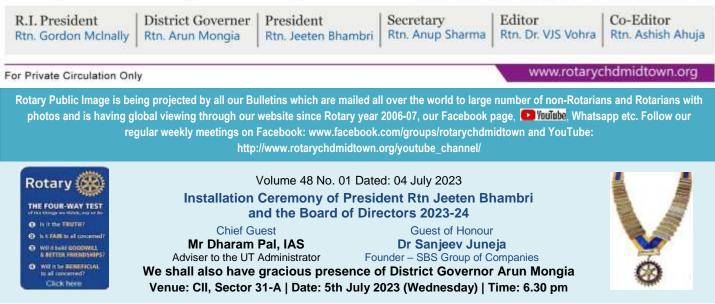


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Welcome Chief Guest and Guest of Honour

Chief Guest Mr Dharam Pal, IAS

1988 batch IAS officer of the AGMUT cadre, Mr. Dharam Pal is the Adviser to the UT Administrator since 23rd June 2021.

A resident of Banga in Hoshiarpur district of Punjab, he did his Bachelor of Engineering



(BE) in electronics and telecommunications from Punjab Engineering College (PEC) during 1981-85 and MTech in computer controls and instrumentation from the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Delhi, during 1985-87. He also did a postgraduate diploma in disaster management from Indira Gandhi Open University during 2007-08.

He has held many important positions in Government of India, Government of NCT of Delhi and Andaman & Nicobar Administration.

He has received extensive training in civil administration and public management at LBS National Academy of Administration (August 1988 to February 1989.

Our meeting on 28th June 2023 was a Valedictory Function. President 2022-23 Rtn Dr Sanjay Kalra welcomed Chief Guest District Governor Rtn Arun Mongia, District First Lady Rtn Charu Mongia and AG Sanjeev Checker. District Governor was formally introduced by President 2023-24 Rtn Jeeten Bhambri.

Guest of Honour Dr Sanjeev Juneja

Touted as а 'Brand Machine' by the media, Mr. Sanjeev Juneja is an industrialist, Indian Investor and philanthropist, who has worked immensely to acquaint New India with a modern form of Ayurveda. Mr. Juneja owns multiple home grown Ayurvedic brands



such as Dr. Ortho, Roop Mantra, Sachi Saheli, Petsaffa, Accumass, Itchku, Badman and Eye Mantra, among others. His entrepreneurial journey started in one room with Rs 2,000 in his pocket and he is now ranked amongst country's top business tycoons. Who stole the headlines when he liquidised his one brand Kesh King for 262 million US Dollars to Emami. The huge portfolio of Mr. Juneja including his brands can be estimated to have contributed a net worth of approximately Rs. 10,000 crore to the Indian Economy. Also, as per the latest report of TAMAdEx for Jan-May, 2021, Mr Juneja ranks top as the largest advertiser across print, electronic and radio media. He has been honoured with World's Greatest Leaders Award 2016 India by URS Media Consulting P.L. Asia One.

Valedictory Function

Born and brought up in a business family, Rtn Arun Kumar Mongia spent his initial years in the family timber business. Soon after he started a new entrepreneur venture Wooden Photo Frame manufacturing, the very first of its kind in the state of Jammu and Kashmir. This led him to establish a complete



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stop building material one warehouse in the city of Jammu. Continuing to trust his instincts and following his ardour to expand, explore and learn more, he established a Plywood Manufacturing Unit at Yamunanagar, Haryana. Subsequently he entered the Hospitality Industry by setting up a Hotel at Haridwar, Uttrakhand.



DG Arun Mongia

Adding to his progress, he also opened a Cafe Lounge in Yamunanagar.

EXPERIENCE & ACHIEVEMENTS

- Joined Rotary Club Jagadhri North in 2000, have done justice to the full range of Rotary Assignments he had been assigned

- Adjudged as Best Club President, Best Secretary and Best Assistant Governor.

- Graduate from District Rotary Leadership Academy, Rotary Leadership Institute and Faculty Orientation Training

- He has been elected as District Governor for Rotary year 2023-2024.

- Held the position of faculty at various District Events. Hosted many District Functions and served as Volunteer at four medical missions in India and abroad.

