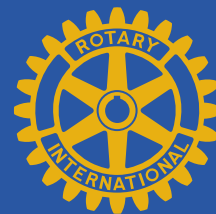


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PROGRAMME

## Mother's Day

'What my Mother means to me'

Organized by:

R'ann Lovy Peter, Counsellor, Family of Rotary

Friday, May 08, 2015

Time: 7.00 p.m.

Venue: Hotel President, Sector 26, Chandigarh

### Emerging Trends in Real Estate



Anupam Gupta

In our regular meeting on May 01, 2015 President Ravi Tulsi expressed profound sadness for thousands of persons who lost their lives and sympathies to all those who suffered the devastation resulting from the deadly earthquake in Nepal on April 25, 2015. One minute silence was observed for all those who lost their lives due disaster in Nepal and part of India.

Chief Guest of the evening, Mr. Anupam Gupta, Director (Sales) of GBP Group, Chandigarh was

introduced by PP Rtn. Dr. V.J.S. Vohra. Anupam did MBA marketing in 1999 and was in the campus placement with TVS group. In 2001 he joined LIC MF as Branch Head as class 1 officer. He gave tough competition to all the players in the market, and surprised ICICI by cracking their key accounts. In 2003 he was invited by ICICI Bank to join them. He broke all records in Bathinda, Amritsar and Ludhiana, and even today he is admired for the performance standards he had set. In 2005 he joined Max Life Insurance Distribution channel, heading the operations in Punjab with a team of 400 members and 5000 agents under him. In 2010 he switched over to Real Estate, taking GBP to new heights due to his dynamic leadership, overtaking all the competition as far as sales are concerned, the mantra being 'customer centricity' and 'delivery on promise'.

Anupam already has a Rotary connection as he is son-in-law of Rtn. Mrs. Suman Gupta and Mr. N.K. Gupta. Expressing his happiness for addressing the Rotarians he said, "I am happy to see so many experienced faces here. There are many things to learn from you after being a Rotarian in near future which will be a glad opportunity for me."

He said to run your own business or a company one should work in a corporate sector first, to learn the ethics of business and gain professional experience. He said, "If you have the potential, market is there and if you are able to prove yourself, there is no limit." He explained that in addition to this there has to be support from your spouse and family. All this leads to long term growth, and truly following these principles of business, the sales of his company has become the highest in the tricity, as compared to other builders.

Anupam said majority of us want to invest in real estate. Updating

the facts about the real estate in Chandigarh tricity, he compared it with life cycle. He said, "Few years ago investment in real estate showed good growth and people made huge money. But since last 3-4 years it has come down." He candidly admitted some facts of real estate market in Chandigarh tricity. He pointed out that since last about 4 years number of registered builders grew from about 6 or so to 160. Registered property dealers in the tricity grew from 900 to about 6500.

About 4 years ago the investment in the real estate in the tricity was 2500 cr. Today this stands at 8000 to 10000 cr. and there has been large scale expansion around Chandigarh, in Panchkula, Mohali, Zirakpur, Mullanpur, Kharar etc., but this has led to great imbalance and people have suffered heavy losses, in particular the small players who entered into the real estate business. They are now closing their establishments or shifting to other business.

The desire or wish of every person is to own a property and the correction mode will be there in near future.

Chandigarh will be having international flights from June, and this will also contribute to all around rise in business as the tourists and NRIs will be landing in Chandigarh instead of Delhi.

Anupam also talked of the Real Estate Bill, initiated by the Government to promote fair play in real estate transactions, ensure timely execution of projects, provide for a uniform regulatory environment, protect consumer interests, help speedy adjudication of disputes and ensure orderly growth of real estate sector. These measures are expected to boost domestic and foreign investment in the sector.



