opportunity to make a real difference both locally and internationally, while strengthening your business networking and offering you the fellowship of the extended Rotary family.

Today is a very important day in our Rotary Calender as the Governor is visiting our club officially. We welcome the Governor, the District First Lady and other District Officials on this occasion.

Wish you all a very Happy and Joyful 2019!



A Warm Welcome to DG Rtn. Babu Peram







### JOINT MEETING - Topic 'KARMA' by Rtn. PDG Venkatesh

The Rotary Club of Madras Chenna Patna in association with four other clubs conducted a Joint Speaker Meeting on December 6. It was addressed by Past District Governor A.S. Venkatesh on the theme 'Karma'. The other participating Rotary clubs were Arch city, Chennai Sewak, Chennai Mogappair, Chennai Kings and Chennai Serenity.

Rtn. Venkatesh enlightened us with his speech on Karma, saying that Karma is a continuation of our past actions. He shared his rich experience in Rotary Foundation which was very useful for the Green rotarians.



Our PP Rtn Muthiah was pinned with Paul Harris +1pin by PDG Venkatesh

During the meeting our PP Rtn Praveen Mehra was awarded the Silver Jubilee citation as he was unable to take part in the Charter Night celebrations that took place in Bali during May.

Rtn. Vidya Alagu Perumal







#### IFCR @ Pune

Our own Rtn. Vishwanath representing, the Chennai Singams team, won the the All India IFCR Cricket Tournament held in Pune. He is seen with the winners trophy. Congrats to Rtn. Vishwanath and his team for their fantastic win.

Three Pattinathars including Rtn. Rajsekhar & Rtn. Prabhakar participated in this tournament.







### **Election and Closed Door Meeting**

At the December 20 Election and Closed Door Meeting, Rtn. B. Suryabaskar, the present Secretary cum President Elect was formally declared as the President of the Rotary Club of Madras Chenna Patna for the year 2019-20.

Rtn. R. Manikandan is the President Elect for 2019-20 while Rtn. Senthan Amuthan President Nominee for 2019-20.

After scrutinising the papers, returning officer





Rtn. K. Vallekkannu declared Rtn. N. Anand as Secretary and Rtn. Karthikeyan as Treasurer Admin.

#### **Closed door meeting**

At the second closed door meeting, the various avenue directors and chairmen presented their activities for the last six months and the proposed action plan for next six months.

It was decided to hold Vocational Services Award function during February. Good Samaritan

Award will be given to K.G. Murali of Krishnagiri, Lifetime Achievement Award to S. Vishwanath of Industrial Economist and Young Achiever Award to Chess Prodigy Rakshita Ravi.

The board members gave their consent for doubling the micro loan amount to Rs. 50,000/- per applicant.

The General Body also discussed Global Grant Project proposals and decided to have an exclusive meeting for further deliberations.

Fellowship Chairman Sathya Narayanan announced that in the next few months it was planned to have movie, overnight and international fellowships.



### RI Foundation Seminar 2.12.2018

Club Service Director N. Anand and Rtn. R.C. Srinivasan attended the RI Foundation Seminar on December 2.





#### **School Materials Distribution**



Rotary Club of Madras Chenna Patna distributed books, uniforms, socks, plastic chairs to students of Government higher secondary schools in Chengalpet, Vedanthangal, Kunnathur Kunnavakkam on November 30th, 2018.

A four member team comprising of President Elect/Secretary Suryabasker, Community Service Health Director, Senthan Amuthan, Chandrasekhar and Community Service Development Director Paresh Khatri visited various schools and did the distribution.

A total number of 3,586 notebooks, 190 uniform sets, 150 pair of socks and 90 moulded chairs were donated with a total value of Rs. 1.5 Lakhs.

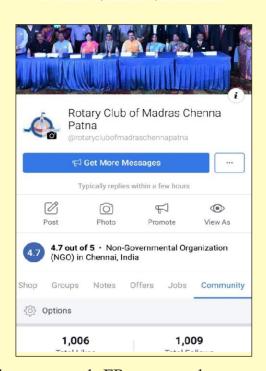
#### **Club Trainer in Action**



For the first time a training session for Green Rotarians of our club was conducted by our PP Rtn. Raja Sriraam on December 15th. It was very informative and well received.

