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Jaipur RYLA urges youth to aim big

Team Rotary News



Rotaractors at the week-long RYLA hosted by RC Jaipur Bapu Nagar.

It was a rare platform extended by RC Jaipur Bapu Nagar, RID 3054, for college students and Rotaractors in a joint programme that celebrated the World Rotaract Week and also hosted RYLA 2019 from March 11–17. The twin-event was also supported by RC Jaipur South and the campus of Arya College of Engineering and IT, the venue, became a hub of cultural events, shows, talent contests and variety programmes for a brief period.

The Rotaract Week celebrations saw participation of over 60 college students and youth from different communities in Gujarat and Rajasthan. Arya College of Engineering Chairman Rtn Anurag Agrawal played a perfect host and was supported by Rtn Dr Arun Arya in making the youth gala a success. Event Chairman Prakash Chand Sanghi and Convener Vinod Garg took care of the logistics and coordinated with the organising team for the smooth conduct of the various sessions, cultural shows and parallel

events throughout the week-long youth extravaganza.

Around 135 Rotaract clubs hosted activities on different themes on each day and the winning clubs, based on their performance on a given theme, were awarded during the valedictory of RYLA on March 17.

RYLA programme

An in-house training programme was conducted on the college campus in which experts and professionals gave inspiring speeches with tips and suggestions on leadership for the youth delegates. Over 65 participants in the age group of 15–25 years were tuned in to the inspiring messages delivered by PRID Sushil Gupta and PDG Ashok Gupta through a power point presentation.

Interesting sessions on topics such as leadership, corporate life, cherishing values in life and job interviews made the RYLA workshop a one-of-its-kind for the participants. AG Vinod Garg,

PDG Ratnesh Kashyap and motivational expert Rtn PM Bhardwaj gave talks on communication skills, leadership qualities and 'Dream India'. RYLA Chairman Sanghi encouraged youth to join Rotary clubs to fulfil their aspirations.

RC Jaipur Bapu Nagar President Dr Prabha Luhadia, RC Jaipur South President Rajesh Khatri and District Secretary Dr Harish Bhardwaj (2018–19) also spoke to motivate youth to aim big in life. DG (2018–19) Neeraj Sogani said the programme was well-organised and all the participants have shown keen interest to excel in different walks of life.

On last day of RYLA, a trekking at the Aravali hills in Achrol village (Amber tehsil of Jaipur) led by expert climber VK Dullar was much enjoyed by the youth. The programme ended with top performers being honoured as RYLA King, Queen, Most Energetic; and a group award to the best team. College Dean Rtn Arun Arya gave the vote of thanks. ■

On the cover: RC Jabalpur South conducts a health and hygiene workshop at a Government School.

Bikaner Rotarians install water cooler at school, hospital

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A water cooler was donated to a Government Girls Higher Secondary School at Harshan Chowk by RC Bikaner Marudhara, RID 3053, to provide relief during summer to students. When the club members went to the school to distribute sweaters, the students requested them to install a water cooler in the school.

Keeping this in mind, efforts were made to mobilise funds through donations from members. The then Club President Puneet Harsh and its Secretary Rajesh Baweja inauguration the water cooler in the presence of other Rotarians, students and teachers.

A water cooler with purifier was installed at the District Government Hospital, Zanana, for the benefit of families accompanying the patients. The then DG Priyesh Bhandari and his spouse Ellora inaugurated the



DG (2018–19) Priyesh Bhandari (second from L) and his spouse Ellora inaugurate a water cooler in the school.

water facility. The project was executed under the leadership of Harsh, former president Anand Acharya and former AG Manoj Gupta. Following a

request from the hospital authorities, the club assured that a paediatric ward will be constructed at the earliest.■

Rotary hand fan launched in Ponda, Goa

DGE Sangram Patil (3rd from left) with the hand fan during the installation of Club President Vinayak Nayak.



During the installation of new office-bearers at RC Ponda, RID 3170, the incoming President Vinayak Nayak launched a hand fan made of paperboard. The hand fan was made by students of a special school for differently-abled children.

The students of Lok Vishwas Pratishthan crafted the hand

fan, which was designed and conceptualised by Nayak.