CURRENT RESPONSIBILITIES

Currently DGE, his current responsibilities in District include, Counselor for School Dual Desk Project, Counselor for Sahyog Artificial Limb Project and Chairman District Polio Plus Committee.



Planter presented to DG Arun Mongia and Rtn Charu SKILLS & ASPIRATIONS

Committed, dedicated and hardworking, with a great work ethic and with a clear vision of strengthening Rotary and enhancing Rotary's Public Image and executing meaningful service projects. He has widely travelled and attended R.I. convention, Zone Institute and other Rotary Events.

AFFILIATIONS

A Firm Supporter of "The Rotary Foundation' he had been the Charter member of District Paul Harris Society formed in 2007.

He is Major donor Level-2 and a benefactor and all his family members are Paul Harris Fellow.

He is associated with many Social Welfare Associations, Life member of Indian Red Cross Society, Executive Member of Haryana Chamber of commerce and Industry, Secretary General of AIPMA (All India Plywood Manufacturing Association.

FAMILY

He is happily married to Rtn. Charu, also a Rotarian from Rotary Jagadhri North and Past President of Inner Wheel Club. He is blessed with a son, Raghav who is married to Mallika and is taking care of family Business and a daughter, Meera is currently studying in class VI.

Message from President 2023-24 Rtn Jeeten Bhambri

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

RI President Rtn. Gordon Mcinally has given this year's theme "CREATE HOPE IN THE WORLD", which will inspire all Rotarians to come forward and participate in the fellowship and the projects. It is my proud privilege to create hope during the Rotary Year 2023-24.

Rotary Chandigarh Midtown is one of the most vibrant clubs of our District, having a blend of experienced and young Rotarians, who are already creating hope, not only in Rotary, but in their profession and business as well. Since last over 118 years on every 1st July the Rotary Wheel has been taking turns, with a new theme and new challenges in its global set up.

Laughter is the best medicine and it does not cost anything. Together we shall

create hope to bring laughter in the lives of the less privileged, persons with disability and the needy persons to make them healthy and happy to lead a life of dignity and pride. Emphasis will be on our on-going projects and also the new ones, to take our club forward to achieve greater heights.

Kadam and myself look forward to a meaningful, exciting and an eventful year with Rotarians of Chandigarh Midtown, who always smilingly come forward with their support and contributions. Together we can and we will create hope in this world.



Rtn Jeeten Bhambri and R'Ann Kadam





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In the valedictory ceremony Dr Sanjay Kalra gave an impressive report for his year as President 2022-23, highlighting the achievements of the club, having done 415 wonderful projects during the year, for which there was a loud applause from all present.

Thanking all members of the club for their support during the year, he also recognized the members by giving them awards. <u>Click here</u> to see on Facebook.

Master of Ceremonies PP Dr Rita Kalra, who conducted the meeting meticulously, introduced all the awardees in a Bollywood style, through audio video presentation with song and music. <u>Click here</u> to see this amazing presentation streamed live on facebook.





District Governor 2023-24 Rtn Arun Mongia in his inspiring address, profusely thanked President 2022-23 Dr Sanjay Kalra and PP Dr. Rita Kalra for inviting him, along with his gracious wife, Rtn Charu. Citing our club as one of the prestigious clubs of RID District 3080, he generously lauded the projects undertaken by President Dr. Sanjay Kalra and his team during the Rotary year 2022–23. He also acknowledged the vast bank of Rotary experience and knowledge our club has in the form of very senior members – PP Rtn BL Ramsisaria, PP Rtn Dr Balram Gupta, PP Rtn RK Luther and PP Rtn RTPS Tulsi – to name a few, and interacting with them has always been an enriching experience for him. He further appreciated the valuable



Launch of Club Roster by DG Arun Mongia

contribution of all the Past Presidents in maintaining the decorum and legacy of our club year after year.

DG Arun was all praise for our club which is following of all protocols, by-laws and abiding by the Club's Constitution, and gave due credit to PP BL Ramsisaria for his expertise and mentoring about Club By-laws to the entire leadership – past, present as well as upcoming - of the District 3080.