He also shared his rich Rotary experience during the 2.5 hours session.

#### Social Media Milestone



The renovated FB page and group of RCMCP hit two important milestones. It crossed 1,000 likes and followers.

### Follow us on:













#### Free Medical Camp at Vedanthangal

Rotary Club of Madras Chenna Patna and Buddha Light International Association conducted free eye checkup-cum-multi speciality medical camp for villagers in and around Vedanthangal.

The Government Higher Secondary School, which is located adjacent to Vedanthangal bird sanctuary,



A free cataract surgery will be done for the needy in a Chennai hospital on Thursday.

258 people ranging from school children to senior citizens from nearby villages took active part in the camp.

They got immediate medical attention for general illness, eye problem and dental among others.





provided ideal location for the camp.

Thanks to the school staff for letting out the premises and ably supporting us in the conduct of the camp.

Volunteers from JRC, Paramedical staff from South India Institute of Technology and Doctors from JSP Hospital provided medical assistance.



It was a day well spent and the beneficiaries were very thankful for the medical camp. They requested us to conduct such medical camps on a regular basis, which we are hopeful of doing.

Rtn N. Anand





Rtn. Prabhakar. G President

Rtn. Vallekkannu. K

Immediate Past President

Rtn. Suryabaskar. B

President Elect

Rtn. Suryabaskar. B

Secretary

Rtn. Udaya Kumar

Treasurer - Admin

Rtn. Deepak Pungaliya

Treasurer - Trust

Rtn. N. Anand

**Director Club Administration** 

Rtn. Paresh Khatri

Director Community Ser. (Dev.)

Rtn. Senthan Amuthan. G

Director Community Ser. (Health)

Rtn. Dhanalakshmi .K.R

Director Youth Service

Rtn. Vidya Alagu Perumal

Director Vocational Service

Rtn. Ram Kevalur

Director International Service

Rtn. Vallekkannu

Rtn. Muthiah PL

Sergeants - At - Arms

Chennapathra

Ann Sukanya Sriraam Rtn. Dileep Kumar R Rtn. Anand N Rtn. Prabhakar G Rtn. Ramanathan K N Ann Deepa Mogili

#### **FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

03.01.2019 : **Governors' Visit** 

**Club Assembly -** 9.00 a.m. - Presidency Club **Governor Visit -** 7.00 p.m. - Alumni Club

08.01.2019 : **Board Meeting -** Rtn.Rajiv Reddy's Office - 7.00 p.m.

17.01.2019 : **Regular Meeting,** Hotel Savera - 7.30 p.m.

SUNSHINE	
Rtn. Suryabaskar	500/-
Rtn. Ganesh	500/-
Annette Viharika Suryabasker	500/-
Rtn. Anand	500/-
Rtn. Muthiah	500/-
Annette Deivanai Muthiah	600/-
Ann Umashankari Sathyanarayanan	500/-
Annettee Dhanalakshmi Surendra	500/-

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

Annette Nikita D/o Rtn. Viswanath Krishnan	1
Rtn. Prabhakar	3
Annette Keiyanaa D/o Rtn. Deepak Pungaliya	5
Annette Haryshwa Ganesh S/o Rtn. Senthan Amuthan	6
Rtn. SPR. Ramesh	10
Rtn. Rajiv Reddy	11
Rtn. Deepak Pungaliya	11
Rtn. Naren Reddy	12
Annette Sandhya D/o Rtn. Chakravarthy	14
Annette Darshan S/o Raja Marthandan	14
Ann Deepa Priyadarsini W/o Raja Marthandan	15
Ann Sukanya W/o Rtn. Raja M.Sriraam	17
Annette Niral Chordia D/o Rtn. Rajkumar Chordia	18
Ann Kulandaivel H/o Rtn. Vallekkannu	19
Rtn. Praveen K. Mehra	20
Annette Abishek S/o Rtn. Saptagiri	25
Ann Meyyammai W/o Rtn. Muthiah	30

#### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Rtn. Shankar Rao & Ann Poornima	20
Rtn. Viswanath Krishnan & Ann Vidya	22
Rtn. Srinivasan & Ann Jagathambal	24
Rtn. Chandrasekar & Ann Latha	28

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