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#### **CHARITY NAVIGATOR - 4 Star Charity**

The Rotary Foundation receives highest rating from Charity Navigator for 16th consecutive year.

For the 16th consecutive year, The Rotary Foundation has received the highest rating — four stars — from Charity Navigator, an independent evaluator of charities in the U.S.



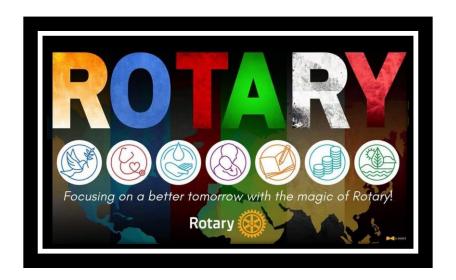
The Foundation earned the recognition for adhering to sector best practices and executing its mission in a financially efficient way, demonstrating both strong financial health and commitment to accountability and transparency.

"We are delighted to provide the Rotary Foundation with third-party accreditation that validates their operational excellence," said Michael Thatcher, president and CEO of Charity Navigator. "The Four-Star Rating is the highest possible rating an organization can achieve. We are eager to see the good work that the Rotary Foundation is able to accomplish in the years ahead."











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#### **Board of Directors Nominated - Year 2025-26**

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#### Facts of the Day (09/11)



# DO YOU KNOW THE DEFINITION OF ROTARY??

How do you describe the organization called "Rotary"? There are so many characteristics of a Rotary club as well as the activities of a million Rotarians.

In 1976 the Rotary International Board of Directors was interested creating a concise definition of the fundamental aspects of Rotary. The turned to the three men who were then serving on Rotary's Public Relation Committee and requested that a one-sentence definition of Rotary be pre pared. After numerous drafts, the committee presented this definition, which has been used ever since in various Rotary publications:

"Rotary is an organization of business and professional person united worldwide who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations and help build goodwill and peace in the world."

Regards, **Anoop Gupta**DRCC 24-25







#### An IIT Legacy....

Flashback to 1954 - A tall gangling young lecturer, Rama Sastri, with a very marked Telugu lilt to his English, taught us Physics at IIT Kharagpur. He was an excellent teacher, despite his accented English, and also served as the warden of Azad Hall.

A (hilarious) general body meeting of the hostel was held sometime late1954 to discuss burgeoning mess bills, which had climbed from rupees thirty to an astronomical forty rupees per month. Rama Sastri had to pacify the irate students.



He patiently explained the reasons for the increase 'What to do, everythingu become costly, ricu, saltu, pepperu, vegetablesu all cost more." The students were mesmerised by the accent'u and kept quiet. The meeting passed off peacefully. The anecdote became part of the early IIT student lore as a memorable event'u!

Rama Sastri was deputed for a year to MIT, Cambridge, Massachusetts, on a post doctoral fellowship. He came back a changed man. He had broad shoulders (filled out thanks to nourishing US food) and sported a marked American accent. His bold visage was unrecognizable from the figure he cut a year earlier.



He sounded totally American until he came to the deadly word 'against' when he reverted to his original Telugu persona. He pronounced it as 'againistu,' and we were relieved that our beloved Prof had become normal.

Rama Sastri left IIT Kharagpur in the early sixties and joined the Physics Department of the newly set up IIT Madras. He retired years later as a much loved Professor after an excellent career. IIT Madras now runs a student award in his memory.

Rama Sastri's son, Krish graduated with a Mechanical Engineering degree from IIT Madras in 1977 and later, in the 1980s, migrated to the US and is now a lecturer in the Department of Aerospace Engineering at San Diego State University.

One may wonder the reason for a long spiel about a Physics teacher of long ago: His granddaughter Usha was born in USA, graduated from Yale, did a Master's degree at Cambridge and later attended the Law School at Yale where she met and married a classmate. Usha Chilukuri is the wife of JD Vance, Trump's running mate who will now be the Vice President of USA.

Yes, the accomplished daughter of a Mechanical Engineer from IIT Madras and the granddaughter of a Physics teacher at IIT Kharagpur and IIT Madras is set to become the Second Lady of the USA!

#### **Compiled by Prof PNN Iyer**







#### 72nd LN4 Camp in Harduagani, Aligarh (UP)

RCPD were invited to participate in a camp in Harduaganj, Aligarh. The request came from Rtn Naveen Agrawal, a member of RC Noida.

On the occasion of his father's 85th Birthday, Agrawal family had organised various programs, and a camp to provide artificial limbs was a part of the celebration. For lower limbs, they had tied up with Spark Minda Foundation, and for hands, we were requested. This invitation was at a very short notice.



