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Rotary Club of Singapore
(established 1930)

Rotary



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In Focus

Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY)

Following District Rotary Foundation Committee Chair PP Dr Shahul Hameed's presentation and appeal for members to support the EREY programme and the Club's commitment to The Rotary Foundation, we are pleased to feature PP Shahul's slides which were shown at the weekly meeting of Wednesday, 28 April 2021.

Following are some of the recent Global Grants (GGs) approved by The Rotary Foundation in support the Club's commitment to Invest in Humanity:

<p>102nd Approved Global Grants <i>approved 13 April 2021</i></p> <p>GG 2016377 Set up and Installation of Oxygen Plant for Siddhartha Children & Women Hospital, Butwal, Nepal</p> <p>USD \$123,999 <i>Set up and Install Oxygen Plant for Hospital use</i></p> <p>Primary Partner: RC Butwal Partner Club: RC E-Club Connect D Primary Contact: Shahul Hameed</p> 	<p>103rd Approved Global Grants <i>approved 22 April 2021</i></p> <p>GG 2121953 Primary Health care Centres Upgrading, Pune, India</p> <p>USD \$37,162 <i>Provision of medical equipment to 2 Primary Health CareCentres</i></p> <p>Primary Partner: RC Pune West Partner Club: RC Muar Primary Contact: Shahul Hameed</p> 
<p>INVEST in HUMANITY</p>  	
<p>104th Approved Global Grants <i>approved 22 April 2021</i></p> <p>GG 2120896 High frequency ventilator for Pediatric ICU, Dusit District, Bangkok, Thailand</p> <p>USD \$48,000 <i>Provision of High Frequency Pediatric Ventilator</i></p> <p>Primary Partner: RC Suan Chit Lada Partner Club: RC Pasir Gudang Primary Contact: Shahul Hameed</p> 	<p>105th Approved Global Grants <i>approved 23 April 2021</i></p> <p>GG 2118287 Covid-19 Pandemic Response for Ferroviaria Community, Teresina, Piaui, Brazil</p> <p>USD \$33,218 <i>Purchase of 1140 Test Kits, reusable masks and sanitizers</i></p> <p>Primary Partner: RC Teresina Picarra Partner Clubs: RC Singapore North, RC Tucheng, RC Hsinchu Downtown Primary Contact: Luiz Andrade</p> 

In Focus

Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY)... contd.

Following funding information on the Club's Global Grant Projects:

FUNDING OUR GLOBAL GRANT PROJECTS

	Total Project Costs (USD)	Paid by District Designated Fund (DDF)	Paid in Cash by RC Singapore	Paid by The Rotary Foundation (World Fund)	Paid by Partner Clubs and Partner Districts
33 Global Grants (approved since 1 July 2020)	\$ 2,284,073	\$ 228,550 (i)	\$ 41,561 (ii)	\$ 457,100	\$ 1,556,862
RC Singapore's commitment (by 31 May 2021)	NA	2/3 of (i) \$ 153,128	100% of (ii) \$ 41,561	NA	NA



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RC Singapore's commitment (by 31 May 2021)	NA	2/3 of \$ 228,550 \$ 153,128	100% \$ 41,561	\$ 194,689
Payments Received	NA	\$ 45,000	\$ 41,561	\$ 86,561
Pledges Received	NA	\$ 58,000	NA	\$ 58,000
Outstanding	NA	\$ 50,000	None	\$ 50,128



In Focus

Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY)... contd.

The following members and friends of the Club have contributed to The Rotary Foundation for this Rotary year as at April 2021.

