

“GLIMPSES OF ACTIVITIES”

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**This presentation covers only a part of our achievements.
However details are listed in our History Book**

CALCUTTA 1919

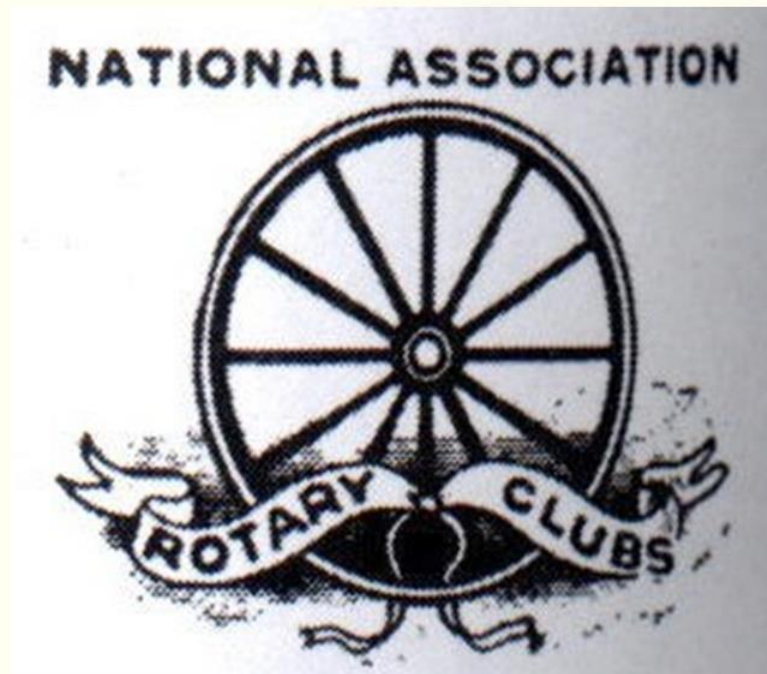
Rotary Club of Calcutta was Born in this locality:



Old Court House Street

The stage is set for a historic event

The Rotary Wheel in 1919



**Coombs obtains permission to open a
Rotary Club in Calcutta**

AS THE FIRST ROTARY CLUB IN MAINLAND ASIA

Peliti's Restaurant 1919



IN CALCUTTA

Coombs invites 20 of his friends to lunch
They decide on opening a Rotary Club

The Old Number One

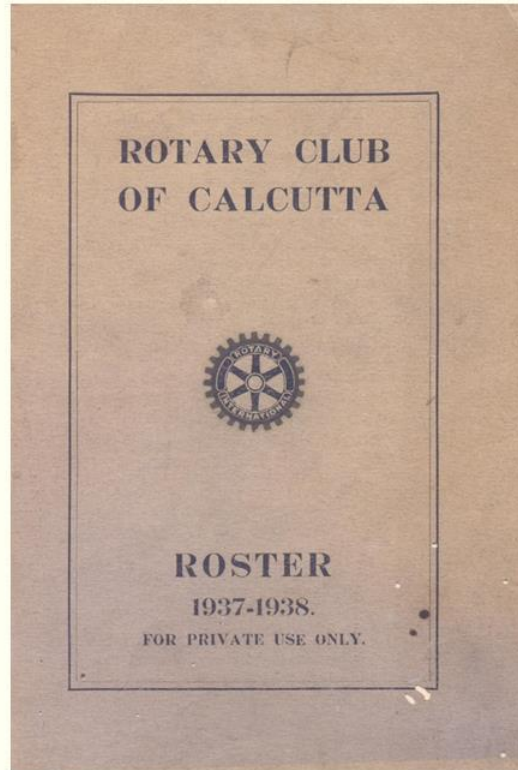
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Clubs were formed in
India, Burma, Ceylon, Malay, Java and Siam

Rotary Club of
Calcutta became the central piece
and information centre.