Rtn. Sanjay Bhatia presents a memento to Mr. Anupam Gupta. Looking on are President Ravi Tulsi and Secretary Salil Bali

Vote of thanks was proposed by Rtn. Sanjay Bhatia who said, "Mr. Anupam Gupta's presentation has been an eye opener. I thank him

for convincing us that Chandigarh is bubbling city and for giving his perspective about the city as an attractive real estate sector."



(L-R:) Mr. Anupam Gupta presents birthday gifts to R'ann Indu Anand and R'ann Dr. Aneeta Malhota. Punctuality award goes to Rtn. Salil Chopra

## Aid for Quake Victims in Nepal

Rescue missions and emergency aid continue to arrive in Nepal after a massive earthquake hit the country on 25<sup>th</sup> April 2015, killing thousands of people and injuring thousands more. The 7.8 magnitude quake, the worst to hit Nepal in more than 80 years, has affected 8 million people in the country's 39 districts, including 1.4 million needing food assistance, according to Government officials.



Rescue missions in Nepal

RI President Gary C.K. Huang says, "Rotarians worldwide stand together in expressing a profound sadness at the devastation resulting from this deadly earthquake in Nepal. As we mourn the thousands of lives

lost, Rotary joins other international agencies in providing immediate relief to survivors and mobilizing our expertise to support long-term recovery and rebuilding efforts throughout the country."

District Governor Rabindra Kumar Piya of Rotary District 3292 in Nepal has set up a disaster relief fund to help victims in the hardest hit areas. Funds will go towards food, water, medical supplies and shelter.

In his appeal our District Governor Col. Dilip Patnaik said, "We are all very concerned about the earthquake in Nepal and I know that everyone is looking forward to contribute and help the people in Nepal in this hour of the mammoth tragedy that has struck this Himalayan Kingdom. I am given to understand that some of our fellow Rotarians from Nepal have lost their lives and many have been injured. The people of Nepal need our help and we cannot let them down." He added, "I look forward to your overwhelming response just as you did so for the Uttarakhand Disaster in June 2013."

In our Club meeting on 01<sup>st</sup> May 2015 PDG Shaju Peter appealed to Rotarians of Chandigarh Midtown to donate liberally for relief activities in Nepal. He said, "Our District needs to raise Rs. 30 lakh immediately so that we can procure the relief material and quickly send it to the Nepal Rotarians for distribution." It was therefore decided that a minimum amount of Rs. 1000/- may given by each member of our club.

The donations that poured in during the meeting was as follows;

### Name of Donors

Rtn. Salil Chopra

The Chief Guest of the meeting Mr. Anupam Gupta, Director, GBP

PDG Shaju Peter, PP B.L. Ramsisaria, PP R.K. Luther, PE Kanan Diwan,

Rtn. Vinay Aggarwal, Rtn. Sanjay Bhatia, Secretary Salil Bali, Rtn. Dr. Jawahar Luthra, President Ravi Tulsi (9)

PP Dr. V.J.S. Vohra, PP Prem Anand, Rtn. Dr. Mrs. Harinderjit Kaur, Rtn. Dr.

Mrs. Shashi Jain, PP Dr. Balram Gupta, PP Vinod Jawa (6)

Rtn. Vinod Sobti, Rtn. Mrs. Davinder K. Singh, Rtn. Arjan Singh (3)

**Total donation received on 01<sup>st</sup> May 2015**

### Amount

Rs. 31000/-

Rs. 21000/-

Rs. 5000/- each

Rs. 2100/- each

Rs. 1000/- each

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In his appeal President Ravi Tulsi said, "We are all very concerned about the loss of life and property due to repeated earthquakes in Nepal. I know that everyone is looking forward to contribute and help the people of Nepal in this hour of the grief and need." It is requested that generous donors may kindly forward their

## Global Grant Project



On 27.4.2015 under Global Grant Project our club provided 100 desks & benches and hygiene manual to Govt. Primary School, Fatehpur, Panchkula in presence of Mayor of Panchkula Mrs. Upinder Kaur, principal, staff and Rotarians of our club

## Happy Thoughts

Rtn. Maj. Gen. Hardev Singh informs that Tej Gyan Foundation (charitable NGO; with ISO certified System for Wisdom) invites all Rotarians to join a Free of Charge full day audiovisual retreat in Hindi to learn practical ways to remain happy, calm, and free from anger, irritation, worry, fear, negative thoughts, stress and tension.

