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26 JULY 2021 TODAY'S PROGRAMME CLUB BUDGET

19 July 2021 -Talk by Mr Jamshed K Daboo

The hallmark of a good speech is that it establishes an intangible, yet real, connect with the audience. Mr. Jamshed Daboo's aptly titled presentation - 'Lessons in Humanity - my 34 years with the Tata Group' on 19th July was one such.

Rtn PP Jamshed J Khursigara's succinct and interesting introduction set the ball rolling for the evening.

It was a speech that was self-effacing and honest, both in its content and presentation. It was delivered at two levels.



At the first level, Mr. Daboo took us on his personal journey of 34 years with interesting but lesser known nuggets of information. These ranged from the recruitment of extremely poor and untrained students for Titan, to the employment of differently abled staff as frontline employees at Star Hypermarkets. In addition the Tata Group extended both counseling and financial help to all those adversely affected as a result of the 26/11 carnage.

In each of these policy decisions, the Tata Group's acts of graciousness and compassion for the poor and the deprived are commendable.

At the second level, with an intelligent and an insightful choice of words such as 'humanity with humility', 'attitude over qualifications' and 'employees first over customer first', he brought out the subtle distinction between the ethos at Tatas as compared to other Corporates, but without claiming to be otherwise.

In a very understated way he made us aware as to why the Tata Group is perhaps the most respected, compassionate and philanthropic industrial group in India.

The evening ended with an apt and crisply worded vote of thanks by Rtn Pradeep Govil.

.....Contributed by R/Ann Dilshad Dadachanji

FELICITATION - RTN NARENDRA PAL SINGH BAKSHI

Vikramsheela Hindi University, Bhagalpur, (one of the oldest Universities) organised “Sarswat Samman Samahro, at Don Bosco Youth Centre on 25th July 2021.

This event was organised to honour personalities who rendered services of exceptional high order towards Hindi Sewa / Saraswat Sadhana / achievements in the field of Art / Education / Invention / **Corona Warriors** and of National and International fame.

Our own **Rtn Narendra Pal Singh Bakshi** was recognised and his services to humanity during the current pandemic (for more than a year) were deeply appreciated by Dr Sambaji Baviskar, Vice chancellor of the University.

Dr Bhola Dutt, Dr Rajendra Nath Tiwari and Shree Mukundrao Titkar were also present.

Dr Geeta Bora, Founder and Director of Spherule Foundation, was the Chief Guest.

CONGRATULATIONS AND WELL DONE, NP!!



KNOW YOUR ROTARIAN **Rotarian Maithili Manakawad**

Rotarian Maithili Manakawad, is a Social Activist. For many years now, she has been working in the field of Solid Waste Management, advocating behavioral change & propagating responsible management of resources. She is the Secretary of the National Society of Clean Cities (NSCC), & the Secretary of Wanawadi Resident's Forum (WRF).

She is a member of PMC's Town Vending Committee (TVC) & on the Apex Committee of PMC's Solid Waste Management (SWM). She also has been a Jury member of PMC's Swachhata Awards & Inter Ward Competitions.

A Home Science graduate from Bangalore University, Maithili has worked for more than 20 years in several administrative capacities, which include 5 years in Doha Qatar. She was the General Secretary of 'Indian Women's Association' (IWA), Doha, Qatar, in the year 2001-2.

Since shifting to Pune in 2003, wanting to make life more meaningful, she decided to contribute her time & skills to create the need to conserve natural resources by promoting eco-friendly initiatives like in-house Bio-composting, Rain Water Harvesting, Grey water recycling, 'Say NO' to plastic bags etc. As a civic activist, she has taken up several civic issues with the local & State administration, and other NGOs.

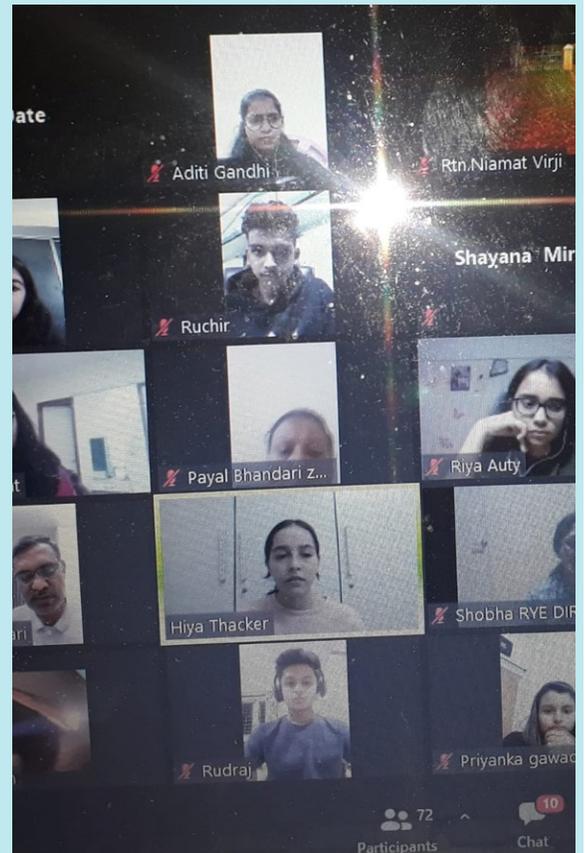
Spouse Chandrashekhar Manakawad, a proud Kannadiga, is a Mechanical Engineer & has worked for over 2 decades in Arabian Gulf in the Oil & Gas sector. He had his own construction company till 1996, after which he moved to the Gulf. Chandrashekhar is extremely fond of music, cricket, politics and post retirement is keeping himself fruitfully occupied with the stock market. He also loves travelling and as a couple, Maithili and Chandu have travelled extensively not only abroad, but also within India.

Since their marriage in 1988, Maithili followed Chandrashekhar, moving from Ernakulam (Kerala) to Ramagundam (Andhra Pradesh), to Jamshedpur (Bihar), then in 1997 to Doha Qatar, where they stayed till 2004, after which Maithili moved to Pune, for their children's education.

They have 2 children - daughter Sharvari, is in Social Media, PR & Event management. She is also a Biker with more than 30,000 kms of riding experience. Son Gurudev has just finished his BE Mech from VIT Belgaum, and plans to pursue his Masters in the US.



'First Virtual RYE Program meeting for Rotary Year 21-22



This was held on 22 Jul as an Orientation programme, conducted virtually, for Outbound students.

.....Contributed by Rtn Niamat M Virji

Upcoming Programs

02 August - Induction of New Members.

09 August - Talk by Mr Narendra Patwardhan on 'Pune and the Independence Movement.'

Sacred Space

'Education needs not only to develop our intelligence but also to support the basic human values of warm-heartedness and compassion.'
The XIV Dalai Lama

Birthdays and Wedding Anniversaries

- 28 Jul Rtn Kamaljit Singh Dugal
- 30 Jul R/Ann Meenakshi Agarwal

Attendance Report

19 Jul 21

Rtns	32
Anns	17
Spouse	02
Guests	05
TOTAL	56