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Today's Programme:	***Congratulatory Events***
Regular Weekly Meeting	***Birthdays:*** Nil ***Wedding Anniversaries:*** Nil

Minutes of Meeting No.2022 — *Date: 26 Ashwin 2083 / 12 October 2026*

1. President Rtn. Shiv P. Khemka called the meeting no. 2022 to order with 'Dashain greetings' and 15 seconds of 'Silent Invocation' for world peace, health, and happiness.

2. Guests welcomed by the President: Venerable Monks Uttam Stabir and Vimalo Mahastabir, Rtn. Regmi's sister Prof. Dr. Jyoti Regmi Adhikary, Rotaract President Deepa Lamichhane and four Rotaracts from the Rotaract Club of Patan,

3. The last weekly meeting minutes issue number 1679 of the RCP were reviewed and approved.

4. Happy News Contributions:

   - Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty (Rs. 500), Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang (Rs. 500), Rtn. Jeevan K. Shrestha (Rs. 500), Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty (Rs. 500), and Rtn. Krishna Hachhethu (Rs. 500), – for 'Dashain greetings', welcoming Rtn. Ewerhard Engels as an honorary member of the RCP, and today's special programme of Rtn. Sandhya Regmi together with the blessings of venerable monks.
   - Rtn. Rabendra R. Pandey– for the above & for the marriage of elder brother's youngest granddaughter (Rs. 1,000).
   - Rtn. Sandhya Regmi – for welcoming Venerable monks and for making blood donation and signing of eye donation at Til Ganga Eye Centre and Kathmandu University School of Management respectively (Rs. 500).
   - Rtn. Lalita C. Thapa – for the above, and for being honoured by Everest Foundation for her social work (Rs. 500).
   - Rtn. Ewerhard Engels – for his daughter being a mother (Rs. 500).
   - Rtn. Bijaya L. Shrestha – for luckily escaping the Bhote Koshi Floods during travel when she left the hotel 8 hours before the flood (Rs. 500).
   - Rtn. Bishnu Sigdel – for today's programme and for successfully completing 'Char Dham' pilgrimage (Rs. 500).
   - Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha – for today's programme and for the successful completion of this year's PEEF scholarship selection/distribution programme (Rs. 500).
   - Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal – for today's programme and for the successful completion of the 'Futsal competition' activity of the RCP's four adopted schools in collaboration with the Rotaract Club of Patan (Rs. 500).
   - Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha – for today's programme, welcoming Rtn. Engels as an honorary member of the RCP, and for excellent participation of 28 members today. He also announced that he will contribute to 'happy news' whenever 25 members participate in the weekly meeting (Rs. 1,000).
   - Rtn. Prakash R. Regmi – for today's programme with the participation of two of his sisters, for the forthcoming team visit of Edwards Lifesciences Foundation to work on RHD in children, and happy family get-together with youngest daughter's family visiting from the USA (Rs. 1,000).
   - Rtns. Khadak S. Bisht and Maheswari Bisht Rawal – for the interview of Ms. Swastika B.K. in Sagarmatha radio programme who is a PEEF supported student sponsored by Ullens Schools for the 10+2 programme, today's programme and welcome of Rtn. Engels as an honorary member of the RCP (Rs. 1,000).
   - Rtn. Parbata R. Dangol - for joining the RCP as a new member (delayed due to daughter's sickness) Rs. 500.
   - Rtn. Shiv P. Khemka – for welcoming Rtn. Ewerhard Engels as an honorary member of the RCP, and today's special programme of Rtn. Sandhya Regmi with the auction of her two paintings for social activities, very good participation, and several successful RCP activities of this month – Futsal, PEEF completion, Heart-screening District Grant reporting, and radio Sagarmatha interview (Rs. 2,000).
   - Rtn. Preeti Khemka – for the above and playing Futsal for the first time (Rs. 500).

5. Other Contributions:

   - Rtn. Sandhya Regmi contributed two of her paintings of Lord Buddha 'Radiant Meditation' and 'Magical Aura' for social activities through the RCP. The paintings were auctioned and Rtns. Rabendra R. Pandey and Lalita C. Thapa bought them for Rs. 60,000 each. Rtn. Regmi earmarked a total contribution of Rs. 135,000 for the following:

- Rs. 60,000 to RCP's project 'CLLR' activity,
- Rs. 25,000 to Down syndrome society through Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal,
- Rs. 25,000 to children with Intellectual Development Disability through Rtn. Sunil Gupta, and
- Rs. 25,000 to children with blood disorders.

