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From the Editor's desk



Dear friends,

In this issue we chronicle many events that have occurred since the release of SEVA Issue 02 of Volume 39.

Our members have been working hard in all areas of service. During the time since our previous release we have received accolades for doing exceptional work. We bring you a mega sized issue this time and appreciate the constant support and encouragement of our well-wishers.

We are pleased to announce the readers' column for actionable inputs on societal and environmental issues. 'Soch aur Kar' (Think and Do) is the readers' idea column that we launch in this issue. We will take up issues relevant to our community and spread them far and wide so that many can utilize your ideas to improve our environment. As a voluntary social service organization, Rotary is well respected and comprises People of Action who make things happen. Your simple idea will surely get a look in and help all of us create quick implementable plans. We look forward to receiving your ideas which we believe will enhance how



The first version of 'Soch aur Kar' will seek your implementable ideas on preserving fresh water. It's rapidly diminishing volumes in Bengaluru and its surrounding areas are a source of deep worry. For details on contributing your idea please see page 6.

We welcome feedback at SEVA.RCBI@GMAIL.COM with your comments on specific points in a SEVA issue. It will surely help us improve our connect with you.

Thank you for being a part of our world.

We hope you will remain connected with us always.

Vidyut Shenoy

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ROTARY INDIRANAGAR - The Inspiration for Miracle Makers

Rotary Bangalore Indiranagar was the toast of RI District 3190 when it swept awards across the board including "**Best Club in the Large club category**". The Award function was held on Saturday 10th Aug 2019, at Bunts' Sangha Auditorium, Vijayanagar, Bangalore. The impressive list of awards reads :

Best Inspiration Club 2018-19

Club Service Avenue - **Platinum**

Community Services Avenue – **Platinum**

Public Image - **Platinum**

Rotary Action - **Platinum**

APF contribution - **Platinum**

TRF - **Diamond**

Vocational Services Avenue - **Diamond**

Youth Service Avenue - **Gold**

Membership Development – **Gold**

International Service Avenue - **Silver**

District Governor's Platinum Citation

Miracle Marker Award IPP Rtn Jagadeesh M

Arch Klump Society contribution Rtn Ajith Rai

Contribution to TRF Rtn Suresh Hari

Contribution to TRF Rtn Ghanshyam Agarwal

Contribution to TRF Rtn Jagadeesh M

Sustainable Blood Donation Rtn Lata Amashi

Contribution to Polio Fund Rtn. Ajith Rai



RBI also received awards for

Max members contributing to TRF, Achieving Foundation target, Sustainable Cardiac Surgery, Achieving Membership target, Anganwadi - Special Project, Rotary.Org Registration, Rotary-on-Wheels Registration (ROW), Polio Immunization

Individual contributors (and RBI) for support to Dist 3190 were awarded in 16 areas that included Dist Conf – chair, Dist Conf Venue chair, Training support, Sambrama, Asst Gov Coordinator, Dist Secretary, Dist Treasurer, District Trainer, Exemplary community Service, ROW Roll out support, Dy Trainer, Awards Night, TRF and T-E-A-C-H.

Besides these RBI was honored with 22 Certificates of Gratitude by RI District 3190 for Blood Donation, TEACH, Friendship Exchange, Global Grant, Registration for International Convention, Rotary Days, Vocational Training Centre, Hosting Sports Events, People of Action, Polio Immunization, Village Adoption, Tree Plantation, Public Image, Interact Club, Micro Credit, Participation in WINS, Vocational Excellence Award, Inducting Lady members, Career Guidance Prog, Number of Club Bulletins issued during 2018-19, Eye Camps and Promoting 4 WAY Test.

Certificates of Appreciation were awarded by District 3190 to our office staff Raju and Bahadur.

The flood of awards & certificates underlined RBI as District 3190's Premier Club.
CONGRATULATIONS TEAM RBI!!!

Club Service ICGF JOSHILAY – RBI DAZZLES with a bar raising experience

JOSHILAY, a word that evokes images filled with energy, high-spiritedness and verve! And that was exactly what the first ICGF of the current Rotary year, hosted by namma Rotary Indiranagar (RBI), delivered, raising the bar very high for all other ICGF's to come.