The participants can experience great change in their attitude in this one day program which will be held on Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> May 2015 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Bal Bhawan, Sector 59, Mohali, 1.5 km from the furniture market.

There is limited capacity in AC hall. Please reserve seats on telephone to avoid disappointment. Moderator of the program is the former Chief of Town & Country Planning and Chief Architect of DDA. For registration contact: 7696376777,9914826211.

## Rotary Community Corp of Dadumajra



On his retirement, Secretary Social Welfare Board Mr. A.K. Dua being honored in presence of Chairperson Social Welfare Board Mrs. Kamlesh by members of RCC Dadumajra Harmesh Kumar, Dharam S. Mundi, Vinod Nagpal, Veena Devi and Pritam Singh

## E Learning tool

The e learning tool is projector with software of CBSE curriculum for class 1-12 in animated form with assignments to improve learning and quality of literacy in rural/urban schools. The sponsoring club shall nominate schools with power backup and 300-400 students from 9-12 class and deposit 20 percent of GG amount, that is, Rs. 10,000 for each e learning tool. The Club will

conduct survey of their area and identify the need and school details.

At DTTS held in Dehradun on 26.4.2015, on invitation from DGE David Hilton, PP Deepak Sood explained the project to District team members and he is getting good response from Assistant Governor and Presidents of 2015-16.

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## Declamation Contest



In the declamation contest organised by Rotary Chandigarh Central four teams from our Interact Clubs participated. DGE Rtn. David Hilton was the Chief Guest for the program, which was coordinated by AG Rtn. H.S. Saggu. From our club Secretary Rtn. Salil Bali was present to encourage the Interactors.

## Condolences

Our deepest condolences to our ex-Rotarian, Mr. P.K. Verma on the sad demise of his wife, Mrs. Neena Verma on 02.05.2015. Rasam Pagri was held on 04.05.2015 at Arya Samaj Mandir, Sector 16, Chandigarh

## Residential program of District Leadership Academy at Chandigarh



The residential program of the Rotary District 3080 Leadership Academy was held at Hotel Shivalik View, Chandigarh on 24-26 April 2015. Present on the occasion was PRIP Rajendra K. Saboo who had initiated this unique program in 2001. Other senior Rotarians of the District who were also there to inspire the

participants were PRID Yash Das, District Governor Dilip Patnaik, Dean of Academy PDG Maj. Som Dutt, Associate Dean PDG Shaju Peter and Administrator PPB.L. Ramsarisaria.

The faculty had highly qualified and experienced management trainers, Ms. Inderjit Kaur and Ms. Navneet Sandhu who conducted the training session for the first two days, and on the third day it was a senior management trainer from Delhi, 79 year old energetic Dr. Vijay Chopra. The three day residential program gives the opportunity to the participants to become better professionals, communicators and leaders.

The participants from all over District 3080 included Rtn. Salil Chopra of our club who expressed his delight for being part of this wonderful program. He also took part in the cultural evening and impressed everyone by playing his mouth organ.

## Acknowledgement with thanks

### Aid for Quake Victims in Nepal

(as per donor's list given under above title in this bulletin)

### Birthday of Spouses

R'ann Neena Jauhar

Dr. B.C. Gupta



May 12

May 14

## Wedding Anniversary

R'ann Lalita & Rtn. Chandra Prakash

May 09

R'ann Vinny & Rtn. R.S. Sachdeva

May 10

R'ann Santosh & PP Rtn. Dr. Kesho R. Gupta

May 11

R'ann Anu & Rtn. Sanjay Singhal

May 12

## Punctuality Draw:

Won by Rtn. Salil Chopra



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