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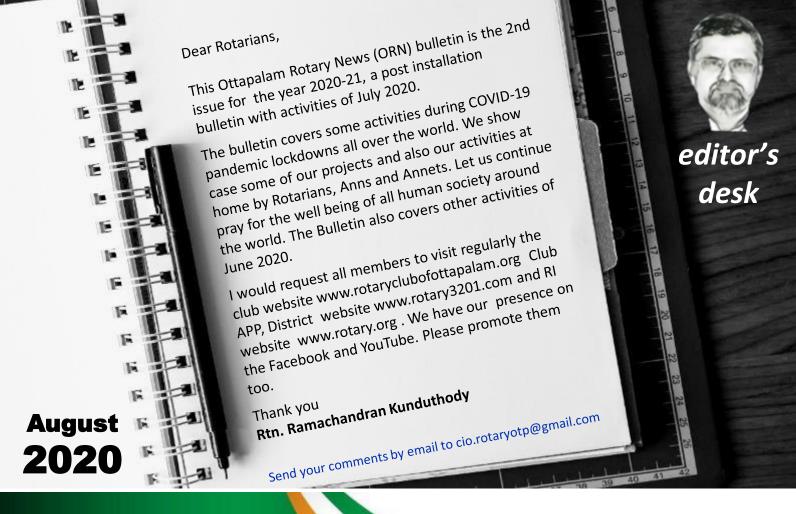




Club of Ottapalam District 3201 Club 22653









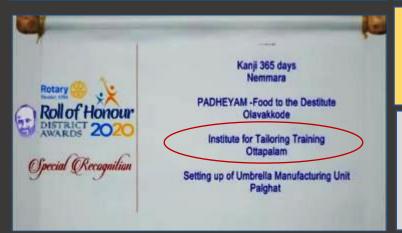












**2019-20 ROTARY CITATION** With PLATINUM DISTINCTION

2019-20 Avenue of Service **Recognition - Community Service** Rtn. Dr. M Narayanan

2019-20 SIGNIFICANT SERVICE RECOGNITION - CLUB

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# Message from President

Rtn. K. Pramodkumai



Dear Rotarians Ann's and Annets

The Rotary year 2020 2021 started with a great positive note. Well begin is half done. Starting from 1st July 2020 the year started with a BIG YES Youth Environment Shelter being the district priority was given due consideration and projects were carried out with the great support of all Rotarians and well wishers. .

The YES project was started with Tree plantations at our Rotary Garden and fellow Rotarians Rotaractors, Ann's and Annets supported it from homes, Pedal to school projects and enabling online education in Attappady and other regions caught the attention of the general public and even the Press lauded our performances. The support of our fellow Rotarians in contributing their time and also financial support by Rotarians and well wishers from outside needs a special mention and a word of thanks  $\bigcirc$  to them also. The projects were received well in the Attapadi Region which was studied by a expert committee and Smart TV sets Stabilizers and Dish Antenna mobile phones were given to the most deserving students in the tribal region.

I am proud that Rotary Club of Ottapalam could do some worthy projects in that area. More such projects are required there for which we can approach the local bodies and apply for some Global Grants. I solicit your support and cooperation. Our Thrust is aimed at Youth and Community service and Education which we are going on doing. Mask, Sanitizers and washing stations were giving to many places, Snehasparsham Palliative project is going on.

Doctors day was celebrated by honouring senior Doctor and Rotarians.

A resourceful webinar on Living with COVID 19 by our own Rotarian Doctors were conducted on 2<sup>nd</sup> Aug 2020 in which DG Rtn Jose Chacko and other Rotary District leaders participated.. A Big thankyou to the Rotarians of our club for their continued support guidance tactical help in this COVID 19 extraordinary situation for our projects and live platform projects.

Further, Rotaract new office bearers of Rotaract Club of Nehru Academy of Law was conducted with the active participation of the District Rotaract officials and Rotarians.

We have done all these projects in the tough COVID 19 situation is a matter of great pride.

