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Editor's Prologue

Dear RBlans,

Allow me to first thank each one of you for accepting and appreciating the inaugural issue of the SEVA for the year 2021-22. I had released it with a lot of nervousness. However, your response was overwhelming and encouraging. This reminded me of my initial days of joining the Club. I knew only a few members at that time when I joined the Club and was anxious about how I would be accepted in this large club. You were all so affable that I never looked back and became part of this family in no time. Thank you !

The SEVA for this year will have a new section called 'KYC' – 'KNOW YOUR CLUB'. It's an attempt to share the details of various projects of our Club, to enable every member get an idea of the work undertaken by Rotary Bangalore Indiranagar. This section hopes to also have some unique details of our Club, members etc. Apart from that, a crossword section called '**Rotary Teaser**' and '**Rotary Trivia**' has been introduced to learn more about Rotary in a fun way.

Hope you will like this and enjoy the contents.

Thank you,
Yours truly,

Kavitha Paramesh

The President's Thoughts

Dear Friends,

After meeting virtually for over a year, we were finally able to have our Club Installation function on a hybrid platform. 40 of us were fortunate to be present in person at the installation ceremony held on 5th July 2021. The others participated on the virtual platform and ensured the success of the event. We hope that the situation brought about by the pandemic continues to improve and all of us are able to once again meet more often in person and enjoy each others company.



The year has started with a lot of projects and activities happening throughout the month of July 2021. Our Directors have been extremely active and committed and together with the enthusiasm of their fellow board members, coordinators, committee chairs/co-chairs and their respective teams, ensured a brisk and interesting beginning to the rotary year.

Many of the projects have continued on the virtual platform. However, some of them needed our physical presence like the inauguration of medical equipment provided under a Global Grant to the ICU at the Jain Mission Hospital at Chikkaballapur, handing over of ventilators & oxygen concentrators donated to the Bangalore Baptist Hospital in Hebbal, inauguration of the computer labs at the Government First Grade College in K R Puram, etc. These events have witnessed Rotarians attending in good numbers.

Karunashraya was invited by the Government of Odisha to establish a campus in Bhubaneswar, to be funded by philanthropists Susmita and Subroto Bagchi.

As has been the norm year after year, many of our large hearted Rotarians and their families, friends, companies & associated trusts have come forward and donated money for our various projects. It is their generosity which has ensured the continuation and smooth running of many of our notable projects and programs. On behalf of all of us at Rotary Bangalore Indiranagar, I thank them sincerely for their magnanimity.

The year has just begun and we have made a bright start. But there is still a long way to go. However with your continued support and involvement we can together “*Serve to Change Lives*” as we work towards achieving our objectives.

With warm regards,

Rtn. Fazal Ur Rahaman

President 2021-22

Rotary Bangalore Indiranagar

Installation of Fazal UR Rahaman – 41st President

Rtn. Fazal Ur Rahaman was installed as the 41st President of Rotary Bangalore Indiranagar at a glittering ceremony on 5th July 2021. He took over from the outgoing President Rtn. Dr. A.V.S. Srikanth at the Royal Orchid Hotel on a glorious evening.



Take up the Mantle of Change, for this is your time

The Installation Ceremony was a hybrid meeting keeping in mind the continuing prevalence of Covid-19 pandemic. A select few members of the Board and special invitees were present in person at the Royal Orchid Hotel. Over a hundred members and guests joined the event online, including the chief guest of the evening PRID Rtn. Kamal Sanghvi and DG Rtn. Fazal Mahmood with his gracious Ann. Sabiha Fazal.

The event started with a melodious invocation by Ann. Sowmya Srikanth. The outgoing President Rtn. Dr. A.V.S. Srikanth called the meeting to order and invited dignitaries to join him on the dais. He made a brief presentation of the year gone by and thanked everyone who helped him tide over an extremely challenging year. He also presented the audited accounts for RY 2020-21 to the incoming President.



Rtn. Fazal Ur Rahaman on accepting the collar from the IPP, delivered a splendid acceptance speech. Rtn. Fazal commended the outgoing team for a fantastic year and presented the outgoing President, Secretary and Treasurer with a memento each.



The President then went on to install his board members, who were pinned by our distinguished PDG Rtn. P M Bhansali.



Post the Installation of the Board, Club Service Director Rtn. Gopinath invited PDG Badri to induct two new members. Rtn. Sushma Kadali and Rtn. Somick Kumar Goswami were inducted into the Club.

With this our Club is 135 members strong of which, 23 are women members.



There was a poignant moment when a portrait of late PDG Udaya Kumar was unveiled by senior members and his son Rtn. Karthik Udaya Kumar. This will adorn the Rotary House of Service in fond memory of our charter President.



The Vocational Service Director Rtn. Kavita Kekre announced the third batch of IT Installation Technician Program at NTTF.

Rtn. Gopinath then invited Bulletin Editor Rtn. Kavitha Paramesh to release the special edition of SEVA. This was simultaneously unveiled by first lady of our District, Rtn. Sabiha Fazal remotely as well as first Lady of our Club, Ann. Shamim Fazal on the dais.



The Community Service Director Rtn. Narssimhan Kannan presented the MOU signed between BGMS, JSS Foundation and Rotary Bangalore Indiranagar. The representatives of BGMS and JSS joined via Zoom.





The International Service Director Rtn. Baskaramoorthy announced receipt of USD 17,000 donations to the

Rotary Foundation.