Got it's name "*Old Number One.*"

First Roster 1925-26



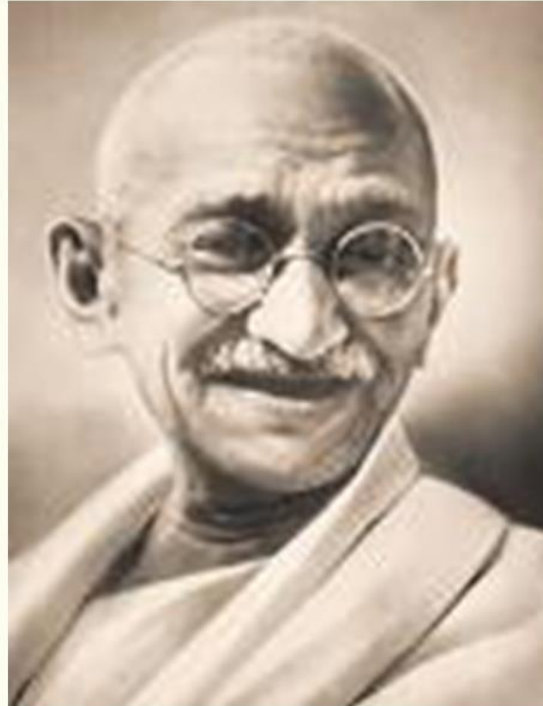
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Our earliest copy is of 1937-38

Bally Bridge 1925



Calcutta Rotarians persuaded the government
to construct a motor way
in addition to the railway tracks

Mahatma Gandhi 1925 Aug 18



Spoke to the Club on

“The Economic and Spiritual Value of the Charkha”

Annual Children's Treat 28 Dec 1925



The Chaka" of 17 November, 1925

carried a suggestion from a 'non-vocal' Rotarian to treat deprived children to "A day of Sunshine"

Club Venue: The Great Eastern Hotel

Howrah Bridge 1927



Our Club

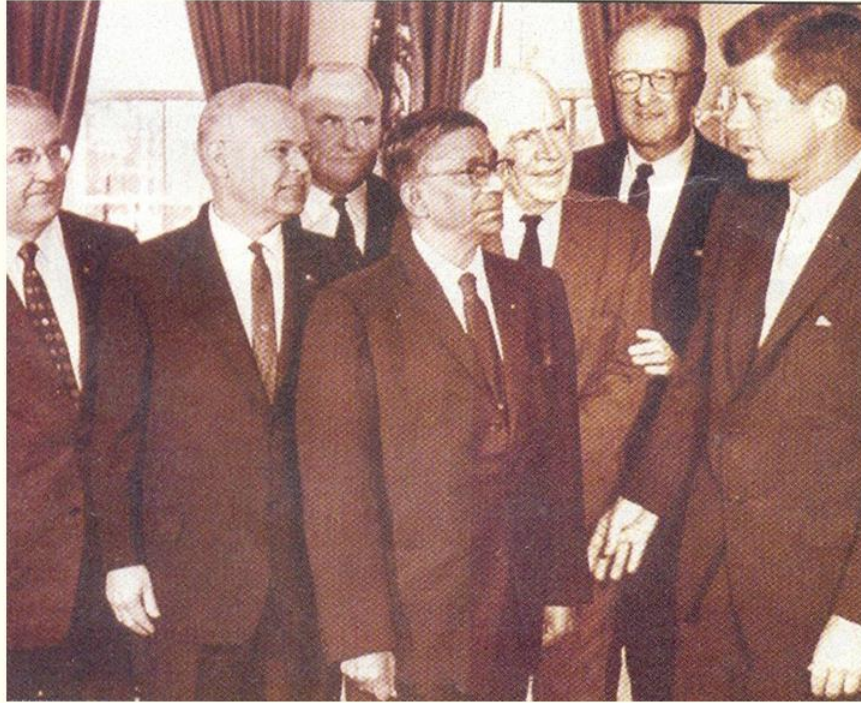
Members persuaded the government
to replace the dilapidated pontoon bridge
with a modern steel one.