I wish to congratulate you all and appeal for your support ahead. I request you all to respect the Reverse Lock Down COVID 19 process and remain safe and healthy. I thank and one and all for the wonderful support and cooperation.

Jai Rotary!

Jai Hind!

**Affectionately Yours** 

#### Rtn. Pramod Kumar

President | Rotary Club of Ottapalam.



## **Activities Summary - Secretarty**

Rtn. M. Srinivasan

Dear Fellow Rotarians and family members 🕰 🙏

I am so happy to note down that we are coming up with yet another Club Bulletin. Our club bulletin with its vibrant contents was awarded the best in the Rotary District 3201 and this has been due to the continuous and passionate effort by our Respected Past President Rtn. Ramachandran and others who made it happen. The resourceful and colourful Bulletin highlights the importance and relevance of our Club Projects and Rotary International in general. The message of Friendship and fellowship is the warmth of our club and guidance being given by all is our added strength.

The Rotary Year 2019-2020 was highly successful and as a continuation this year 2020-21, We conducted the following small but meaningful projects .

#### **Environment:**

- YES Inauguration by planting trees in Rotary Garden and houses of Rotarians
- Planting trees by Rotaractors on 27.07.2020

#### Youth:

- Pedal to School at NSSKPT High School Ottapalam
- Doctor's Day celebrated Vocational service Project on 1st July 2020
- Rotary club of Ottapalam and Nehru Group of Institutions conducted a webinar where Rotary Annette Rahul Ramachandran from Switzerland and imparted online Faculty Development program in association with Nehru Group of Institutions
- Enabling Online Education at Pallipuram, Pattambi.
- Mobile Phones, TV sets, Stabilizers and Dish Antenna at Attapadi / Agali 6 tribal villages.

#### **Community Service:**

- Hand Sanitizer pedal operated, Washing station, Masks to various Government and non Government institutions.
- Induction cooker to Appapadi Check-post
- Snehasparshsm weekly conducted 15 palliative support.

#### Club administration:

- One Board meeting; Five club meetings; Rise Plus Membership Seminar on 19th July 2020: All using Zoom Platform
- COTS on 27th July 2020 via zoom

#### **Public Image:**

 Newspaper and local TV published the News item of distributing TV stabilizers and Dish TV to six Attappadi / Agali region.

A highlight of this month was we could bring smiles to students who were denied access to education and our small token of love in the form of TV Books mobiles and other gifts brought back smile on their faces and lit up their homes brightly. Small gesture made a huge impact and difference I personally believe. Manava Seva is Madhava Seva. Coming together for this is a blessing. I feel COVID 19 opened up new opportunities to our club. The continued support to our pursuits on small but meaningful projects by fellow Rotarians and well wishers is the only strength.

Be safe and break the chain to make a change in this period of time.

Jai Hind.

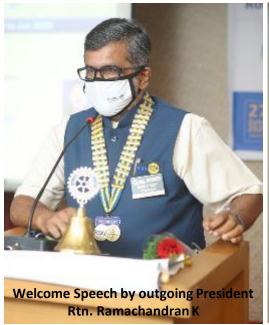
Yours in Rotary

Rtn.Srinivas.M.Nair

Secretary | Rotary Club of Ottapalam



# **Activities – Installation 27-June-2020**













Sequence of events on the installation day

# Activities - Installation 27-June-2020









Chief Guest of the day was Shri. Murali Madhavan P, Executive Director, BPCL, Kochi Refinery, Kerala



Rtn. MPHF Pramodkumar K and his team 2020-21







# Activities – Covid-19



OttapalamTaluk office and sub collector of sanitizor Dispenser distribution president pramod kumar and Rtn Pradeep With Biju S Tahsildar, Abdhul Majeed CM Additional Tahsildar, Gopal G HQDT





RCO Cloth bags Masks to Defence Canteen







# Activities – Covid-19











## Activities — Youth 1st July 2020











Five Bi-cycles distributed to students of **NSS KPT High** School Ottapalam. (Left 4 photos)