The guest speaker for the evening was PRID Rtn. Kamal Sanghvi. His talk centered around membership development and the theme “Each One, Bring One”. He complimented the outgoing President for an excellent year and also noted with satisfaction that we inducted two new members on the very first day!



It was now time for our District Governor Rtn. Fazal Mehmood to address the gathering. DG also commended the Club for its overall performance and requested continued support from the Club toward the activities of the district as well as contribution to TRF.

The formal part of the evening concluded with the Secretary Rtn. Supriya Khandari delivering the formal vote of thanks.

Conducting the hybrid event, without any hitch, was truly a tremendous achievement. All technical

aspects were attended to the minutest of details.. The evening was rounded-off by a sumptuous dinner, which everyone enjoyed after a hiatus of one year.



Rotary Trivia - July - The Leadership month

All of us are aware that July is the month of new leadership. However, do you know why July is the chosen month for leadership change and since when July was chosen to be the start of the Rotary Year? Read on...

In the early days of Rotary, the Conventions dates were the dates for the beginning and end of the Rotary Year and most often the conventions were held in August and the new year used to be the first day of the Convention.



In the year 1911-12 too, the fiscal year was to start from 21st of August, that being the first day of the Convention. An audit of International Club's Association was ordered in the next year i.e. 1912. The Auditors recommended that the fiscal year should end by June 30th, so that Treasurers and Secretaries have time to prepare the financial statements to present at the Convention. This would also help to ascertain the actual number of delegates to the Convention from each club.

The recommendation by the Auditors was accepted by the Executive Committee and in April 1913, June 30th was designated as the fiscal year end. Following this change, even the 'Rotarian' changed its volume numbering system to align with the fiscal year. This was followed by the change in the reporting of membership by the clubs.

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Know Your Club

Project in Focus - BGMS



BGMS

Here is an organization amidst the bustling city of Bengaluru, which has been in existence for nearly six decades and is quietly working for the welfare of women and children and that is none other than “**Bharatiya Grameena Mahila Sangh (BGMS)**’.



BGMS is a non-political, not for profit entity established by Late Padma Bhushan **Smt. Yashodhara Dasappa** and Late **Smt. C Sharada**. **BGMS** was started in 14 states and is affiliated with the Associated Country Women of the World (ACWW), the world's largest organization for rural women, which in



turn is a consultative body for UNO, UNESCO, WHO, and ILO.

The main objective of **BGMS** is upliftment of rural women and to support children from the weaker section of the Society. **BGMS** Bengaluru is one of the 14 units set up and is located in the heart of Bangalore, next to HAL, Helicopter Division. **BGMS** has been mostly managed and administered by women since its inception and has been doing a yeoman service of supporting

orphans and destitute and elderly women.

Smt. Yashodhara Dasappa, the founder is a household name in Mysore. She was a freedom fighter, social reformist and a visionary. She actively participated in the freedom movement and plunged into various social reform activities in the state of Karnataka as early as in the 1930s. She was highly influenced by Mahatma Gandhi and led the Shivapura Dhwaja Satyagraha and went to jail for her active participation in various freedom movement activities. She was the only woman cabinet minister in the ministry of Chief Minister Late Mr. Nijalingappa. Smt. Yashodhara believed in educating women and in their empowerment. With this vision, she started Bharatiya Grameena Mahila Sangh in the year 1960.



Smt. Sharada, Founder Secretary was also the director of Women Development Council of Government of Karnataka. She was the backbone of BGMS till she was active and she held the post of Secretary of BGMS from 1960 to 2002.

Smt. Jayalakshamma one of the founding members and the first president of BGMS. She was a corporator of Jayanagar. She was also associated with many organizations including the State social Welfare board for a long time. The first building was built when she was the president of BGMS. Two more notable personalities who have made significant contributions to BGMS are **Smt. Damayanthi Boregowda**, former MLA from Srirangapatna and **Smt. Nagamma Keshavamurthy** former MLA from Chitradurga. Both have served as Presidents of BGMS.



Sri. Anantha Krishna is one more notable personality who has contributed significantly to BGMS. Sri. Anantha Krishna was a mechanical engineer and a retired military officer, made BGMS his home and worked along with Smt. Sharada for improving the facilities at BGMS.

Mrs. Venkamma and **Mrs. Rameshwari** were the other senior members who worked as president and secretary during Sri. Anantha Krishna's tenure. It was during this time that Rotary Indiranagar Bangalore got associated with BGMS. Sri Anantha Krishna passed away in 2009 which brought to fore the current leaders of BGMS.

Smt. Bimba Raikar and **Smt. Motamma** are the leaders at the helm of BGMS presently.

Smt. Bimba Raikar was a member of the state legislative assembly and member of parliament in Rajya Sabha from the Indian National Congress representing Karnataka. She is more of a social activist than a politician. Smt. Raikar is known for voicing her opinion on the government and working for the downtrodden. Her association with BGMS started in the year 1992 and since then she has actively engaged



in ensuring that BGMS activities are carried out in accordance with its vision and making sure that BGMS remains a non-political, non-sectarian organization.



Smt. Motamma is yet another popular politician who has worked tirelessly for the cause of BGMS. She is a member of the Congress Party from Mudgere, Chikmagalur District. She has served as MLA for 3 terms and as an MLC for 2 terms. She has served as Minister for women and Child in the ministry of S M Krishna. She is the first woman to be an opposition leader in the state of Karnataka and holds a Master degree in Arts from Bangalore University. Her journey with **BGMS** started in the year 1992 and she has been the voice of BGMS to the Government and has played a major role in enabling many grants to BGMS.