NCL Foundation Stone 1962 July 1



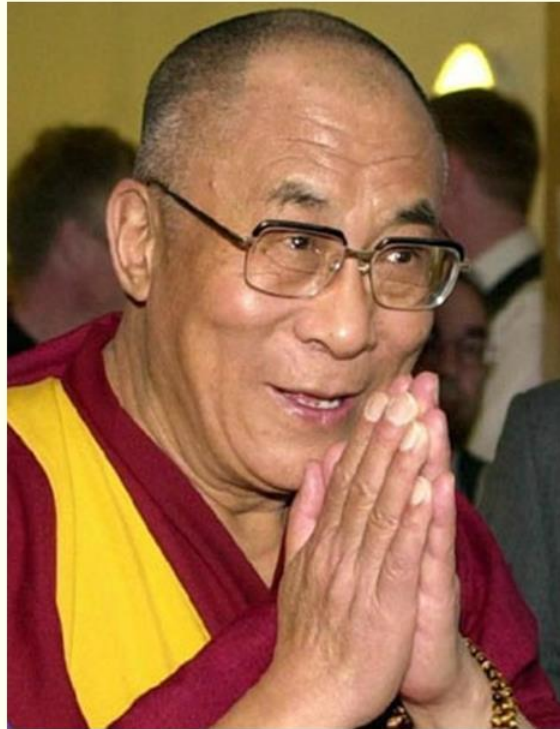
Padmaja Naidu lays the foundation stone
of the Children's Library as Nitish Laharry
assumes office as the R.I. President

Nitish Laharry 1962-63 of Rotary Club of Calcutta



**John F Kennedy welcomes RI President Nitish
to the White House**

The Dalai Lama 1986 Nov 20



At Our Club's Regular Weekly Meeting (RWM)
His Holiness the Dalai Lama addressed an RWM
in the Ball Room of the Oberoi Grand.
Endorsed service with humility



ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA

VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTRE Offers

Vocational Courses :

- **COMPUTER COURSE (Mon-Sat)**
- **SPOKEN ENGLISH**
- **SEVIKA TRAINING**
- **OTHER COURSES**

□ **CULTURAL ACTIVITIES**

- **TABLA**
- **DANCE**
- **RABINDRA SANGEET**
- **DRAMA & RECITATION**
- **PAINTING**
- **ART**
- **SYNTHESIZER**
- **GUITAR**

□ **YOGA**

Library
facilities
available



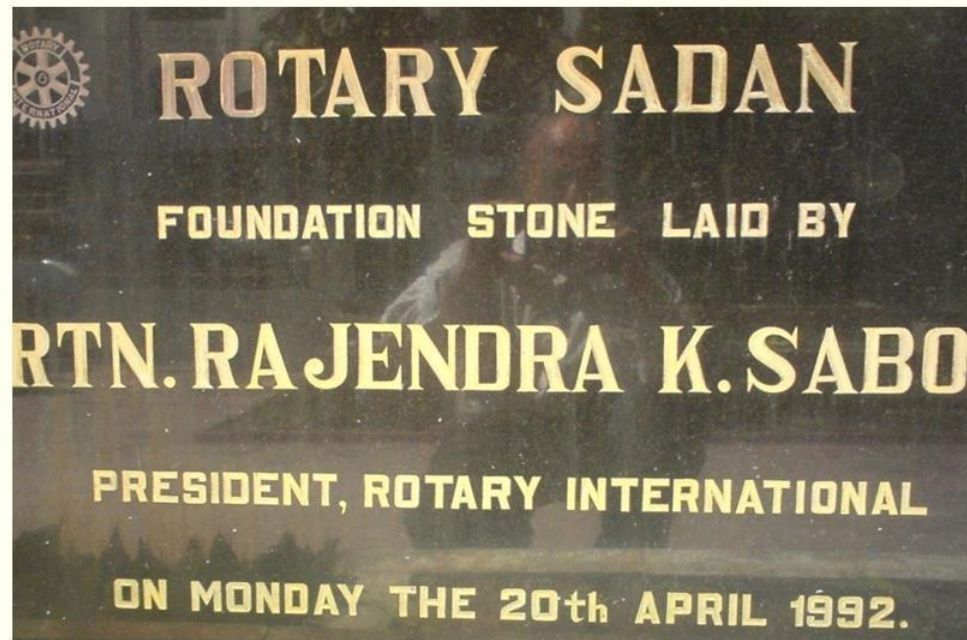
Courses are offered to students of weaker sections of the society