## സ്ഥാനാരോഹണം ചെയ്തു





കെ. പ്രമോദ് കുമാർ (പ്രസിഡന്റ്), എം. ശ്രീനിവാ സൻ(സെക്രട്ടറി)

ഒറ്റപ്പാലം: റോട്ടറി ക്ലബ്ബിന്റെ 2020-21 വർഷത്തെ ഭാരവാ ഹികളായി കെ. പ്രമോദ് കു മാർ (പ്രസിഡന്റ്), എം. ശ്രീനി വാസൻ(സെക്രട്ടറി) എന്നിവർ സ്ഥാനാരോഹണം ചെയ്തു.

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# Activities – Youth 17th July 2020

#### 5 Smart TVs given to children at Attapadi















# Activities – Environment 1st July 2020





Plant-A-Tree at Rotary Garden
President & 1st Lady









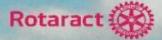


## Activities - Environment Rotaract club of NAL



Rotary







## ROTARACT CLUB OF NEHRU ACADEMY OF LAW

**FAMILY OF** 

**ROTARY CLUB OF OTTAPALAM** 

CLUB ID: 217622 | GROUP 1 | RID 3201

"Our task must be to free ourselves by widening our circle of compassion to embrace all living creatures and the whole of nature and its beauty."

— Albert Einstein

WORLD
ENVIRONMENT
CONSERVATION
DAY
JULY 28

#ASaplingPerRotractor

President Rtr. Malavika Vijayaram Secretary Rtr. Aaditya Nandan

Instagram @racnehruacademyoflaw3201

## Activities — Environment Rotaract club of NAL

Members of Rotaract club of Nehru Academy of Law has taken up Tree Planting challenges promoted by their sponsor Rotary club of Ottanalam, as part of the Environment District Priority.



club of Ottapalam, as part of the Environment District Priority. Many students have come forward to plant Trees when they join the institute and look after the tree until they become an alumni. The proof of plant being looked after well by each student will be rewarded with appreciation letter. (Rotaractors in action ... below)

















# Activities – Public Image



ഒറ്റപ്പാലം റോട്ടറി ക്ലബിന്റെ നേതൃത്വത്തിൽ അട്ടപ്പാടി ഊരുകളിൽ ടിവി നൽകിയപ്പോൾ

# അട്ടപ്പാടിയിൽ സഹായവുമായി ഒറ്റഷാലം റോട്ടറി ക്ലബ്

പാലക്കാട്: അട്ടപ്പാടിയിൽ ഓൺലൈൻ വിദ്യാഭ്യാസത്തിന് സഹായ ഹസ്തവുമായി ഒറ്റപ്പാലം റോട്ടറി ക്ലബ്.

മാവുംകുണ്ട്, ഗുഡ്ഢായൂർ, കാക്കുപ്പടി, കുന്നൻചാള, നാക്കുപ്പതി എന്നീ അഞ്ച് ഊരുകളിൽ ഓൺലൈൻ വിദ്യാഭ്യാസ പരിപാടി കൾക്ക് അവസരമൊരുക്കുന്നതിനായി സ്മാർട്ട് ടിവി, ഡിഷ് ടി വി അനുബന്ധ ഉപകരണങ്ങൾ എന്നിവ വിതരണം ചെയ്തു. അഗ ളി പോലീസ് ഔട്ട് പോസ്റ്റിന് ഇൻഡക്ഷൻ കുക്കറും വിതരണം ചെയ്തു. പ്രസിഡന്റ് പ്രമോദ്കുമാർ, സെക്രട്ടറി ശ്രീനിവാസൻ, ചഗ ജയദേവൻ, വിജയകുമാർ കോണിക്കൽ, പ്രദീപ് പാറക്കോ ട്ടിൽ എന്നിവർ നേതൃത്വം നൽകി.