Apart from these two leaders, the following members have been associated with BGMS over 3 decades and are serving the organization and its cause.

Smt. Vilasini has made stellar contributions to BGMS since the 1980s. She was also associated with many other social welfare organizations. She was the of Abhayashrama, Wilson Garden, founding

member and past President of Mahila Co-operative Bank and former President of AIWWC (All India working women's conference), amongst others.

Smt Anantha Lakshmi who served as secretary from 2009 to 2020 and **Smt. Jaya Gopalakrishna** who was Joint secretary in the same period and who took over as Secretary in 2020 are two other women who have worked tirelessly for the development and day to day management of **BGMS**. During their tenure, they played a major role in getting Rotary Indiranagar Bangalore and Jai Shiv Shakti Foundation involved in the development of infrastructure.

Smt. Ambika Jayaram w/o Mr. Jayaram ex corporator from Annasandrapallya has been supporting **BGMS** in various ways and is serving as Treasurer of **BGMS** since 2009.

Mr. Deepak Shah is another visionary who is responsible for the **BGMS** we see today. Though based in London, he spent a lot of time in India to improve and develop the facilities in **BGMS**. During a visit to **BGMS**, he decided to join hands with Mr. Anantha Krishna. He raised substantial funds for the development of **BGMS**. He even bought a house near **BGMS** and spent the next 16 years from 2002 to 2018 working for **BGMS**.

Mr. Shah and his friends from London who were part of an organization called Shishukunj helped construct an English Medium School, a new girls cottage, sports hall etc. Shishukunj group also took care of the running costs of the school from its inception till 2018. Due to his health reasons Mr. Deepak Shah had to return to London in 2018. Mr. Shah still holds **BGMS** close to his heart and is in regular touch and visits whenever possible.

Rotary Bangalore Indiranagar is actively supporting **BGMS** in all its projects and is a partner in service of **BGMS**. Many of our Members and Anns are actively involved in the activities of **BGMS**. Besides contributing funds, members of RBI also contribute their time.

Ann Prasanna Balki stands right at the top of this list. She spends most of her time in **BGMS** and knows the organization in and out. She is one-woman army working in all departments of **BGMS** be it administration, accounts, finance or management of the school, orphanage, old age home or the short stay home.

Ann Latha Bhaskar, Ann Ranjana Anand, Ann Mona Lal, Ann Indira Herbert, Rtn. Narssimhan Kannan and Rtn. Balki are regular visitors to **BGMS**. They teach English, Mathematics and other subjects to the children in BGMS. They also counsel these children and motivate them to excel in whatever they are doing.

Rtn. Ghanshyam Agarwal through his company Liber has agreed to contribute Rs. 25 Lakhs each for the next three years towards the improvement of infrastructure of the School in BGMS. Rotarians O P Khanna, Suresh Hari, Peeyush Jain, Jagadeesh, Ramesh Agarwal are patrons of BGMS and are omnipresent guiding hands in BGMS related activities. Rtn. Ambika Narayan is the Chair of the BGMS Committee of our Club. She leads and is incharge execution of projects of RBI at BGMS from the Club.

BGMS is spread across a lush green campus of neatly 6 acres in the centre of the city and houses the following facilities:





The new office building at BGM



Students at Prayer hall

Hostel for Children

Kanvashrama: Kanvashrama is a home for orphaned and destitute children, who are provided food, shelter, clothing, education and medical care. There are nearly 250 children here.



Shishukunj Vidhyalaya - This school, established in 2009 with the support of Shishukunj London, and run by BGMS, offers classes from 1st Standard to 10th Standard.. It is an English Medium school, under the State syllabus, and is intended to provide quality education to the students in the hostel and the students from the community around BGMS. The School educates nearly 300 students per year.



Anandham – Anandham is the old age home for elderly women (above 60 years) and widows. The Old age home was constructed in collaboration with Rotary Bangalore Indiranagar and Jai Shiv Shakti Foundation. Presently there are 30 women in Anandham. The women there are provided with food, shelter, medical care and most importantly, a serene environment to live their lives with respect and dignity.



Parijatha: This is yet another project supported by our Club and the Jai Shiv Shakti Foundation. Praijatha is the hostel for college girls constructed in 2017. BGMS supports these girls by providing accommodation, food, medical care and also paying their college fee. There are 20 girls presently in Parijatha.



The residents in the Old Age Home

Short Stay Home and Counselling Centre: BGMS also provides accommodation facilities to destitute women who are disowned by their family, women subject to domestic violence and looking for a shelter. The Short Stay Home in BGMS provides these women with the counselling and vocational training and supports them morally and emotionally. The residents are permitted to stay here till they find their path for life either by taking up an education or a job.



