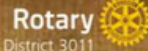


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April 2025

ROTARY CLUB OF DELHI AKASH MEGAPOLIS





MESSAGE

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



Dear Magical Presidents and District Team,

I would like to start this message with paying respect to Late PP Rtn Kuljit Singh Popli whose sudden and untimely demise has created a void that can never be filled. Kuljit was an integral part of our District Team and a stalwart Rotarian whose presence will be deeply missed. My heart goes out to the families of the victims of the Pehelgam Terrorist attack which has left the nation numb with grief and shock.

The spirit of service continued and April was a special month for us with focus on the Environment Our commitment to protecting the environment is reflected in our initiatives , starting with a significant resolve to support the State Government with its efforts to clean the river Yamuna. Sujata and I were very happy to be invited by the Yamuna Parivar Council to celebrate 'Ma Yamuna Janmotsav' to witness the special 'Aarti'. It was an honour and privilege to participate in this grand event alongside the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Delhi Mrs Rekha Gupta. The event not only symbolized our commitment to environmental conservation but also highlighted the power of collective action.

This spiritual mode continued during my visit to Kartarpur Gurudwara where the essence of service and compassion resonated deeply. A spiritual prayer at the original Temple of Service emphasised the interconnectedness of our actions with the services we render.

Our Cervical Cancer Prevention Drive has become famous all across the country thanks to your untiring efforts. Rotary Club of Delhi Khubsurat and Rotary Club of Delhi Okhla City organised more than 600 vaccines at a camp in NOIDA which was inaugurated by Her Excellency Anandiben Patel Governor of Uttar Pradesh. Our commitment to better healthcare facilities for the underprivileged goes a little further with Rotary Club of Delhi West and The Rotary Foundation India donating two fully loaded ambulances to

AIIMS. Rotary Club of Delhi South East was not far behind in their CSR initiative for Public Healthcare with VMMC and Safdarjung Hospital. There are several more projects that come to my mind but you will be reading more about them in my report.

As we continue our journey of service I am proud to see the impact we are making in the communities. Our work in education, healthcare and environment is truly inspirational so let's carry on with the fantastic work. I would also like to encourage all of you to contribute generously to The Rotary Foundation. Your donations enable us to support projects that make an impactful difference globally. Together we can achieve more so let's put our heads together and find innovative ways of helping the underprivileged. We have a two more months to achieve our targets and we hope that our cumulative efforts produce the desired results.

Please register yourself for all the upcoming events whether it is seminars or Thanksgiving Event. The seminars are an integral part of any Rotary Year and they are meant to impart updated training on aspects pertaining to them. It also gives you a chance to interact with other fellow Rotarians and exchange ideas and form collaborations for bigger ventures in the future. So, please do try and be a part of every event because every participation takes you closer to your Rotary goals. I would also proudly like to add here that our 1.1 Million Dollar Dinner, aptly named 'Yeh Dil Maange More' generated 1.35 Million Dollars and was a mission accomplished by 31 March.

With Warm Regards
Sincerely

Rtn Mahesh P. Trikha
District Governor RI District 3011





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April 2025

ROTARY CLUB OF DELHI AKASH MEGAPOLIS





MESSAGE

From The
Rotary International President's Desk
Stephanie Urchick

As the chill of winter gives way to the warmth of spring, we have an opportunity to rejuvenate our commitments to each other and to the communities we serve.

A shining example is the Rotary Club of Windsor-Roseland in Ontario, whose members support a program providing hot meals to people facing homelessness and food insecurity. On any given evening, the Soup Shack run by Feed Windsor-Essex serves up to 130 people, offering nourishment and a sense of community and care.

Club member and Past District Governor Aruna Koushik got the club involved after seeing a news segment about the Soup Shack.

Koushik collaborated with club members to quickly approve the purchase of a stove, pots, and pans for its new permanent space. Soon after, club members met with the Soup Shack team, toured the new location, and presented a check for 3,000 Canadian dollars (about US\$2,000) to support its efforts. They also committed to volunteering their time to prepare and serve meals once the facility is operational.

This exemplifies how Rotary members can come together to address community needs, foster engagement, and make a tangible impact. By identifying opportunities for service and mobilizing resources, we not only support those in need but also strengthen our bonds with each other and with the communities we serve.

As we embrace the renewal that spring offers, let's take inspiration from the Windsor-Roseland club. Consider these ways to reinvigorate

engagement within your club:

Identify emerging needs: Stay attuned to the evolving challenges in your communities. Engage with local organizations to understand where your club's support can make the most difference.