The fan has a Rotary Wheel on one side and Four-Way Test on the other along with the sponsor's name. The club plans to make more than 5,000 numbers of these fans and distribute it at all major events that they conduct thus generating funds for the

school as well as for a rural women's group. "The hand fan promotes the Four-Way Test and Rotary among the local community and also helps when there is no electricity," said Nayak. The bamboo stick for the fan is supplied by women from a village and they and the students of the special school are being compensated by the club.■

Bringing joy to orphans

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The Rotarians of RC Varanasi East, RID 3120, along with the members of Inner Wheel Club of Varanasi East, visited the Kutumb Orphanage in Babatpur, bringing excitement among the children there. The visitors entertained the children with games, and fed them sweets and savouries. They made the children happy with their gifts of drawing books, crayons and toys.

In another initiative, the club members planted saplings around the community and also conducted a blood donation camp which helped in collecting 38 units of blood. ■





Above: Rotarians planting saplings in Varanasi; **Left:** Children of the Kutumb Orphanage entertain Rotarians; **Below:** A blood donor being honoured with a certificate.



Pudukkottai

Rotarians take up lake dredging

V Muthukumaran

Following permission granted by the municipality, RC Pudukkottai City, RID 3000, took up dredging of Vengapparkulam, a pond opposite a dairy farm in the town. “We will desilt the lake bed to deepen its storage capacity and remove the weeds and bushes on the banks. We will also plant saplings to enhance the aesthetics of the pond and benefit the community who will reap dividends from the revamped waterbody,” said K Dhanapal, Club President, while addressing the public, district

officials and Rotarians at the inaugural event.

AG S Parthipan, Charter President K Naina Mohamed and District Public Image Joint Secretary Maruti K Mohanraj along with other Rotarians and district officials took part in the inauguration of desilting work at the pond.

The Rotarians celebrated the 73rd Independence Day with differently-abled children at the Mission Mental Health Livelihood Training Centre. Project Coordinator P Jayamathi took care of the logistics for the event.

In a joint show, the special children spoke about India’s freedom struggle and how our great leaders fought against the British. Songs were also sung by children glorifying the hard-won Independence. A cake was cut jointly by the special children and Rotarians to mark the occasion. District Facilitator Michael Raj took part in the event.

A mental health awareness programme was organised in association with the Mission Mental Health Centre and the District Institute of Education and Training (DIET) at the latter’s premises. DIET

Principal P Natarajan chaired the programme in the presence of Dhanapal and Mohanraj. Senior faculty Dr G Murugesan, Dr Vijay, physiotherapist and experts spoke on mental health and how to lead a positive life. Booklets were distributed to participants. Saplings were planted on the DIET campus.

A rally was organised to create awareness on water conservation with students from a Municipality Middle School taking part with banners and placards.

School headmaster S Vijaya Manickam



Club President K Dhanapal exchanging flags with RC Chennai Royals President Jayalatha Martin in a fellowship event.

welcomed the gathering. RID 3000 Secretary (Finance) Dr KH Saleem flagged off the rally as chief guest. The students raised slogans calling for urgent steps to conserve water through a multi-pronged approach such as growing trees and adopting eco-friendly lifestyle. The banners and placards had catchy lines to impress upon the public. "More than 300 students along with teachers took part in the rally which enhanced our public image," said Mohanraj.

The club joined hands with RC Thirumayam Centenary Bhel City to organise I-Day celebrations at a panchayat union elementary school at Adapakara Chathiram village. RC Tirumayam Centenary Bhel City President S Sathish Kumar spoke on the occasion. Pudukkottai Municipality officials and RID 3000 members took part in the celebration. Prizes were given to



A JCB machine dredging the lake bed.

winners of oratorical and patriotic singing contests held on the occasion.

Annadhanam for pilgrims

Red reflector stickers were pasted on the handbags and belongings of pilgrims during their journey to Samayapuram temple near Tiruchy. "We also distributed pamphlets to the pilgrims and gave *annadhanam* to the travellers at the

Thirukokarnam Murugan temple and the project was led by our club president Dhanapal," said Mohanraj.