6. Rotary Information:

   - Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty and President Elect Rtn. Jeevan K. Shrestha completed the RCP's Club Registration Renewal process at the Tax office, Lalitpur Metropolis and the CDO office.

   - President Rtn. Shiv P. Khemka:

     - Welcomed honorary member of the RCP Rtn. Ewerhard Engels and Rtn. Engels spoke a few words on how happy he was to be a part of the RCP family. He promised to join the RCP meetings whenever he is in Nepal.

     - Reminded that there will be no regular weekly meeting on Monday, 19 October due to Dashain holidays.

   - Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht informed about the cycle rally being organised by the District from Bhaktapur to Patan during the Polio week and requested interested members to join at any stop. Details are being shared electronically.

   - Rtr. Deepa Lamichhane, President of Rotaract Club of Patan, invited all the RCP members to join them in their signature 'Good Morning Tea-Party' on Saturday, 17 October 2026 from 8 to 12 a.m. at Bluebird Secondary School, Kumaripati.

7. Before the adjournment of the meeting by the President, Secretary Rtn. Krishna Hachhethu announced happy news contributions of Rs. 13,000 to the Sunshine Fund and Rs. 7,100 to the Operational Fund of the RCP, and the attendance 3 guests including 2 Venerable Monks, 5 Rotaracts, 29 members, and 9 make-ups.

Summary of presentation by Rtn. Sandhya Regmi on 'Faces of Buddha: a journey through culture, art and identity'

President Rtn. Shiv P. Khemka welcomed Venerable Monks Uttam Stabir and Vimalo Mahastabir and all the participants and requested Rtn. Sandhya Regmi to make her presentation and conduct the session.

Rtn. Sandhya Regmi made an excellent power-point presentation on 'Faces of Buddha: a journey through culture, art and identity'. In addition to her professional classification as an Engineer and PhD scholar on environment, Rtn. Sandhya is also an artist and Founder President of Buddha Harmony Foundation. Today's presentation concentrated on her studies in Buddhism and her spiritual journey of over 20 years with the paintings of the many faces of Buddha.

Rtn. Regmi mentioned that Buddha's face is not historically documented, and every culture imagines Buddha through its own lens. Explaining the origins of Buddha 'Shakyamuni Buddha' was born 2,600 ago in Lumbini in Nepal as evidenced by UNESCO and in the Ashoka pillar carvings. She described the various lifestyles and philosophical approach of Buddhism such as Zen Minimalism in Japan, a Cultural Fusion in Singapore with Chinese, Thai and Burmese influence, Soft and Poetic in Vietnam, Radiant and Eloquent in Thailand, and Majestic Angkor Wat in Cambodia.

Rtn. Regmi highlighted that Buddhism sees enlightenment as timeless and that many Buddhas have appeared before Gautama and many more will come. Theravada tradition lists 28 Buddhas (Sidhartha Gautama as the 28th) and Mahayana traditions speak of 1,000 Buddhas. Her artistic journey took her to all these countries. She learnt a lot from her art teacher Bui Dien Hai from Vietnam and was inspired by Thich Nhat Hanh who brought Buddhism to the West and by Maha Ghosananda who experienced 'from deep suffering comes great compassion.

On this occasion, Rtn. Sandhya Regmi presented, through the Venerable Monks from Buddha Shanti Foundation, a framed Lord Buddha's painting entitled 'Inner Peace' to each of the RCP's platinum members, charter members, and the President.

Following an introduction of the Venerable Monks Uttam Stabir and Vimalo Mahastabir, they performed a blessing to the RCP family in Pali language. President Rtn. Khemka presented them with the RCP's 'Token of Appreciation'.

Following a Questions/Answers session, on behalf of all present, Rtn. Bishwa B. Sharma gave a 'Vote of Thanks' to Rtn. Sandhya Regmi for her enlightening presentation on Buddhism and the presents she gave to the RCP members.