Counselling Centre and Library at BGMS

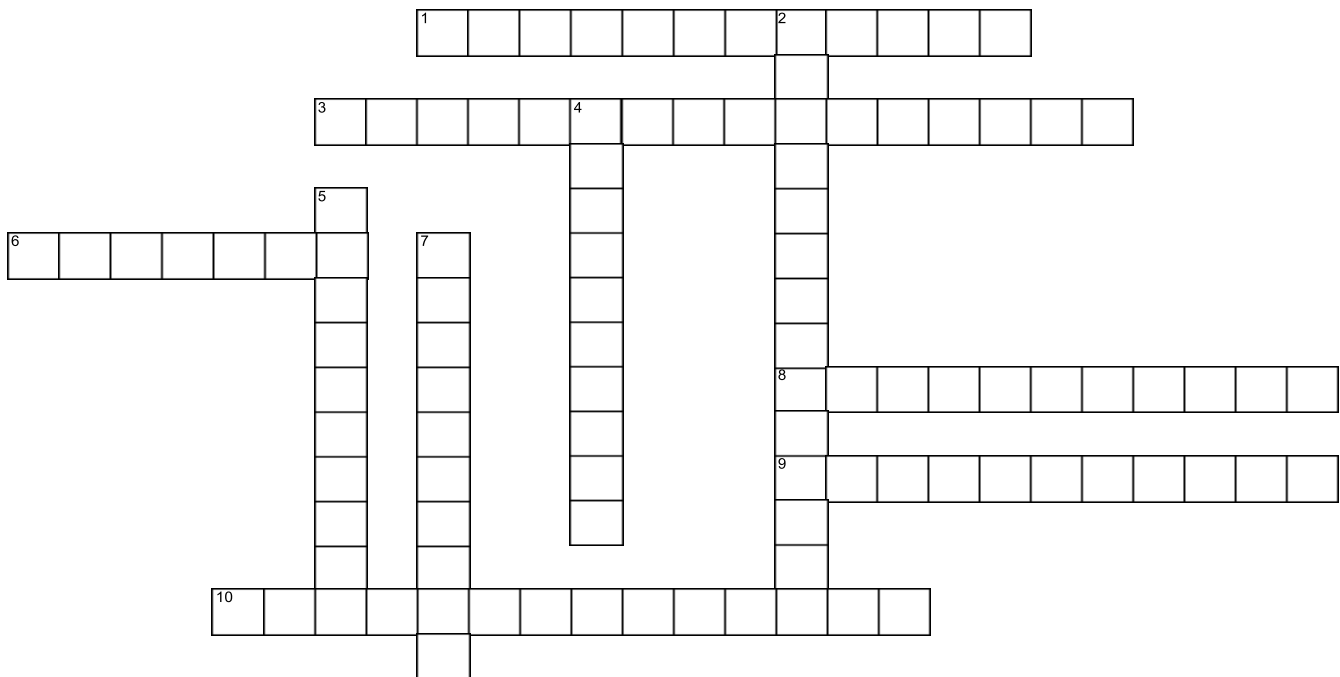
BGMS has a well-equipped kitchen to feed the residents. The kitchen equipment was sponsored by our Club. BGMS employs 35 people of which 29 are women and 7 men. Most of these employees are provided free accommodation within the BGMS Campus.



Abandoned women are often ignored in society and treated as second class citizens. BGMS is a place where every individual is respected, valued and BGMS strives to provide a life of dignity to every girl, woman and child taking shelter here. In addition to that, there is a constant effort to empower these individuals and make them economically independent. The Management of BGMS along with its partners in service such as RBI are doing an illustrious service and equipping the needy with the required skills to be independent.

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***Answers in the next Edition**

Club Service Report - Director Rtn. Gopinath

Digital Initiatives

Our Club installation news and photos were posted on Twitter and Facebook and reached a wide audience.

Our website is being revamped and an intranet is being designed, which will also be an archive for the history of the club, which completed forty years of service and fellowship recently.

TRF

We have received commitments to the tune of \$ 17,000 so far.

Community Service Report - Director Rtn. Narssimhan Kannan

Vidyadaan

As an appropriate beginning to the New Rotary Year, a Career Guidance Session for PU students of the Vidya Daan program was organized on 1st July 2021 jointly by Community Service and Vocational Service Avenues. The session was organised by Rtn. KS Kumar with the help of Rtn. Ganesh Balakrishnan who conducted a great meeting for the students. Ganesh started with the 4-Way Test and weaved his way through a plethora of career options for students. It was a very illuminating session.

A small but significant beginning. This reminded of what Neil Armstrong said when he landed on the moon, *"That's one small step for man, One giant leap for mankind"*.



The first set of interviews of Vidyadaan students was conducted on 7th July 2021 by Rtn. Raja Kaura, Rtn. Jagadeesh, Rtn. Chandramouli, Rtn. Philip George, Rtn. Kesavdas, Rtn. Doc Menon, Rtn. Sugunan and others. 70 students were interviewed, and scholarships disbursed for the academic year 2021-22.

BGMS:

The First Committee Meeting of BGMS was held on 21st July 2021 at BGMS and 25 people including Rotarians, Anns, members of BGMS and JSS attended the meeting. The meeting was chaired by Rtn. Ambika Narayan and was attended by many senior members. Ms. Prasanna gave a brief summary of the current status and the indicated that occupancy rates would increase as the Lock down is opening up. Chair Ambika Narayan outlined some of the key objectives for 2021-22.

Rtn. Ghanshyam Agarwal was felicitated at this meeting.



Karunashraya

On 12th July 2021 the Chief Minister of Odisha, Shri Naveen Patnaik, unveiled the foundation stone for the campus of the Bagchi Karunashraya Palliative Care Centre. This was the day of the Rath Yatra, considered to be one of the most auspicious days in Odisha.

Dr. Simha and Dr. Jayshree Simha performed the groundbreaking pooja before the unveiling of the foundation stone by the honourable Chief Minister.

