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<p><b><u>Today's Programme:</u></b></p> <p>Business Meeting on Zoom</p>	<p><b><u>Congratulatory Events</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Birthdays:</u></b> Rtn. Shiv P. Khemka – 12 Feb.</p> <p><b><u>Wedding Anniversaries:</u></b> Rtn. Suraj &amp; Meera Pradhan – 8 Feb. Rtn. Ganqa R. &amp; Madhavi Ghimire – 10 Feb.</p>
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**Minutes of Meeting No. 1987**

**Date: 19 Magh 2082 / 2 February 2026**

1. President Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht called the RCP's Meeting No. 1987 with 15 seconds of 'Silent Invocation' for world peace, health, and happiness.
2. Guests welcomed by the President: Chief guest and family of late Rtn. Kamalmani Dixit family (Kunda Dixit, Kanak Dixit and Rupa Joshi), and all the participants to the KEEA/GSSA programme.
3. The last meeting minutes of the RCP were reviewed and adopted.
4. Happy News Contributions:
  - Rtn. Lochan & Sangita Gyawali – for 'Happy Wedding Anniversary' in absentia (ha.ba.).
  - Rtn. Prakash R. Regmi – for his recognition as 'Shabda Yatra Prakashan Pratibha' from the Shabda Yatra Prakashan in Kavre (Rs. 1,000).
  - Rtn. Shiv P. Khemka (Rs. 1,000), Rtn. Preeti Khemka (Rs. 500), Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty (Rs. 1000), Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha (Rs. 1,000), and Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht (Rs. 500) - for today's KEEA/GSSA programme.
  - Rtn. Lalita C. Thapa – for the above and for being nominated as an Election Observer (Rs. 1,000).
  - Rtn. Bishnu P. Sigdel – for his recognition with the 'Sigdel Art Puraskar' (Rs. 500).
  - Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty – for today's KEEA/GSSA programme, and for the participation of his youngest brother Sushil on visit from the USA (Rs. 1,000).
5. Other Contributions:
  - Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht contributed Rs. 45,000 (Rs. 15,000 each to the RCP's PEEF TF, KPAD TF, & Animal Welfare activities) as pledged earlier.
  - He also confirmed Rs. 15,000 matching contribution to the KPAD TF by Rtn. Rabendra R. Pandey.
6. Rotary Information: President Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht:
  - Informed about the 'Rotary Inter-College Speech Competition on Rotary 4-Way Test' hosted by RC Bagmati in partnership with eight Rotary Clubs including the RCP, during 12 to 23 February 2026. Details of the event has been shared electronically by Viber.
  - Shared information on a Rotary fund-raising film (Aa bata Aama) event being organised by RC Patan West to support educational activities on 4 February 2026 at Civil Mall, Kathmandu.
7. Before the adjournment of the meeting by the President, Secretary Rtn. Bishwa B. Sharma announced: happy news contribution of Rs. 7,500 to the sunshine fund and Rs. 4,600 for attendance to the operational fund of the RCP, and the meeting attendance of 38 guests (headmasters and/or their representatives, awardees guardians, awardee students, 3 supported students at Ullens school, and RCP spouses) 2 Rotaracts, 21 RCP members, & 9 make-ups.

**Summary of the 13th Kamalmani Educational Excellence Award (KEEA) and the 5th Graduate Studies Scholarship Award (GSSA) programme**

President Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht welcomed the family of late Rtn. Kamalmani Dixit - Chief Guest Mr. Kunda Dixit, Mr. Kanak Dixit and Ms. Rupa Joshi, and all the guests/awardees/participants and gave a summary of the RCP's PEEF/KEEA/GSSA programme.

Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty, Chair of the RCP's service projects, moderated the KEEA and GSSA programmes. On behalf of the RCP, he welcomed the family of late Rtn. Kamalmani Dixit, headmasters/representatives of the RCP's 24 PEEF supported schools, KEEA/GSSA awardees and their guardians, and the entire RCP family.

On this special occasion, he remembered late Rtn. Kamalmani Dixit, late Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha who recently passed away, and late Rtn. Narayan G. Halwai - all of whom had greatly contributed to the PEEF/KEEA/GSSA programmes.

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On behalf of the RCP, Rtn. Mallapaty congratulated all the KEEA and GSSA winners and encouraged them to excel in their further studies. Giving some background, he talked about the RCP's flagship programme 'Prajapati Education Endowment Fund' known as PEEF that started in 1991, and which has reached a total of Rs. 2.3 crores in its Trust and Programme funds. The RCP has been providing annual scholarships from these funds to over 400 students in 24 schools of Lalitpur district every year in grades 7 to 12 of about 18 Lakh Rupees per year.

Some 200 RCP Members, their family, relatives, friends, and other well-wishers have contributed to reach this level of funding. The annual distribution programme is participated by all the RCP family on a voluntary basis, which is the most important reason for the continued success of the PEEF programme.