Mobilize resources quickly: When opportunities arise, act swiftly. Leverage the skills and networks within your club to gather resources, from financial contributions to equipment to volunteer time.

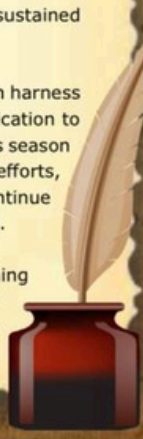
Foster collaboration: Encourage members to take initiative and collaborate on projects. Empowering individuals to lead and contribute their unique talents enhances engagement and drives success.

Commit to ongoing involvement: Beyond initial contributions, pledge continued support.

Regular service keeps members connected and reinforces the club's commitment to sustained impact.

By embracing these approaches, we can harness the energy of spring to renew our dedication to service and engagement. Let's seize this season as an opportunity to revitalize our efforts, strengthen our connections, and continue making a positive difference in the world.

This is The Magic of Rotary — transforming lives, inspiring hope, and creating lasting change for the communities we serve.



STRAIGHT FROM THE PRESIDENT'S HEART



Sonia Sahny
President 2024-25

GIVE PEACE A CHANCE

Shadows fall, darkness descends
Pahalgam's pain, my heart contends
A stark reminder of humanity's plight
Capacity for hate, a devastating sight

Can we reclaim our lost humanity?
Let love and compassion be our
destiny
Peace, a beacon, shining bright and
bold
Triumphant over shadows that seek to
unfold

Let us rise above the hate and pain
And choose the path of love, again and
again
For in our hearts, a spark remains
A flame of hope, that love sustains

May peace prevail, may love abide
And humanity's darkness, slowly
subside.

Sonia Sahny
Club President
RCD AKASH MEGAPOLIS

Dear Rotary family,

The recent attack on tourists in Pahalgam has left me deeply shaken. It's heartbreaking to witness humanity succumb to such brutality and hatred. When will we learn to reject the darkness of extremism and fanaticism that fuels violence?

In contrast, I draw inspiration from the Inclusive Talent Show organized by our club, where mainstream students and students with disabilities came together to showcase remarkable inclusivity. Their spirits and actions taught us a powerful lesson in compassion and breaking down barriers. I salute their courage and enthusiasm, and I believe that parents, teachers, and leaders worldwide can learn from their example.

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COUNCIL ON LEGISLATION DECISIONS 2025

Dear Magical Rotarians,

The 2025 Council on Legislation (COL) has brought forth several visionary and empowering decisions that will strengthen Rotary's foundation and future. These decisions are aimed at making our organization more inclusive, flexible, and impactful in the years to come.

Here are the key approvals:

1. Increase in Membership Dues

- US\$3.50 in 2026-27
- US\$3.75 in both 2027-28 and 2028-29

This increase is essential to maintain the quality of Rotary's global services and sustainable growth.

2. Minimum Membership for New Clubs Reduced

The required number of members to charter a new Rotary Club has been reduced from 20 to 15, making expansion easier and more accessible.

3. Proposal for Age Limit in Rotaract Rejected

Rotaract remains open to all age groups, allowing continuous youth leadership and engagement without limitations.

4. Proposal to Limit Honorary Members Rejected

Clubs will retain flexibility in granting honorary memberships to distinguished individuals.

5. Flexible Club Meetings

Clubs can now hold meetings in physical, virtual, or hybrid formats, enhancing convenience and participation.

6. Diverse Membership Types Approved

In a step towards increasing Rotary's accessibility and flexibility, the Council on Legislation has approved the introduction of several new

membership categories. These changes will enable clubs to tailor their membership models to meet the varying needs and lifestyles of potential Rotarians. The key membership categories now available are:

- **Associate Membership:** This category allows individuals to join Rotary on a more flexible basis, which could be particularly appealing for those who may not have the time or capacity to commit to the full responsibilities of a regular membership but still want to engage with Rotary's activities and values.

- **Corporate Membership:** This enables companies or organizations to become part of Rotary. It allows multiple employees from the same organization to engage with Rotary, promoting corporate social responsibility and the opportunity for businesses to align with Rotary's service projects and community initiatives.

- **Family Membership :** With the Family Membership option, Rotary clubs can welcome multiple members from the same household, fostering a spirit of service across generations and allowing families to engage with Rotary together in a more integrated way.

