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## Project i2Eye Report

By: International Service Committee (ISC) Treasurer, Rtn Sachin Kagliwal



Rotary Club of Singapore Delegation: ISC Director – Dr Rupesh Agrawal , ISC Secretary Rtn Ong Ting Yong, ISC Treasurer Rtn Sachin Kagliwal (from right)

In the heart of Sambalpur, Orrisa, a ground-breaking shift swept through healthcare corridors. It emerged from a joint endeavour between the National University of Singapore, Rotary Club of Singapore, Rotary Club of Sambalpur, and Trilochan Netralaya. Project i2Eye, a beacon merging innovation with empathy, unfolded a narrative of technological advancement and compassionate care in its recent expedition. Supported by the generous funding of S\$11,800 from the Rotary Club of Singapore, the project held a singular vision: to revolutionize healthcare by leveraging technology for enhanced screening protocols, data collection, and intervention strategies, specifically targeting eye and general health conditions.

The journey commenced on a bright Sunday morning, as the team touched down at Jharsuguda Airport, filled with enthusiasm and an unwavering commitment to make a difference. Their base at Hotel Grand Siba became not just a residence, but a hub of anticipation, buzzing with the promise of transformational days ahead.

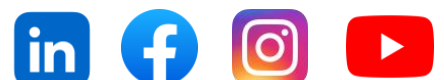
The week unfolded with meticulous planning and execution:

- **Educational Engagements:** The team plunged into a Continuing Medical Education (CME) session at Trilochan Netralaya on the very first day, setting the stage for knowledge exchange and collaboration.
- **Screening Days:** Each day dawned with purpose. Manned by dedicated volunteers, stations were set up to register participants, measure vital statistics, and conduct detailed screenings, leaving no stone unturned in understanding and addressing individual health concerns.

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## Project i2Eye Report... *contd.*

- **Technological Marvels:** Cutting-edge technology came to the forefront at the eye stations. Utilizing innovative apps and equipment, they conducted comprehensive eye screenings, identifying potential concerns and paving the way for timely interventions.
- **Personalized Consultations:** The true essence of care emerged in personalized consultations. Participants received expert guidance based on their screening results, ensuring that each individual was connected to the necessary follow-ups and specialized care.
- **Empowering Education:** Beyond screenings, the project aimed at empowering individuals. A dedicated health education station disseminated invaluable insights on lifestyle modifications, disease prevention, and holistic well-being.

The impact of Project i2Eye extended far beyond the screenings and consultations:

- **2000 Beneficiaries Touched:** Through their meticulous efforts, the team reached out to 2000 beneficiaries, each interaction a step towards a healthier future.
- **Eye Surgeries and Interventions:** Notably, 200 cataract surgeries were made possible, offering renewed vision and hope to those in need.

As the week ended, the team gathered for a screening feedback session, reflecting on the journey that had unfolded. Lives had been touched, futures had been altered, and a vision for a more connected and compassionate healthcare system had been nurtured.

The echoes of Project i2Eye's impact continue to resonate, not just in the lives touched in Sambulpur, but in the broader spectrum of healthcare innovation. The project stands as a testament to the power of collaboration, technology, and, above all, unwavering compassion. We strongly believe this project has a potential to be a flagship project of Rotary club of Singapore similar to Help the Children project.



*The long queues of patients*

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*Patients receiving personalized consultations and screening*



*Receiving the profound thanks from patients*

# Meeting Report

24<sup>th</sup> Weekly Meeting for Rotary Year 2023-20234 held on 10.1.2024.

## Opening Remarks

Sergeant-at-Arms (SAA) Rtn Dr Don Chen called the meeting to order and invited President Dr Chan Siew Luen to take the Chair. President Siew Luen welcomed members and Honorary Members Mohan Vaswani and Uttam Kripalani as well as District Governor Nominee (DGN) Dr Shahul Hameed.

## In Memory



President Dr Chan Siew Luen called on members to join him in observing a minute of silence to honour Honorary Member (HM) PP Dr Patrick Chin who passed away on 21 December 2023.

The Club will be hosting a memorial service in honour of HM PP Dr Patrick Chin in March as the meeting programmes have been filled for January and February. More details of this memorial service meeting will be announced soon.

HM PP Dr Patrick Chin

## Welcome of Guests

To welcome guests of members, President Siew Luen called again SAA Dr Don Chen.

### Guests:

First Lady Patricia Wang  
 Speaker Mr Manu Bhaskaran  
 Ms Giovanna Vivoli  
 Mr Siddharth Khanna  
 Mr Glann Walsh  
 Mr Nicholas Choy  
 Ms Linda Lin  
 Ms Grace Roache  
 Ms Liesa Desisca  
 Mr Thangaraj Muthu  
 Ms Shari SR



Rtn Don Chen

## Toast

As there were no visiting Rotarians at the meeting, Toastmaster Rtn Mukund A P invited members to join him in a toast To Rotary International.

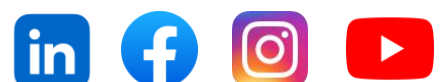
Following this, Rtn Mukund presented President Siew Luen with two banners from the clubs he recently visited – Rotary Club (RC) of Dubai (see photo) and RC Rourkela Steel City in Odisha, India.