Earlier in the year, the Government of Odisha had invited Karunashraya to set up a palliative care facility through the kind courtesy of Mrs and Mr. Bagchi. The Government of Odisha had agreed to grant 20 acres of land for this purpose while the Bagchis had generously offered to fund this by promising 130 crore donation. This donation will be used for construction of the palliative care campus and also the interest from the corpus will fund the running expenses. It is planned to have 110 beds at this facility along with an education and research block, a 500-seater auditorium and residential facilities for the staff.

Meanwhile the Government of Odisha has handed over 10000 sq ft of city space for home care operations of Karunashraya. While the campus will take 24 months for completion, home care services will be started by October this year. The recruitment of local staff is in progress.

A proud moment for all of us at Rotary Bangalore Indiranagar.



Blood Donation

Blood Donation Camps were organised at RHOS and TSMT on 3rd and 4th July 2021. These camps were a resounding success. A total of **175 units** were collected and is a great achievement in the present circumstances Thanks to team Rotary Bangalore Indiranagar, Rotary Bengaluru Disha, Rotary E Club For Greater Good, Rotarct Club of TSMT and Rotaract Bangalore Indiranagar and all Rotarians, Anns, Spouses and Annettes who came and contributed to this success.

The camp at TSMT was organised jointly by our Club and Rotract Club of TSMT. The camp was inaugurated by DG Fazal Mehmood and his gracious Ann. Sabiha Fazal, where the First Lady Sabiha Fazal donated blood. The camp had a good media coverage with DCP South Mr. Harish Pandey and RJ Mohan visiting the camp and posting the details of the camp on their social media status. Rtn. Kavitha Paramesh was present at the camp throughout and donated the blood along with the District First Lady



The camp at RHOS on 4th July was opened by Rtn. Narssimhan Kannan, PP Rtn. Manoj Agrawal, Our First Lady Shamim, Rtn. Sanjay Koppikar, spouse Prasad Rajagopal, PP Rtn. Ajith Rai, Annette Megha, Perna, Annette Siddharth and Annette Maneesh. And scores of others from Rotary Bangalore Disha, like President Naresh, and Charter President of Rotary E Club For Greater Good, Rtn. Vinay and several Rotractors.

The camps were organised under the leadership of Rtn. Lata Amashi. A special mention to Rtn. Mohit and Rtr. Ritika Kandhari who lead from the front. Rtn. Rakesh Nayyar provided meals for the Blood Bank staff.

It was very endearing to see so many people who turned up to **donate**. Every **drop of blood** counts and will help in saving lives!!! 🙏🙏🙏. **"Your blood is replaceable. A life is not."**



Jain Mission Hospital

A 9 bedded ICU at the Jain Mission Hospital, Chickballapur was inaugurated on the 8th of July by Rtn. Ghanshyam Agrawal and Rtn. Fazal Ur Rahaman, President Rotary Bangalore Indiranagar, in the presence of senior Rotarians. Dr. Narpat Solanki and other trustees of the Jain Mission Hospital were present at the function.



The ICU is equipped with the latest critical care equipment including ventilators, monitors, infusion pumps and all other essential equipment required. All these have been donated by RBI to the hospital at a total cost of Rs. 80 Lakhs. The hospital is state-of-the-art and the Rotarians were given a grand tour of the entire facility. The ICU is bright, airy and extremely positive in its design and layout.

Rtns. Ghanshyam Agarwal, PDG Rtn. Dr. P M Bhansali, PP Rtn. O P Khanna, and PP Rtn. Peeyush Jain have generously contributed to the above cause. The team consisting of PDG Rtn. Suresh Hari, PP Rtn. Suresh Patel, and PP Rtn. Mahesh Parikh handled the Global Grant application and follow-up thereon. The Purchase Committee incharge of sourcing and acquisition of equipment was headed by PP Rtn. Dr. Krishnan Menon and Rtn. Narssimhan Kannan. PP Rtn. Manoj Agrawal was incharge of the overall co-ordination. The ICU is the fruit of the seed sown by Dr. Solanki and PDG Rtn. P M Bhansali two-and-a-half years ago.



"No matter how tall or wide a tree is, it started off as a seed." ~ Matshona Dhliwayo

TEACH

Under the TEACH committee, Rtn. Chandra Mouli delivered an extremely inspiring and motivating talk to about 30 teachers on “enhancing English speaking skills”. The talk was well received and was appreciated by all including the Principal Monica Michael who mentioned how inspired she was with our Interact movement. President Fazal started off the session by welcoming the teachers – Rtn. Kumar and Rtn. Philip were also present.

A zoom session was held in 14th July on "**Effective handling of students during online teaching**" for the teachers of three of our adopted schools, viz., Hoodi, Narayanapura and Garudacharpalya Govt High Schools. The facilitators were Vanitha and Sheetal from the International Association of Facilitators - through the good offices of Rtn. Sanjay Dugar. 18 teachers attended including the heads of Narayanapura and Hoodi schools. The interaction was stimulating and as requested earlier, was conducted in Kannada since the teachers were more comfortable in Kannada rather than in English. Some of the teachers as well as the HMs were quite eloquent and expressed the challenges they faced during online teaching and felt that some of the suggestions offered by the facilitators could be successfully implemented. President Fazal welcomed the teachers, the facilitators and fellow Rotarians who included Col Subu, Ramesh Agarwal, Vidyut, Kavita Kekre, Kumar, Narsi, Gopi and Philip.