# റോട്ടറി ക്ലബ്ബ് ഭാരവാഹികൾ





പ്രമോദ് കുമാർ, എം. ശ്രീനിവാസ് ഒറ്റപ്പാലം ▶ റോട്ടറിക്ലബ്ബിൻെറ 2020-'21വർഷത്തേക്കുള്ള ഭാര വാഹികളുടെ സ്ഥാനാരോഹണം ഓൺലൈനായി ശനിയാഴ്ച നട ക്കും. പ്രസിഡൻറായി കെ. പ്രമോ ദ് കുമാറും സെക്രട്ടറിയായി എം. ശ്രീനിവാസും ചുമതലയേൽക്കും. കൊച്ചി റിഫൈനറീസ് ബി.പി.സി .എൽ. എക്ലിക്യുട്ടീവ് ഡയറക്ടർ മു രളീമാധവൻ മുഖ്യാതിഥിയാകും.

# ഒറ്റപ്പാലം റോട്ടറി ക്ലബ് സ്ഥാനാരോഹണം ഇന്ന്

**ഒറ്റപ്പാലം: റോട്ടറി ക്ലബിന്റെ** 2020-21 വർഷത്തേയ്ക്കുള്ള ഭാരവാ ഹികളായി കെ.പ്രമോദ് കുമാ റും (പ്രസിഡന്റ്), എം.ശ്രീനിവാ സും (സെക്രട്ടറി) ഇന്ന് ചുമ്ത ലയേല്ക്കും. കോവിഡ് പശ്ചാ ത്തലത്തിൽ ഓൺലൈൻ ചട ങ്ങിലാണ് സ്ഥാനാരോഹണം.

കൊച്ചി റിഫൈനറീസ്, ബി പിസിഎൽ എക്സിക്യൂട്ടിവ് ഡ യറകൂർ മുരളിമാധവൻ ചടങ്ങി ൽമുഖ്യാതിഥിയായി കൊച്ചിയി ൽനിന്നും പടെടുക്കും.

അട്ടപ്പാടി ആദിവാസി കുടും ബങ്ങളിലെ വിദ്യാർത്ഥികൾക്ക് പഠനാവശൃത്തിനുള്ള ടിവി സെറ്റുകൾ, സൈക്കിൾ എന്നി വ വിതരണം ചെയ്താണ് ജൂ ലൈ ഒന്നിന് പുതിയവർഷം തു ടങ്ങുന്നത്.

ഡിസ്ട്രിക്ട് ഗവർണർ മുൻഗ ണന നല്കിയിട്ടുള്ള, യുവജന ക്ഷേമം, പരിസ്ഥിതി സംരക്ഷ ണം, ഭവനനിർമാണം (യെസ്) എന്നീ മേഖലകളിലാണ് ഈവ ർഷം ശ്രദ്ധപതിപ്പിക്കുകയെന്ന് ഭാരവാഹികൾ അറിയിച്ചു.

പ്രസിഡന്റ് രാമചന്ദ്രൻ, സെ ക്രട്ടറി കേശവദാസ് എന്നിവരു ടെ നേത്യത്വത്തിൽ പോയവർ





രെ.(പ്രമോദ് കുമാറും (പ്രസിഡന്റ്), എം.പ്രദ്ധിവാസും (സെക്രട്ടറി)

ഷം ക്ലബ് മികച്ച പ്രവർത്തനം കാഴ്ച്ചവച്ചതായി പുതിയ ഭാര വാഹികൾ അറിയിച്ചു.

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With Nanjiamma of Attappadi. Above with Rotarians.

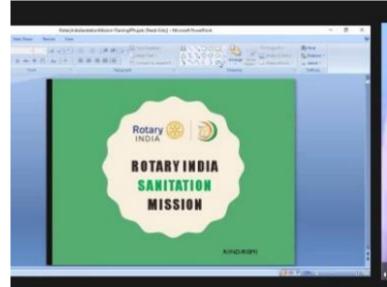
Left with Annet Sankeerthana Pradeep.