August 17- what an absolutely swashbuckling start to the year it was! RBI's famed meticulous execution and military-like precision, in keeping with the event's Patriotic Theme did it again.

The auditorium was awash with the colours of our flag. The decor, the background, and even our attires reflected the vibrant hues of our Tri-colour. And naturally, the whole programme was also woven around the chosen theme.

An inter-faith prayer, rendered by Lamba, Narsi, Fazal and Philip set the tone for the evening. After customary introductions and speeches, the audience was treated to an engrossing address by key-note speaker, Dr. Ushy Mohandas. Her topic was "evolve through Change". And boy, did she catch the audience by its ears! Her effervescence and quirky sense of humour had us spellbound. Her bilingual speech was, as powerful in Kannada as in English.

After this, the curtains were raised for another spell of captivating events. "**Badluram ka Badan**", the rousing anthem of the **Assam Regiment**, rent the air to render the audience with patriotic zeal, which clapped enthusiastically in tune to the infectious melody.

It was also an opportunity to show our immense regard and gratitude to Servicemen, past and present, who are Rotarians of our District. Over 40 Brave hearts, from all wings of the Services, were honoured by our DG Sameer Hariani and all those present, with a standing ovation and continuous applause. Their poignant stories, read out with much reverence by Rtn. Chandramouli, had us metaphorically doffing our hats in respect. The patriotic fervour in the auditorium was palpable and goosebump-inducing. Salute to our courageous warriors.

These recognitions were interspersed with cultural programmes that served to heighten our appreciation of the bravery of our Armed Forces, the keepers of our freedom & independence.

Clubs vied with each other to showcase their abundant talent, drawing loud cheers and applause at the end of each piece. There were songs, dances and skits galore, with the audience gamely rooting for all, cheering the inventiveness and creativity that was amply displayed. RBI, being the host club, was definitely under some pressure to perform well. After all, we have a reputation to defend! And happily, we certainly lived up to our billing. Dressed in greens and whites, we sang the iconic "Mile Sur Mera Tumhara", to a rousing reception. Kudos to Narsi for very patiently coaching the singers and infusing confidence in them to perform in front of such a distinguished audience.

While each performance was entertaining, our anchors were no less praise-worthy. Rtns. Narsi and Chandramouli were impeccable, and ensured that the pace never faltered. Hats off!

The excitement and novelty inside the hall were equally matched by the variety at food stalls outside. Each region of the country had a culinary representation. The specially selected delicacies had us unabashedly licking our fingers, and the crowds beside each stall conclusively proved that our diversity definitely goes to cement our unity.

In reply to DG's query, "How's the Josh?", I think, based on the overwhelming response to Joshilay, we can confidently say that it is very much present, all around us!

JOSHILAY was an exercise in excellence and perfection. It is a Dazzling start to the slew of events to follow and its success bodes well for the year ahead. Take a bow team RBI!!

Contributed by Ann Vidhya Mahadevan Pradeep

Glimpses of the Josh at – Joshilay



More Josh from – Joshilay

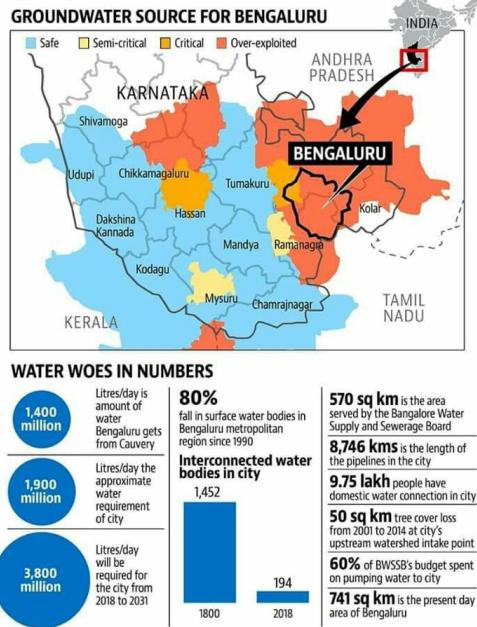


Readers' Column – Soch Aur Kar (Think & Implement)

Conserve Water for a better today

Left high and dry

Groundwater stress in and around Bengaluru is critically high as aquifers are over-exploited



BBC's Feb-2018 study listing 11 global cities most likely to run out of drinking water puts Bengaluru at number 3. The ignominious position follows Cape Town and Sao Paulo. Cape Town is already on the brink.