RC Singapore

	Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY)	Sustaining Members	Paul Harris Society Eligible
	(min USD\$100 to Annual Fund)	(min. USD\$100 to Annual Fund)	(min. USD\$1,000 to any TRF Funds)
1	Francesco De Liva	Francesco De Liva	Francesco De Liva
2	Varun Gulati	Varun Gulati	-
3	Shahul Hameed	Shahul Hameed	Shahul Hameed
4	Mansoor Hassanbhai	Mansoor Hassanbhai	Mansoor Hassanbhai
5	Oliver Henedige	Oliver Henedige	Oliver Henedige
6	-	-	Mukundan Paramashivan
7	-	-	Willi Hess
8	Hena Hoda	Hena Hoda	-
9	-	-	Vineet Iyengar
10	Miha Hribernik	Miha Hribernik	-
11	-	-	Louisa Lee
12	Jessica Lim	Jessica Lim	-
13	Stan Low	Stan Low	-
14	Louis Lim	Louis Lim	-
15	Ong Ting Yong	Ong Ting Yong	-
16	Pda Panit	Pda Panit	Pda Panit
17	Tapan Rao	Tapan Rao	Tapan Rao
18	See Mee Lee	See Mee Lee	-
19	Dinesh Sharma	Dinesh Sharma	Dinesh Sharma
20	Ranga Somanathan	Ranga Somanathan	-
21	Manish Tibrewal	Manish Tibrewal	Manish Tibrewal
22	Shamin Vaswani	Shamin Vaswani	-
23	Mark Wang	Mark Wang	Mark Wang
24	Tom Wolf	Tom Wolf	Tom Wolf
25	Ronald Wong	Ronald Wong	-
26	Yap Lip Kee	Yap Lip Kee	Yap Lip Kee
27	-	-	Vineet Iyengar
28	Mohan Vaswani	Mohan Vaswani	Mohan Vaswani
29	James Lee	James Lee	-
30	Suresh Keerthi	Suresh Keerthi	-
31	Jimmy Ooi	Jimmy Ooi	-
32	-	-	Uttam Kripalani
33	-	-	Arun Sharma*
34	-	-	David Tai*
35	Paliath Mohandas	Paliath Mohandas	Paliath Mohandas
Total	27	27	21

*Non-Member

In Focus

Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY)... *contd.*

An appeal to members to support The Rotary Foundation, if you have not already done so.



SCAN TO CONTRIBUTE TO EREY

Other modes of Payment

- PayNow
 - UEN No.: S61SS0037CISC
 - Account Name: Rotary Club of Singapore-International
 - Remarks: <Name> - EREY

INVEST in HUMANITY

“It is **Better to Give**
than to Receive”

Do Good in the World



Share Your Treasures

EREY Members

Paul Harris Sustaining Members
USD\$100 annually

Paul Harris Society Members
USD\$1,000 annually

to The Rotary Foundation's
Annual Fund



Meeting Report

41st Club Meeting for Rotary Year 2020-2021 held on 5.5.2021

OPENING REMARKS

Sergeant-At-Arms Rtn Jean-Philippe Lionnet invited President Dinesh Sharma to open the Meeting, after reminding members of the meeting etiquette.

President Dinesh called the meeting to order with a warm welcome to visiting DG Gajendra from Rotary Club of Indore Dynamic and the Guest Speaker, Mr Karthee Vidya who is the CEO and Founder of Team Everest NGO.



President Dinesh Sharma

TOAST TO ROTARY INTERNATIONAL



Rtn Leonard Ong

President Dinesh called upon one of the newest members to the Club, Rtn Leonard Ong to raise a toast to the Rotary Club (RC) of Indore Dynamic coupled with the toast to Rotary International.

President Dinesh invited DG Gajendra from the RC Indore Dynamic to address the Club. DG Gajendra advised that his club in central India has many places of interest to visit and he hoped after the pandemic, that a friendship visit could be made between the clubs. He noted Rotarians' passion to help the community and recounted incidents of support where Global Grants supplying ventilators, ambulances and oxygen supply have helped save lives. He gratefully acknowledged the Club's support.