Motor vehicle inspector P Senthamarai, chief guest, urged the pilgrims to walk on the side of the highways with caution. "Always look out for the traffic on either side of the road. The reflectors pasted on your bags will enable motorists to identify you and avoid

mishaps," he said. More than 200 pilgrims were given reflectors and after taking rest at the temple, they proceeded to their final destination.

Flag exchange

Rotarians from two clubs — RCs Pudukkottai City and Chennai Royals, RID 3232 — came together for a lively interaction. Club Presidents Dhanapal and Jayalatha Martin exchanged their respective club flags. The global projects of Rotary and its community programmes were explained to students of a panchayat union high school.

Stereo speakers were distributed to convicts at the district jail with the aim to expose them to spiritual discourses, motivating film songs and other audio experiences for them to improve their life after they are released from the prison. District Jail Superintendent Rukmani Priyadarshini received the speakers from Dhanapal. ■



Reflector stickers being pasted on pilgrims' travel bags.

Mega dental camp for visually-impaired in Indore

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A mega dental camp was organised by RC Indore Meghdoot, RID 3040, for the visually-impaired students and adults on the premises of Madhya Pradesh Blind Welfare Association with the support of doctors from the Government Dental College, Indore.

A six-member team of doctors, including three trainees, led by the Head of Department Dr Vandana Saxena examined 45 children and distributed toothpastes and dental medicines for all of them. The club's medical directors — Satyanarayan Patwari, Raj Jaisinghani, Ramesh Vijayvargiya, Sadhana Singh — and Rtr



Patients being examined at the dental camp.

Utkarsh Jaiswal made the arrangements and coordinated with the support staff for the successful conduct of the mega dental camp.

“During the medical camp, we spoke about the community projects being done by our club

in and around Indore and a briefing was given to the visitors on the host of community initiatives that we have accomplished,” said Ghanshyam Singh, Club President. He was assisted by Club Secretary Rajneesh

Jaiswal during the briefing session.

More than 150 patients had a general check-up for blood pressure, sugar, bone density and other health parameters at a medical camp organised to mark the World Family Day. “We are also celebrating 100 years of Rotary in India as well as the silver jubilee year of our club. A panel of doctors from Medanta Hospital examined the patients and free medicines were distributed based on the prescription from the Metro Zone group,” said Singh.

Around 25 Rotarians took part in the camp which also saw the presence of PDG Lokendra Papalal. ■



Free medicines being distributed to mark the World Family Day.

Felicitating professionals and improving schools

Team Rotary News



Teachers being felicitated by RC Jabalpur South.

Rotary Club of Jabalpur South, RI District 3261, felicitated six teachers and 18 engineers in the city. Club members gave out 200 lifesaving kits to the traffic police. A blood donation

camp was conducted with the help of Cojent College, Jabalpur, and 40 units of blood was collected.

At the Richai Government Middle School in Panagar village the club conducted a health

and hygiene awareness programme. Hygiene kits were distributed amongst the students. The club also donated desks and benches to the Government Primary School in Nunsar, Patan. ■



Rotarians and students sitting on the new desks and benches donated by the club.



Health and hygiene awareness programme at the Richai Government Middle School.

D 2981

RC Mannargudi Midtown

A 11-day Book Fair was organised with 40 stalls displaying a range of titles across genres. The exhibition drew over 50,000 people and did a business of around ₹27 lakh. State Food Minister K Kamaraj donated ₹50,000 for this project.



D 3000

RC Karambakudi City

National Youth Day was celebrated at the Government Adi Dravidar Higher Secondary School in Mullangurichi village. More than 500 people including students, teachers and public, besides Rotarians, took part in the event. A sanitary pad incinerator was donated to the school.



D 3011

RC Delhi Southex

Stationery items were distributed to students of an MCD Primary School in partnership with its Interact Club of Ahlcon International School. Dress material collected by Interactors were also given to children under the guidance of Ahlcon School Mentor Karishma Kashyap.





D 3011

RC Gurgaon Cosmopolitan

Past President Aadesh Poddar organised a storytelling session at the Pardada Pardadi Educational Society for Class 10 girls. It was followed by a lively interaction on the topic 'Shaktipeeth of Devi Sati'. The aim of the event is to revive puranas and legends among students.