These new categories will allow Rotary clubs to reach a wider, more diverse audience, including younger professionals, organizations, and families, strengthening our impact and ensuring our growth. It reflects Rotary's evolving nature, recognizing the importance of inclusivity and flexibility while maintaining the integrity of our mission"

Warm regards

Mahesh Trikha

District Governor-2024-25

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FELLOWSHIP DINNER - MILE SUR HAMARA

TUMAHARA



The April fellowship dinner on 11th April, at Basant Vihar Club was a vibrant celebration of India's rich cultural diversity. Members enthusiastically donned traditional attire from various states, showcasing the country's kaleidoscope of colors and styles. The ramp walk was a grand spectacle, with applause and whistles echoing through the venue. These pictures clearly show how much everyone enjoyed themselves. The participants' enthusiasm was truly infectious, and each performance was more impressive than the last. As the members proudly displayed their heritage, the event embodied the essence of India's unity in diversity, highlighting the beauty of its multicultural fabric.



THE INCLUSIVE TALENT SHOW



April 26, 2025, marked a milestone for RCD Akash, Megapolis as they hosted their inaugural Inclusive Talent Show. This unforgettable event brought together exceptional talents from special and mainstream students, showcasing their skills in recitation, songs, dances, and theatrical performances centered around themes like nationalism, motivation, and unity. Over 110 students from 18 schools participated in this event organized at Alliance Française, impressing everyone with their boundless talent.

The audience was visibly moved by the performances, with many wiping away tears of joy and applause echoing through the hall. The energy was palpable as participants took to the stage, showcasing their unique abilities and leaving a lasting impact on all who attended. Rtn. Mona Puri, District Chair Interact, honored the occasion with her presence, while Rtn. Niti Jain, and Ms. Gayatri Seth, both performing artists, served as judges, facing a challenging task in selecting winners. The judges were equally impressed, often seen smiling and nodding in appreciation of the talent on display. It was a heartwarming day spent with extraordinary students, leaving a lasting impression on all.

THE INCLUSIVE TALENT SHOW - MORE GLIMPSES!

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Rotary Club of Akash Megapolis

AG: Rtn Neena Gulati

President: Rtn Sonia Sahny

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Title: The Drop and the Glop
Author: Sanjiv Saran

Review: "The Drop and the Glop" by Sanjiv Saran emerges as a monumental work of literature, encompassing a vast spectrum of human emotions set against the tumultuous backdrop of war, politics, and divine machinations. Awarded the Reader's Favorite Gold Award for Literary Fiction in 2023, this epic narrative weaves a complex tapestry of intrigue, passion, and redemption, capturing the essence of the human condition in all its glory and despair.

Saran masterfully constructs a world where lines blur between friend and foe, love and loss, courage and fear. The characters, from a powerful politician entangled in a forbidden love affair to an innocent shepherd girl turned soldier, are crafted with such depth and realism that they leap off the page, pulling the reader into their lives and struggles. The novel's richness is further enhanced by the inclusion of a diverse cast, including a cunning "Mutton King," a lost spy, and a stunning CIA agent whose mysteries unravel with gripping suspense.

Critics and authors alike have lauded Saran's eloquent writing style and his ability to bring historical periods to life with vivid detail and authenticity. Each character's journey adds a unique thread to the story's fabric, particularly one woman's transformative coming-of-age tale that epitomizes the novel's exploration of personal and collective growth amidst chaos.

"The Drop and the Glop" is not just a story; it's an experience that slowly unfolds, refusing to cater to expectations of fast-paced thrillers but instead inviting readers to savor each moment, each revelation. Saran balances the narrative's gravity with moments of lightness, reminding us of the resilience of the human spirit even in the darkest times.

For those who appreciate literary fiction that challenges, enlightens, and entertains, "The Drop and the Glop" is an essential read.

#books #bookstagram #book #booklover #reading



THE RCDAM TEAM



Huge congratulations to Team Akash Megapolis on an incredible show! Vikram and I are absolutely thrilled and grateful for the outstanding effort.

The organizing team was phenomenal - extremely helpful and professional. We're deeply thankful to each of you for making today a success. A special shoutout to Aanchal, Ajay, Avinash, Kushal, Nishi, Rekha, Richa, Sandeep, Satish, Savita ji, and Shipra - your support was invaluable!

Three cheers to this amazing team. Hip hip hurray!

