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## Business Meeting Presentation of Budget and Proposed Plans

Friday, July 31, 2009

Time: 7.00. PM

Venue: Hotel President, Sector 26, Chandigarh.

### Installation of President Gurdip S. Deep & Board of Directors 2009-10

Saturday, July 25, 2009 was a special evening, as the 33rd President of Rotary Club of Chandigarh Midtown, Rtn. Gurdip Singh Deep and the Board of Directors 2009-10 were installed in an impressive ceremony, having Mr. Pradeep Mehra, IAS, Adviser to UT Administrator, Chandigarh as the Chief Guest and Rtn. Rajendra K. Saboo, Rotary International President (1991-92), as the Guest of Honour.

PDG Shaju Peter, in his welcome address, said IPP Saroj Jhawar led the club during 2008-09 with great distinction and dedication, and requested her to give a review of RY 2008-09, which she highlighted through a multimedia presentation. Then followed the handing over of the collar by Saroj to President (2009-10) Gurdip Singh Deep. Charter of Chandigarh Midtown was then handed over by the outgoing Secretary D.R. Agarwal to the incoming Secretary Ritu Singal.

Rtn. P.K. Verma formally introduced President Deep,

who did his Masters degree with honours in Physics from Panjab University, Chandigarh, moving on to the diverse field with diploma in personnel management, to be followed by a career in banking. He served in Punjab National Bank till 1977 as a senior manager. Thereafter he proceeded to England to join an International Bank. He returned to India in 1990 and joined Rotary in 1991. He was Chairman of Chandigarh Management Association and Vice President of All India Management Association. Gurdip also started India International Educational Trust to give scholarship to poor students. First Lady, Maniki not only helps her husband at the Plaza Carnival at Sector 17, but is also a freelance journalist and an accomplished actor. They have an illustrious son, Karun, who is presently working as a Consultant in London.

President Deep in his address promised a good year



Chief Guest Mr. Pradeep Mehra, IAS escorted by PP Pallav Mukherjee and PP Ajit Gulati to Hotel President



First Lady Maniki Deep presents bouquet to the Chief Guest



Welcome address by PDG Shaju Peter



IPP Saroj Jhwar hands over the collar to President Gurdip S. Deep for which we have a matching grant partner, Rotary Club of Madison (District 7980, USA). Gurdip added that we are keen to participate in "Partnership Initiative Programme" of the UT Administration and our club has already registered for all six social services with 5 designated Nodal Officers. The President then introduced the members of his board of directors.

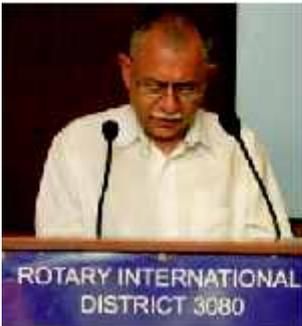
By way of felicitation, Assistant Governor Charanjit Singh conveyed the greetings of District Governor Chetan Aggarwal, and congratulated the outgoing team

ahead full of joy and fellowship. He said we shall continue with our projects like; eye camps, tree plantation, medical camps, drug deaddiction, pulse polio immunization, Sarangpur Night School, care for the disabled, Aasra shelter at GMCH-32, micro loans etc. Our major project this year is Rain Water Harvesting for

for the excellent contribution and wished the new team a successful year.

In his address, Past Rotary International President Raja Saboo recalled the year 1977 when our club was chartered as the second club in Chandigarh, when he was the Governor of District 3080. He talked about Rotary as an International organization reaching the height which even Paul Harris never dreamt! Due to the contributions made by the members of Rotary clubs this movement started expanding and achieved a wonderful growth during the 105 years of its existence. He said RI President John Kenny has given us a challenge through the theme, "The Future of Rotary is in Your Hands". We cannot sit on the glory of the past, but we can get the momentum from the past, which will accelerate us to the future. PRIP Raja Saboo said Future has many names. To the weak it is uncertain. To the average it is inevitable but to the strong it is a challenge!

PP Dr. Balram Gupta introduced the Chief Guest, Mr. Pradeep Mehra, IAS, Advisor to the Administrator of the Union Territory of Chandigarh. Mr. Mehra, in his address expressed his happiness to witness the installation ceremony. He praised the extremely smooth transition of leadership. Mr. Mehra added that



Address by Chief Guest Mr. Pradeep Mehra, IAS



Address by Guest of Honour PRIP R.K. Saboo



MPHF and PHF recognitions to PP T.S. Anand and Rtn. Amarjit Singh by PRIP Rajendra K. Saboo



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PRIP Rajendra K. Saboo and President Gurdip S. Deep pose with the Team 2009-10, from right: IPP Saroj Jhwar, PE Prem Anand, VP Arjan Singh, Secy. Ritu Singal, Jt. Secy. Dr. Nitin Mathur, Treasurer RTPS Tulsi, Dir. P.K. Verma, Dir. Deepak Sood, PDG Shaju Peter, Dir. Maj. Gen. A.S. Kahlon, Dir. R.K. Luther and Sergeant PP Ajit Gulati



President Gurdip Singh Deep highlighting the proposed plans for the year 2009-10

the Government tries its best to do as much as it can for the people of India, but that is not enough. What the Government cannot do, should be done by organization like Rotary.

Mr. Mehra cautioned that soon we are heading towards problems of plenty, and this would be as bad as problems of poverty! Drug addition is one example of problem of plenty, which is seen in USA,



Expression of gratitude by Secretary Ritu Singal



Mr. Pradeep Mehra gives Annv. gift to Rtn. Raj Khattar and Ann Neeru



Felicitations by AG Charanjit Singh



Secy (2008-09) D.R. Agarwal hands over the Charter to Secy (2009-10) Ritu Singal



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Europe and other developed countries. He showed deep concern towards this problem which has now taken over Punjab, Chandigarh and Haryana. This is the area where Rotary can play a major role to fight drug abuse.

Secretary Ritu Singal expressed gratitude to the Chief Guest and the Guest of Honour for honouring the

installation ceremony. She assured that our club shall continue to be more dynamic, responsive and sensitive to the needs of the society.

The meeting was followed by Fellowship and Dinner. Thanks to Rtn. Raj Khattar, who along with PP Dr. V.J.S. Vohra sponsored the cocktails.

## Santosh Gupta IW Chairman 2009-10



Santosh Gupta, Chairman IW Distt 308

Mrs. Santosh Gupta, Paul Harris Fellow, w/o Rtn. PP Dr. K.R. Gupta, Multiple Paul Harris Fellow, was installed as District Chairman, Inner Wheel District 308

for the year 2009-10. She took over the collar from Mrs. Meena Ranaut, District Chairman 2008-09.

Mrs Santosh is Past President of Inner Wheel Club Chandigarh Midtown.

She got appreciation award from Late Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru for social work as a child. She is Patron and life member of school for Deaf and Dumb, Patiala, Red Cross Society, Cancer Foundation, Chest Disease and Tuberculosis Society, Patiala, Executive Member Family Planning & Welfare Association, Panchkula.

Her daughter and grand children are also Paul Harris Fellows.

### Wedding Anniversary Greetings

R'ann Savita & Rtn. Rajneesh Ahuja  
R'ann Dr. Sudha & Rtn. Dr. B.R. Jain



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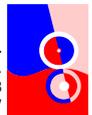
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