D 3030

RC Nagpur Vision

Nutritious foods including fruits were given to children at the Akshar Learning Centre at the Chitnavis Centre. The club's Nutrition Committee has adopted this centre which has around 80 underprivileged children attending after-school tuition. Their nutrition needs are supplemented by the club.



D 3030

RC Nashik Nine Hills

An organ donation rally was organised with Rtn Sunil Deshpande and his district team creating awareness among the public. The organ donation forms were distributed to the people in the course of the awareness rally.

D 3054

RC Udaipur

Under its *Variksha Mitra Yojna* project, the club planted 50 neem saplings in the name of its RCC President and the members who were given the responsibility to nurture the trees for the next three years. Commendation certificates were issued to them for growing trees.



D 3060

RC Surat

The club members distributed 125 food plates to students of Vedchha Prathamik School for their mid-day meals. The teachers expressed gratitude to Rotary for the gesture. It also brought smiles on the faces of the needy children.



D 3070

RC Dasuya

A watercooler was installed at a government primary school in Sagan village in the Hoshiarpur district of Punjab. Teachers along with students thanked Rotarians for their gesture which enhanced the public image of Rotary.





D 3070

RC Goraya

Independence Day was celebrated with students of a government higher secondary school at the Rotary Bhawan. A cultural programme was also staged. Rotarians planted 150 saplings at Akal Academy at Chak Des Raj village in Jalandhar district.



D 3170

RC Jammu Aastha

A mega job fair was organised in association with RC Jammu Midtown in which 625 candidates took part and they were interviewed by 12 companies. The event, supported by Jammu and Kashmir Bank, Helpline Humanity, Saraswati Trust and Equitas Trust, was held at the Government Higher Secondary School in Jagti Township.



D 3080

RC Dehradun Central

A blood donation camp was organised and 80 units of blood was collected. Secretary Raman Vohra, Rtn Manoj Gupta, Assistant Trainer Sudhir Jolly and other Rotarians took part in the camp. Anil Verma was honoured as he donated blood for the 136th time.

D 3080

RC Paonta Sahib

Independence Day was celebrated with a get-together for Rotarians' families who staged cultural programmes to mark the occasion. Elderly people were feted on the eve of World Senior Citizen's Day.



D 3090

RC Patiala Greater

A mega tree plantation drive was taken up on the Sangrur-Patiala Road and at the New Officers Colony in which around 300 saplings were planted by Rotarians and volunteers drawn from all walks of life. The green drive enhanced the public image of Rotary.



D 3090

RC Samana

Club President Rajinder Thareja and Secretary Vikram Gupta, along with two other members, took part in an intercity seminar on membership and public image at Abohar, a municipal town in Punjab. They received awards for blood donation project *Raktarpan* and tree plantation project *Prayas*.





D 3100

RC Moradabad Achievers

A Rota Kids Club was installed at the Global Public School in the city in the presence of PDG Rajeev Rastogi. Christmas was celebrated at the Ambika Prasad Inter-College along with the Interact Club members.



D 3132

RC Latur

An eco-friendly Ganesha idol-making workshop was organised at two schools with the aim to create awareness on the harmful effects of plaster of paris on environment. The participants were trained on making the idols from Bombay Clay.



D 3141

RC Mira Road

The club members donated monthly provisions and packed foods to an old-age home to mark the Annapurna Day. Rotarians donated liberally to present groceries to take care of the daily needs of the inmates.

Rotarians engage the community in Chidambaram

V Muthukumaran

It was a hectic schedule with zesty activities last year (2018–19) for Rotarians at RC Chidambaram Central, RID 2981, as they reached out to rural students with gifts, donated useful items and material to villagers and organised medical camps through the months as part of their community projects.

Cots with beds, mobile carts for serving food, wheelchairs and stretchers for patients were donated to the Kamarajar Government Hospital in association with Palani Babu Jewellers. The club also donated 30 concrete benches and repaired 100 cots at a cost of ₹1.5 lakh. “The hospital management was thankful since no one was willing to create such facilities for the patients and their attendants. The new benches are spread evenly so that family members accompanying the patients can have shelter under trees,” said M Deepak Kumar, IPP of the club.

