Our regular meeting on December 13, 2019 was held at Indira Holiday Home, Sector 24, Chandigarh, which was the first day of the 3 days RYLA Vished, inaugurated by Chief Guest Mrs. Aruna Chaudhary, Hon’ble Minister of Social Security and Woman & Child Development, Govt. of Punjab. In her inaugural address she congratulated our Club for organizing this special event. She ensured her government’s full support for disability empowerment, and also donated Rs. TWO lakh for our Club’s Welfare Trust. Her very inspiring and impressive speech can be heard on https://www.facebook.com/drvjs.vohra/videos/pcb.1293997550801989/10215561261889637/?type=3&theater&ifg=1.
Meticulous planning by the team

Outstanding presentations

Dr. Vijay Nagpal, Professor of Law Department in Panjab University, having congenital loss of both lower limbs, now leading a normal life with prosthetic legs, spoke about legal rights of Persons with Disabilities. He spoke from his heart to highlight the genuine problems faced by disabled persons. His speech is also uploaded on our Facebook page.

The inaugural function was followed by our regular meeting. President Salil Bali welcomed the visiting RFE Rotarians from Nepal RI District 3292, felicitating them and their hosts in the presence of District Trainer PDG Manmohan Singh accompanied his spouse R’ann Rajwant.

Day 2 and 3, that is, on 14th & 15th December, RYLA Vishesh participants started the day with Yoga early in the morning in the lawn of Indira Holiday Home. The cold and rainy weather did not dampen their enthusiasm and initiative to show their talent and ability to overcome their disability with smile and positive attitude, which gave a clear message from them that, “Hum kisi se kam nahi.” All of them took part in all the activities like carom, singing, dancing, painting, cricket etc.

Day 3 - Valedictory: Address by PRIP Raja Saboo, Sr. Dy. Mayor Hardeep Singh and DGN Ajay Madan

Day 3 - Valedictory: Gracious presence of Chief Guest PRIP Raja Saboo with PDG Manmohan Singh, PDG Shaju Peter, DGN Ajay Madan and IPDG Praveen Goyal

Hind Janpath dated 17 December 2019

More glimpses and Video coverage of RYLA Vishesh is on our Facebook page. Click below from e-bulletin
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In the presence of PRIP Raja Saboo, Sr. Dy. Mayor Hardeep Singh, PDG Mannmohan Singh, DGN Ajay Madan and Rotarians of our Club, participants of RYLA Vishesh were presented by our Club one Tricycle, two Wheel Chairs and one sewing machine. Two persons were examined by PP Dr. V.J.S. Vohra for fitting of artificial legs.

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Human Rights Day was observed at Department of Gandhian and Peace Studies, Punjab University, Chandigarh. The Panel consisted of UNESCO Network Chair and Chairman of Department Dr. Manish Gupta and President of Rotary Club Chandigarh Midtown Rtn. Salil Bali.

The important issue of sexual assault on women, which is jeopardizing their Right to live with dignity, was taken forward and the Students of Punjab University have taken oath to take this as an important project in the Campus.

Eminent Rotary leaders present were RI President Mark Maloney and Gay, TRF Trustee Seiji Kita and his spouse from Japan, Trustee Jennifer Jones, PRIP Raja Saboo with Usha, PRIP Kalyan Banerjee with Binota, PRIP K.R. Ravindran with Vanati, RI President Nominee Shekhar Mehta with Rashee and General Secretary John Hewko with Marga.

Among the highlights of the event were the informal interactions of the delegates with Ms. Smriti Irani, Union Minister for Women and Child Welfare and address by Mr. Kamal Nath, Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh.
Donations for RYLA Vishesh

Mrs. Aruna Chaudhary Rs. Two lakh (Hon'ble Minister, Govt. of Punjab)
District Governor 3080 Rs. 40000
PP Rtn. Dr. Kesho Ram Gupta Rs. 11000
Rotary Club Mohali Rs. 10000
Rotary Club Kharar Rs. 5000
R’ann Rekha Mehra Rs. 5000
PP Rtn. Dr. V.J.S. Vohra Rs. 5000
Rtn. Dr. Indu Luthra Rs. 5000
Rtn. Surjit S. Mann Rs. 5000

Birthday of Spouses

R’ann Neeta Munjal December 23
R’ann Santosh Gupta (PDC, IW) December 25

Birthday of Rotarians

Rtn. Dr. Nitin Mathur December 23
Rtn. Ravinder Krishan December 24
Rtn. Vinod Sobti December 24
PP Rtn. Dr. Kesho Ram Gupta December 25

Wedding Anniversary

Rtn. Dr. Manisha & Dr. Rohit Sahni December 24

Felicitation Function

At Hotel Heritage Grand, Kurukshetra
RIPN 2021-22 Shekhar & Rashi Mehta

Date: 20th December 2019 Time: 6.00 p.m.
Host: Rotary Club Kurukshetra
Registration charges: Rs. 1500/- (Single)