On the 15th of July, a fabulous ZOOM session on the much needed topic '**Cyber Bullying and Crime**' for the students of Standard IX and X of Navaprajna Public School was conducted.

The 110 plus students who attended this session were kept captivated and attentive by Rtn. Sanjay Koppikar, who shared not only his personal experiences but instances where others suffered due to on-line bullying. Rtn. Kavita Kekre, Director of Vocational Services gave the opening address and the session was also attended by other Rotarians. Anita Hari, Seetharam, Ganesh, Mouli, Kavita Pishay, Kamalavadani, Vidyut, Col Subbu, Kumar and Narssimhan Kannan.

One more session on the subject '**Cyber Bullying and Crime**' for the students of Standard IX and X of Sri Cauvery School was held on the 24th of July 2021. Nearly 140 students attended the session and the session was conducted by Rtn. Sanjay Koppikar.

This statement of Justin Bieber is relevant in this context. *"The Internet can be used as a place to have a greater positive impact on the world, There's a ton of positive initiatives online. The web should be used to inspire others, not spread hate or to hurt others."* - Justin Bieber



Rtn. Philip George inaugurated the **Economics and Commerce Department Computer Lab** of the Government First Grade College, K. R. Puram on the 28th of July 2021. The Chief sponsors were Cognizant and Rotary Bangalore Indiranagar. The inauguration was attended by PP Rtn. Shyam Aggarwal, Co-Chair Rural Education, President of RBI, Rtn. Fazal Ur Rahaman, Secretary, Rtn. Supriya Kandhari, Rtn. Philip George, Chairperson T-E-A-C-H Mission Committee, and Rtn. Narsi.

The function was presided by Dr. T. C Chandrashekar, Principal of GFGC along with all the HODs, P G Coordinators and the staff of the Department of Commerce and Management & Department of Economics. The lab will be of great help to the students of commerce.



EYE Care

Despite the lockdown restrictions and pandemic situation the month of July has been comparatively good. Dr Sundaram Shetty and his team managed to do the following number of surgeries and eye check-ups during the month at Kolar and Tumkur :

Kolar: Check -ups – 276 (118 New, 158 Follow-ups)

Surgeries – 133 (Paid 28 and 105 Free)

Tumkur: Check-ups – 38 (26 New, 11 Follow-ups)

Surgeries – 106 (Paid 47, and 59 Free)

COVID Relief

Donation of Mask

Under the 'Sahayoga' Programme of the District, RBI has partnered with Rotary Hoskote Central. Along with Rotary Hoskote Central and Rotary Bangalore Disha, Masks were distributed at the Block Education Officer's office, Hoskote on 16th July 2021. Rtn. Fazal Ur Rahaman, President of Rotary Bangalore Indiranagar, Rtn. Narssimhan Kannan, Rtn. Vijaykumar, President Rotary Hoskote Central, PP Rtn. Rajkumar of Rotary Hoskote Central were present at the handing over function.

Donation of Oxygen Concentrators and Ventilators

The formal inauguration of the commissioning of two ventilators and four Oxygen Concentrators at the Baptist Hospital was done on the 30th of July 2021. The function was attended by PP Rtn. Raja Kaura, IPP Rtn. Dr. AVS Srikanth, President Rtn. Fazal Ur Rahaman, Secretary Rtn. Supriya Kandhari, Rtn. Kesavadas, Rtn. Baskaramoorthy, Ms. Mamta Tayal, Ann Sowmya Srikanth, Rtn. Thomas Abraham, and Rtn. Narsi.

The function started with a prayer and was followed by the opening address by the Director of the hospital, Dr. Naveen Thomas. He then requested our IPP, Dr. Srikanth and President Fazal to say a few words. Both expressed their gratitude for being able to provide these machines to the hospital. The entire function was organised in a structure made out of bamboo in a traditional Naga style. The ribbon was cut by Ann Sowmya Srikanth and Ms. Mamta Tayal along with all the members of RBI.

PP Rtn. Suresh Patel and Rtn. Kesavadas donated Four (Ten litre) O₂ Concentrators. The cost of the ventilators is Rs. 11.5 lacs and it has been possible only due to the magnanimity of our PP Rtn. Raja Kaura, our former member Mamta Tayal's brother Mr. Vikram Goel, Rtn. G J Raja, Rtn. Venkat Reddy, and Rtn. Lokesh Vemulkar.

The authorities at the Baptist Hospital were extremely thankful to RBI for our gesture. It is truly gratifying that these machines will be used for the patients who really need them.



Vocational Service Report - Director Rtn. Kavita Kekre

Career Guidance

A Career Guidance session was conducted for the students of various schools on 1st of July 2021 to mark the beginning of the new Rotary year. On 6th and 7th July 2021, four 'Career Guidance' Sessions were conducted. These virtual sessions were conducted for the benefit of outgoing students of Standard 10th of Govt. Schools. About 200 students, from Guru Harkrishan High School, GHS B. Narayanapura, GHS Garudacharpalya, GHS Hoodi, Sri Cauvery School and Domlur High School,

participated enthusiastically in these sessions, which would not have been possible but for the co-operation of the HMs, Principals, coordinators and teachers from various schools.



