

August 2024

ROTARY CLUB OF DELHI AKASH MEGAPOLIS

MESSAGE

From The
District Governor's Desk
Dr. Mahesh P. Trikha



Dear Magical Presidents and Members of the District Team,

The month of August has sped by very quickly and what a wonderful month it has been! It was both meaningful and gratifying because of the phenomenal work undertaken by your clubs and the projects that you have completed. It was also an equally important month for the District Team because we had several seminars in the area of TB Awareness and Elimination, District Membership Seminar, DIITS which was undertaken in a big way for the first time after a few years, DRR Installation and Public Image Seminar. Each one of them was unflawed in its implementation and the brevity of the content and the impact it had on everyone was truly exceptional.

At the beginning of the year we said that the effect of implementing an effective growth plan is two fold: not only will we be more successful in our own lives; we will be better able to positively influence those we work with and accomplish the vision of Rotary. A recent research indicates that in order to be successful in any organization or endeavour, a common vision must be developed. I am happy to note that not only have you begun implementing your plans you have actually gone a step forward and pushed the boundaries to achieve beyond your goals.

Our personal vision is our personal creed; it is the standard against which every action is evaluated. It is important that Presidents must develop a common vision. By developing a vision, one that involves and is communicated to all stakeholders, the district will be able to visualize its future. "Well-designed visions are detailed enough to carry meaning, vivid and compelling,

motivating, and collective"

In the area of Membership and New Club Development, I think I have made it clear that we don't want to form only new Clubs. Rather, we should really be focusing on consolidating our existing Clubs by increasing the number of quality Members within our current fold. When we look back at the two months gone by, we know that we are in a position of strength with over 450 new Members having been recorded on your rolls over that period. The response has been overwhelming and it is because of your stupendous achievements, dear Presidents and Team, that we are able to look back at each month with a sense of pride.

I will also urge Members to look at TRF on a regular basis. Keep your eye on your goals everyday so that you are able to tick the right boxes sooner than you expect to. This will help you aspire for more achievements and, believe me, challenging yourself and attaining what you thought was impossible, will only add to your own personal strengths and abilities.

I know there is a substantial amount of work being carried out everyday and you come out victorious without any resources. Carry on doing all the work you are doing and we will make arrangements for you.

With Warm Regards

Yours Sincerely

Mahesh P. Trikha
District Governor 2024-25
RI District 3011



MESSAGE

From The
Rotary International President's Desk
Stephanie Urchick



If we are to truly change the world with The Magic of Rotary, it's up to all of us to foster a sense of belonging in our clubs. But every club should take its own path to get there, and the Action Plan can help you find your way. What does that look like?

Take for instance the Rotary Club of Beveren-Waas in Belgium. It was chartered in 1974 but has evolved with the times, developing both a strategic plan and a membership plan. To find new members, the club analyzes the city's professions to help focus its search, and all new members are quickly assigned tasks and roles.

The club also mixes up meeting times, alternating between evening and afternoon sessions, making them accessible for all members.

Sometimes, circumstances force clubs to make changes. But as people of action, we know that behind every obstacle is an opportunity.

The Rotary Club of Holyoke in Massachusetts was forced from its meeting place because of rising costs after the COVID-19 pandemic, but members took this setback and turned it into a strength. The club started meeting in a library community room that was available for no charge and catering lunch from a nearby deli. Lunch costs \$10 per person but it's optional, so no one has to spend money to attend a meeting. What a great way to work toward being "fair to all concerned."

Since making this change, the Holyoke club has gained 13 members. I suspect part of its membership growth is due to the club's sense of

inclusivity — the first step toward belonging.

If you ask members what they expect from the club experience, you might find that your club doesn't meet expectations. Think of this as an opportunity to reshape your club in exciting ways, as alternative club models are making a positive impact.

For example, a Rotary Fellowship called Beers Rotarians Enjoy Worldwide, or BREW, has worked closely with the Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Rotary Action Group for the past eight years to assist with clean water projects. In that time, BREW has funneled 25 percent of its dues to those initiatives.

BREW is one of many examples of members pursuing belonging to improve the world.

I can't stress enough the importance of belonging. Clubs become simply irresistible when all members feel that they are exactly where they need to be. To me, belonging is the spark that ignites The Magic of Rotary.

As you receive feedback from club members and the community you serve, I urge you to pursue that spark. The Action Plan can help you find the path to success, and if you light your way with the spirit of belonging, that path will lead to a bright future for your club, your community, and the world.



From the President's heart...

Dear Rotarians,

August marks our Independence Day and the start of festivities in India. We had a bag full of events and activities, all well attended and much appreciated. These events were possible only because of the support of my Akash Megapolis family. I applaud their commitment to the club projects.

The coming months will need more planning as we come closer to our Check Dam project and the Annual Fundraising event. I welcome ideas and suggestions to make these events a grand success.

