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PROGRAMME

Reincarnation – Does it Exist?

Chief Guest: Dr. Vivek Lal, PGI, Chandigarh

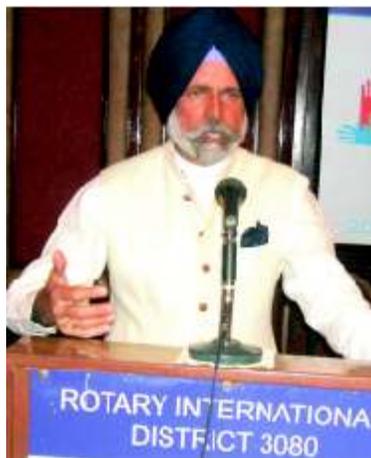
Friday March 12, 2010

Time: 6.30 P.M

Venue: President Hotel , Sector 26, Chandigarh

National Security Challenges with Reference to Pakistan and Afghanistan

The Chief Guest in our club meeting on March 5, 2010, Mr. K.C. Singh, IFS (Retd.), had good number of friends from our club, during his student days in Chandigarh. Sergeant at Arms PP Ajit S. Gulati, while calling the meeting to order, recalled the days when they were class fellows at Senior Model School, Sector 16, Chandigarh in 1958-61. Mr. Singh was introduced by his another student time friend doing law together, PP Dr. Balram Gupta, who also recalled Mr. Singh's tenure as Passport Officer in Chandigarh many years ago. He said, "Mr. Singh has made great contributions while handling various assignments. A veteran diplomat, Mr. K.C. Singh held some key assignments during his long career in the Indian Foreign Service. He served as the Ambassador to the UAE and Iran. He was also



Mr. K.C. Singh, IFS (Retd)
Former Ambassador

Secretary, Economic Relations, Ministry of External Affairs." Mr. Singh is also honorary Fellow at the Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies. Mr. K.C. Singh said, "The Pakistan problem has foxed various leaders. Vajpayee has tried it, Manmohan Singh has tried it, both BJP

and Congress have tried it. Both have been taken for a ride."

He added, "The British regime in India distrusted the then Congress leadership, particularly after the 1942 Quit India Movement. If India got independent, it would not become their ally. Whereas Jinnah had taken advantage of the situation. Bulk of British troops, almost 50%, were Muslims, recruited from today's Pakistani Punjab area."

The then British Colonial Empire needed a foothold in the South Asia and for this the choice was Pakistan. However, due to friendship Nehru had with Mountbatten, Pakistan felt cheated by him, because if the Muslim dominated district of Pathankot had gone to Pakistan, we would have had no territorial link to Kashmir.

The Britishers thought that India would have a very weak federal Government because there were about 500 Maharajas and Rajas. But India played its card right to manage cohesion and controlled the situation homogeneously.

While Pakistan has been having a confused identity, dominated by its military rulers, both directly and indirectly; India has had series of leadership. The Indian leadership wants to have peace in the region so that we can pay more attention to economy, move rapidly ahead and there will be happiness for every one. Mr. Singh pointed out that this happiness is

precisely the problem for Pakistan, which it does not want. This problem will still remain even if Kashmir issue is resolved.

Mr. Singh stated that India is a rising power, economically and militarily, which is another problem for Pakistan, where the army occupies a key space which is detrimental to the constitutional organs. The right-wing forces, which were encouraged first by President Zia-ul-Haq and then by the Pakistani military, Saudi Arabia and the US to counter the Soviet occupation of Afghanistan and finally by President Musharraf, have now turned around to attack Pakistan. The Taliban leadership may even capture the Pakistani Army. While Pakistan civilian Government is helpless, its army has connivance with fundamentalist forces. Benazir Bhutto, with mass appeal, would have restricted the Army's role to counter the militants. But she was assassinated.