Below President goes for a Driving refresher for our Honourary member Rtn. MSU Menon













### **Board meeting on 11-Jul-2020**



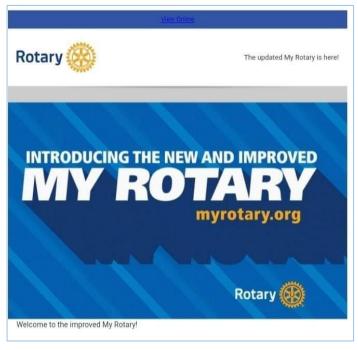








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## **Activities – Congratulations**

President joins other members to congratulate our Annets who have come out in flying colours in the recent examinations!

Wish you all the best in future!





# Congratulations on your success





GG beneficiary Ms.Nowshija honoured for securing all A+ in SSLC

### ORN Past Memoirs from Archives

We will attempt a revisit to the past with old photos and other information form members who keeps such treasures.

Courtesy Rtn. K. Raaj Mohan



The President and members of

### THE ROTARY CLUB OF OTTAPALAM

request the pleasure of your company

on the occasion of the

Official visit of

Rtn. Bist. Gov. A. K. Azad (Diet. 320)

at 7-00 p.m. on Friday the 17th October, 1986

at Hotel Aramana, Near Rly Station.

Rtn. Capt. P. S. RAJAN, President,

Rtn. K. S. MADHAVAN, Secretary.

Roterians are requested to bring their Annes and Annettes

#### PROGRAMME

1900 Hrs. Meeting called to order

Invocation - Prayer by Rotary Annettes

Welcome - by President - Capt. P. S. Rajan

Secretary's report

Introduction of Governor by GGR. PP. Rtn. Sreenivasalu

Address by Governor

Vote of thanks: President Elect, Rtn. Major. M. V. Menon (Rtd.)

Dinner.

# Happy Armiversary!



Rtn. Dr. Vinod & Rtne. Dr. Soni (3-Jul)



Rtn. Satheesh Kumar Nair & Rtne. Preetha Unni (20-Aug)



Rtn. Dr. K.V. Ramachandran & Rtne. Dr. Sarala (22-Aug)



Rtn. Sivakumar & Rtne. Prema (28-Aug)



Rtn. Unnikrishnan Menon M.S. & Rtne. Sarada (28-Aug)

# Happy Atminersary!



Rtn. Radhakrishnan K. & Rtne. Lathika (29-Aug)



Rtn. Dr Sreeraj Chinnan & Rtne. Lasitha (30-Aug)



Rtn. Ramachandran K & Rtne. Jayanthi Ramachandran (31-Aug)



Rtn. Mohandasanunni & Rtne. Anandavally (31-Aug)

# News from Around the world

RI succeeding in getting more women leaders:

# Holger Knaack

#### Rasheeda Bhagat

is first priority during his year as RI President will be "to grow Rotary at all levels. Membership is our first internal priority, while polio is our external priority," RI President Holger Knaack said, addressing a virtual meet of PETS, RI District 3201. His other top priorities would be getting more young professionals and women who occupy leadership positions into Rotary.

In a conversation with PDG Sunil Zachariah, and answering a question on what Rotary was doing to promote more women in leadership positions, he said: "We are doing what we can do, that

means we can promote them, inspire them and ask clubs and districts to look for women in more leadership positions. But we can't control that. What we can control are our regional leaders, coordinators, and training leaders. So whatever RI can do, we are doing."

And there was evidence that sometimes it worked. "A few years ago there were no women members on the RI Board. But on my board, next year, there will be six women and on Shekhar Mehta's board, there will be eight women. So we are making progress."

When asked to clarify the new Rotary mantra that there is "no wrong age to join Rotary", and its contradiction with the search for younger members, Knaack said, "Yes, we are looking for young professionals, specially in areas like Europe, where the average age of Rotarians is increasing year by year, as also in the US and South America. This is necessary to ensure that Rotary remains relevant. But that doesn't mean we are not looking for other members."