My sentiments are beautifully summed up in the words of Henry Ford, "Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success."

Warm Regards,
Sonia Sahny



Sonia Sahny
President 2024-25

INTERACT CHARTER & INSTALLATIONS

The future is in safe hands



Dist. 3011

August was a busy month, as we chartered 2 new clubs and attended more than a handful installations.

3rd August, 2024

**INTERACT CHARTER &
INSTALLATION @ SBM SR.
SEC. SCHOOL, MOTI
NAGAR**



8th August, 2024

**INTERACT INSTALLATION @ DLDAV PUBLIC SCHOOL,
PITAMPURA**



12th August, 2024

**INTERACT INSTALLATION @ PRINCE PUBLIC SCHOOL,
ROHINI**



24th August, 2024
INTERACT INSTALLATION @ MODERN PUBLIC
SCHOOL, SHALIMAR BAGH



27th August, 2024
INTERACT INSTALLATION @ MIRA MODEL SCHOOL,
JANAKPURI



27th August, 2024
INTERACT CHARTER & INSTALLATION @ MAXFORT
SCHOOL, PASCHIM VIHAR





15th August, 2024

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATIONS @ KOSHISH

RCD Akash Megapolis celebrated Independence Day with the students of Koshish. This annual event is one of the most awaited days of the Akash Megapolis year. DG 2025-26, Ravinder Gugnani and his graceful wife, President Monika Gognani graced the event.

Rotary Club of Delhi Akash Megapolis
You are cordially invited to
Independence Day Celebrations
Thursday, 15th August at 10:00 am
Flag Hoisting will be done by
Chief Guest
Rtn: Ravi Gugnani (DG 2025-26)
Cultural Programme will be presented by the
students of Koshish
Sonia Sahni / Neha Dharti
Presidents 2024-25 / Hon. Sec-2024-25
D Block Bansi Vikas Koshish Community Centre, Shalbad
Delhi, Delhi 110042
Entry: Shalbad Dairy Main Market/Auto & Bus Stand Gate or
Dr. Bhawan Ambekar Thane



21st August, 2024

INTERNATIONAL SENIOR CITIZEN'S DAY

RCD Akash Megapolis celebrated International Senior Citizen Day with the senior citizens of Amar Colony Senior Citizen Welfare Association. A Magic Show was organised for them. It was indeed heartening to see the child like laughter and amazement in the hall. William Shakespeare has rightly said, "They say an old man is twice a child".



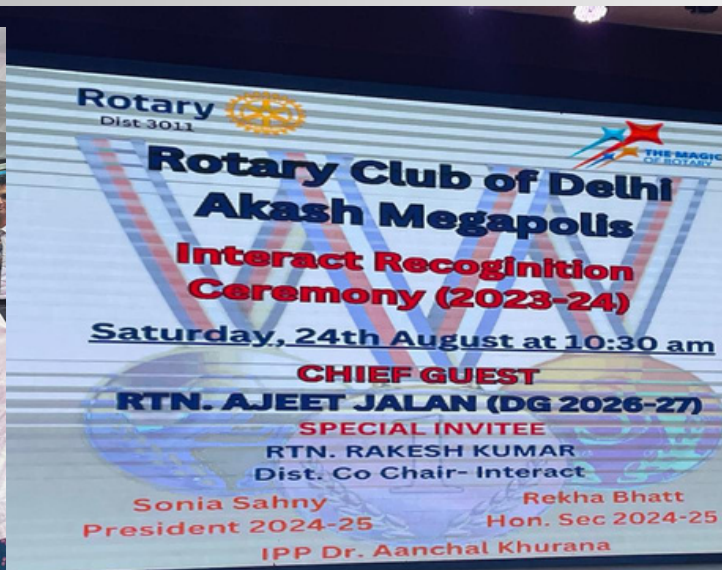
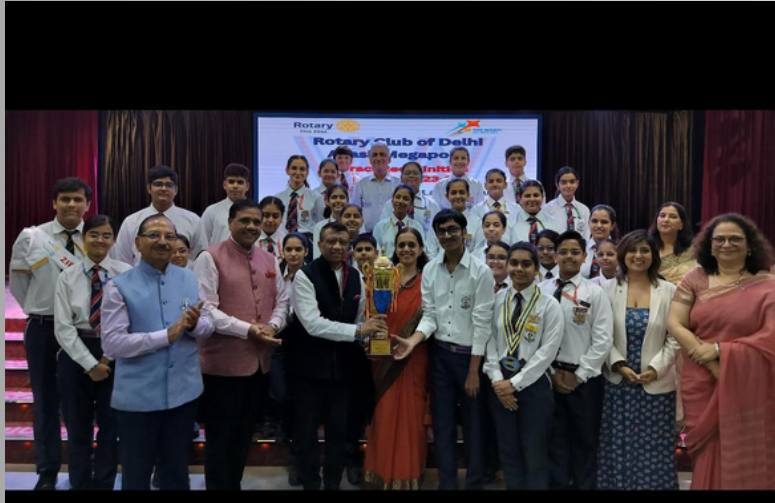
24th August, 2024

INTERACT RECOGNITION AWARDS 2023-24

RCD Akash Megapolis recognised the hard work and dedication of the interact members of our club in the first ever Interact Recognition Awards of Akash Megapolis.