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## President's Announcements

- Upcoming Event – please note that the Entrepreneur of the Year Award (EYA) gala dinner has been changed to **31 May 2024**.
- World Understanding and Peace Day (WUPD) Dinner will be held on 23 February at Goodwood Park Hotel. Guest of Honour is Dr Janil Puthuchery, Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Communications and Information & Ministry of Health. The Club meeting of 21 February will be cancelled in lieu of the WUPD dinner meeting. Tickets cost \$140 per person, however members would only pay \$80, as \$60 would be from the weekly meeting cost.
- President Siew Luen advised that DGE Dr Yap Lip Kee will conduct the District Assembly in March and a souvenir booklet will be made available. There is a call for congratulatory messages to support the running of the District Assembly. Details of the congratulatory messages/advertisements will be circulated to members. President Siew Luen noted that it has been 20 years since the Club has had a District Governor, and members were strongly encouraged to support the next two District Governors - DGE Dr Yap Lip Kee and DGN Dr Shahul Hameed.
- The Club was chartered in 1930, and PP Stan Low will be reaching out to members for the coming 95<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Book.
- Members were reminded to donate towards the Club's Major Project for the equine-assisted learning programme for the Chen Su Lan Methodist Children's Home.

## Paul Harris Fellow (PHF) Presentations

President Siew Luen invited the following members who were present to receive their Paul Harris Fellow recognitions:



Rtn Louisa Lee (left photo) received a PHF +8 pin and Rtn Mukund received both a PHF +5 & +6 pins

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## Guest Speaker Series

**Speaker: Mr Manu Bhaskaran, Founding Director and CEO, Centennial Asia Advisors**

**Topic: Economic Outlook for 2024**

Rtn Dr Denis Hew introduced the speaker who is a good friend. Mr Bhaskaran has 40 years of expertise in economic and political risk assessment and forecasting in Asia. Before joining the Centennial Group, he was Chief Economist for Asia of a leading international investment bank and managed its Singapore-based economic advisory group.

Mr Bhaskaran noted that the news has been depressing but he wanted to make a point that while there were dark clouds, there are also silver linings.

He gave his views of various geopolitical situations, adding that there would be more decoupling of the big powers, but unlikely to have extreme scenarios. He spoke of episodes of financial stress in the markets in the coming months, however, these would be managed by the various central banks and governments. Even with the slowdown of economies, Mr Bhaskaran suspects that there are happening in the global markets which are upholding the economies, such as technological change and innovation that leads to more investments and productive growth. There are risks and there would be some degrees of slow down, but there are engines of growth which would mitigate these risks. Final area of concern was climate change which would affect food prices which we have to be prepared for, and will be in uncharted territory.



*Speaker, Mr Manu Bhaskaran*



*From left: President Siew Luen, Mr Manu Bhaskaran, Rtns Sanjeev Shah & Dr Denis Hew*

Mr Bhaskaran gave an overview of the upsides in this region, with reconfiguration of supply chains, moving out of China and the beneficiaries spreading around, and favouring ASEAN. He was seeing more efforts to gain synergies from trade with an overall good outlook. Final risk would be getting policies wrong, which would cause ASEAN to lose their position for foreign investments. Following his insightful talk, Mr Bhaskaran kindly answered the many questions posed to him by members.

On behalf of the club, Rtn Sanjeev Shah thanked Mr Bhaskaran for his talk on a complex topic which gave a good flavour of what to expect in 2024.

# Mark Your Diary

## Birthday Celebrants

RCS sends Birthday greetings to celebrants this week:

Lee Chee Pin for 15 Jan

Chong Zhi Cheng for 17 Jan

Ivy Tan for 19 Jan



## Wedding Anniversary Celebrants

RCS sends best wishes to Wedding Anniversary celebrants:

HM PP Koh Choon Hui & Anne for 13 Jan

Louisa Lee & Dr Yue Weng Cheu for 17 Jan

Ranga & Uma Somanathan for 20 Jan



## This Meeting

17 January 2024

**Speaker:** Mr Charlie Lim, Artisan Award Winner will speak on "Paintography"

**Speakers:** Ms Rachna Sampayo & Ms Geraldine Tay (experienced HR Practitioners) will speak on Unconscious Bias – understanding its impact on decision making -Part 1

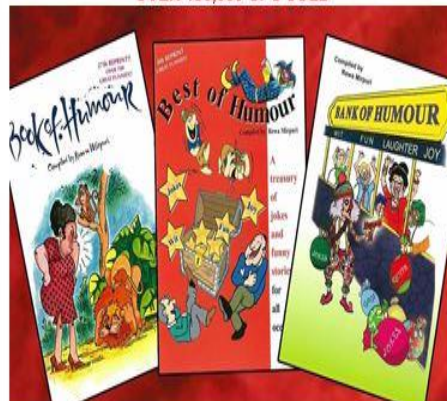
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## Next Meeting

24 January 2024

**Speaker:** Ms Christine Tan, (Founder, Awful Grace) Artisan Award Winner will speak on "Toki & Kintsugi – healing and restoring lives through pottery"

**Speakers:** Ms Rachna Sampayo & Ms Geraldine Tay (experienced HR Practitioners) will speak on Unconscious Bias – understanding its impact on decision making -Part 2

## Coming Rotary Events

January – Vocational Service Month

February – Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention Month

**14 Feb** – Meeting cancelled in view of Chinese New Year festivities

**21 Feb** – Meeting cancelled in lieu of WUPD dinner on 23 Feb.

**23 Feb** – World Understanding & Peace Day (WUPD) / Rotary's anniversary.

March – Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Month

**7-10 Mar** – District Training Assembly @ Johor Bahru

**29 Mar** – Swimmarathon

April – Environmental Month

May – Youth Service Month

**17-19 May** – 33<sup>rd</sup> District Conference @ Kuching

**25-29 May** – Rotary International Convention, Singapore

**27 May** – Host Hospitality Night

**31 May** – The Entrepreneur of the Year Award (EYA) presentation

June – Rotary Fellowships Month

**22 Jun** – Installation of the 90<sup>th</sup> President & Board of Directors



## 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?



## 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:

1. Have I spent some time in self-examination?
2. Have I spent quality time with my family?
3. Have I given my best to my work?
4. 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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