



DISTRICT TRF SEMINAR 2017



Rotary International District 3281, Bangladesh

17 November 2017

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RI President 2017-18

14 November 2017

Dear fellow Rotarians:

I am pleased to welcome you to the District TRF Seminar in D3281 on 17th November 2017.

There are more than 35,000 Rotary clubs throughout the world. While geography, culture or even language may separate us, it is our shared commitment to service that unites us. It is this passion for strengthening communities, locally and globally, and to put Service Above Self, that makes us Rotarians.

We are not afraid to tackle some of the world's most critical and widespread humanitarian issues. We vaccinate children against polio, teach young adults to read, and bring water to villages that have none. We know firsthand the impact helping our neighbors down the street or across the border can have for current and future generations.

I hope this event inspires you to create positive, lasting change in ways that will affect communities for years to come. With your support, we will continue to serve others through Rotary: Making a Difference.

Sincerely,

Ian H S Riseley

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**DISTRICT GOVERNOR
RID 3281**

It's wonderful that Rotary International in Bangladesh has stepped in its ninth decade of service. Rotarians are the unique professionals who volunteer their time, talent and treasure for the development of their community. We had been trying our best to serve with skills and knowledge we have in various diversified fields.

Rotary International in last 112 year since 1905, could set up a mark in the world as a catalyst for peace and developments, while it was proactive in establishing UNESCO, got written charter for UNO by 49 Rotarians, helped in eradicating measles from the world, succeeded in almost eradicating polio from the world, sponsored thousands of ambassadorial peace scholarships, developing thousands experienced volunteers across genuine fields, introduced the largest social trust of world TRF, developed excellent partnership with UNO bodies, tested world charities and GOs and NGOs of around 250 countries and regions.

Millions of Rotarians throughout the globe working round the clock with a motto of **Service above Self**. Dozens of successful Rotary leaders had been recognized by Nobel and other global awards for unique contribution for community and mankind. While working in six vital areas of focus of peace and conflict resolution, water and sanitation, disease prevention and treatment, maternal and child health, basic education and literacy, and economic and community development, members from all casts, creed, colours, gender, vocation do cater in a bond of **Fellowship Through Service**.

I congratulate and welcome all Rotarians, Rotaractors, Interactors, Rotary Let's, RCC and club members, partners in Rotary, organizations and individuals we work together fo mankind Goal of Goals. Let's all try together in 2017-18 to look in to reach out, strive together to serve best to see Rotary International President Ian H S Riseley's call to prove **Rotary: Making A Difference**.

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DRFCC, RID 3281

District Rotary Foundation seminar is an opportunity for Rotarians of the district to have in depth knowledge of the foundation for most recent developments in its activities, programs, resource mobilization and achievements. This not only make Rotarians proud to be part of the movement, it inspires them to do more to improve lives of people in their own communities and communities worldwide. It motivates them to come up with more innovative ideas to achieve its mission faster, to invite people of their communities to join them to make their efforts more vibrant by faster mobilization of resources and their applications to its bull's eye goal of a peaceful world for all of us.

This year's District TRF seminar of RI District 3281 has great significance, as our District Governor F.H. Arif has been trying to raise fund for TRF to the tune of Million Dollars More over an extra flavor is added to this by the presence of the Trustee chair Paul A. Netzel, who will inspire and Motivate our Rotarians to contribute generously to our foundation in the 2nd century of TRF. The thoughtful deliberations of the speakers will illuminate us about the history of the Rotary foundation, our foundation its role in humanitarian services to ensure peace allover the world, the benefit of contributing to TRF and about Grants for community development through the six areas of Focus.

As Chair of District Rotary Foundation Committee I congratulate organizers and wish the seminar a grand success. I urge upon all Rotarians of our district to take a fresh vow to enhance your participation in foundation programs and increase volume of your contributions to foundation fund in conformity with remarkable history we made in 2014-15 under the leadership of PDG Safina Rahman. I strongly believe, this will be our best gifts to visiting Rotary dignitaries for their efforts to inspire us to prove that ROTARY : MAKING A DIFFERENCE.

