



# ललित धारा

RI District 3292

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| <b><u>Today's Programme:</u></b>                                  | <b><u>Congratulatory Events</u></b>  |
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| Talk Programme by Dr. Ramesh Kandel on Alzheimer's Disease/Ageing | <b><u>Birthdays:</u></b><br>Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha – 25 May<br><b><u>Wedding Anniversaries:</u></b> Nil |

**Minutes of Meeting No. 1706**

**Date: 5 Jestha 2077 / 18 May 2020**

1. President Rtn. Lalita C. Thapa called the virtual RCP Meeting No. 1706 through 'zoom' to order with 15 seconds of 'Silent Invocation' for world peace and happiness.
2. Guests welcomed by the President: Rotaract Club of Patan Secretary Rtr. Kritika Sharma.
3. The last meeting minutes were reviewed and adopted.
4. Pledges of 'Happy News/Sunshine' contribution and to the Operational Fund marked as 'OF':
  - Rtn. Lalita C. Thapa (NRs. 500) and Rtn. Rabendra R. Pandey (NRs. 500) – for surviving during the Covid-19 pandemic lockdown.
  - Rtn. Prakash R. Regmi - for his daughter's completion of her Master's in Computer Engineering with a 'Gold Medal' at AIT in Bangkok, Thailand (NRs. 1,000).
  - Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty – for cutting her husband's hair after 35 years during the lockdown (NRs. 500).
  - Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha – for good attendance during today's virtual meeting (NRs. 500 to OF).
  - Rtn. Shiv P. Khemka – for a clear view of Mt. Everest & the Himalayas during the lockdown (NRs. 500).
  - Rtn. Kiran Thapa – for being safe and healthy (NRs. 500 to OF).
5. Rotary News/Information:
  - Briefing by PDG Rtn. Tirtha M. Sakya on District's Literacy/TEACH programme could not be done as he had technical problems to join the 'zoom' meeting. A couple of other members also had problems joining.
  - President Rtn. Lalita C. Thapa:
    - informed about contributions to the in-kind relief for poor people done by Rtn. Pushkar M. Shakya. She had pledged NRs. 10,000, Rtn. Kiran Thapa had pledged NRs. 25,000 and Rtn. Rabendra R. Pandey had pledged NRs. 10,000 to his efforts.
    - reminded on different e-mails from the District and RI already shared with all on different ways of donating, end plastic campaign and other circulars.
    - briefed on her participation at a virtual meeting of NRCL on 'Women in Rotary'. Rotary women leaders Manju Karki, Sharda Acharya and Jaya Shah made very good presentations with the situation in Nepal and encouraged more women Rotarians to go beyond the club by joining the District.
    - planned talk programme on 1 June 2020 by Rtn Lila B. Baniya on the impact of Covid-19 in the Nepalese economy with a focus on tourism sector.
  - Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty suggested that contacts be made with members who are not joining the virtual meetings since a long time to encourage them to join. President Lalita C. Thapa mentioned that she has already been in contact with many.
  - Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty mentioned the need to share financial information on contribution pledges made by members and other financial action/updates since the lockdown has been ongoing for a long period of time. In this context, several members enquired and suggested to have internet banking possibilities.

- Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang updated on the ongoing vaccination of street dogs of Ward Nos. 18 and 25 of Lalitpur done to 804 dogs so far. However, due to the stringent lockdown and stopping of passes, our implementing partner Sneha's Care has mentioned that this activity has been postponed since 16 May 2020.
  - In view of the time limit of 40 minutes on virtual meetings through 'zoom', it was suggested to try 'Google meet' for the RCP meetings.
  - Rtn. Jeevan K. Shrestha shared an information about a homeopathic medicine promoted by 'Marwari Sewa Samiti' to strengthen the human immune system in the context of Covid-19.
  - Club Administration Chairperson Rtn. Kiran Thapa mentioned that there has been a lot of information sharing related to Covid-19 in the RCP's Viber group. Therefore, he is going to establish a new Viber group 'RCP Covid-19 Info' for information sharing specific to all Covid-19 related issues.
6. Salutation: By PP Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty – RC Uster, Switzerland; Chartered: 1974 & Members: 54. District: 2000, Clubs: 75 & Members: 4116.
7. A contribution of NRs. 4,000 was pledged (NRs. 3,000 for the sunshine fund and NRs. 1,000 for the 'OF' of the RCP). Attendance: 29 members and 1 Rotaract.

### **Rotary Questions/Answers presented by Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty**

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| Q. Full form of the abbreviation 'RDRG'                            | A. Rotary Disaster Response Grant                 |
| Q. Name of the first Rotarian in the world to climb Mount Everest. | A. Rtn. Nisha Adhikari from RC Nagarjun.          |
| Q. Amount of per capita dues for RI in 2020-2021                   | A. US \$69 plus US \$1 for Council on Legislation |

### **Rotary Information**

(Source: rotary.org)

### **Save the Date for Rotary International's Free Virtual Event "Now More than Ever, Rotary Connects the World: The 2020 Rotary Virtual Convention" Dates: 20-26 June 2020**

**Schedule at a glance** (Chicago time given + 10 hours and 45 minutes = Nepal time) Visit the [rotary.org convention site](http://rotary.org/convention/site) for more information as it becomes available.)

General sessions

Saturday, 20 June

General Session 1: Together, We Connect

08:00-09:15 in Chicago, USA (UTC-5)

Sunday, 21 June

General Session 2: Together, We Learn

08:00-09:15 in Chicago, USA (UTC-5)

Featured Breakout Sessions

Monday – Friday, 22- 26 June

Each day, one breakout session will be offered at each of the following times\*:

8:00 – 9:00 Chicago Time (UTC-5)

12:00 – 13:00 Chicago Time (UTC-5)

18:00 – 19:00 Chicago Time (UTC-5)



### **May the Laugh Bug Bite You** 😄😄😄😄😄

After a morning walk, a group of doctors were standing at a road-side restaurant enjoying a cup of tea..

They saw a man limping towards them..

One doctor said, "he has Arthritis in his left knee.."

The second said, "he has Plantar Faciitis.."

The third said, "just an Ankle Sprain.."

The fourth said, "see that man cannot lift his knee, he looks to have Lower Motor Neuron disease.."

"But to me he seems a Hemiplegia Scissors Gait," said the fifth..

Before the sixth could proclaim his diagnosis, the man reached the group and asked,

"Is there a cobbler nearby who can repair my slipper.?"

\*This is exactly how the xxperts talk in Webinar's, Zoom meetings, Social Media & Television on "Covid-19" issue these days..!!\*

(shared by Rtn. Bishwa B. Sharma from a doctor's wall)