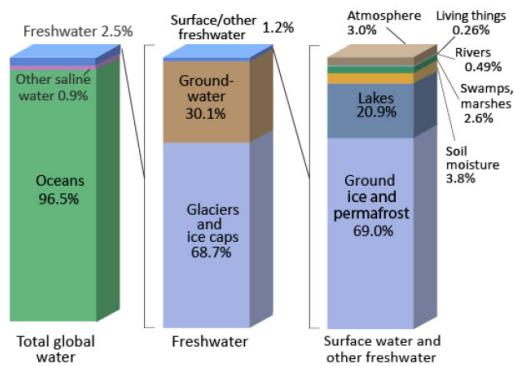
The adjoining image from BWSSB shows the picture clearer. Since we do not have a flowing freshwater source close at hand, Bengaluru has to move water to a height from the Cauvery river that flows way below the city. To augment that sparse water. Bengalureans choose to dig into the ground water. Much of it has been rampantly misused, leading to the dire straits that we find ourselves in. The water table has receded sharply and only brackish water is now being mined. The Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board (BWSSB) compiled chart paints a stark present.

Let us first understand about the surface freshwater we consume.

Water on earth

From outer space Earth, the blue planet, appears to have an abundance of water with 71% of its surface being covered by it. In reality only 2% of its mass is water, and only 0.03% of earth's water is surface freshwater (see chart below).

Where is Earth's Water?



Source: Igor Shiklomanov's chapter "World fresh water resources" in Peter H. Gleick (editor), 1993, Water in Crisis: A Guide to the World's Fresh Water Resources.
NOTE: Numbers are rounded, so percent summations may not add to 100.

Freshwater, essential for all living beings, is under grave threat of extinction. And Namma Uru's water is in even graver danger.

Each of us can help ensure that the crisis is warded off at least for the time being. Conserve water when it is still available.

What can we do to stretch our scarce water resources?

Follow the 3 Rs:

- Reduce
- Reuse
- Recycle

Recycling is a collective drive requiring huge resources to set up STP's and the like. We will focus here on individual actions, that are easily doable and need only a changed mindset. These are mainly in the Reduce and Reuse areas.

Please consider water as our own precious personal resource. Just as we do not throw money away, we cannot afford to throw away fresh water. Please share your experience and fresh ideas on saving water through an email to seva.rcbi@gmail.com with subject "THINK & DO: SAVE WATER".

TEACHER Training

A Teacher Training Session titled "Effective Teaching – Accountability and Responsibility" was held at Navapragna Public School on Aug 17, 2019. The 90-minute Workshop was attended by 42 Teachers. The workshop was well received and the teachers participated with much enthusiasm. Their general complaint was ... '*90 mins is too little*'. Rtn Sanjay Dugar and his team conducted this excellent workshop.

Here are a few on-the-spot pictures



Inputs from Rtn. Ambica Motupalli

Desks and benches for our Little Flowers



The Little Flower High School, which is in the neighbourhood of RHOS, got a facelift through the desks and benches that RBI provided to them through a matching grant project.

Do see the radiance evident in the students while they occupy the new furniture.



Renovated Anganwadis abound

RBI surged ahead in inaugurating renovated Anganwadis. The 59th and 60th renovated anganwadis were inaugurated and dedicated to students at Nagavarapalya (Centre1 & Centre2) on Thursday, 15th August 2019. The renovation of these two anganwadis was jointly sponsored by Rtn. A.K. Sugunan's "Forum For Former LRDEians" & IPP M. Jagadeesh's sister-in-law K. Thirumala Mandappa.

Rtn. A.K. Sugunan monitored the renovation work.

Some moments at the two new Anganwadi inaugurations captured for you.