Sixty-one nurses at the GH were honoured with mementos for their dedicated service. To mark the 114th anniversary of Rotary, baby kits were presented to mothers of the newborns at the GH. At the Sivapuri village, 4–5 km from the town, an eye camp was organised with the help of the Interact Club of Government High School. Stainless steel plates and farm equipment were given to the villagers with the help of students from Muthiah Polytechnic College in Chidambaram. With the help of Interactors and volunteers,



From top: Farmers honoured with farm equipment and saplings at Meiyathur village; Stainless steel noon-meal plates given to children at the Nandanar Primary School.



a plantation drive was taken up at the village. “In fact, we planted more than 5,000 saplings in and around the town in a mega project with Rotarians taking part in the green drive with enthusiasm,” said Kumar. The National Science Day was marked with a gala exhibition by students who displayed their technical projects and briefed visitors to their stalls on their showcase. The club joined hands with the Lions Cosmopolitan Club to donate an RO water filter (₹35,000) to a government high school in Vellur. In a similar event, a Smart TV worth ₹32,000 was presented to a panchayat union primary school at Agaram village.

A sports meet was organised for the differently-abled children and prizes were distributed to over 50 winners across categories. Annamalai University Registrar M Ravichandran was the chief guest at the special event. With the aim to encourage sports in young minds, t-shirts were distributed to students of a PU primary school.

Motivational workshop

A motivational workshop was conducted for students who were preparing for the public exams. Rotarians donated stationery items to Class 10 students on the occasion.



From top: Paramedics being honoured at the Kamarajar Government Hospital; Rotarians with students of Muthiah Polytechnic at Sivapuri village.

School bags and stationery were also given to students of TELC School.

The club donated stainless steel plates to over 70 students for their mid-day meal at the Government Nandanar Primary School. Farm equipment were given to farmers at Meiyathur village and in another initiative, watertank and borewell were installed at a primary school in Melaanuvampattu village.

Summer respite

One of the regular summer projects of the club is the distribution of buttermilk, watermelon and tender coconut water to the public as a

respite from the scorching heat. A shamiana is erected each year and Rotarians offer refreshments to the public. “We conduct this project in April-May each year and it cost around ₹1.5 lakh on each occasion,” said Kumar.

The club hosted the installation event of new office-bearers at the Rotaract Club of Rani Meyyammai College of Nursing and scholarships were given to deserving Rotaractors to mark the ceremony. A doctor, banker, academician, writer and news editor were felicitated by the club for their contributions to the society. ■

Tree plantation and menstrual hygiene in Himmatnagar

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The members of Rotary Club of Himmatnagar, RI District 3054, in their endeavour to make their city green started the

'Each one plant one' initiative. Club President Praful Vyas explained the need for more trees to the students of Samarth College, after which 250

saplings were planted on the college campus. This was followed by a blood donation camp where students donated 73 units of blood. Another

tree plantation drive was conducted at the GMERS Medical College and General Hospital and Rotary Saraswathi Vidyalaya in the city.

Tree plantation drive at GMERS Medical College and General Hospital.





Bone and joint check-up camp at Samdev Hospital.



Sanitary napkins being handed over to a staff of SSH Arts College.

The club organised a menstrual hygiene programme at SSH Arts College. Dr Vina Gor, a gynaecologist, spoke to the girls about menstrual health and guided the students on how healthy habits can result in a stress-free period. Free sanitary napkins were distributed to all the 250 girls who attended the seminar.

The club also organised a bone and joint checkup camp. A team of doctors from Samdev Hospital, Ahmedabad, tested 137 patients and eight were suggested to undergo a knee replacement surgery. Physiotherapy sessions were demonstrated free of cost at Rotary Physio Therapy Centre where the camp was conducted.■

D 3141

RC Deonar

Around 200 students at Jawahar Vidya Bhavan School, Chembur, were sensitised on the World Hepatitis Day. An awareness seminar taught children on the types of hepatitis, what to do if we contract the disease, treatment process and safety measures to ward off mosquitoes. Rtns Dr Kiran Dabholkar, Dr Usha Desai and Club President Padma Kapoor spoke.