Continuing with his appreciative remarks about our Club, he said ours was an effective and vibrant club, and had surpassed the desired levels in fulfillment of the following parameters:

- 1. Sustained and increased membership base from 87 members to 114 members during the year 2022 23. Also made a new satellite club.
- Executed a record no. of meaningful projects 415 projects in 363 days.
- 3. Contributed financially to The Rotary Foundation and achieved 100% PHF Club status.
- 4. Organised RYLA for the specially abled as well as Friendship Exchange programmes.
- 5. Capable of developing leaders who would go on to serve beyond the club level.

As a testimony to his last parameter, DG made a mention of our very own PDG Shaju Peter and that our Club is full of potential District leaders. Recognising our Club's active involvement at the district level, he said that 20 members from our club have been assigned District Level Assignments in the current Rotary year 2023–24.

DG Arun Mongia concluded by again congratulating President Dr. Sanjay Kalra and his team for a remarkable Rotary year 2022-23, as well as all members for jointly working in all the six avenues of service.

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DG Arun Mongia and Rtn Charu Mongia enjoying the ceremony with AG Sanjeev Checker, President Dr Sanjay Kalra and large number of Rotarians, R'Anns and guests in Hotel Western Court, Panchkula

Following Rotarians and Anns were recognized for their dedicated support in 2022-23 Click here to see on Facebook.

- Rtn Naveen Aggarwal & Ann Sunita
- Rtn Brig. JS Sabharwal & Ann Jyotie
- Rtn Rakesh Gupta & Ann Deepshikha
- Rtn Bhupinder Kumar & Ann Savita
- Rtn Justice Raj Rahul Garg & Dr Rahul Garg
- Rtn Major Deepak Chaudhary & Ann Ritu
- Rtn Amit Sood & Ann Tanu
- Rtn Sakshi Verma
- Rtn Shazia Singh & Ajayveer Singh
- Rtn Maj. Gen. Arun Verma & Ann Mini
- Rtn Mukal Bansal & Ann Neera
- Rtn Rehman Naiyer & Ann Nikhat
- Rtn Rajesh Mahajan & Ann Meena
- PP Dr Vanita Gupta & Dr BC Gupta
- PP Pallav Mukherjee & Ann Dr Joginder
- PP Rtn Deepak Sood & Ann Purnima
- Rtn Arjan Singh & Ann Parveen
- Rtn Col Dr VK Kapoor
- Rtn Dr.Shashi Jain & Mr Naresh Jain
- Rtn Dr. Harinderjit Kaur
- Rtn Vijay Gupta & Ann Suman
- Rtn Dr Manjushri Sharma
- Rtn Dr Anurag Sharma
- Rtn RPS Gulati & Ann Pritpal
- Rtn Suman Gupta & Mr NK Sharma
- Rtn Ashish Ahuja & Ann Dr Ruby
- Rtn Suresh Dhawan & Ann Madhu
- Rtn Kulbir Bhatia & Ann Harpreet
- Rtn Ashish Singla & Ann Sangeeta

- Rtn Sanjeev Kumar & Ann Ranjna
- Rtn Col JS Chandoak & Ann Surinder
- Rtn Bhavmit Chandoak & Ann Aman
- Rtn Anjali Chhabra
- Sh Rakesh Kumar
- Rtn Tej Mohan Singh & Ann Gaganmeet
- Rtn Chandra Parkash & Ann Lalita
- Rtn Dr Vinny Sachdeva & RS
- Sachdeva
- Rtn Surjit Mann & Ann Judy
- PP Harish Sethi & Ann Manjit
- PP Vinod Jawa & Ann Pushpa
- Rtn Viney Aggarwal
- Rtn Prof Dr IS Dua & Ann Guninder
- Rtn Dr Gopal Munjal & Ann Neeta
- Rtn Parveen Khosla & Ann Rashi
- Rtn Ravinder Krishan
- Rtn JP Singh
- Rtn Vinod Manchanda
- PP BL Ramsisaria
- PP DP Khandekia & Ann Sandhya
- PP Anil Mehan & Ann Rekha
- PP TS Anand & Ann Preety
- PP Subhash Bindra & Ann Veena
- PP Dr VJS Vohra & Ann Indu
- PP Ajit Gulati & Ann Bir
- Rtn Raj Kattar & PDC Neeru
- PP Prem Anand & Ann Indu