On 28th August 2019, 5 Anganwadis were dedicated to children by PP Ajith Rai, IPP M. Jagadeesh and Rtn. Supriya Kandhari near Bommasandra, at the following locations:

Kachanayakanahalli Vinayakanagar
Kachanayakanahalli Janatha colony
Kachanayakanahalli Basaveshwaranagar
Kachanayakanahalli Police quarters
Yaradanahalli Janatha colony

The renovation of these were supported by District Grants and Suprajit Foundation. With these the number of renovated anganwadis dedicated to children of society stands at 65.



IPP M. Jagadeesh, Club Service Director Rtn. Supriya Kandhari and PP Ajith Rai dedicating the renovated Anganwadi at Basaveshwaranagar.

Blood Donation camp at BMS College of Engineering

Rtn. Lata Amashi led a blood collection drive at BMS College of Engineering. The event collected 200 units of blood, that can potentially help between 600 and 700 persons. The event was held on 22 Aug 2019 at the BMS College of Engineering premises. A few images of the event are shared below.



Working in Teams at Navaprajna Public School

At Principal Mr. Suresh's request, RBI conducted a 3 hour 'Team working' session on 24th Aug 2019 for 39 of their Std X students. The session was designed and facilitated by the Bangalore Hub of International Association of Facilitators, and led by Rtn. Sanjay Dugar. The interactive session was appreciated by students and Navaprajna Public School authorities alike. Some chosen moments are reproduced here.



The facilitating team with Mr. Suresh

CARDIAC REHABILITATION CENTRE INAUGURATED

Our Signature project, the Cardiac Rehabilitation Centre (CRC) at Sri Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences and Research (SJICSR) was inaugurated by Trustee Chair PRIP Gary C.K. Huang and Ann Corinna on 2nd September 2019. The joint project of SJICSR, RBI and Needy Heart Foundation was built with support of a Global Grant from the Rotary Foundation. Padmashree Dr. C. N. Manjunath, Director SJICR, Trustee Chair PDG Gulam Vahanavathy and a host of RI District 3190 dignitaries including DG Dr. Sameer Hariani, Dist. First Lady Dr. Roopa Hariani, IPDG Suresh Hari, PP O P Khanna and a host of PDGs graced the occasion.

Enjoy these memorable moments from the Inauguration function.



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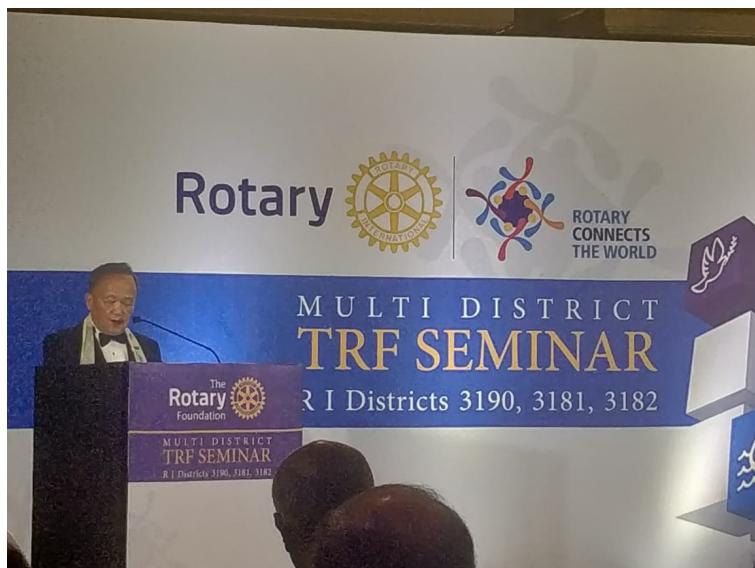


Multidistrict TRF Seminar

At the multidistrict Seminar held on 23rd August 2019 at TAJ M G Road, three of our stalwarts Rtn. Ghanshyam Agarwal, PP O P Khanna and PP Prabhakar Bothireddy were recognized. IPDG Suresh Hari got a special mention being DG of the **Global No. 1 Net Giving District** for Rotary year 2018-19. His efforts were repeatedly recognized. The 3 RI Districts participating were 3181, 3182 and 3190.