D 3142

RC Hiranandani Estate

A special lecture was delivered on the topic 'Female Hygiene' by Dr Supriya Chincholkar to students of Classes 7–10 at the Holy Trinity School. In all, 55 girl students attended the lecture. Club President Sandhya Shastri was accompanied by Rtn Irene Ganesh.



D 3182

RC Gonibeedu

A career guidance and orientation seminar was organised for Class 10 students. Assistant Professor Ketan Suresh gave a motivational lecture to students with useful tips on how to build a successful career.





D 3182

RC Murickassery

AG Yoons Sidhique inaugurated a medical camp in which around 400 patients were examined for various health issues. Thirty-one of them were selected for cataract surgery at the Little Flower Hospital in Angamali town.



D 3182

RC Shimoga Midtown

A sanitary pad incinerator was donated to the Government High School at Nidige village in Shimoga district with an aim to improve the attendance of girl students. Rotarians demonstrated how to make use of the electrical incinerator for the girls.



D 3190

RC Tirupati

A high-end digital mammography machine was handed over to Sri Venkateswara Institute of Medical Sciences by the then DG Suresh Hari. PDG Asha Prasanna Kumar was also present. This was a global grant project done with RC Princeton, US, RID 7510 and TRF's assistance.

D 3201

RC Palghat

An exhibition was held to mark Anns Day at the Government Myan Lower Primary School in Tharekkad. The proceeds from the event would go to Rotary Village, a tribal colony at Vadhyar Challa, Kanjikoe. District First Lady Sujata Madhav inaugurated the Anns Day event.



D 3212

RC Kadayanallur

A blood donation camp was organised at the Government Boys Higher Secondary School in the town. Twenty-five persons donated blood and the project enhanced the public image of Rotary in the neighbourhood.



D 3250

RC Biharsharif

More than 200 diabetic patients got their retina examined at a special diabetic retinopathy camp organised by the club. The medical reports of patients were given to them for follow-up treatment. Under its *Mission 1 Lakh* Project, the club has completed planting of one lakh saplings with the help of volunteers.





D 3250

RC Gaya City

Fifteen students from Spain and Malta on an educational and spiritual tour were taken by the club to see the Happy Nursery centre at the Bodh Gaya. Club President R K Dubey briefed them on the medicinal plants and herbs. Six plants were gifted to the visitors.



D 3261

RC Jabalpur

Makar Sankranti and Lohri were celebrated with 135 special children and teachers at the Justice Tankha Memorial Rotary Institute. The then Club President Rachana Trivedi and other Rotarians distributed food to children who enjoyed kite-flying. Special children in traditional attire staged cultural shows.



D 3261

RC Rourkela Midtown

A mini marathon was organised by the club to create pollution-free and accident-free neighbourhoods in Rourkela. They also stood for no-tobacco use in the city. More than 500 students took part in the event. An acupuncture therapy camp had good response from the public.

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Gift of Mobility for physically- challenged

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The Rotarians of RC Akola Midtown, RID 3030, recently organised a six-day artificial limb fitment camp in the city. It benefitted 120 physically-challenged people. A team of seven technicians worked on the beneficiaries to give them the right fit

and helped them practice walking with the artificial limbs. As people came from the suburbs of Akola, the club had made arrangements for ample supply of food and refreshments for them.

On an initiative to promote greening the earth, the club members planted 100 saplings at the

Rotarians with beneficiaries at the artificial limb fitment camp.



A RYLA session in progress.





The club members also promoted eco-friendly Ganesha idols for the Ganesh Chaturthi celebrations. They, along with their spouses, taught people in the community to make Ganesh idols without using paint and other artificial material that are harmful for the environment.

A three-day RYLA conducted by the club at a resort in Jalgaon had 80 participants from Akola and the surrounding regions. Past president of



Club members planting saplings at the PKV Stadium campus.



Eco-friendly Ganesh idols being made.

the club Nawal Jain was the RYLA Chairman. Rtn Laxmikant Maniyar of RC Jalgaon East was the chief guest and Suraj Choudhari of RC Jalgaon West was the RYLA convener.