Elaborating, he said that in the US and "my own country, there are so many early retirees; people who are looking for an opportunity for service, for networking and they have the time and the passion... so we are looking for those people too. Because they can contribute so much to our organisation."





#### 100 glorious years: RC Calcutta

#### Apr 2020 Rasheeda Bhagat

It has a lineage, pedigree and a hoary past that will not be easy to match by any Rotary club in the world. Did you know that the Rotary Club of Calcutta, RID 3291, which completes 100 years this year, played a role in getting the Howrah Bridge over the River Hooghly constructed? Not only that, for long after this, one of its club members was on the government committee formed for the upkeep of the bridge.

The club had the honour of being addressed by none less than Mahatma Gandhi, and though memories are hazy about what exactly he said, there is one comment that is quoted over and over again. Apparently all the bada sahibs of Calcutta, who were the members of this prestigious club, agreed to their luncheon meeting being an entirely vegetarian one, in honour of the vegetarian Gandhi. And the Mahatma said (undoubtedly with that famous twinkle in his eye), "I notice today the Rotarians are eating a Bengali widow's luncheon!"

Also, as past president Ritwik Gupta told Rotary News, a million dollars were donated through two \$500,000 cheques, to the Missionaries of Charity, even after Mother Teresa's death by an "American woman, who I think was the wife of a Rotarian. She gave the cheques for two successive years and insisted that RC Calcutta hand it over to the charity. Later, Sister Nirmala, who headed this charity, said that we are getting enough donations from other sources too, so please ask this lady to give the money to other charities too."

"The biggest challenge is getting the Rotarians to participate. He has got members alright but not all of them have the kind of passion that is necessary." That passion, says Rohatgi, does not come during the first one or two years of membership of any NGO. "Only when you have been there as a good member for three years, and get involved, you will never leave Rotary!"



RC Calcutta President Purnendhu Roy Chowdhury (far left) and Centennial Committee Chairman Saumen Ray (R) with tribal children of Santhali in Purulia. A boarding school is being built here by the club to accommodate 400 young students.



RID Bharat Pandya and Madhavi at the club's charter day celebrations on Jan 1, 2020.

Over 100 years, generations of Rotarians in RC Calcutta have touched and changed forever lakhs and lakhs of lives. What is heartening is that the present continues to be great too. Amit Ghosh tells me about the great work done by one of their RCCs, which has left an indelible impression on his mind.

https://rotarynewsonline.org/100-glorious-years-rc-calcutta/



# News from Around the world

JULY 14 2020 - 6:30PM

#### Stawell Rotary Club elects Taia Hayter as youngest president in history



Taking the reigns in 2020-21, the 18-year-old has her sights set on making a change in the community. "I replaced my Dad as the outgoing president and we modeled the idea after other clubs," she said. "We have a three-year plan to help build the club. We want the club to have more members, more funds, more events to work with. "At the moment our club is very limited because we have so few members.

https://www.stawelltimes.com.au/story/6833482/stawell-rotaryclub-elects-youngest-president-inhistory/?cs=1032&fbclid=lwAR1Ysl6f1GUWQSQtMB-VmyOErun5LiwNSyCl4zrOAo0q4SBu0N0 ER1P0l8

#### May 2020 Rasheeda Bhagat

#### A single Rotary club mobilises Rs.11 crore to feed Mumbai's hungry

It had to be in Mumbai... if not in the financial capital of India, where else can you raise ₹5.5 crore in 15 days to respond to the unprecedented COVID-19 calamity which left lakhs of migrant labourers, daily wage workers and other marginalised sections totally helpless when the country locked down on March 24 to check the spread of corona infection. And this was raised by one single Rotary club — RC Mumbai Queen's Necklace — which rather befitting its name, now has a woman president in Sonal Jhaveri. The club members decided to initiate the project 'Feed all in need'; past president and project chief Sanjiv Mehta explains that at first and on April 1 itself, the club made a humble beginning by distributing 1,000 food packets. But they soon realised that this would only be a drop in the ocean as the need on the ground was colossal. They quickly ramped up the number from 1,000 daily meals to an astonishing 100,000 meals and then increased it some more — to 1.5 lakh, and finally 1.6 lakh meals a day!