On 20th July 2021, one more a virtual 'Career Guidance' Session for the students of class IX and X of Navprajna Public School was held. 93 enthusiastic students attended the session. Several students cleared their doubts and got clarity on the options available to them to pursue. The welcome address was given by

the co-ordinator of Vocational Service Avenue, PP Rtn. Col. Subbu. He encouraged the children and urged them to take Ganesh's advice and get their doubts cleared. He also spoke about the opportunities in the Armed Forces. Rtn. Ganesh started all sessions with the '4 WAY TEST' and the sessions were conducted in Kannada and English. Rtn. Narsi informed the students about the tie up with NTT. Rtn. Kumar and Rtn. Ganesh Balakrishnan facilitated all sessions and as of date 300 students have been addressed.

4 Way Test

The 4 Way Test Committee decided to introduce the concept of '4Way Test' to all the Rotaract and Interact Clubs associated with Rotary Bangalore Indiranagar and accordingly, various programmes were organised throughout the month. The programme was kickstarted by our veteran, PP Rtn. OP Khanna talking and introducing the concept with interesting examples from his life during the Rotaract Installation of SIBM.

Rtn. Saravanan, Chairperson of the 4 Way Test committee gave an impressive and encouraging introduction of the 4 Way test on the 12th of July at the Installation of the Rotaract Club of Bangalore Indiranagar and on the 21st of July at the installation of the Interact Club of Deens Academy.

On the 19th of July during the installation of Interact Club of Bangalore Indiranagar, Rtn. Vipin Labroo elucidated the importance of the 4 Way Test. On the 23rd of July, it was Rtn. Chandramouli who spoke about the 4 Way Test at the installation of the Rotaract Club of Govt. First Grade College, KR Puram, which is sponsored by RBI.

Classification Talk

On the 26th of July, Classification Talk by two of our newly inducted members was held. Rtn. Shalini Sethi and Rtn. Somick Kumar Goswami spoke about their background, profession and their passion for service to society,

Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan

The admission of students for Session of Bhavan's Gandhi Institute 21 is complete. 63 seats out of the 80 available seats have been filled. The classes for the same have started from 1st and 2nd of July 2021 post lockdown. The students have undergone training in MS-Word and Introduction to Excel during the month of July 2021. All the topics have been covered as per the schedule of all the three courses.



Youth Service Report - Director Rtn. Sridhar Pishay

Installation of Rotaract and Interact Clubs

Due to the prevailing Pandemic, the Installation had to be held virtually and the details of the installation during the month are below:

Rotaract Clubs

Installation Date	Club	No of members	Guest Speaker	Committee Chair
11th July 2021	Rotaract Club of SIBM, Bangalore	21	Rtn O.P Khanna	Rtn. Ajay Gupta
12th July 2021	Rotaract Club of Bangalore Indiranagar	38	Mrs. Vinutha Sampath	Rtn. Ajay Gupta
23rd July 2021	Rotaract Club of Govt. First Grade College, KR Puram	45	Rt. Chandra Mouli	Rtn. Ajay Gupta

Interact Clubs:

Installation Date	Club	No of members	Guest Speaker	Committee Chair
19th July 2021	Interact Club of Indiranagar	18	Rtn. Vipin Labroo	Rtn. Sujeeth Joseph
21st July 2021	Interact Club of Deens Academy, Whitefield	101	Rtn. Kasturi Saravanan	Rtn. Sujeeth Joseph

Rtn. John Bruno, District YSD, Rtn. Unnikrishnan Menon, DRCC, Rtr. Anurag Patwary DRR attended some of the above Rotaract installation ceremonies. Rtn. Savitha Suresh, RI District 3190, District Youth Service Director, Rtn. Umesh Puttanna, District Interact Committee Chair were present at the Interact Installations. All the ceremonies were presided by Rtn. Fazal Ur Rahman, President, Rotary Bangalore Indiranagar. Rtn. Supriya Kandhari, Rtn. Sridhar Pishay, Rtn Ajay Gupta and Rtn. Sujeeth Joseph were also present at the installation.

Other Projects

1. RBI co-sponsored District 3190 programme **“Engage to Empower”** which was held on the 30th June 2021
2. A Health Awareness event "The Health Hour" that entailed a Panel Discussion of eminent doctors from various fields covering the following topics was conducted on. 31st July 2021:
 - Covid-19 Care and precautions to be taken
 - Vaccination awareness and its importance
 - Preparedness for the 3rd wave in India and other countries
 - Information related to blood donation before and after vaccination
 - Our President Rtn. Fazal was the Guest of Honour of the function. The meeting was well attended by over 255 participants and was conducted very professionally by SIBM.
3. On 29th July 2021, the Cauvery School Interact Club conducted a program called the “Akki Daan drive” where in all the members collected rice grains and donated to the needy.
4. A workshop titled ‘Be A GENTLE MAN/GENTLE WOMAN’ was conducted by GFGC K R Puram, Rotaract club on 24th July 2021 at GFGC K R Puram Bangalore. At the Workshop, students were given a demo on how to tie different tie knots, a lecture on the history and importance of wearing tie, how to be confident at work place and other places was delivered. Every member was gifted with a tie.

5. Community based Rotaract Club of Indiranagar did a total of **8 projects** in the month of July. They are as follows.

- Clean up drive at Kabini
- Blood donation drive
- Club Installation
- Fellowship Dinner
- Distribution of oxygen concentrators to PHCs in Kolar district
- Muse Hour session - Safe interaction with stray animals
- Sapling drive at Manae Eco Farms
- Sapling drive at CMP centre & school



**(H)And-Some-
Men had their
golfing
Fellowsip
...err....
Fellowship
this month 😊**

Halo – halo !