Rotarians Rajendra Jaiswal and Ravi Kariya of RC Nagpur trained the participants in team building, leadership techniques and goal-setting. They were taken to Dlite Blocks, a cement factory in Bhusawal, at the end of the programme where they got a sneak peek into the manufacturing process.

The club, being one of the front runners of literacy in the region, distributed stationery material such as notebooks, pens and school bags for 100 underprivileged children studying in the CRB School in Paranda, a village near Akola. ■

Jammu Rotarians help Railway porters

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DG Sunil Nagpal with members of RC Jammu Midtown.

In a novel gesture, RC Jammu Midtown, RID 3070, reached out to porters at the Jammu Railway Station with an aim to lessen their daily struggles to eke out a decent living. “These porters work day and night lifting

and carrying luggage of passengers in the most humid temperature, thus inflicting pain to their body. Keeping in view their hardships, a project was conceived to give relief to them,” said Rakhi Singal, IPP of the club.

Around 45 porters were provided with footwear, towels and glucose at the Jammu Railway Station by Club President Meena Jamwal. She was accompanied by Secretary Agya Kour and other members. Rtns Chakshu Kapoor and Rohit Gupta took care of the arrangements.

Annapurna Day

District Governor Sunil Nagpal and District Events Secretary Kaustubh Goel visited the SOS Children’s Home at Channi Rama in Jammu and mingled with the inmates. “Our DG had a sumptuous lunch with the children and distributed juices to the widows,” said Singal. Rotarians led by Meena and Agya were present to make the occasion a memorable one for both the special children and the club members. ■

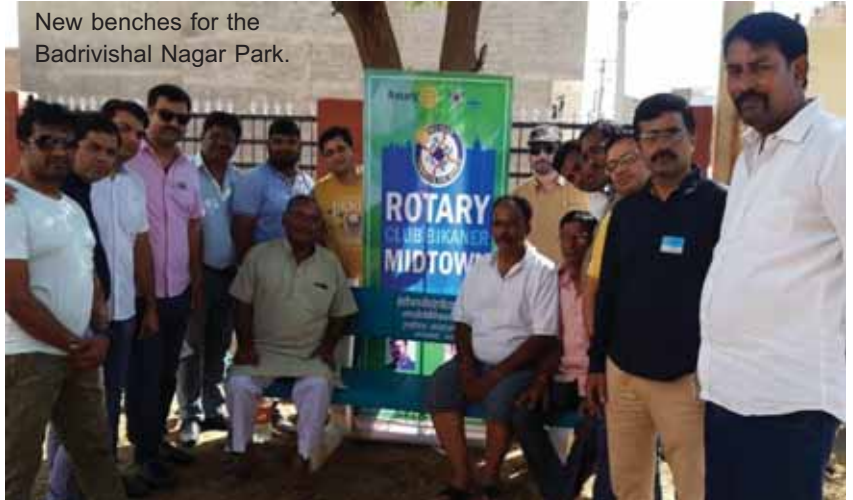


Club President Meena Jamwal (right) and its Secretary Agya Kour (second from right) giving dress material to porters.

When club members of the Rotary Club of Bikaner Midtown, RI District 3053, discovered that close to 200 families from underprivileged backgrounds go to bed hungry the club swung into action. and, with the help of Shri Krishna Food Institute, distributed 11 bags of wheat to those families. The club hopes to continue to run this project successfully and partner with local NGOs and individuals to build the initiative.

On the occasion of Independence Day, the club donated 20 fans to the Major Puran Singh Fort Higher Secondary School, Bikaner, to improve its infrastructure. The club has also

New benches for the Badrivishal Nagar Park.



Spreading Rotary



The Five One Side Football tournament finals.



Fans donated to the Major Puran Singh Fort School.

announced that it will construct a Jal Mandir — water purifying plant on the school campus to provide clean drinking water to the students.

In partnership with Rotaract Club of Bikaner Marudhara and Master Uday Football Club, the club organised the grand finale of the Five One Side football tournament. Over 20 teams from all over Bikaner participated in the week-long tournament.

At the Badrivishal Nagar Park the club set up six benches on the occasion of World Senior Citizen's Day. The inauguration ceremony was well attended by club members and spouses. The locals appreciated the effort of the Rotary club.■

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