Trustee Chair PRIP Gary G C Huang and Ann Corinna were guests of honour. Trustee TRF PDG Gulam Vahanavathy, and RI Directors Dr. Bharat Pandya and Kamal Sanghvi were also present at the event.

Selected pictures of the event are shared below.



Trustee Chair PRIP Gary G C Huang



RI Director Dr. Bharat Pandya



DG Dr. Sameer Hariani



Career Guidance sessions at FAPS

Two Career Guidance workshops for students of class XI were conducted at Frank Anthony Public School on 26 and 27 August 2019 respectively. The session on Day 1 was for students of Humanities & Arts and the one on Day 2 for science stream students. The sessions were conducted by Rtn. Suresh Balasubramani. Students received the sessions enthusiastically. The valuable feedback we have received will help us improve content in the future workshops.

Rtn. Kumar patiently followed up with FAPS and ensured flawless execution. PP Col. Subramaniam, and Rotarians Manju Verma, Sujeeth Joseph and Saravanan were present at the venue.

These are a few pictures of the sessions.



Based on inputs by Rtn. N. Gopinath

Be a Star Teacher based on values, ethics and behavior

An interactive 'Teacher Training' session was conducted at APS ASC Centre on Sept 7, 2019. 72 teachers in 2 batches (48 teachers at 9.15 am & 24 at 11.30 am) attended.

The subject 'Be a Star Teacher based on values, ethics and behaviour' was a big hit. The program was conducted by Rtn. Sanjay Dugar and his team of facilitators, while certificates were organized by Rtn. Chandramouli.



Based on inputs by Rtn. K.S.Kumar



YOUTH SERVICE

Chak De RBI

29th Dr. G S RANDHAWA MEMORIAL BOYS HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

8 gruelling days, 11 teams (6 from outside Bengaluru), 5 referees, 50 goals, countless spectators, all watching a white ball slicing through the blue astroturf. That sums up the 29th version of the GS Randhawa Memorial Hockey tournament for the statistics minded. But that would be simplistic considering the clockwork precision with which RBI conducted the tournament. KSHA stadium was the tournament venue (17 Aug 2019 to 26 Aug 2019).

The well turned out outstation teams appeared more than a notch above the local city boys. From day 1, the outstation teams played wonderful hockey, outplaying their opponents. Their grounding in sports and fitness was very evident. Of the 7 matches in the first stage, one was a walkover. The other 6 matches produced 41 goals, all by the winning teams who were from beyond Bengaluru. It showed up the chasm between the two groups of teams.

At the tournament's business end, as it approached final stages, the teams appeared better matched, with opponents managing to breach the zero mark against winners. The semifinals were a bit closer than the earlier stages - 6 winning goals and 1 against in the two matches. The final which was inaugurated by DG Rtn Dr Sameer Hariani, was closely fought between defending champions RDT, Anantapur and last year's runners up, Sports School, Kudige. The Anantapur team took home the winner's Rolling Trophy winning 2-1.

However, the team that won all hearts comprised boys from ZP High School Nakapally, Vishakapatnam. The Vizag boys had never stepped out of their village, and hadn't ever played on AstroTurf prior to the tournament. Their humility and superior stamina stood out. The panel of KSHA umpires chose the Vishakapatnam outfit for the FAIR PLAY award, and were awarded an additional cash gift.

Chief Guest, Anil Aldrin, an Olympian and Hockey captain gave away the prizes, along with PP Gurmeet Singh Randhawa and President Manoj Agarwal. The meet ended with fellowship at the KSHA club premises.

RBI Secretary A.K.Sugunan's efforts ensured exceptional media coverage, and the efforts of Rtns. Suraj Chalam and Philip George contributed to the tournament's great success.

Chak De RBI !!



Adapted from the original by Rtn. Philip George

Interact / Rotaract Club Installations

The Interact club at Army Public School, Kamaraj Road, was installed on 30th Aug 2019. President Manoj Agarwal installed its office bearers. Interact project Chairman Rtn. Sujeth Joseph, as always, was the force behind the event.



Two Rotaract clubs were installed during the past month. Both installation events were graced by members from the District Rotaract team and RBI Rotarians.