KNOW YOUR MEMBERS

PP Rtn. Rakesh Madan



Rakesh madan Joined Rotary in 2013. He was a Club Secretary in Rotary year-2014-15. Further, he was the Club President Twice in Rotary Years 2015-16 and 2020-21.

Presently he Works as the Managing Director at Mohrish Pharmaceuticals Pvt Ltd.

his better half, Mrs. Madhu Madan is A Director in MPPL. Together they have two Sons, both Directors in MPPL. Oler son, Mohit is married to Prerna. Younger Rishabh engaged to Divanshi.

He is a philanthropist who has contributed magnanimously to various causes.

KNOW YOUR MEMBERS

Rtn. Sanjeev Saran

Sanjiv has been a literature student, a musician, a lyricist, and an actor/ director in theatre.

Growing up in the '60s, Sanjiv learned to ignore the world's perception of India: a country of crafty beggars, snake charmers, and religious dogma, constantly battling floods and famines, a country that needed foreign aid even to feed its burgeoning population.



In 1971, with board exams around the corner, Sanjiv and his friends heard terrible stories of genocide in East Pakistan and the influx of ten million refugees into our country. India's administrative machinery was robust enough by then to handle the crisis. There were blackouts, and the scream of jet planes over their homes. There was news of great battles. India's resounding victory in liberating Bangladesh followed. Our diplomatic and military initiatives got the world sitting up with grudging admiration.

This was the start of Sanjiv's love affair with India. He trekked extensively in most regions of the Himalayas and hitchhiked on trucks across large swathes of the country. He enjoyed chatting with simple village people. Total strangers would invite him to stay in their homes. He began to respect their Intelligence, Wisdom, and rich traditions. It wasn't easy to discover such aspects in the Me-First culture of post-partition cities.

After an exciting career in Adventure Tourism, Sanjiv has been a successful IT entrepreneur since 2010. His bond with rural India remains strong. Keenly interested in accelerating economic growth at the grassroots level, he has been at the forefront of our club's dam projects over the last fifteen years.

Sanjiv's rich experience living and working in India's amazing cultural kaleidoscope has found expression in his writings. His award-winning novel, "The Drop and the Glop," has received accolades from multiple readers around the world. He is currently working on his next novel.

SAVE
THE
DATES

YOUR
PRESENCE
MATTERS!!!

MAY 2025

Saturday, 3rd May - JOINT MEETING- Diversity, Equity & Inclusion at India Habitat Center @ 10:30 am, followed by lunch.

Friday, 9th May - Nurses Day celebrations at C.K. Birla Hospital, Punjabi Bagh @ 9:00 am

Wednesday, 14th May - Thalassaemia awareness talk in Modern Public School, at 9.00am

FELLOWSHIP- CLUB ASSEMBLY- DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED

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Joint Meeting on Diversity Equity Inclusion Saturday 3rd May 2025

at Juniper Hall, India Habitat Center, New Delhi
Registration and Fellowship: 10:30 to 11 AM Session: 11 AM Lunch 2 PM
DG, DGE, DGN and DGND have kindly accepted the invitation

Save the Date



PDG Ramesh Chander
District Director DEI
RI District 3011



Ms. Summaiya Afreen
Co-Founder and Director of
Lakshya Jeevan Jagriti



Hon. Bezwada Wilson
Activist and founder of the
Safai Karmachari Andolan

Participating / Host Rotary Clubs

Delhi Akash Megapolis
Delhi Heritage
Gurgaon Passion

Delhi Central
Delhi Humanity
Faridabad NIT

Delhi Chanakyapuri
Delhi Vasant Kunj
Faridabad Sanskriti

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PDG Rtn. Dr. N. Subramanian
RI District 3011
RRFC Region 4



A large, rectangular white birthday cake is the central focus, heavily decorated with a variety of colorful sprinkles including small beads, star-shaped sprinkles, and thin rod-like sprinkles in shades of pink, blue, yellow, and white. On top of the cake, two gold-colored foil balloons are attached to sticks, spelling out 'HAPPY BIRTHDAY' in large, bold, capital letters. The background is a solid, light blue color, and some sprinkles are scattered on the surface in front of the cake.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

7th April - PP Vikram Sahny
10th April- Rotary Partner Sunidhi
24th April- Rotary Partner Trisha
&
Rotary Partner Shefali