PEEF is a need-based programme, but also rewards merit. Late Kamalmani ji thought of recognizing the merit students among the PEEF recipients and contributed to establish an annual award to the best performing all-round student from among the PEEF recipients at grade 9. The first KEEA was Rs. 5,000 awarded in 2013. The KEEA programme has since expanded with additional donations from late Kamalmani ji and his family, and contributions of other RCP members. Today, there are 10 awards with certificates and cash prizes to students from 10 schools. The first award is Rs. 35,000 in the name of late Kamalmani ji. The second award is Rs. 25,000 each to 3 students and the 3rd award is Rs. 15,000 each to 6 students by RCP members – thus reaching a total award of Rs. 200,000.

The RCP thanks the entire PEEF management committee and the KEEA committee. On the KEEA committee work, he thanked President Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht, Coordinator Rtn. Shiv P. Khemka, Secretary Rtn. Bishwa B. Sharma, PEEF Programme Manager Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal, and Treasurer Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty for their tireless work.

The family of late Rtn. Kamalmani Dixit, President Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht, and the RCP sponsors handed over the **KEEA awards** in the presence of the respective headmasters of the schools and the awardees' guardians as follows:

**Third prize recipients:**

- Ms. Swastika Gole Tamang, Shree Chandi Adarsha Saral S. School, Chakupat
- Ms. Muna Shrestha, Shree Siddhi Mangal Secondary School, Sano Gaun
- Ms. Ms. Anjana Thapa, Tri Padma Vidyashram Secondary School, Pulchowk
- Mr. Bimal Tamang, Madan Smarak Secondary School, Pulchowk
- Ms. Urmila Tamang, Shree Balkumari Secondary School, Sunakothi
- Mr. Abijeet Pahari, Shree Path Pradarsak Secondary School Badikhel

Sponsors from the RCP-Rtn. Lalita Thapa, Rtn. Shikha Prasai, Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang, Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary, Rtn. Jamuna K. Tamrakar, and Rtn. Ramesh L. Maskay contributing Rs. 10,000 each and Rtn. Rabendra R. Pandey contributing Rs. 30,000.

**Second prize recipients:**

- Ms. Junu Maya Ghalan, Shree Krishna Secondary School, Dhapakhel
- Mr. Sujan Lo, Kitini Secondary School, Kitini
- Ms. Sadiksha Bista, Shree Bisankhu Narayan Secondary School, Godamchaur

Sponsors: Late Rtn. Narayan G. Halwai Rs. 8,000, Rtns. Ganesh R. & Bijaya L. Shrestha Rs. 22,000, late Rtn. Matsyendra & Rtn. Chandralekha Kayastha Rs. 13,000, Rtn. Rabendra R. Pandey Rs. 20,000, and Rtns. Bijaya and Gabriele Mallapaty Rs. 12,000.

**First prize recipient:** Ms. Sristi Bhulun from Shree Udayakharka Sec. School, Chapagaun. (Sponsor: Late Rtn. Kamalmani Dixit) The RCP interview panel found Ms. Sristi Bhulun to be the all-around best student among the students interviewed. She not only excelled in her academic studies but also presented herself as a very well-motivated, confident, and hard-working student. She comes from a rural family of four and aspires to become a nurse to serve the community. She wanted to be a nurse from her childhood and has been studying hard to achieve her goal with highest academic grades since several years. She has been active in extra-curricular activities in the school and is very much interested in quiz, spelling, and speech contests, and was recognised for several of them.

Ms. Sristi Bhulun and her school's headmaster Mr. Hari Kafle spoke a few words on behalf of all recipients of the KEEA, and all the PEEF supported schools. They greatly appreciated the RCP's continuous support that has been helping the education of needy students for a long time.

**Graduate Studies Scholarship Awards (GSSA):** Before starting this programme, the RCP remembered the initiator of this programme late Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha who passed away recently. This programme has been sponsored by Late Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha & Rtn. Chandralekha Kayastha and Rtn. Prakash R. Regmi since 2021 – This year, they are sponsoring a total of seven students as one student - Susmita Thapa dropped the college for employment in S. Korea this month. In addition, from last year, Rtns. Ganesh R. and Bijaya Shrestha have been sponsoring one student. Therefore, a total of 8 GSSAs are awarded this year. These awards are given for the continued education at higher level of studies up to the master's level. **Awardees:**

- Bir Dhoj Tamang: Study: B.E. programme at Engineering College, Puchowk
- Preeti Pandey: Study: Namuna Matsyendra Campus, Lagankhel (BBS)
- Kiran Nepal: Study: Bachelor of Engineering at Institute of Engineering, Thapathali Campus
- Sonika Tamang: Study: B.Sc. Nursing at MEC, Sano Thimi
- Samjhana Tamang: Study: Bright Future College, Satdobato. B.Ed. (Being given separately as she could not attend today)
- Karuna Yogi: Study: Nesfield Int'l College, Batuk Bhairab (Social Work)
- Sapana Bhatta: Study: Koteswor Multiple Campus. BBS
- Arati Nepali: Study: Shree Mahalaxmi Campus, Luvu. BBS

On behalf of late Kamalmani ji's family, Ms. Rupa Joshi and Mr. Kanak Dixit thanked the RCP and spoke highly for continuing the KEEA programme initiated with the vision of late Kamalmani ji. He remembered the imagination and creativity of late Kamalmani ji and his contributions in the education sector. On behalf of the RCP, President Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht thanked all the participants and organisers for the truly excellent award programmes and invited all to join in the fellowship dinner.