- PP Ritu Singal
- PP Kanan Diwan & PDG Yoginder Diwan
- Rtn Indu Luthra
- PP Amarjit Singh & Ann Sunita
- PP Ashok Puri & Ann Sudha
- PP Saniay Bhatia & Rtn Ritu
- PE Jeeten Bhambri & Rtn Kadam
- Rtn Salil Chopra & Rtn Renu
- Rtn Shuchi Kapoor
- PN Nitin Kapur, Ann Shivani and their son Ayaan
- Rtn Anupam Jain & Rakesh Jain
- Rtn Anup Sharma & Ann Deepti
- PP Dr Balram Gupta & Ann Shashi
- PP RK Luther & Ann Urmil
- PP Salil Bali & Ann Parul
- Rtn JS Bawa & Ann Sarabjit
- Rtn Pardeep Sisodia & Ann Nandita
- Rtn Kulwinder Chhatwal & Ann Raspal
- PP RTPS Tulsi & Ann Ranjana
- PDG Shaju Peter
- PP RK Luther: Rotarian of the year
- Ann Nandita Sisodia: Ann of year
- DGE Arun Mongia & Rtn Charu
- President Dr Sanjay Kalra and Dr Rita

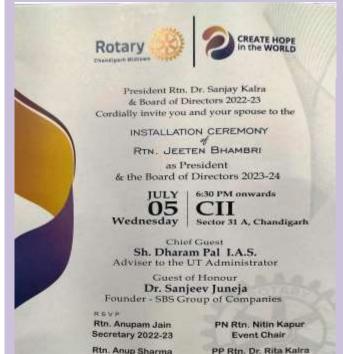
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President Dr Sanjay Kalra presenting memento to DG Arun Mongia and Rtn Charu Mongia



Master of Ceremonies

Rtn शशि जैन से रूबरू दिल से दिल की गुफ़तगू



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PP Rtn Salil Bali is a qualified Chemical engineer with Masters in Law and practising in High Court of Punjab & Haryana at Chandigarh as an Advocate. He is also an admitted Solicitor with Supreme Court of England & Wales. He's a Major Donor Level One and his entire family is PHF. A Live wire in Community

Service, he is popularly known in the Rotary World for conceiving and regularly executing Project Sahyog.

Q. When did you join Rotary?

A. I was fortunate to be selected as Team member in 2009 for GSE exchange program. On return, I was invited for a talk and inducted as a member by then President Rtn Gurdip Singh Deep. The exposure and personal gains reaped motivated me to join Rotary and serve.

Q. What were your Projects as President?

Being a big club, my primary target was to maximise TRF collection and with the generosity of Midtowners we breached the \$ 36000 mark for the first time in the history of the club. Unfortunately in March 2020 Pandemic entered our lives. Our Club converted this adversity into opportunity of serving people and rest is history. A 2N/3D residential RYLA Vishesh for disabled Youth was held which was first of its kind.

Q. What are the Star Projects undertaken as Rotarian?

A. I along with 2 Rotarians from USA were part of executing team for Solar Electrification of remote villages in difficult terrains of Leh & Ladakh under a Global Grant. <u>Click here</u> to watch on Facebook.

https://www.facebook.com/salil.bali.3/videos/10156375471971544/?mibextid=r540aB759Ucb Project Sahyog was conceived in August 2021 and till date we have provided artificial limbs to more than 300 handicapped patients with the help of PP Dr VJS Vohra at Nevedac Prosthetic Clinic.

Q. Awards Received?

Though in line of service awards don't matter but Rotary has been generous enough to honour me with Best Rotarian of District (2021-22) and Club (2013), Best President of District, Best Club in District, Best TB Work trophy (All 2019) Four avenues of service award (twice 2020 and 2021).

Q. What is your message to fellow Rotarians? A. Nothing is impossible. आसान जो है उस की चाहत नहीं ज़िद उस की है जो मुकद्दर में नहीं

"DS Bali "दामन"

Good wishes to you to continue your dedicated efforts to create hope in the World.