Women and Ice Cream have common features and they share an endless bond. There would be darkness and chaos without women as well as ice cream !!

Our First Lady Shamim Fazal conducted a '**Game of Cones**' for the Anns and the Lady Rotarians of our Club to exhibit their bond with their favourite Cones. The ladies were asked to dress up in their favourite '**I scream**' flavour.

The result was '**in cone ceivable**' !

The ladies were '**un cone trollable**'. No flavour was left out in the '**cone test**' and it was like '**I dip, you dip and we all dip**', everyone participated seeing others '**dripping**'.

Well done Ladies and '**Cone gratulations**' !!

It is an '**im popsicle**' task for the President and First Lady to judge the best '**fudge**'.

In the meantime, here is the '**Ent ice**'ing scoop for you to watch and no wonder if you are '**Frozen**' in awe watching these pictures !



Chocolate Fudge makes me Smile 😊



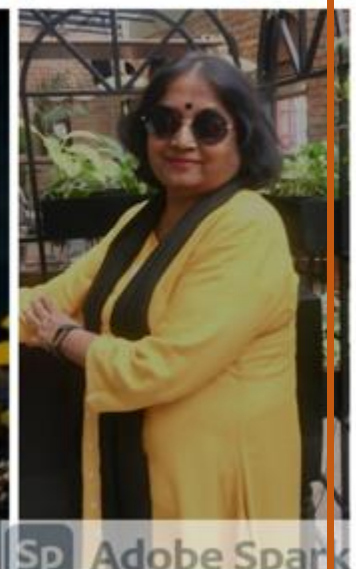
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Cool and colourful



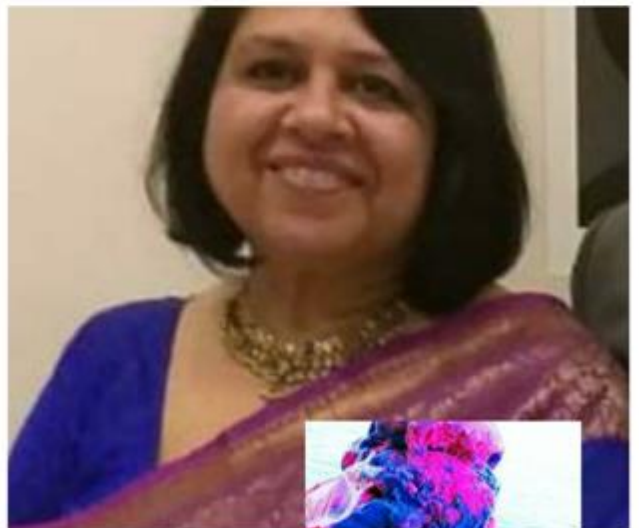
Peace & Love











Donors for the month

Sl. No.	Name of the Donor	Amount	Project
1	Rtn. Philip George	₹ 20,000.00	Vidyadaan
2	Rtn. Ram Mohan Menon & friends	₹ 60,000.00	Vidyadaan
3	Rtn. Fazal Ur Rahaman	₹ 20,000.00	Vidyadaan
4	Rtn. Ramesh Agarwal	₹ 2,00,000.00	Eye Surgeries
5	Rtn. Lester Herbert	₹ 40,000.00	Eye Surgeries
6	Rtn. Vinod Sawhney	₹ 30,000.00	Eye Surgeries
7	Rtn. Pradeep Lal	₹ 30,000.00	Eye Surgeries
8	PP Rtn. Prabhakar Bothireddy	₹ 25,000.00	Eye Surgeries
9	Rtn. Sridhar Pishay	₹ 30,000.00	Eye Surgeries
10	Rtn. Vinod Sawhney	₹ 70,000.00	Heart Surgeries
11	Rtn. Pradeep Lal	₹ 70,000.00	Heart Surgeries
12	PP Rtn. Prabhakar Bothireddy	₹ 35,000.00	Heart Surgeries
13	PP Rtn. Dr. Krishnan Menon	₹ 55,000.00	TEACH
14	Siva & Royan Foundation (Rtn. Shalini Sethi)	₹ 1,40,000.00	COVID Relief - Medical Equipment
15	Sethi Foundation (Rtn. Shalini Sethi)	₹ 2,10,000.00	COVID Relief - Medical Equipment
16	Rtn. Lalit Kumar Anand	₹ 1,00,000.00	Karunashraya
17	Rtn. Ashok Kumar Saraf	₹ 15,00,000.00	Karunashraya - Hospice Trust
18	Friends of Rtn. Somick Kumar Goswami	₹ 1,02,000.00	GGHS, Hoskote
19	Commit Technologies Pvt. Ltd. (Rtn. Narssimhan Kannan)	₹ 10,000.00	General
20	PP Rtn. Prabhakar Bothireddy	₹ 40,000.00	General
21	PP Rtn. M. Jagadeesh	₹ 1,48,000.00	TRF
22	Rtn. Fazal Ur Rahaman	₹ 74,000.00	TRF
23	Rtn. Guna Thantry	₹ 74,000.00	TRF
24	Rtn. Sabina Rao	₹ 74,000.00	TRF
25	Rtn. D. Baskaramoorthy	₹ 37,000.00	TRF
	Total	₹ 31,94,000.00	

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