WHAT'S HAPPENING



- President Dinesh highlighted the situation of COVID-19 affected India and the Club's goals to assist and enhance capacity and capability of Rotary Hospitals and COVID Centres; working with Rotary Partners in India. He added that the work would be through Global Grants (GGs) as far as possible; fund raising would be from both internal and external resources.
- He informed members of at least two proposed GGs – an oxygen plant, PSA to increase capacity by 200T per/hour, for Rotary COVID-19 hospital in Purulia, West Bengal (amounting to US\$59,733) and another project to supply medical equipment in Bhopal in Madhya Pradesh for US\$36,470.
- President Dinesh further described the Club's response with a Start to 1M Vaccinations with an initial 5 Centres to be set up at the following Rotary locations:
 - 1) Bhubaneswar Rotary Eye Hospital
 - 2) Cuttack Eye Hospital
 - 3) Balasore Rotary Bhawan
 - 4) Angul Rotary Bhawan
 - 5) PURI Rotary Bhawan

Kalinga Institute of Medical Sciences will provide the medical staff and technical assistance. The 2 pilot projects will be conducted wherein 50000 x 2 = 100,000 vaccine shots will be administered. The project will be financed through Global Grants and fund-raising.

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INDUCTION OF NEW MEMBER

President Dinesh called on Membership Chair VP Suresh Keerthi to introduce the new member, Rtn Ravi S Machiraju, before inducting him to the Club.



Rtn Ravi S Machiraju

Place of Work: Maxima Global Executive Search Pte Ltd

Classification: Executive Search: Consulting

Recommended Committee: International Service (ISC)

Proposer & Mentor: Rtn Uttam Kripalani

Rtn Ravi is the CEO and Founder of the company, which has been recruiting people for the past 23 years and has received excellence awards. He is a Board Member of Wockhardt Foundation in Mumbai and has done extensive work in healthcare and education for slum dwellers in Mumbai.

Rtn Ravi thanked Rtn Uttam for proposing him to the Club and hoped to continue with the work for the community through ISC, as well as to help young entrepreneurs and continue to be involved in education initiatives.

KYFR KNOW YOUR FELLOW ROTARIAN



President Dinesh invited KYFR speaker, Rtn Sean Leas who was inducted to the Club on 17 February 2021 to address the Club. Rtn Sean introduced his family and spoke of his interest in sports as growing up in South Africa.

Rtn Sean is the CEO APAC of Smollan Group/DKSH Smollan and has been with the Smollan Group for 19 years and shared the organisation's mission for its employees and clients. Rtn Sean advised that in 2014, he and his family moved to Singapore.

Rtn Sean spoke of what it meant to be a Rotarian and defining moment in helping the community through the Club and the International Service Committee. He warmly thanked members for the opportunity to share about his life.



Rtn Sean Leas

GUEST SPEAKER: MR KARTHEE VIDYA

TOPIC: TOUCHING A MILLION LIVES

President Dinesh called on Rtn Marcelo Monteiro who introduced Mr Karthee Vidya who is the CEO and Founder of Team Everest NGO. He noted the Mr Vidya would be speaking on a subject on education of children which was of interest to Rotarians.

Mr Vidya spoke of the journey he took to promote volunteering, which he hoped would inspire members. He added that his father was a past Rotarian, and he grew up seeing him volunteering and his mother was a teacher in a rural school. He spoke of his volunteering experiences and recounted how in August 2006 with his first salary cheque he visited a rural school and provided school supplies. Mr Vidya shared how he balanced his office work and Team Everest volunteering. Subsequently, he quit his high paid MNC job in December 2014 to work full time at Team Everest.

He spoke of Team Everest's vision to inspire every Indian to volunteer and shared the NGO's programmes and of the 'I am the Change' Scholarship which sponsors 850 students. He showed a brief video of some of the recipients' overwhelming reaction upon receiving their scholarship.

Rtn Subhash Pritmani warmly thanked Mr Vidya for a wonderful and inspiring presentation.