PDG Mohammed Hafizullah MPH



Founder of Rotary Paul PHarris



Founder of TRF Arch C Klumph

80 YEARS OF ROTARY IN BANGLADESH 1937-2017

Background History Rotary in Bangladesh was introduced with the founding of Rotary Club of Dhaka in 1937 as the first Rotary Club, in the then East Bengal under the British Raj, now Bangladesh. Dhaka, in the 1930s, was a burgeoning city of 120,000 people mostly living in and around the present 'Old town' along the Buriganga River. A major city in the then East Bengal under the British Raj, Dhaka was growing in importance due to the rapid socio-economic and political changes. The economy was based on trading mostly jute, cotton, tea and spices based on riverine communication. The gentry comprised of officers of the Raj, educationists, professionals, businessmen and aristocrats who mixed socially well. Against this background a group of 17 people with Mr H R Wilkinson, the Charter President, in the chair, met at a meeting held in the Imperial Bank of India Building opposite Victoria Park (now Bahadur Shah Park) on Wednesday, 22 December 1937, founding the Rotary Club of Dhaka. The Club sponsored by Rotary Club of Calcutta, was chartered on 26 February, 1938 admitting it to Rotary International (RI) founded in the industrial city of Chicago, USA on February 23, 1905 by Paul Percival Harris, an attorney, and three of his business acquaintances' – Gustavus Lohre, Silvester Schiele and Hiram Shorey. Now, it is the largest international organization of volunteers serving the humanity. Growth of Rotary in Bangladesh Starting with 17 charter members in Rotary Club of Dhaka in 1937, Rotary in Bangladesh has made phenomenal growth in the last 80 years. Rotary Clubs of Chittagong (1952-53), Narayanganj (1953-54), Khulna (1957-58), Mymensingh (1957-58), Dhaka North (1967-68) and Comilla (1968-69) were the first six Rotary Clubs sponsored by RC Dhaka, which pioneered the growth of over 325 Rotary Clubs, 324 Rotaract Clubs and 109 Interact Clubs in the two Rotary Districts – 3281 and 3282, with a membership of over 9,200 Rotarians, 6,700 Rotaractors and 900 Interactors serving the community. Projects and Programs Bangladesh Rotary in the last 80 years has executed thousands of projects and programs as Rotary was founded with an idea that businesses and professional people could join together in fellowship and service to the community, changing the lives of hundreds and thousands of people mainly from the underprivileged community. The major projects and programs of Bangladesh Rotary include the following – Improvement of Dhaka Railway Station in Fulbaria: It was the first Rotary project in the then East Bengal initiated in 1939 by RC Dhaka with the Assam-Bengal Railway. Distribution of Relief during Bengal Famine: RC Dhaka organised relief centres jointly with government for distribution of free food and fuel during the infamous Bengal famine in 1943-44.

Rotary Ambulance Pool



Handing over of ambulance from Ambulance Pool of RI District 3281

Jalalabad Rotary Disabled Rehabilitation Centre and Hospital: The project was founded by Rotary Club of Jalalabad with the support of RID 5790, Texas in USA. The centre provides physical, occupational and other therapies to the physically handicapped. Over 100 patients are treated per day in the outdoor facility. There are 25-beds for indoor treatment. It has workshop for providing equipment support such as splints, braces, etc.

Rajshahi Cancer Hospital and Research Centre Trust : The project was founded by RC Padma Rajshahi. The project provide modern treatment facilities both indoor and outdoor, including awareness training for prevention and early detection of Cancer.

Rotary Eye Hospital in Kushtia : The project founded by RC Dhaka North, includes a 6-storied building with modern facility for treatment of eye diseases. It served over one million people till now.

Eradication of Polio & NID Program: In 1985, Rotary Clubs participated in the Rotary International initiative for eradication of polio from the world under the PolioPlus program. Rotary in Bangladesh Bangladesh played a leading role in organizing the National Immunization (NID) program started by the government in 1995 with the financial support of Rotary. PDG Iftekharul Alam was the Chairman of the National Committee for Polio program. Rotary volunteers together with the government, NGOs, and volunteers participated in the program and immunized hundreds and thousands of children every year from 1995 to 2014, when the country was declared free of Polio. Low Cost Shelter (LCS): The project was launched in 1987-88 by RC Narayanganj Midtown with support of Rotarians from Germany. 530 LCSs were built costing 434,000 US\$ and 4500 people benefited from the project. Another 43 LCS was built in 2008 costing 135,469 US\$ supported by RC Hamilton. Limb Centre: In 1989-90, the RC Khulna founded the Limb Centre

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EVENT CHAIR
PP Atikur Rahman



**CHIEF GUEST
Chair
The Rotary Foundation 2017-18**

Dear District Governor F H Arif and Fellow Rotarians of District 3281

Through our commitment to ending polio, we have seen-and the world has seen-what Rotary can accomplish. We set the bar high-working to eradicate a disease from the world-but that's what Rotary and its members do. We do good in the world, no matter how long it takes. And once the poliovirus has been wiped off the face of the earth, we will continue to make a difference in the world in as many ways as possible, for as long as it takes.

