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<u>Today's Programme</u>: Regular Meeting

Forthcoming Programme:

23 Jan. – Vocational Awards

30 Jan. – 5th Monday Entertainment Programme

6 Feb. – Business Meeting

Congratulatory Events:

Birthdays:

Rtn. Pushkar M. Shakya – 14 Jan.

Rtns. Kamal B. Nyachhyon & Mahendra Thapa – 15 Jan.

Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha – 18 Jan. *Wedding Anniversaries:* NIL

Minutes of Meetings No. 1541

Date: 25 Poush 2073 / 9 Jan. 2017

- 1. President Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty called the meeting no. 1541 to order with 15 seconds of 'Silent Invocation' for peace and happiness.
- 2. The last meeting minutes were reviewed and adopted.
- 3. 'Happy News' Contributions:
 - Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha for 'Happy Wedding Anniversary' and for 'Happy Landing' from the Myanmar tour of a RCP Team (NRs. 500).
 - Rtns. Padam L. Maharjan, Nirmal K. Pradhanang, Ramesh Maskay, Shiva P. Khemka, Chandralekha Kayastha, Dr. Prakash R. Regmi (also for speaking at RC Rajdhani), Kedar B. Shrestha (also for having an attendance of 25 in today's meeting) and Matsyendra L. Kayastha – for the RCP Team's win in the regional round of Rota Quiz.
 - Rtns. Gabriele and Bijaya Mallapaty for 'Happy Landing' from Morocco and for the RCP Team's win at the Rota Quiz (NRs. 1,000).
- 4. Other Contributions: Rtn. Shiva P. Khemka's contribution equivalent to US \$250 to the Club Fund was noted. The RCP using its accumulated points will honor him with a PHF Pin (value US \$1,000). Other members were encouraged to make similar contributions and obtain PHF recognition, or add to their Multiple PHF status.
- 5. Rotary News/Information:
 - The Rota Quiz Team of the RCP (Team Leader Rtn. Chandralekha Kayastha and Members: Rtns. Nirmal Pradhanang, Padam Lall Maharjan and Gabriele Mallapaty who could not attend this round due to sickness) was felicitated for winning the regional level contest with a great margin. The RCP Team got 90 marks against 50 and 45 from the second and third contestants. Our Team will now compete in the semi-final round during the forthcoming District Conference. A big round of applause of congratulations greeted the team.
 - An Update on the forthcoming District Conference now being held during 17-19 February 2017 at Soaltee Hotel was provided. As of now 14 from 19 registered earlier for Bhutan, with an additional 10 participants making a total of 24 from RCP family have confirmed participation. RCP is following up with the District for the refund of 5 participants registered for Bhutan earlier, but now unable to participants. The remaining 14 participants are automatically registered. For the 10 new participants and additional participants, registration forms should be filled with fees (NRs. 7,000 each for Rotarian and spouse) handed over to Basant Ale Magar by 31 January 2017.
 - Settlement of 2nd half dues by a few members are overdue after 31 December 2016. It is requested to settle with applicable late fess as soon as possible as the late fees will further increase at the end of January 2017.
 - The 13th day commemoration of late Rtn. Kamalmani Dixit is on Tuesday (For the commemoration, the family of late Kamalmani ji has invited the RCP family to Yala Maya Kendra at his eldest son Kunda Dixit's residence from 13:00 hrs. on this day). All are welcome to join). The Rotary Club of Patan is also publishing a

condolence message in *Kantipur Daily* on this day. This is coordinated by Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha. A voluntary contribution of NRs. 1,000 each was requested from each member. *Those who have not yet contributed are requested to do so as early as possible*. A framed obituary from the RCP family is being made for presentation to the family, which shall be displayed at the Madan Puraskar Pustakalaya.

- It was noted that no candidature for DG Nominee from the RCP has been received. The prerequisite for the nomination is past presidency.
- Friends of Nepal New Jersey (FONNJ), in cooperation with Rotary International District 7510 USA and RI District 3292 Nepal-Bhutan is organizing the 5th USA Nepal Humanitarian Award Ceremony at Ashok Party Palace on 4 March 2017 at 4 p.m. The RCP has also confirmed to be a host club. Participation registration fee is NRs. 650 each. RCP Family is encouraged to join.
- Rtn. Mahendra Thapa reminded about the recent communication from IPDG Rtn. Keshav Kunwar sharing the information on accomplishment awards of our District during his tenure last Rotary Year.
- Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang briefed on the progress of our Global Grant Project in Mirge, Dolakha. The implementation of the project is progressing very well. On behalf of all, the President thanked Rtn. Pradhanang for monitoring and managing the project very well as its Primary Contact. The recent field trip by the RCP Team to Mirge, Dolakha was very useful in this regard.
- For those who are joining the annual outing trip to Patale Ban on Friday, 13 January, the gathering point is in front of St. Mary's school by 9:45 a.m. The bus is expected to leave at 10:00 a.m. sharp.
- The water supply project in Khokana from the RCP's earthquake funds is near completion. Pipe supplies were procured through Rtn. Kiran Shrestha at a special discount. *An inauguration is being planned to which all are requested to join.* We are currently working to have some health messages in Nepali on the water tank with the RCP's name etc.
- The KEEA (Kamalmani Educational Excellence Award) selection committee is planning to interview the 10 highest scoring students from the PEEF supported schools as early as possible to finalize the order of award recipients. Once this is done, RCP will organize an award event accordingly.
- 6. Salutation: By PP Rtn. Santa K. Shrestha RC of Ivalo, Finland; Chartered: 1979; Members: 22. District: 1,400, Clubs: 40, and Members 1321.
- 7. Before the closure of meeting by the President, the Secretary announced: contribution of NRs. 6,000 (NRs. 2,500 for attendance and NRs. 3,500 for sunshine fund, including for 3 phone calls and NRs. 250 top-up by the President); attendance: 25 members and 7 make-ups.

Rotary 'Q & A' presented by Rtn. Bharat N. Joshi

- **Q.** What does RIBI stands for?
- A. Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland.
- Q. Who created the 4 Way Test in Rotary and when was it adopted?
- A. Herbert Taylor, and adopted in 1943.



May the Laugh Bug Bite You @@@@@

A woman caught her husband on the weight scale, sucking in his stomach.

"That won't help you, my dear, you know?"

"Oh it helps a lot," says the man, "it's the only way I can see the numbers!"