*Speaker
Mr Karthee Vidya*

Meeting Report

42nd Club Meeting for Rotary Year 2020-2021 held on 12.5.2021

OPENING REMARKS

Sergeant-at-Arms Rtn Vineet Iyengar welcomed members to another Zoom meeting and reminded them to put their audio on mute and to leave their videos on, adding that the meeting would be recorded. He then invited President Dinesh to start the meeting.

President Dinesh called the meeting to order and warmly welcomed Honorary Members PP Bhagwan Melwani and Rtn Mohan Vaswani, as well as visiting Rotarians, President Teck Shing from Rotary Club of Jurong Town and Rtn Lynna from Rotary Club of Shanghai International. He further welcomed and thanked the Speaker Mr Tan Tin Wee for accepting the Club's invitation to speak at the meeting.

President Dinesh took the opportunity to wish all Muslim members "Selamat Hari Raya Aidilfitri" and "Eid Mubarak"!

TOAST



Rtn Sudhir Tikku

President Dinesh invited Toastmaster Rtn Sudhir Tikku who called on members to join him in raising a toast to Rotary Clubs of Shanghai International and Jurong Town coupled with the toast to Rotary International.

PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- President Dinesh extended sincere thanks to PP Tapan Rao for his Major Gift of US\$10,000 to The Rotary Foundation's (TRF) Annual Fund, and congratulated him on becoming TRF's Major Donor (Level 2).
- Members were reminded of details for the hybrid 43rd Club meeting on 19 May. (Subsequently, due to the restrictions of the Phase 2 Heightened Alert effective on 16 May 2021, the Club meeting remained a virtual meeting.)



President Dinesh Sharma

WHAT'S HAPPENING



From left: Rtns Tom Wolf, Hayden Hughes, VP Suresh Keerthi, Rtn Francesco De Liva, Pres. Dinesh, Rtn Sean Lim & VP Colin Miles

Members requested to create more

ROTARY INTEREST GROUPS

Cricket
Photography
FinTech

Art
Books
Foodies

- Members' Engagement – President Dinesh advised that further to his earlier announcement on 28 April, when he introduced the "RCS Interest Groups (RIGS)", he was pleased to add the newly formed RIGS
 - Blockchain & Cybersecurity Lead- Rtn Tom Wolf
 - Golf Kakis Lead – PP Stan Low
 - Cyclist Buddies Lead – Rtn Subhash Pritmani
 - Jolly Walkers Leads – Rtn Vineet Iyengar/ VP Suresh Keerthi

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KYFR KNOW YOUR FELLOW ROTARIAN



President Dinesh noted that KYFR Speaker PP Dr Yap Lip Kee joined the Club in 1994. PP Lip Kee advised that he was born in Pudu, Kuala Lumpur. He added that cycling past the Pudu Jail on his way to school was a reminder to be on the straight and narrow path!



PP Dr Yap Lip Kee

PP Lip Kee spoke of his career and involvement in endoscopic surgery, and to do away with traditional surgeries and to adopt keyhole or minimally invasive surgery methods. He introduced his family comprising two daughters, a son, and his wife Rachael, whom he met whilst they were in medical school in Aberdeen.

PP Lip Kee continued with a summary of his Rotary journey through the many projects which he participated. He recalled VP Colin Miles's assistance with the SMS donations which garnered \$640,000 for the 2011 tsunami relief fund and the donation of set of Japanese drums. The visit by the Club led by PP Stan Low to Miyake to clear debris from a children's playground. The visits to earthquake-stricken Nepal with PP Jimmy Ooi and Rtn Jasbir Koh and Philippines projects with PPs Dr Oliver Henedige and PP Perlita Tiro. He spoke of the Club's visits to China, Lombok, Jayapura Papua, Bhutan, and Kenya where he assisted and shared keyhole surgery knowledge. PP Lip Kee highlighted his visit to the 2019 RI Convention in Hamburg. He hoped in 2024 when the Convention would be hosted in Singapore that it would be a physical Convention.