A team of 3 travelled from Pune on 14 Nov- Shaikh Hassan, Haresh and myself.

The camp was organised on 15 & 16 Nov. In spite of very low pre-camp registration, a steady flow of beneficiaries came in to receive hands. We had to stop the spot registrations next day and by 2 pm the stocks we had taken along, were finished.

The beneficiaries were very happy to receive a hand. It was noticed that 20 beneficiaries got a prosthetic after a period of more than 20 years after losing their hand/s, and 10 more had to wait for around 10 to 20 years. It perhaps indicates that in spite of efforts by us and many other organisations, a good big number of handicapped persons is still unreached by us all.

#### Rtn. Pradeep Munot



रुदुआगंज के केशव कुंज गेस्ट हाउस में आयोजित शिविर में दिव्यांगों से बातचीत

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शिविर में 175 दिव्यांगों को लगाए हाथ-पैर, चेहरे पर बिखरी मुस्कान



से नारायण वेलफेयर ट्रस्ट नोएडा, स्पार्क मिंडा फाउंडेशन, कम्युनिटी आई केयर फाउंडेशन पुणे और रोटरी पूना डाउनटाउन संयुक्त तत्वाधान में हरदआगंज के केशव कंज गेस्ट हाउस में दो दिवसीय शिविर शुक्रवार को लगा। डीएम विशाख जी. अय्यर ने दीप प्रज्जवलित कर शिविर का शुभारंभ किया। दिव्यांगों से बात की। खिल उठे। शिविर में 175 दिव्यांगों को उपकरण प्रदान किये गये। शनिवार को भी शिविर का आयोजन होगा। जिला विकास अधिकारी, मुख्य चिकित्सा अधिकारी व एसडीएम कोल शिविर में मौजूद रहे। आयोजकों ने अतिथियों को बुके भेंटकर स्वागत किया।

कार्यक्रम में यह रहे मौजुद: नोएडा से आए राम ग्रोवर ने बताया स्पार्क मिंडा फाउंडेशन दिव्यांग लोगों को सशक्त बनाने में अग्रुप भिमका निभा रहा है। कार्यक्रम संयोजक नवीन अंग्रवाल, प्रवीन अंग्रवाल व विपिन अंग्रवाल ने सभी अतिथियों का आभार व्यक्त किया।शिविर में चेयरमैन राजेश यादव, रसिक टावर के एमडी बांके-बिहारी, धमेंद्र सिंह बंद, प्रेमप्रकाश मित्तल, सिद्धार्थ मित्तल, शुभम गोयल, अक्षय गोयल, अजय अग्रवाल, अजय बंसल, दिलीप मित्तल, प्रहलाद अग्रवाल आदि मौजूद थे।

### कृत्रिम हाथों से खाने के साथ लिख सकेंगे दिव्यांग : ओंकारनाथ

हरदुआगंज में दो दिवसीय कृत्रिम अंग वितरण शिविर में पहले दिन 175 पंजीकरण

संवाद न्यूज एजेंसी

टस्ट की ओर से केशव कंज में दो दिवसीय दिव्यांग शिविर के पहले दिन 175 लोगों ने पंजीकरण कराया। डीएम जी ने शिविर का उटघाटन किया।

ट्रस्ट के अध्यक्ष ऑकारनाथ अग्रवाल ने कहा कि कृत्रिम हाथों से खाना खाने के साथ ही दिख्यांग

लिख भी सकेंगे। बेहतर क्वालिटी के कृत्रिम अंगों के लिए नारायण वेलफेयर ट्रस्ट ने स्पार्क मिंडा फाउंडेशन, कम्यनिरी आई केयर फाउंडेशन और रोटरी पूना डाउनटाउन

का भी सहयोग लिया है। सुबह नौ बजे से शिविर में था। अंगों के नाप हाथ-पैर तैयार दिव्यांगों को दिए गए। शनिवार क

रोटेरियन राम ग्रोवर ने बताया कि दिव्यांगों को सशक्त बनाने के साथ ही उनके लिए स्थाई रोजगर के अवसर पैदा करना भी प्रयास है।

महापौर प्रशांत सीडीओ प्रखर कुमार सिंह, सीएमओ डॉ. नीरज त्यागी, उप जिलाधिकारी कोल संयोजक नवीन अग्रवाल, प्रवीण विपिन अग्रवाल, सिद्धार्थ मित्तल, शुभम गोयल, अक्षय गोयल, चेयरमैन राजेश यादव आदि मौजूद रहे । एनसीसी कैडेटस ने भी सहयोग किया।





कित्रम हाथ दिखाता बालक। संगर









## Thought of the Week



### Enjoy your Sunday

If you feel like doing some work, sit down and .. ..wait until that feeling goes away.



