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Today's Programme: Regular Weekly Meeting	Congratulatory Events Birthdays: Nil Wedding Anniversaries: Rtn. Jamuna K. Tamrakar – 21 April
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Minutes of Meetings No.1606

Date: 3 Baisakh 2075 / 16 April 2018

1. As the President could not attend the meeting, IPP Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty called the Meeting No. 1606 to order with 15 seconds of 'Silent Invocation' for World Peace and Happiness.
2. Guests welcomed by the IPP: PP Rtn. Dr. Maktum A. Mummigatti, Rotary Club of Dharwad, District 3170, India; and Rotaract Peshal Bhattarai (with a cake from Rotaract Club of Patan to celebrate 'Mother's Day with the RCP).
3. The last meeting minutes were reviewed and adopted.
4. 'Happy News' Contributions:
 - Rtn. Mahendra B. Thapa – for 34th 'Happy Wedding Anniversary'.
 - Rtn. Dr. Prakash R. Regmi – for 'Happy Wedding Anniversary' in absentia (ha.ba.)
 - Rtn. Kiran Thapa – for today's meeting at 'Kiran' hall.
 - Rtns. Shiv P. and Preeti Khemka – for participating in the forthcoming marathon of MIS Alumni (NRs. 1,000).
 - Rtn. Dr. Mukti N. Shrestha – for 'Happy Landing' from Langkawi, Malaysia and Bali, Indonesia.
 - Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty – for today's classification talk and chairing the meeting.
 - PDG Rtn. Tirtha M. Sakya – for his classification talk of today.
 - Rtn. Padam L. Maharjan – for mother's day for Rtn. Kamala Maharjan.
 - Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty – for mother's day (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang – for 'Happy New Year – 2075'.
 - Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal – for his nomination in the Civil Aviation Team of Experts (as CNS Expert).
 - Rtn. Jeevan K. Shrestha – for inaugurating a motor-able bridge in Bandipur as Chief Guest.
 - Rtn. Dr. M.A. Mummigatti – for joining today's meeting (NRs. 100).
5. PP Rtn. Dr. Maktum A. Mummigatti, Rotary Club of Dharwad, District 3170, India, introduced his club and District, and exchanged the club flags with the IPP.
6. Rotary News/Information:
 - Rtn. Shiv P. Khemka briefed on the Rotaract Youth Leadership Camp held during 24-25 March 2018 and handed over the 'Token of Appreciation' presented to the Rotary Club of Patan.
 - Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha, Fellowships Coordinator, informed that the planned birthday fellowship had to be postponed due to the unavailability of many members on 21 April 2018. A new date around the end of April will be confirmed upon return of Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha.
 - IPP Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty reminded on other information shared by e-mail on: (i) Mega Health Camp jointly organised by Rotary Clubs of Lalitpur at Lalitpur Community Heart Care Centre on 21 April 2018 and (ii) Submissions for District Awards including TEACH Awards.
 - Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang briefed on another Health Camp at Imadol, Lubhu - the same day when the mega health camp is being held at Lalitpur Community Heart Care Centre. The RCP logo will be there as one of the sponsors and Rtns. Nirmal K. Pradhanang, Mahendra S. Rawal and Dr. Prakash R. Regmi are going to participate.

It was suggested that the RCP make a token contribution of say up to NRs. 5,000 for this health camp too, subject to Board approval.

7. Salutation: By PP Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha – RC Alexandra, New Zealand; Chartered: 1943; & Members: 48. District: 9980, Clubs: 30, & Members: 1310.
8. Before the closure of the meeting by the IPP, the Secretary announced: contribution of NRs. 5,150 (NRs. 1,700 for attendance and NRs. 3,450 for Sunshine Funds including for a mobile phone ring), attendance: 1 visiting Rotarian, 1 Rotaract, 16 members, and 9 make-ups.

Rotary Questions/Answers presented by Rtn. Bharat N. Joshi

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| Q. RI Director for RID 3292 for 2017-2019 | A. Rtn. Basker Chokalingam |
| Q. Chair of District 3292 Sergeant at Arms Sub-Committee | A. Rtn. Rose Garden Pradhan |
| Q. Name of the Parliament of Japan | A. Diet |

Classification Talk of PDG Rtn. Tirtha M. Sakya

PDG Rtn. Tirtha M. Sakya gave his classification talk focussed only on 'Legislative Drafting', his official classification in Rotary. First, he explained how he joined Rotary through an invitation during a RCP picnic at Rtn. Bijaya Bajracharya's Orchid farm at Godavari in 1988. Late Rtn. Kamalmani Dixit requested him to join Rotary at the time when he was the Joint Secretary at the Ministry of Law and gave him the above classification. Ever since then, PDG Rtn. Sakya has been involved with drafting of laws until to date. He has later been the Law Secretary, Chief Secretary and Chairman of Public Service Commission among his many positions during his government career.

In Nepal, Laws were made since the time of the 'Licchavis' including some laws that systematically discriminated to suit the rulers. PDG Rtn. Sakya gave a succinct history of laws in Nepal – the important one being the 'Mulki Ain' of 2021B.S. that removed all discriminations.

During the time of 'Rastriya Panchayat', laws passed had the possibility of changes by the Palace, but since 2036B.S. this had stopped. In 2047 B.S. (1990), with the advent of multi-party democracy, Nepal became the only country in the world, which ratified all the 16 Human Rights Conventions without any reservation. It was considered an example constitution that was liberal and democratic.

After about 5 years, complains started to arise. Following historic changes in Nepal, the current Constitution of Nepal 2072 (2015) was promulgated.

PDG Rtn. Tirtha M. Sakya elaborated on the problems of implementation of the current constitution that covers three layers of governance – national, provincial and local. The primary reason of the problems currently faced is that the laws mandated by the constitution had not been passed on time. Politicians gave attention to elections and missed the deadline mandated. This resulted in laws being passed later without due process.

Drafting of law became a secondary priority to the politicians, whereas it requires trained drafters with full understanding of the structure of law. With the exception of late Madan Bhandari, no senior politician attended the 'Drafting Committee', reducing their understanding of the very technical nature of the words of law. The situation worsens when politicians do not respect the law professionals' work, and develop an attitude that authorities in positions of power may not respect the 'Rule of Law'.

PDG Rtn. Tirtha M. Sakya is currently involved in orienting the provincial parliamentarians on the 'Rule of Law' and how drafting of laws work. However, he was critical of the attitude of the politicians that may be detrimental in a successful implementation of the current Constitution of Nepal.

After a brief Q/A session, IPP concluded the session thanking PDG Rtn. Tirtha M. Sakya for this very focused classification talk on legislative drafting on behalf of all present.