GUEST SPEAKER: MR TAN TIN WEE

TOPIC: TIME IS NOW FOR A BIODEFENCE FORCE IN EVERY COUNTRY AND EVERY CITY: DEFENDING HUMANITY FROM EXISTENTIAL AND BIOTERRORIST THREATS

President Dinesh invited Rtn Bruno Massote to introduce Mr Tan Tin Wee who is the founding director and current Chief Executive of the National Supercomputing Centre (NSCC) Singapore since 2015.



Speaker Mr Tan Tin Wee

Prior to his talk, Mr Tan noted that our hearts go out to all those who are suffering during this pandemic, but he emphasised the need to focus on prevention steps for the future. He highlighted the existential threats to the world with Covid-19 and variants emerging and re-emerging diseases, antimicrobial resistance and superbugs, zoonotic leap from animal to humans, climate change driving changes in disease patterns, bioterrorism and Disease X. Mr Tan noted the urgent threat mitigation for Singapore being a global city and air travel hub with a busy sea port and heavy dependence on global supply chains. He added that Singapore was one of the densest cities in the world with high visibility and high value targets.

He advised that there were recent warnings with SARS 2003, Swine Flu, Zika, Hendra, Ebola and MERS, but wondered if the country was organised well enough. Mr Tan stressed the need for a "7th Pillar for Total Defence" – BioDefence! He added that now was the time to act. Mr Tan graciously answered the many queries posed to him by members.

President Dinesh called upon Rtn Sean Lim who warmly thanked Mr Tan for sharing his philosophy and insightful presentation.

At the close of the meeting, members were informed that Mr Tan was amazed by the projects undertaken by the Club and pledged a donation. (Subsequently, Mr Tan donated S\$2,000 to The Rotary Foundation.)

Mark Your Diary

Birthday Celebrants

RC sends best wishes to Birthday celebrants:

Dr Ganesh Ramalingam
Mahesh Bolimbala
Jasbir Koh

Anniversary

RC sends best wishes to Wedding Anniversary celebrants:

President Dinesh & Rekha Sharma
PP Tan Chin Ngiap & Irene
Senthil & Lakshmi Kuppusamy
Sri & Swarna Sihakollu
Bertrand & Maribeth De Mil
Bala & Suvidha Venkatesan
Miha Hribernik & Weijun
Dr Hans & Patricia Schniewind
PP Peter & Shirley Tan
Edward & Deirdre Loy
Ronil & Reshma Sujana

Committee Meetings

All Service Committee Meetings will be held on Thursdays from 7.00 to 8.00pm

YOUTH SERVICE:
Thursday, 27 May 2021

COMMUNITY SERVICE:
Thursday, 3 June 2021

VOCATIONAL SERVICE:
Thursday, 10 June 2021

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:
Thursday, 17 June 2021

This Meeting

26 May 2021

Meeting Cancelled
in view of public holiday,
Vesak Day



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District 3300 & 3310

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Next Meeting

2 June 2021
From 7.00 to 9.00pm

4th & Final Club Assembly
for Rotary Year
2020-2021

Coming Rotary

May

Youth Service Month

30 May – Hosting of Synergy Rotary Friendship Alliance (virtual meeting @8pm)

June

Rotary Fellowships Month

2 Jun – 4th & final Club Assembly
19 Jun – Installation of the 87th Board
23 Jun – Meeting cancelled
30 Jun – Final meeting for RY2020-21



President Dinesh and the
Board of Directors
wish all members a
Happy Vesak Day

The Four-Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do:

- Is it the truth?
- Is it fair to all concerned?
- Will it build goodwill and better friendship?
- Will it be beneficial to all concerned?



Rotary Opens Opportunities

The Guide to Daily Living

Before doing the things we want to do, consider first, the Precepts of the guide. Ask ourselves these 4 questions and act upon them:

First: *Have I spent some time in self-examination?*

Second: *Have I spent quality time with my family?*

Third: *Have I given my best to my work?*

Fourth: *Have I given some time to someone near and far?*

The Guide, in fact, encompasses the 4 parts of the Object of Rotary.

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