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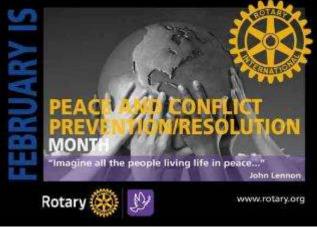
Dear fellow Rotarians,

Here is our 7th issue of the ORN bulletin with activities round-up of December 2018 and other relevant information.

We have sailed thru the 1st half our Rotary year 2018-19 successfully so far doing good things in and around our region. Global Grant Project inauguration was a major milestone of last month. Let me take this opportunity to wish you all a very HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Send your comments and suggestions by email to <a href="mailto:cio.rotaryotp@gmail.com">cio.rotaryotp@gmail.com</a>





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Happy New Year!





# I haven't done anything great: Rtn. Ravi Shankar

At the Chennai Institute, RC Bangalore Orchards President, D Ravi Shankar, who recently donated Rs.100 crore to The Rotary Foundation, was the cynosure of all eyes. As most of the RI officers congratulated him and made a beeline to pose with him for pictures, Ravi Shankar brushed off the accolades and insisted he was no hero. What struck me the most was that during a nearly an hour-long chat, he mentioned the figure of **Rs.100 crore** only once, and that too in passing. In a chat with D 3190 DG Suresh Hari and Anita, Ravi Shankar and Paola regaled the audience with their answers. *Excerpts*:



RC Bangalore Orchards President D Ravi Shankar with wife Paola and PRIP K R Ravindran at the Institute. Also seen: PRID Shekhar Mehta, RIDE Kamal Sanghvi and Sonal.

(A report from Rotary News December 2018)





### President's message

Rtn PHF Adv. P. Pradeep



Wish you all a glorious year ahead with full of joy and prosperity, friendship and peace, success and accolades, good health and love in the lives of each one of us. A very happy and wonderful NEW YEAR.

The year 2018 that just passed by was a devastating one in the form of never- before floods that hit our state. We learnt many a lessons, as to how to love and share, how your priceless belongings could turn worthless in a split moment, and how useless it could be the heaps of currency acquired by you in front of a deluge! The floods made us good human beings. And we are on our way of re construction. As Rotarians, we took part actively in rescue operations the best way possible. Rotary gathered huge stock of materials worth many crores of rupees and distributed among those who were in dire need. We shall indeed overcome.

The month of December was too full of activities for our club. Starting with massive programs in connection with AIDS awareness, joining hands with PK Das Hospital, we could do a series of meaningful projects in December.

Inauguration of our Global Grant project in a most magnificent function attended by IPDG and other District leaders was a memorable event.





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The beneficiaries of each individual projects were all in appreciation of Rotary's thoughtful project. Thanks to the uncompromised efforts of Rtn Ambalakkat Ram Mohan.

in addition to the usual projects like medical camps, million meal program at different centers, financial support to poor patients, educational programs in schools, the installation of Interact Club, inter district club visit, and the District Seminar on District Priorities and Public Image were the important activities of the month.

A team of 26 Rotary family members led by Past President Rtn Col KCK Nair are packing up for an eight day long Gujarat tour in early January.

About to cross the half way mark of Presidential tenure, I feel proud to have taken up the task. I am fully confident of making the second half more eventful.

I am sure the readers have been amused by the rich contents of our regular e bulletin, Ottapalam Rotary News. The editor Rtn Ramachandran deserves loud applause for the splendid work being done month after month.

Thank you

Yours in Rotary

Rtn Adv Pradeep P





### **Know your Rotary**

Rtn. V.A. Balu



#### Increase our impact

For a century and more, Rotary through its members has been doing a number of service projects for changing the world.. The resources in terms of , time, energy, manpower and finances are contributed by Rotarians throughout the world in a broad range of service activities. The quantification of the work done need to take place and the results there on need to be assessed to more precision. This kind of appraisals will not only attract more members, partners and donor but also we will be able to focus more on our programs to produce evidence of lasting impact

- Our objectives to take up service projects are to:
- Eradicate polio and leverage the legacy
- Focus our programs and offerings
- Improve our ability to achieve and measure impact

#### **Expand our reach**

Any individual is incapable of making apparent changes unless he is connected with others to strengthen the activities. Rotary help people to connect with others to do good for the community. More opportunities are created so that people and organisations get involved It is through Clubs only Rotary is able to connect with people globally. Extending our global reach is a prime objective and we welcome more members by expanding our structure with innovative models. The more people unite the more they take action to change the world.