Our Foundation offers the resources to address many of the world's most critical problems. Through global grants we are providing clean water, basic education, and health care to prevent and treat disease. We are working to raise the standard of living in communities all over the globe, and to lower mother and child mortality rates. And by addressing these root causes of conflict and educating a generation of peacemakers, we are promoting a more peaceful world.

The support and commitment of Rotarians in District 3281 Bangladesh is essential to the success of our Foundation. During this first year of our Foundation's second century of doing good in the world, it's up to each of us to make sure it's even better than the first 100 years. With your support, dedication and commitment, I know we can make that happen.

Sincerely,

Paul A. Netzel

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**SPECIAL GUEST
RRFC ZONE 6B, 2017 - 2018**

Dear DG F H Arif,

Congratulation from Bangkok!

I am excited by the opportunity to write down the message to all of you in District Rotary Foundation seminar that will be held on November 17, 2017

The Rotary Foundation likes a vehicle to bring our Rotary Strategies to success through service, it is important that we cannot expect to grow membership without engaging our members in service. Effective service projects help clubs maintain their members' enthusiasm for Rotary and encourage them to start new service efforts. Rotary Foundation can help you.

Anyway Rotary Foundation looks like the balloon, you need to fill air to inside, Foundation as well, we need all members to donate Rotary Foundation too, if every member donate at least \$ 100 to Annual fund, all Rotary Clubs will have fund more than \$120 mil. to do projects in next 3 years.

Please learn more about Rotary Foundation, I believe that you will understand about Rotary Foundation more, and please tell another members who do not come today in that you learn.

Thank you, my friend, you made awareness in Rotary Serving Humanity.

Yours in Rotary,

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in Khulna with the support Jaipur Limb Society. So far 9,735 artificial limbs for the amputees, 11,226 clippers and 45 wheel chairs were provided by the project. Rotary Health Centre: The project was founded by RC Jessore and inaugurated in November 1997. The 5-storied health centre including an 'old home' was developed on piece of land donated by Mrs Rizia Sarder on behalf of Late Ahmed Ali Sarder and his family. The project includes both outdoor and 50-bed indoor facilities with modern equipment. Jalalabad Rotary Disabled Rehabilitation Centre and Hospital: The project was founded by Rotary Club of Jalalabad with the support of RID 5790, Texas in USA. The centre provides physical, occupational and other therapies to the physically handicapped. Over 100 patients are treated per day in the outdoor facility. There are 25-beds for indoor treatment. It has workshop for providing equipment support such as splints, braces, etc. Rajshahi Cancer Hospital and Research Centre Trust: The project was founded by RC Padma Rajshahi. The project provide modern treatment facilities both indoor and outdoor, including awareness training for prevention and early detection of Cancer. Rotary Eye Hospital in Kushtia: The project founded by RC Dhaka North, includes a 6-storied building with modern facility for treatment of eye diseases. It served over one million people till now. Livestock & Poultry Development and Integrated Farms Development project: The project was developed by RC Mymensingh at Biolor in Trishal on Dhaka-Mymensingh highway. The project was supported by 3-H grant of Rotary Foundation and involved raring of livestock and poultry farming that benefitted a large number of families in the area. Rotary Betagi Union High School: In 1989, RC Agrabad took up the 40 years old private secondary high school in Rangunia and converted it into Rotary Betagi Union High School. A new building covering 26,000 square metres was constructed on a 30,000 square metres land with the assistance of RI District 2770, Japan under Rotary WCS program. The school taught Japanese language with teachers trained in Japan. Concentrated Language Encounter (CLE): Modern teaching method under CLE program was launched by RC Dhaka in 1996 with RI 3-H Grant amounting 500,000 USD. The program was supported by Rotary International.

ROTARY'S 6 AREAS OF FOCUS