Reliance Retail, through the Reliance Foundation gave us groceries worth ₹2 crore, TajSATS flight kitchen, Popular, Blue Sea, Thackers and FoodLink Kitchens gave further capacity to cook fresh, hot meals.



As the Rotarians point out, they were able to raise the hefty amount of nearly ₹6 crore by dipping into their own savings, and persuading family, friends and their business contacts to donate, and Reliance Foundation to give them groceries worth ₹2 crore. By the first week of May, the club had mobilised a total of ₹11 crore. But resources are not infinite; the club members' own businesses are shut and the sympathy and support pouring out from civil society might take a dip.

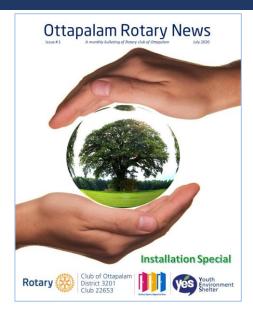
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## Greetings



# Happy Onam to all Rotarians and their families STAY HOME – STAY SAFE

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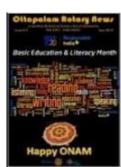




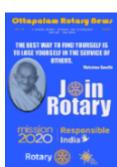


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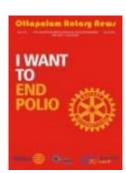
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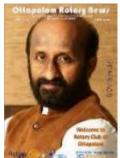










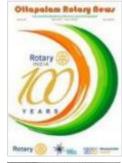












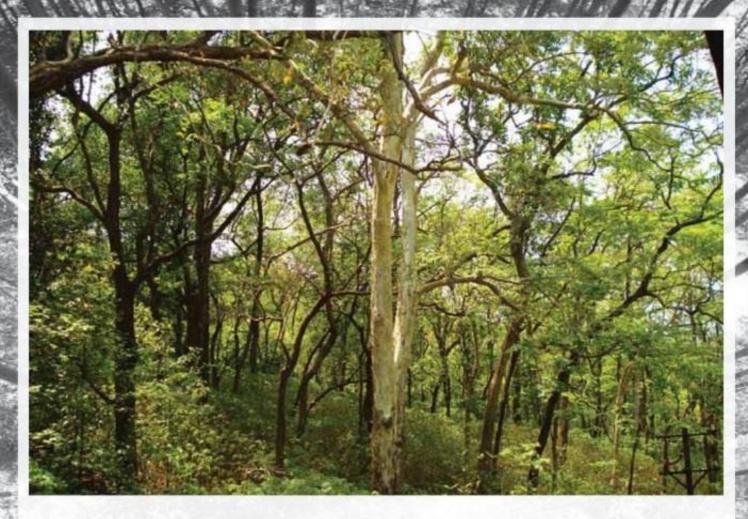












# New Area of Focus: Supporting the environment

he Rotary Foundation Trustees and RI Board of Directors have unanimously approved adding a new area of focus: supporting the environment.

More than \$18 million in Foundation global grant funding has been allocated to environment-related projects over the past five years. Creating a distinct area of focus to support the environment will give Rotary members even more ways to bring about positive change in the world and increase our impact.

Supporting the environment becomes

Rotary's seventh area of focus, which are categories of service activities supported by global grants. It joins peace-building and conflict prevention; disease

Grant applications for environment-related projects will be accepted from July 1, 2021.

prevention and treatment; water, sanitation and hygiene; maternal and child health; basic education and literacy; and community economic development.

Grant applications for projects will be accepted from July 1, 2021. Gifts and commitments from Rotarians and others will be sought to provide global grant support for the new area of focus.

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