Aug 11 Surana College

Sep 04 Xavier Institute of Management & Entrepreneurship



Rotaract Installation at Surana College



Rotaract Installation at Xavier Institute of Management & Entrepreneurship

Adapted from information by Rtn. Ajay Gupta

Rural Athletics Meet

Along with Govt Girls High School - Hoskote, RBI co-hosted and conducted a rural athletic meet for adopted schools at the Hoskote Sports Stadium on 27th August 2019. 6 government schools from Hoskote, as well as BGMS, Navaprajna Public School and Government schools from Hoodi and Garudacharpalya participated in the 7 events (100 m, 200 m, 400 m, 1500 m, Relay, Long Jump, and Shot Put).

President Rtn. Manoj Agarwal and PP Dr. Krishnan Menon graced the occasion and shared valuable insights with the athletes. Rtn. Shyam Aggarwal who was present at the event also spoke to students. Many RBI Rotarians and Anns were seen cheering the athletes. Rtn. Philip George, Chairman Sports & Culture and Rtn. Suraj Chalam coordinated execution of the meet.

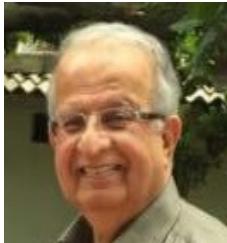
Enjoy these moments from the meet that we have captured for you.



Based on inputs from Rtn. Ajay Gupta



Sombre moment for RBI



Rtn. Mohammed Jamal, known to most as **MJ** passed away after long and protracted ill-health on 2nd Sep 2019.

MJ's amiable presence and genial demeanour will be missed at RBI. Our heartfelt condolences to Ann Nazneen and family members. Rest in eternal peace MJ.

Distinguished Alumnus Award



Our Karmayogi PP Om Prakash Khanna was bestowed with the Distinguished Alumnus Award by his alma mater, IIT Kharagpur at its 65th annual convocation on 27th August 2019.

He received his award from Union HRD Minister, Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank,' in the presence of Chairman of the IIT Board, industrialist Sanjiv Goenka and Director, Prof. S. K. Bhattacharya.

We at RBI are proud of you sir.

EVENTS

KEY DATES IN SEPTEMBER

September

- 09 Installation of new Interact Club at Charan School
- 09 Installation of new Rotaract Club at Govt. First Grade College. K R Puram
- 15 ICGF Youth Service and Inter Club Dance Competition Nacchle
- 21 Maestros 2, Ek Sunehri Shaam (RBI musical Fund raiser) Chowdiah Memorial Hall (18:00 onwards)
- 29 Club Fellowship Onam Celebration at HAL convention center
- 30 **Funtakshari** at Rotary House of Friendship

Sep - Oct BIRTHDAYS

September

Ann Subhashini Chalam	15
Ann Asha Ramesh Agarwal	16
Rtn. Mahesh Parikh	17
Rtn. R. G. Venkatesh	17
Rtn. Prabhakar Bothireddy	18
Rtn. Sandeep Rakhra	24
Rtn. Suresh Hari S	27
Rtn. Muniraju	30

October

Rtn. Chandra Mouli T K	02
Rtn. Zarryl D. Lobo	02
Ann Vandana Hinduja	02
Ann Penelope Jeremy	02
Rtn. Ramesh Chand Agarwal	03
Ann Pavitra Reddy	03
Rtn. Ramani Aiyer	04
Ann Kumud Shirish Mathur	04
Rtn. Suresh Patel D	04
Ann Vidhya M. Pradeep	04
Rtn. Lt. Col. Lester Herbert	04
Rtn. Ramesh Agarwal	05
Ann Meera Achar	06
Ann Anita Suresh Hari	07
Rtn. Philip George	07
Ann Kavita Kekre	08
Ann Valsala Sivasankaran	08
Ann Soumya Ranganath	08
Ann Devi Devaraj	09
Hon. Rtn. Ashwini Mehra	09



ANNIVERSARIES IN SEP-OCT

September

Parvathy & Bijith	12
Apoorva and Samarth	25

October

Meera & Vijaykumar Achar	07
Simran & Ranjeet Gulati	08