## Funny



"The man who says his wife can't take a joke, forgets that she took him."

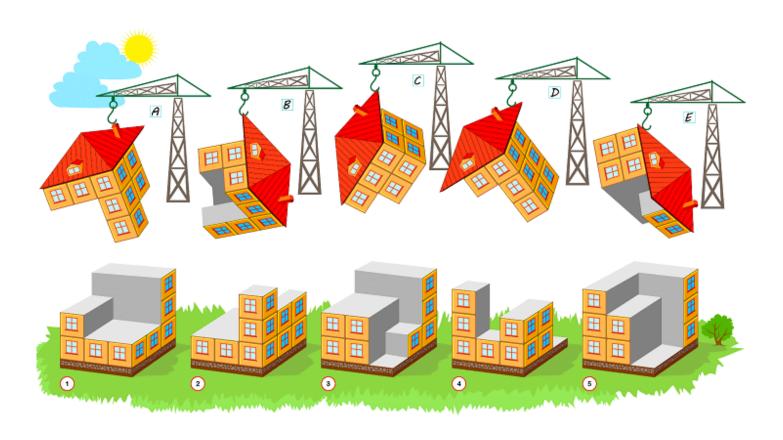
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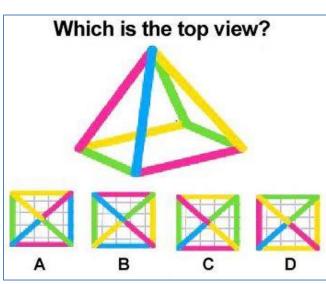




#### **Brain Teasers**





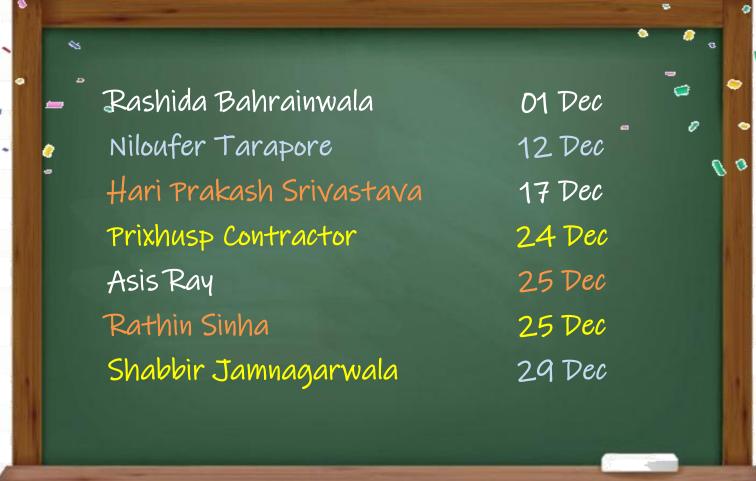












Wishing you all a Wonderful Birthday and May you have a Wonderful Year ahead...











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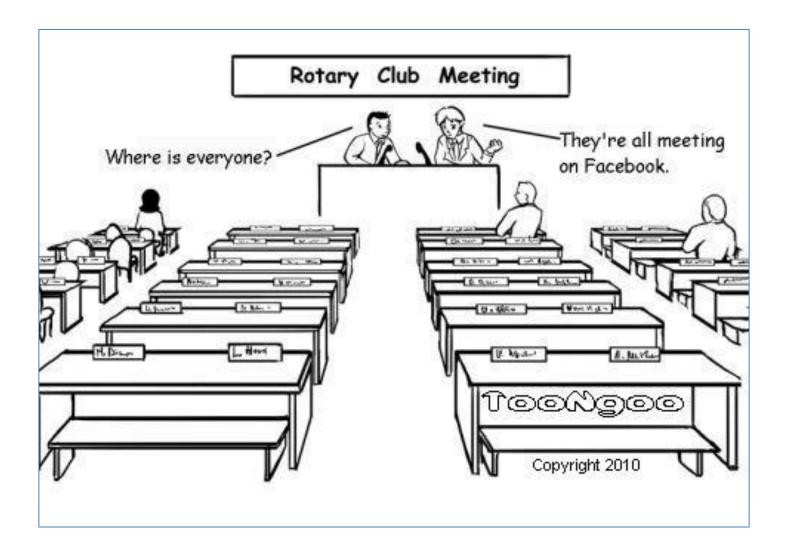
Wish you all a wonderful and joyful life ahead...











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