

# Rotary Club of Belvedere Gardens Calcutta

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## A Report - "CLIMATE RESPONSIBLE INITIATIVE"

Presentation on "Climate Change Programme-Jadavpur University " Team headed by Prof. Joyashree Roy- Coordinator & Lead Author of the team headed by Dr. R. C. Pachouri which was awarded "Noble Peace Prize" in 1997 on "CLIMATE RESPONSIBLE INITIATIVE "

Current hot subject relating to Environmental Issues "CLIMATE RESPONSIBLE INITIATIVE ".

Programme held at "Silver Tulip Hall - Hotel Hindustan International" starting at 1130 Hrs. on Sunday, 15th Nov,09 and will be followed by Lunch hosted by RC Belvedere Gardens Calcutta.



## ATTENDANCE AND INVOLVEMENT

It is a known fact that attendance and involvement are the essence of the Rotary. But the truth is that Rotarians hardly lend a serious thought to both. Attendance can be classified as :

1. Physical presence in the home club.
2. Attendance made good through other local clubs and outstation clubs and reporting thereof.
3. Attending but not reporting.

Rotarians of the first category are sure to attend meetings but with a total lack of involvement. Further their attendance is restricted to fellowship and gossiping about their business and affairs elsewhere than talking about Rotary. This is a matter of great concern. It is important that we focus on Rotary at least during the time we assemble specifically to discuss its affairs, if not breathe Rotary 24 hours a day.

The second category of Rotarians making good their attendance at neighbourhood clubs and elsewhere are of two kinds: those who want to increase their percentage of attendance and those who visit other clubs simply to satisfy their curiosity. In neither of these cases is it noticed that Rotarians observe the conduct of the visited club, its projects, activities, problems, etc. and then come back and share their views with their club members. Only when such Rotarians share their views with their home club will it benefit all members and broaden their knowledge and vision.

The third category of Rotarians comprises those attending other clubs but not bothering to secure the attendance slip. Their attendance has neither purpose nor involvement.

Involvement may again be put into two categories as follows: personal conditions and monetary contributions.

Personal contributions are by way of personal involvement and being in the thick of action in every possible activity or project of one's club. In addition to paying the dues in time and attending the weekly meetings of the club regularly, if a Rotarian involves himself in the above manner, he has definitely served his obligations to Rotary. But we also observe that some Rotarians neither contribute personally by way of service nor monetarily by way of donations. We hardly see them in the weekly club meetings, perhaps due to their intense involvement in their chosen careers. Though their club dues are unfailingly paid in time, we fail to see them in the meeting for months together. Such members can compensate their absence by way of donating liberally to the various funds of Rotary and increase the number of PHFs and MPHFs in their respective clubs, because they can afford to do so.

Monetary strength and manpower are

## ROTARY IS A FRUIT OF LOVE

Rotary is an International humanitarian service organization. The Men and Women of Rotary are business and professional leaders who volunteer their and resources to help others in their local communities and throughout the World.

Rotary clubs carry out a variety of service projects that address critical issues including poverty, hunger, illiteracy, substance abuse, and pollution.

Service to youth, especially children at risk, is a major emphasis. Working with tomorrow's leaders, Rotary sponsors service clubs for youth and young adults and offers career development and mentoring programs.

Where need exists, Rotary works to find solutions. Non-political and non-governmental, Rotary clubs are autonomous and create innovative solutions to meet community needs.

Rotary members improve the quality of life through routine child immunization projects, medical and dental clinics and the construction of safe water and sanitation systems. Clubs also work for peaceful communities by organising violence-prevention projects.

Rotarians attack the problem of illiteracy through programs that strengthen primary, vocational and adult education and teacher training.

Rotary promotes cultural understanding and brings people together, even when they live worlds apart. Rotary's exchange programs foster the free flow of ideas and opportunities across national borders.

Through Rotary, youth scholars, and professionals experience the culture and people of another land — and return home to share their new understanding with others. — Some 7,000 secondary - school students participate annually in short-or-Long-term Rotary Youth Exchanges.

The Rotary Foundation's Ambassadorial Scholarships program is the world's largest privately funded international scholarships programme,. More than 30,000 students from 100 countries have studied abroad as Rotary Scholars.

Rotary members dedicated their time, skills, expertise and myriad other resources toward improving the human condition.

Club members support international projects through the programmes of The Rotary Foundation. The foundation was created in 1917 for the purpose of doing good in the world, and is supported almost entirely by member conditions.

Organised by Rotary Clubs in at least two countries, rotary foundation humanitarian grants support projects that provide health care and supplies, clean water, food, job training, and education — particularly in the develop in world. ‘

Rotary members also contribute their technical expertise and compassion. Each year more than 200 grants fund Rotary volunteers in 50 countries.

integral parts of Rotary. Rotary simply cannot survive without the aid of either. Let those who have, donate liberally. Let the havenots donate their labour and involvement.

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