In our weekly meeting on September 27, 2019 President Rtn. Salil Dev Singh Bali welcomed Chief Guest Mr. Ravinder Chandla Regional Director, ASSOCHAM, Chandigarh, Mr. S.C. Malik father of PP Rtn. Dr. Rita Kalra and Mr. Puneet Ahuja who attended his second meeting and is a prospective Rotarian. The Chief Guest was formally introduced by PP Rtn. Dr. V.J.S. Vohra.

Mr. Ravinder Chandla is the Regional Director of ASSOCHAM Regional Headquarters in Sector 8, Chandigarh. The full form of ASSOCHAM is The Associated Chambers of Commerce & Industry in India. It is known as the Knowledge Chamber: Serving the Nation since 1920, having its corporate office in New Delhi. Ravinder Chandla had assumed the charge of this office in March 2018. As an efficient administrator, he has an expertise in business development in various leadership roles during his career spanning over 24 years in corporate sector, with various Telecom, IT, Real Estate and Export Houses. Among the leading groups he has worked for, a few are Eastman, Zee Group, United Telecom, Next Retail India and Ansal Properties & Infrastructure Limited. He has Graduation degree in Commerce and Post-Graduation in Business Administration (MBA) from University Business School, Panjab University, Chandigarh. President Salil and PP Dr. V.P. Vohra had the opportunity to interact with Mr. Chandla on 5th August 2019 when they participated in the Conference on ‘Sustainable Development of Persons with Disabilities’ organized by ASSOCHAM at Hotel Shivalikview. Mr. Chandla is a friend of Rotary and Rotarians. ASSOCHAM is also the Knowledge Partner of the 2nd National Conference of Indian Association of Assistive Technologists to be held on 22nd & 23rd December 2019 at Ramada Plaza Hotel, Zirakpur, in which Rotary Chandigarh Midtown is also associated.

Mr. Ravinder Chandla said he is honoured to be part of this meeting, describing Rotarians as eminent personalities. He gave a brief glance of ASSOCHAM as the Knowledge Architect of Corporate India, having more than 400 Chambers and Trade Associations as associates, serving more than 4 lakh direct and indirect members from all over India.

He gave an interesting presentation about Green & Eco-Friendly movement, talking about journey of green buildings till date and a lot more to do. He said more than 4,300 projects with about 4.7 billion sq. ft. of built-up area had registered for green technology as of September 2017 and there is huge potential for further penetration of green building technology due to environmental, economic and social benefits. It also saves water, natural resources and energy.

ASSOCHAM has launched the “GEM Sustainability (Green) Certification Program” in August 2018 with the objective to promote environment friendly green building design and construction. Through this initiative, ASSOCHAM has started awarding the Sustainability Certification Rating to Housing, Commercial Offices, Hotels, Colleges, Universities, Schools and Factory buildings and related developments.
All existing, under construction or upcoming projects can register for this certification rating program for which standard requirements for a building to be GEM certified was explained by Mr. Chandla. The presentation was followed by interactive session with Rotarians which also resulted in discussion on solar energy. As the topic is of great interest to architects, engineers, real estate consultants, business people etc., for further queries Mr. Chandla can be contacted on his mobile no. 98150 25552 or E-mail: ravinder.chandla@assocham.com.

On behalf of our Club Rtn. R.S. Sachdeva who is associated with ASSOCHAM and a friend of Mr. Ravinder Chandla, thanked him for a very elaborate presentation highlighting the benefits of green buildings and the eco systems which is required for better living for all of us.
END TB Project on 25.09.2019

HIV TB NSP by Rotarians in presence of DHS Dr. G. Diwan, District TB Chair Rtn T.S. Bagga, AG Zone 1 Rtn. V.K. Sharma at Civil Dispensary, Ram Darbar, Chandigarh. TB Patients were given Food Supplements and were made aware about the treatment and prevention of TB.

At Ashiana Home Chandigarh on 23.09.2019

Counseling 16 girls in partnership with Chandigarh Child and Women Development Corporation by our Club and Inner Wheel Chandigarh Midtown

Blood Donation Camp on 28.09.2019 organized by our Club at Kundan International School Chandigarh, in association with Fortis Hospital

41 units collected

TB patients to get Rs 500, nutrition supplies during treatment

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EMPHASISING ON the importance of completing the course of TB treatment and taking proper nutritional support, Mission director and director of Health Services, Dr G Dewan announced on Wednesday that the government will provide Rs 500 to each TB patient per month till the completion of the treatment.

Distributing nutritional supplements to the MDR-TB and TB patients at Civil Dispensary at Ramdarbar, Dr Dewan said, “TB harega, desh jitega (TB will be foiled and the country will win).”

The government is observing September as the ‘Pushan Mah (Nutrition Month)’. President of Rotary Midtown Salil Bali affirmed that nutritional supplement will be provided every month to MDR-TB and TB patients till the completion of Treatment.

Breast Cancer Walkathon 'Hope for a Cure'
Organized by:
Sahayta Charitable Welfare Trust
At Sukhna Lake, Chandigarh

Chief Guest: Mrs. Navraj Sandhu
Additional Chief Secretary
Govt. of Haryana

On Friday, 4th October 2019 at 4.30 p.m.
All are requested to attend

Yuva Ko Disha
President Salil Bali congratulated all the Mentors from our Club who are meeting the children of Juvenile Justice Board (JJB) since the start of this unique project about six weeks ago. The Mentors had number of sessions with these children for taking care of their needs and even their medical problems.

Though these children are in conflict with the law, we find them well behaved and responsive to whatever they are being taught through motivational talks and audio visual presentation, to inspire them to have better future.

The feedback from JJB and children is exceptional, as we look forward to this project with great satisfaction.

World Heart Day – Global Community of Heart Heros

As recommended by RI Director Dr. Bharat Pandya, activity undertaken at Civil Hospital, Panchkula on 29.09.2019 was for BP, weight, BMI, blood sugar, nutrition and exercise counseling for healthy heart and be recognized as ‘Heart Hero’.


Detailed report of this World Heart Day NCD project will be published in the next bulletin.
Acknowledgement with thanks
Donations to the Rotary Foundation
PP Rtn. R.T.P.S. Tulsi          US$ 100
Donation for Club Projects
Rtn. Col. Dr. V.K. Kapoor          Rs. 5000
Rtn. Arjan Singh          Rs. 1100
Rtn. Dr. Sanjay Kalra          Rs. 2000

Birthday of Spouses
R’ann Gagan Meet          October 04
R’ann Kalpana Aggarwal          October 07

Birthday of Rotarians
Rtn. Rajesh Mahajan      October 04
PE Rtn. Sanjay Bhatia       October 09

Wedding Anniversary
Rtn. Renu & Rtn. Salil Chopra      October 10

Punctuality Award
Won by Rtn. R.S. Sachdeva

District Golf Tournament
Will be held on 08 March 2020. For details contact District Chair Golf Fellowship Rtn. R.S. Sachdeva, who is also Chair Sports of our Club.