Objectives for expanding our reach:

- Grow and diversity our membership and participation
- Create new channels into Rotary
- Increase Rotary's openness and appeal
- Build awareness of our impact and brand





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#### **Enhance participant engagement**

It is equally important like expanding our reach, to engage members more in meaningful activities. This will enhance retention of membership The new era is of faster life and it poises challenges to Rotary as the new members find it difficult to balance their vocation with the service activities through Rotary. .By supporting clubs to deliver an experience of engaging members and recognizing challenges, we should be able to retain more of our members. As a result, we ensure Rotarians and other participants stay together to serve, to connect with one another and thus to enjoy Rotary.

- Objectives of Engaging More:
- Support clubs to better engage their members
- Develop a participant-centered approach to deliver value
- Offer new opportunities for personal and professional connection
- Provide leadership development and skills training

#### Increase our ability to adapt

To achieve our vision of "Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.". a culture and structure must evolve. Our duty is distinct to ensure that our structures are efficient, effective and flexible in delivering services to the communities.

- Objectives of increasing our adaptability
- Build a culture of research, innovation, and willingness to take risks
- Streamline governance, structure and processes
- Review governance to foster more diverse perspectives in decisionmaking

In the coming year, we will craft strategies and tactics for achieving these new priorities and objectives.





### Secretary's Report

Rtn Lt Col Venugopalan K

#### **Activities completed during December 2018**

- 1. On 1st December, conducted World's Aids Awareness Rally along with PK Das hospital -cost 10000.
- 2. On 3rd December, inaugurated a Global Grant project with 23 three-wheeler scooters, 6 automatic sewing machines, 1 chin-operated wheel chair total cost Rs. 24 lakhs.
- On 4th December, conducted the installation ceremony of president and office bearers of interact club AVMHS Chunangad.
- 4. Interact club, Chunangad formed a garden at their school.
- 5. On 5th December, conducted a paper-pen training at Kendriya Vidyalayam Hemambika, Palakkad.
- On 8th December, attended the Regional cultural sports and fellowship meet at perinthalmanna with the District Governor 3202.
- 7. On 13th December, Financial assistance of Rs. 5000 was given to a cancer patient.
- 8. Provided lunch for 120 inmates of Poly garden
- Attended GOV at Vadakkanchery Malabar. 5 Rotarians attended.
- 10. Conducted a speaker meeting on the subject 80/20 principle
- 11. On 15th December, 10 Rotarians attended a District seminar on district priorities and public image.
- 12. On 18th December, attended GOV at Pattambi.
- 13. Provided meals to Asrayam Vridhasadanam, Varode.
- 14. X-Mas and New year celebrated on 30th Dec at CRR Hall









#### GLOBAL GRANT # 1861779 INAUGURATION

President and members of

#### Rotary club of Ottapalam

cordially invites you for the inauguration of our First

Global Grant Project # 1861779

for the benefit of Paraplegic and Quadriplegic persons

on Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2018 at 10<sup>20</sup> am

at Pisharody's Auditorium, Kanniampun, Ottapalam.

Rtn. IPDG Rtn Vinod K Kutty (Immediate past District Governor, Rotary District 3201) has kindly consensed to be the chief guest. Sri. Ajay Balachandran (a C. Dadriplo Lic and Ceneficiary) will be inaugurating the project in the presence of

DRFC Rtn. Jayas Bankar, Ad Rtn Geetha Abraham & other Rotary leaders and representatives of Rotary club of Del Mar-Solana Beach USA (our sponsor club), Ottapalam Welfare Trust (OWT) and Handicrops.

