



# ललित धारा

RI District 3292

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<u>Today's Programme:</u>	<u>Congratulatory Events</u>
Regular Weekly Meeting	<b><u>Birthdays:</u></b> Nil <b><u>Wedding Anniversaries:</u></b> Nil

**Minutes of Meeting No. 1688**

**Date: 30 Mangshir 2076 / 16 December 2019**

1. President Rtn. Lalita Thapa called the RCP Meeting No. 1688 to order with 15 seconds of 'Silent Invocation' for World Peace and Happiness.
2. Guests welcomed by the President: Rotaract Club of Patan IPP Peshal Bhattarai and Secretary Kritika Sharma.
3. The last meeting minutes were reviewed and adopted.
4. 'Happy News'/Sunshine Contribution:
  - Rtn. Rtn. Rabendra R. Pandey – for 'Happy Birthday' (NRs. 1,000)
  - Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty – for 'Happy Birthday' (NRs. 1,000)
  - Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty – for the above and for the Christmas cookies/hot wine today (NRs. 500).
  - Rtn. Chandralekha Kayastha (NRs. 500) & Rtn. Kiran Thapa (NRs. 500) – for today's 'Happy Birthdays' and success of the RCP team in the zonal round of Rota Quiz competition last week.
  - Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang – for the above & the successful completion of the GG Project in Mirge (NRs. 600).
  - Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha – for the success of the RCP team in the Rota Quiz zonal round and for his good health with very good blood test results with Ayurvedic treatment (Creatinine levels reduced from high 2.6 to normal 1.4) (NRs. 1,000).
  - Rtn. Lalita Thapa – for 'Happy Birthdays', Rota Quiz success and recovery from sickness (NRs. 500).
  - Rtns. Shiv P. Khemka and Preeti Khemka – for Rota Quiz success and 'Happy Landing' from Bangalore where their son has excelled in his performance in school in many fields including 'Best Academic House' (NRs. 1,000).
5. Rotary News/Information:
  - President Rtn. Lalita Thapa reminded on information shared by e-mail and requested interested members to confirm to her:
    - Nominations by interested candidates for 2022-23 DG and
    - New Member Orientation being held on 28 December 2019.
    - Participation in RI convention in Honolulu, Hawaii next year.
  - Rotaract President Peshal Bhattarai briefed on the planned 12<sup>th</sup> District Rotaract conference being held during 27-28 December 2019 at Sankhamul. The theme would be 'Investing in Youth' with prominent high-ranking speakers. Rotarians' participation is requested for the second day with a registration fee of NRs. 2,500 that would cover all meals/snacks.
  - President Rtn. Lalita Thapa updated on the planned new Interact Club to be sponsored by the RCP. She together with Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary and Rtns. Peshal Bhattarai and Kritika Sharma met the student representatives at the Godawari School. The RCP plans to move forward once the commitments from the school and the Rotaract Club of Patan are finalized.

- Further to Rtn. Sita Gurung's briefing last week, further update on Bhattedanda trip was made. Rtn. Lalita Thapa will be sending a summary of recommendations to the Primary Contact of the Project Rtn. Lochan Gyawali shortly.
  - Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal talked about the terrible situation of vehicular accidents in Nepal, particularly in Kathmandu valley. Some 2,500 people die annually of which over 60% are in Kathmandu. Among the needed action, Rotary could also support in awareness raising/education in collaboration with the Traffic Police. Possible RCP support in awareness raising activities particularly in the RCP's PEEF supported schools in collaboration with the Rotaracts would be further explored for presentation to the Board.
6. District Conference, Pokhara: Rtn. Rabendra R. Pandey updated on the plans for hotel accommodation and post conference one day trip. For the 3 nights stay in Pokhara (6, 7 & 8 February), Hotel Shangri-La has been booked through the contacts of Rtn. Jeevan K. Shrestha. He has also kindly advanced NRs. 100,000 to confirm the reservation on behalf of the RCP participants. For the one-day trip (with night stay on 9<sup>th</sup> February) to Sarankot, the offer of discounted hotel cost of NRs. 15,000 was considered too high. Therefore, it was agreed to go to Dhamphus instead. Fall-back position would be to stay in Pokhara with only a day trip to Sarankot. Action points:
- Participants joining the RCP group must confirm latest by Monday, 23 December 2019.
  - **For hotel accommodation, an advance of NRs. 10,000 per couple must be given to Rtn. Rabendra R. Pandey by Monday, 23 December 2019. The hotel accommodation list will be closed after 23 December 2019.**
7. Salutation: By PP Rtn. Jeevan K. Shrestha – RC Waterfront, South Africa; Chartered: 1992; & Members: 45. District: 9350, Clubs: 61, & Members: 1381.
8. Before the closure of the meeting by the President, the Secretary announced: total contribution of NRs. 8,600 (NRs. 2,000 for attendance and NRs. 6,600 for sunshine fund), attendance: 20 members, 2 Rotaracts and 10 make-ups.

### **Rotary Questions/Answers presented by Rtn. Shiva K. Pradhan**

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| <b>Q.</b> Venue and dates of Rotary India Centennial celebrations | <b>A.</b> Kolkata, India, 14-16 February 2020 |
| <b>Q.</b> Cost of immunizing one child against Polio              | <b>A.</b> US \$0.60                           |
| <b>Q.</b> Name of the Rotary month of December                    | <b>A.</b> Disease Prevention and Treatment    |

### **Rotary Information: December as 'Disease Prevention & Treatment' Month**

*(From: [rotary.org](http://rotary.org))*

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Our members combat diseases like malaria, HIV/AIDS, Alzheimer's, multiple sclerosis, diabetes, and polio. Prevention is important, which is why we also focus on health education and bringing people routine hearing, vision, and dental care.