DG 2025-26 Ajeet Jalan and Interact Co Chair Rakesh Kumar attended the awards ceremony.

We must thank the principal and management of Modern Public School, Shalimar Bagh for their generosity in giving us their auditorium to host this event.



24th August, 2024

SPEAKER MEETING & FELLOWSHIP

RCD Akash Megapolis had an insightful and fun filled fellowship meeting in the company of Ms. Nitika Arora, a sought-after history walk expert. The topic of the talk was “The Echoes of Partition in Delhi”.



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THE MAGIC
OF ROTARY

AKASH MEGAPOLIS

Join us for an enchanting evening

**FELLOWSHIP MEETING
AUGUST 2024**

AN AUDIO VISUAL WALK THROUGH
THE ECHOS OF PARTITION IN DELHI
BY NITIKA, A MUCH SOUGHT-AFTER HISTORY WALK
EXPERT IN DELHI.



Date & Time
SATURDAY, 24TH AUGUST 2024 at 7:00 pm

Venue
MARIGOLD, VASANT VIHAR CLUB



OUR FAMILY IS GROWING

Six new members were installed on the installation ceremony. Kudos to PP Vivek Sardana to have introduced all these members.



Sunil Agarwal



Dr. Rajeev Mathur



Rajesh Malhotra



Sunil Gupta



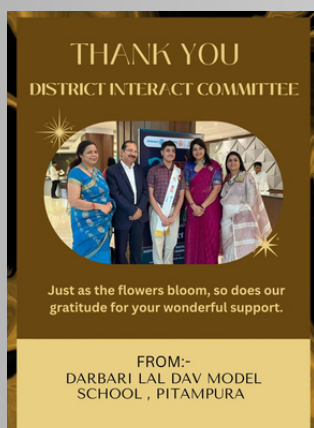
Ajay Sharma



Vivek Kakkar

ACHIEVEMENTS

TWO STUDENTS FROM OUR INTERACT CLUBS MADE IT TO THE DISTRICT INTERACT TEAM AS ZIR'S



1. Shivansh Shah Chawla, DLDAV School.
2. Aarus Mathur, Modern Public School, Shalimar Bagh.

Our club was recognised at the Membership Seminar held on 12th August for recording more than 20% membership growth.



Save
The
Date

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

5TH SEPTEMBER- TEACHER'S DAY CELEBRATIONS AT KOSHISH

28TH SEPTEMBER- MEDICAL CAMP AT KOSHISH

29TH SEPTEMBER- BOARD MEETING

29TH SEPTEMBER- FELLOWSHIP DINNER AT SMOKEY LOUNGE



JOYFUL DAYS

8TH AUGUST- HAPPY ANNIVERSARY- VIVEK & NAVITA

10TH AUGUST- HAPPY BIRTHDAY- MADHU MADAN

22ND AUGUST- HAPPY BIRTHDAY- POOJA KHANNA

ROTARY KNOWLEDGE

Service Above Self and *One Profits Most Who Serves Best*, Rotary's official mottoes, can be traced back to the early days of the organization.

In 1911, the second Rotary convention, in Portland, Oregon, USA, approved *He Profits Most Who Serves Best* as the Rotary motto. The wording was adapted from a speech that Rotarian Arthur Frederick Sheldon delivered to the first convention, held in Chicago the previous year. Sheldon declared that "only the science of right conduct toward others pays. Business is the science of human services. He profits most who serves his fellows best."

The Portland gathering also inspired the motto *Service Above Self*. During an outing on the Columbia River, Ben Collins, president of the Rotary Club of Minneapolis, Minnesota, USA, talked with Seattle Rotarian J.E. Pinkham about the proper way to organize a Rotary club, offering the principle his club had adopted: *Service, Not Self*. Pinkham invited Rotary founder Paul Harris, who also was on the trip, to join their conversation. Harris asked Collins to address the convention, and the phrase *Service, Not Self* was met with great enthusiasm.

At the 1950 Rotary International Convention in Detroit, Michigan, USA, two slogans were formally approved as the official mottoes of Rotary: *He Profits Most Who Serves Best* and *Service Above Self*. The 1989 Council on Legislation established *Service Above Self* as the principal motto of Rotary because it best conveys the philosophy of unselfish volunteer service. *He Profits Most Who Serves Best* was modified to *They Profit Most Who Serve Best* in 2004 and to its current wording, *One Profits Most Who Serves Best*, in 2010.



Editorial Board

PP Avinash Agarwal & Rotary Partner Pooja Khanna