Rtn. Adv. P Pradeep President Rtn. Col Venugopalan Secretary

Rtn. A Ram Mohan Project Chair



International Day of People with Disability 3 December



Doing good in the world







IPDG Rtn. Vinod K Kutty official handing over the electrical Chin operated wheel chair to one of the main beneficiaries Mr. Ajay Balachandran on the day(above). Beneficiaries and officials(below)

























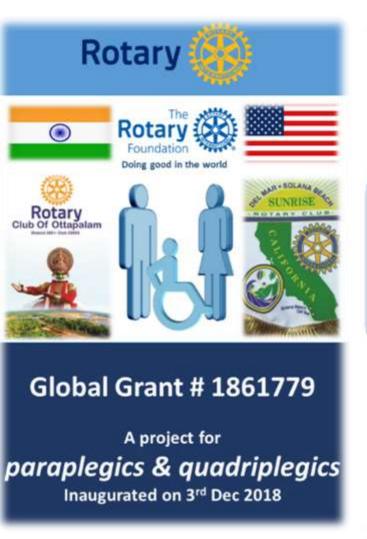






IPDG Rtn. Vinod K Kutty honouring Rtn. Ambalakkat Ram Mohan, Project Coordinator, for successfully completing the Global Grant Project on schedule.(above). Scooters handing over by IPDG (below)







A Special Bulletin was released during the inauguration day(above left)
ORN Dec 2018 was dedicated to the Global Grant Project(Above right)

Click on them to view the full digital version.







ലോക എയ്ഡ്സ് ദിനാചരണത്തോടനുബന്ധിച്ചു വാണിയംകു ളം പി.കെ.ദാസ് ഇൻസ്റ്റിറ്റ്യൂട്ട് ഓഫ് മെഡിക്കൽ സയൻസസും റോട്ടറി ക്ലബും നടത്തിയ സന്ദേശ റാലി











Food were served for inmates of Poly garden, Lakkidi(above) and Asrayam Vridhasadanan





#### Paper Pen making training workshop









**Club services and Exchange meetings** 









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Speaker session by Rtn. Ramachandran on 80/20 principle





**New club Formation at Guruvayur** 



















X-Mas & New Year celebrations 30-Dec-2018













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A Financial assistance to a cancer patient for her treatment (above) Financial assistance to NSS Camp at District Hospital Palakkad (below)







# Congratulations!



Annet Shalini Madhusudhan & Hari got married on 8<sup>th</sup> Dec 2018. Many Rotarians attended the function with their families including several District officials.





# Happy Anniversary!



Rtn. Narendra Menon P.T. & Rtne. Sukumari Menon (2-Jan)



Rtn. Chitresh Nair & Rtne. Preethy (10-Jan)



Rtn. Vikas Rajagopalan Nair & Rtne. Lalitha Vikas (11-Jan)



Rtn. Jayachandran P & Rtne. Simi (12-Jan)



Rtn. Jayan B Nayar & Rtne. Preethi Nayar(22-Jan)



Rtn. Arun S.Menon.Dr & Rtne. Dr.Devika.K (28-Jan)





#### **BE INSPIRED**

Once, there was an older man, who was broke, living in a tiny house and owned a beat up car. He was living off of \$99 social security checks. At 65 years of age, he decide things had to change. So he thought about what he had to offer. His friends raved about his chicken recipe. He decided that this was his best shot at making a change.

He left Kentucky and traveled to different states to try to sell his recipe. He told restaurant owners that he had a mouthwatering chicken recipe. He offered the recipe to them for free, just asking for a small percentage on the items sold. Sounds like a good deal, right?

Unfortunately, not to most of the restaurants. He heard NO over 1000 times. Even after all of those rejections, he didn't give up. He believed his chicken recipe was something special. He got rejected 1009 times before he heard his first yes.

With that one success Colonel Hartland Sanders changed the way Americans eat chicken. Kentucky Fried Chicken, popularly known as KFC, was born.

Remember, never give up and always believe in yourself in spite of rejection.







#### **CALENDAR: January 2019**

Thu, 3-Jan - Weekly Meeting

Sat, 5-Jan - Board Meeting

Tue, 8-16 Jan - Family Tour Gujarat

\*Thu, 10-Jan - Weekly Meeting

Thu, 17-Jan - Weekly Meeting

Thu, 24-Jan - Weekly Meeting

Sat, 29-Dec - Family Meeting

Major project December is continuation of Gardening at the

#### **New Civil Station**

(Awaiting inauguration)

#### **Global Grant Project**

(Inaugurated on 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec 2018)

We meet on every Thursday 7:30 pm at CRR Hall, Manisseri (Click here for Google Map)

Our Address Book https://tinyurl.com/RCO-AddressBook-2018-12





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# When deeds speak, words are nothing

Pierre-Joseph Proudhon