Rtn. Anup Sharma Secretary 2023-24

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Happy family, after a vibrant and hectic Rotary year



Joined by her husband Rtn Kulwinder Chhatwal, R'Ann Raspal celebrating her birthday with DG Arun Mongia, Rtn Charu Mongia, Dr Sanjay Kalra and Dr Rita Kalra.... and the little boy Ayaan Kapur



Impressions about the year 2022-23 by PP Balram Gupta, R'Ann Nandita Sisodia, Rtn Brig JS Sabharwal, PP Sanjay Bhatia and PN Nitin Kapur



order by SAA PP

RTPS Tulsi

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Rtn Dr. Manjushri

Sharma



Welcome address by Event Chair Rtn Pardeep Sisodia







PP Amariit Singh TRF recognitions

02 July

02 July

PP BL Ramsisaria club roster Introduction of DG

Birthday of Spouse

R'Ann Sarabjit Bawa	
R'Ann Tanu Sood	

Birthday of Rotarians

PP Rtn Ashok Kumar Puri	03 July
PP Rtn Dr Balram K. Gupta	04 July
Justice Rtn Raj Rahul Garg	05 July

Spreading Happiness and Smiles by Rtn Raj Khattar

Wife: Walk पे जायो. शांति मिलेगी Husband: आज मिल गई, 2 घंटे खूब बातें हुई

Thought

- Respect is love in plain clothes.

- Mistakes are always forgivable, if one has the courage to admit them.

- It has always been easy to hate and destroy. To build and to cherish is much more difficult.

Thought for the week by Rtn Col JS Chandoak

Character is the governing element of life, and is above genius.

----- F. Saunders

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District Award Function

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Abhar Utsav –The annual award fucntion of District 3080 was held on 30th June 2023 at Poanta Sahib. Rotary Chandigarh Midtown was represented by 13 members led by President Dr Sanjay Kalra. Our club won 46 awards, which will be distributed to the awardees in the next meeting on Friday, 14th July 2023.

- Rtn Pradeep Sisodia

- Rtn Kulvinder Chhatwal

- Rtn Indu Luthra

- PP Kanan Diwan

- PP Deepak Sood

- PP Salil Chopra

- Rtn Anup Sharma

- Rtn JS Bawa

- Rtn JP Singh

Zonal awards:

Best Secretary Zone V : Rtn Anupam Jain Imagineer Rotarians for Excellence in Rotary Service

- PP BL Ramsisaria
- PP Dr Balram Gupta
- PP Dr VJS Vohra
- PP RK Luther
- PP Ajit Gulati
- PP RTPS Tulsi
- PP Prem Anand
- PP Pallav Mukherjee
- PP Amarjit Singh
- Rtn Arjan Singh
- PP Ashok Puri
- PP Sanjay Bhatia
- PE Jeeten Bhambari
- R'Ann Kadam Bhambari
- PN Nitin Kapur
- R'Ann Neeru Khattar
- R'Ann Nandita Sisodia

District Awards:

- Best Bulletin of District –The Midtowner Editor: Dr VJS Vohra (14th year in succession)
- Best Project Cervical Cancer Vaccination
- Outstanding contribution to Project Sahyog
- RYLA Vishesh District event hosted
- Sahyog outstanding contribution -DS Bali
- Sahyog Outstanding Contribution Anil Puri
- Best Dist Team Chair Dr Rita Kalra
- Recognition to DRR- Rtn Shivansh Sharma
- Highest Registration at District Conference Kalpana
- Best Signature project of Rotary Adarsh Gaon Trophy to Village Bir Ghaggar
- Best Club for TB Awareness Trophy
- First Area of Focus Trophy for water and sanitation for Rain water well at Bir Ghaggar
- Best President of the district Running Trophy, Certificate and Plaque – Dr Sanjay Kalra
- Best Club Running Trophy and Certificate

DG's personal gift for PP Salil Bali.

Sahyog Artificial Limbs project was duly recognized by DG VP Kalta as 25 Clubs and 10 Individual Rotarians were presented awards 'For Outstanding Contribution to Sahyog'.

Fear never builds the future, But FAITH and HOPE does.

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