**14th April - Sonia & Vikram
Sahny**

*Happy
Anniversam*

BLAST FROM THE PAST

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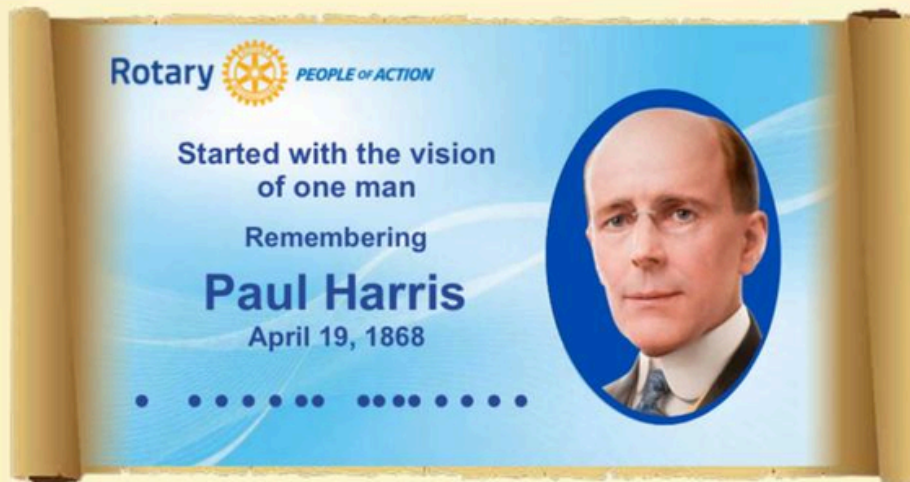
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Rotary History

Paul Harris, Rotary's Founder
Rotary started with the vision of one man – Paul P. Harris.



Paul Harris was born on 19 April 1868 in Racine, Wisconsin, USA. At age 3, he moved to Wallingford, Vermont, where he grew up in the care of his paternal grandparents. He attended the University of Vermont and Princeton University and received his law degree from the University of Iowa in 1891. In 1896, Harris settled in Chicago and opened a law practice. Four years later, he met fellow attorney Bob Frank for dinner on Chicago's North Side. They walked around the area, stopping at shops along the way. Harris was impressed that Frank was friendly with many of the shopkeepers. He had not seen this kind of camaraderie among businessmen since moving to Chicago and wondered if there was a way to channel it.

Harris eventually persuaded several business associates to discuss the idea of forming an organization for local professionals. On 23 February 1905, Harris, Gustavus Loehr, Silvester Schiele, and Hiram Shorey gathered at Loehr's office in downtown Chicago for what would become known as the first Rotary club meeting.

In February 1907, Harris was elected the third president of the Rotary Club of Chicago. Toward the end of his presidency, he worked to expand Rotary

beyond the city. Some club members resisted, not wanting to take on the additional financial burden. But Harris persisted, and by 1910, Rotary had expanded to several other major U.S. cities.

Harris recognized the need to form a national association with an executive board of directors. In August 1910, Rotarians held their first national convention in Chicago, where the 16 existing clubs unified as the National Association of Rotary Clubs (now Rotary International). The new association unanimously elected Harris as its president.

At the end of his second term as Rotary president, Harris resigned, citing ill health and the demands of his professional practice and personal life. He was elected president emeritus by convention action, a title he held until his death on 27th Jan 1947.

Have a great weekend,

Mahesh Trikhia

District Governor-2024-25

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ROTARY KNOWLEDGE

A QUICK ROTARY CLUB GEOGRAPHY LESSON



- *The Rotary Club of Papeete, Tahiti, which is located in the middle of the Pacific Ocean is the club that is most remote from any other.*
- *The southernmost Rotary meeting is that of the Rotary Club of Base Marambio-Antartida in Antarctica.*
- *To visit the northernmost club you must travel above the Arctic Circle to the Rotary Club of Barrow, Alaska, U.S.A.*
- *The El Aguilar club in Argentina, is the highest club in the world at 16,000 feet (4,880 meters) above sea level.*
- *The lowest club meets at 40 feet (12.2 meters) below sea level at El Centro, California, USA.*
- *There are 69 Rotary clubs with the word “Tokyo” in their club names.*
- *It is said that there is a Rotary meeting being held someplace in the world every hour of every day. If you attended one meeting per day, it would take nearly 80 years to visit all of the more than 34,500 Rotary clubs in the world, and by that time, no doubt, there would be thousands more new clubs to attend!*

Editorial Board



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Khanna



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Rtn. Vivek Kakar