India wants Afghanistan to be economically self sufficient, and militarily self sustaining. However, Pakistan's vision of Afghanistan is not just part of the problem but will have to be a part of the solution. Pakistan is now realizing the dangers of Taliban ascendance. Mr Singh said, "Pakistan is keeping

itself afloat due to its strategic location due to which it markets itself as 'Gun on Hire'. It is fighting the battle for the west." However, when the west gets tired of it, the Pakistan army steps back to allow civilian rule, and even allows them to make money! Mr. Singh said that US took Pakistan into confidence before firing missiles at Bin Laden. The result was that they were firing at empty camps. Obviously, Pakistan cautioned Bin Laden in advance that he would be attacked.

Mr. Singh's talk evoked a very interesting interactive session with large number of Rotarians. We had PDG Yoginder Diwan, DGN Manpreet Gandhioke, AG Charanjit Singh and President Rotary Central H.S. Saggi in the audience.

Yet another friend of Mr. K.C. Singh, who was with him at Panjab University as student, Rtn. Arjan Singh proposed formal Vote of Thanks.

President Gurdip S. Deep thanked Rtn. R.S. Sachdeva for hosting the Cocktails which followed the meeting.

President Gurdip also thanked Rtn. Tejbans S. Jauhar for his contribution of Rs. 5100/- and Rtn. Vinod Sobti for Rs. 1100/- for the Club Projects.



Memento from one friend to another

Club Assembly

Club Assembly will be held at 5 pm on 19th March 2010 at Hotel President, Sector 26, Chandigarh. It will be presided by Assistant Governor, Rtn. Charanjit Singh.

President Gurdip S. Deep requests all members of the Board of Directors and the Committee Chairs to be present in the Club Assembly.

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R'ann Neena & Rtn. T.S. Jauhar and R'ann Asha & Rtn. Vinod Sobti get wedding anniv. gift from Mr. K.C. Singh



President Gurdip Deep is all smiles while Rtn. R.S. Sachdeva gets the birthday gift and PP Dr. V.J.S. Vohra gets the punctuality award from Mr. K.C. Singh



Second Installment of Scholarships

In the last club meeting the second installment of scholarships was disbursed to five students, Khushboo, Nisha Bansal, Shilakha, Naina Dhiman and Manmohan Singh. Rtn. Arjan Singh said, "All of them have performed quite well in the last semester scoring between 67% and 80%. These funds will see them through the next semester. This scholarship fund is in collaboration with the Rotary Club of Milan, Italy, and two private donors."

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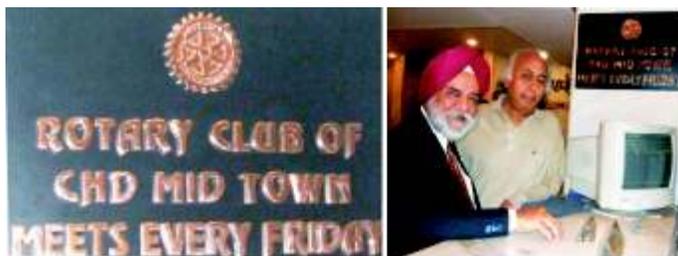
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Dinner in Honour of GSE Team



Santosh ji & PP Rtn. Dr. Kesho R. Gupta with members of GSE Team in whose honour they hosted the dinner

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Rtn. B.B. Bahl and President Gurdip S. Deep proudly pose at the reception of Hotel President, showing the board on the wall

The owner of Hotel President, Rtn. B.B. Bahl graciously agreed to our desire to have our board at the hotel, where we have been meeting every Friday since December 1984. Last week an impressive board has been permanently fixed on a wall at a prominent place at the Reception of Hotel President.

DG VISIT ON 26 MARCH 2010

Official Visit of District Governor Rtn. Chetan Aggarwal & Ann Neelam will be on March 26, 2010. It would be a Dinner meeting at Hotel President at 6.30 pm, and it is mandatory for all Rotarians to be present. Spouses are also invited. PP B.L. Ramsisaria will be the Committee Chair for the DG Visit

Wedding Anniversary Greetings

R'ann Krishna & Rtn. Om Parkash  March 12

Birthday Greetings

Rtn. J.S. Chopra  March 15

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