Archive Section at Rotary Sadan maintains Books, Reports, Photographs, Trophies, Mementos, Flags and Precious Items, etc. Repository of Rotary Knowledge



Rotary Sadan Foundation 1992 Apr 20



R.I. President Raja Saboo
lays the foundation stone of the Rotary Sadan

Platinum Jubilee Cricket 1995-Mar-09

ROTARY HITS CALCUTTA FOR SIX



SUMAN CHATTOPADHYAY

PLATINUM JUBILEE CRICKET : The winning duo Sachin and Srinath head for the Club House, while Azhar follows glumly. (An AAJKAAL picture)

**Day Night, Double Wicket
Cricket Championship at Eden Gardens**
Substantial funds for the Rotary Sadan collected

Peliti's to Rotary Sadan



A saga of service.

1977 – 2001

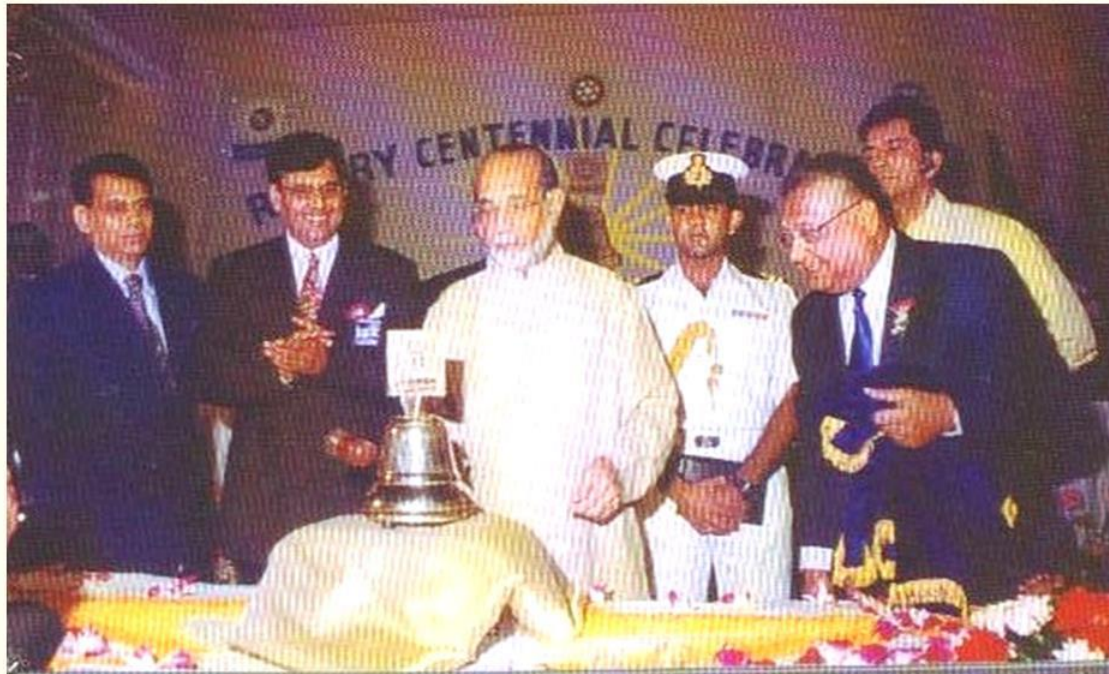
Kolkata Pratapaditya Road Clinic

Two Homeo Clinics Currently Running



Centennial Bell 2004 Sep 09

For Rotary International



Hosted the Centennial Bell celebrations in India.

At Rotary Club of Calcutta

Flight of Fancy 2004 Nov 14



**One hundred school children were taken
on a free joy ride over Calcutta**

November 2011

Our Club Persuaded Government Advocating Change on Indian Railways Sanitation Facilities

Water and Sanitation Rotarian Action Group(Wasrag) under
Rotary International, Newsletter (May 2011)

“Sanitation facilities on trains in India still often consist of waste dropping onto the tracks - polluting and spreading disease. Rotary Club of Calcutta sent a letter to the Minister of Railways in Kolkata. Although things are improving in India, the practice on the rail system of emptying toilet contents directly onto the railway tracks has not changed.

Subsequently, Indian Railways undertook several steps to improve the toilet systems on trains. Government responded positively Many coaches have now been updated with a Control Discharge Toilet System (CDTS) and an agreement signed regarding bio-toilets. Trials with vacuum retention toilets (like on airplanes) and Zero discharge toilet systems, are planned.”

RUNNING SINCE 1987

Integrated Village development

**Begumpur Hoogly RCC (Rotary Formal Service Channel) 3H
(Hunger, Hygiene and Health) Flagship Project**

Introduced Broccoli and Baby corn in Kolkata through Oberoi Grand Hotel



RUNNING SINCE 2000

Integrated Village Development

Bishnupur RCC Flagship Project

Over the years we have funded Water Pumps, Buildings, Computers, Plantation, School Support, Vocational Training and Income Generation, Health Camps, Blood Donation Camps, etc.



WATER AND SANITATION

IN THE PAST 10 YEARS WE HAVE INSTALLED:

OVER 400 LOW COST TOILETS AND OVER 100
TUBEWELLS IN RURAL AREAS

PAY AND USE TOILETS WITH KMC IN KOLKATA

WATER KIOSKS IN RURAL AND URBAN AREAS

POND EXCAVATION

RUNNING SINCE 2008

**Children Heart Surgery Flagship project with
Rabindranath Tagore International Institute of Cardiac
Sciences (RTIICS)**

**Over 200 Children and 7 Adult -Matching Grant (RC Singapore)
and Club Funded in 2013-14 year alone**



Children Immunisation Flagship Project St. Thomas Home Howrah – last 3 Years

Matching Grant (MG) Project with RC VIERSEN SCHWALM NETTE GERMANY AND RC HORST-SEVENUM-MAASDORPEN

Over 50,000 Children Immunised

Also in 1999, 5000 Children from 7 Schools Immunised against Hepatitis B under a MG project in Succession



RUNNING SINCE 2009

Sundarban Development

(Delta of Ganges constituting multiple Islands with poor infrastructure and health facilities)

MG project with RC Seattle USA and Club Funded

Public Water Kiosk, Solar Lights, Solar Plant at Hospital, Snake Bite Awareness, Disaster Relief



RUNNING SINCE 2011

Purulia – Eye Retinal Disorder Flagship Project
at Lokeswarananda Eye Hospital , Para Block
Ophthalmoscope, Non-contact Tonometer; Furnished
Operating Theatre, Wards and Offices



RUNNING SINCE 1990

**Endowment Awards
Flagship Project**

**Created A Corpus Fund of Rs. One Core and Twenty
Seven Lacs approximately to give
Annual Endowment Award of approx. Rs. 5 Lacs
to 40 Recipients
over 30 Donors**

Other Mega Projects

Equipment for Park Nursing Home and Ramakrishna Seva Sadan under Matching Grant (over Rs 25 lacs)

Annually Rs 5 lacs donated for Children Medical Assistance and Rs 1 Lac for Adult

School Building Renovation at 3 RCCs and 4 KMC Schools (with Sika) – over Rs One Crore

Some Flagship Projects in the Making to Build up to Club Centenary Year 2019/20

- 1.Literacy Projects in Urban/Rural Areas**
- 2.Water and Sanitation Projects in Schools and particularly for Girl Child, and Happy Schools**
- 3.Low-cost Toilets in Rural Areas**
- 4.Pay and Use Public Toilets in Kolkata /Urban Areas**
- 5.Arsenic Remediation at Schools**
- 6.Vocational Training Centre for Income Generation**

Critical Success Factor – Work with Donors and Government Agencies

Finally We Express Our Sincere Thanks to:

**Each and every Member of the Club,
Donors, Rotary District officials,
Rotary International leaders, and
Those Rotarians who are no more.....**

**Last, but not Least we are happy and
grateful to thousands of beneficiaries who
gave us opportunities to serve above
self.....**