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Official Visit of District Governor

Rtn Ravi Prakash

To

Rotary Club Chandigarh Tricity

Date : April 11, 2026 Time: 6.30 pm Venue: Hotel Hometel, Industrial Area Phase – 1, Chandigarh

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Warm Welcome to First Lady Rtn Shalini and DG Rtn Ravi Prakash
Looking forward to your inspiring presence and guidance



DG Rtn Ravi Prakash and Rtn Shalini

Born on October 25th, 1970 to Smt. Aruna Prakash & Late Rtn. Dr. Anand Prakash, Ravi Prakash had his early education in Roorkee and later obtained a Master's Degree in Geosciences from IIT Roorkee. He owns a thriving business of manufacturing sophisticated scientific instruments for both Indian and international markets.

Rtn. Ravi Prakash, a kind hearted and honest human being of simple and charming personality, is a second generation Rotarian and a Past President of Rotary Club Roorkee Midtown. He joined Rotary in 2010 and has since demonstrated unwavering commitment to the principles of Rotary. As a second generation Rotarian, Ravi Prakash's passion for serving the community ethically is deeply ingrained and he has been providing excellent leadership to all Rotary endeavors.

Rtn. Ravi Prakash is a member of the prestigious Rotary Club Roorkee Midtown and was its President in 2018-19. His outstanding performances earned him the prestigious awards of Best Club Secretary in 2015-16 and Best President of the District in 2018-19. During his tenure as Club President, he spearheaded commendable community projects, including the 'Sehat Medical Van' – a mobile clinic serving remote villages in Tehri Garhwal as a Global Grant Project in collaboration with THDC.

With his initiative and lead, the Club purchased an Advanced Life Support Ambulance that is successfully benefiting the people of Roorkee and around. Other major projects include turning around two Government schools into Happy Schools.

Rtn Ravi has diligently served Rotary at the District Level also, where he served as the Asstt. Trainer in 2022-23, Zonal Coordinator for the Artificial Limb Project in 2021-22, Resource Person for the School Bench Project and Chairman of the Pre-Conference Dinner in 2021-22. Ravi Prakash was also instrumental in setting up of two new Rotary Clubs, Roorkee Upper Ganges and Roorkee Greater, in 2021-22.

With proven excellence in industry, Ravi Prakash has wide acceptance in the business community in Roorkee and beyond. He has served as the Chairman of Roorkee Small Scale Industries Association for five terms besides heading a number of social and educational bodies.

In recognition of his expertise and his contributions to the industry, the Uttarakhand State Government nominated him to the prestigious post of Member of State Planning Commission from 2011 to 2013. In 2022, Ravi Prakash was honored with the ET Inspiring Leader award by Economic Times.

DG Ravi Prakash is happily married to Rtn. Shalini Prakash, a member of Rotary Roorkee Upper Ganges. Shalini is a well accomplished and respected Chartered Accountant of the town, besides being a very active social worker. The couple is blessed with two cultured sons, Varun and Yash. Both are talented technocrats who have pursued their masters in engineering from the United States and currently reside there. Rtn Ravi & Rtn Shalini are steadfast supporters of the Rotary movement and regularly participate in Rotary projects and events. Both contribute to the Rotary Foundation and both are Paul Harris Fellows.

PROGRAMME

DG VISIT - Rotary Club Chandigarh Tricity

Hometel Hotel: April 11, 2025

Event Chair / MoC : PP Rtn Deepak Sood

Aide to DG & First Lady : Rtn Rakesh Jain & Rtn Anupam Jain

| Time | Activity | Responsibility |
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| 6.30 PM | Registrartion | Rtn Sanjay Malhotra, R'Ann Ninu Malhotra, Rtn Geetika Mahajan |
| 7.00 PM | Arrival of DG Ravi Parkesh and First Lady Rtn Shalini | Welcome by President, Past Presidents and President Elect |
| 7.05 PM | Collar to DG and President | Sergeant at Arms PP Rtn Dr. VJS Vohra |
| 7.08 PM | Meeting Call to Order | President Rtn Kulbir Bhatia |
| 7.10 PM | National Anthem | Rtn Rachna, R'Ann Ninu Malhotra & Rtn Jaswinder Kaur |
| 7.15 PM | Lighting of Lamp | DG/AG/President/Secretary/Event Chair with Spouses |
| 7.17 PM | Welcome Bouquet to DG /First Lady/AG/Spouse | President/Secretary with spouse |
| 7.20 PM | Invocation | Rtn Geetika Mahajan |
| 7.23 PM | Welcome Address | PP Rtn Deepak Sood |
| 7.26 PM | Presentation | President |
| 7.36 PM | PHF Recognition | DG/Director International/MOC |
| 7.40 PM | New Member Induction | PE Rtn Amritpal Bhambra |
| 7.45 PM | Introduction of DG | Vice President Rtn Deepak Sharma |
| 7.50 PM | Address by DG | DG Ravi Parkesh |
| 8.05 PM | Mementos to DG & First Lady | President Kulbir Bhatia & Rtn. Harpreet Bhatia |
| 8.08 PM | Expression of Gratitude | Rtn. B.S. Sudan |
| 8.11 PM | Birthday/Anniversary | Secretary Rinku Prasad |
| 8.15 PM | Adjournment to be followed by Fellowship & Dinner | President Kulbir Bhatia |



Success of DisCon 2026



After the grand success of our District Conference Kshitij, DG Rtn. Ravi Prakash invited the dynamic and dedicated team for a special meeting and fellowship evening on 21st March 2026 at Hotel Aroma, Chandigarh. The gathering celebrated the remarkable success of the conference, reflected on the inspiring journey leading up to it, and appreciated the collective efforts that made it truly memorable.

The meeting also focused on strategizing the upcoming Governor's Official Visits (GOVs), reviewing the District Fund spending plan, and aligning goals and priorities for the months ahead to sustain and build on the momentum created. It was an evening that truly embodied team spirit, camaraderie, and fellowship, an opportunity to reconnect, exchange ideas, and spend meaningful time together as one united Rotary family.

Alongside sharing the achievements, important Rotary priorities were discussed, including membership development, contributions to The Rotary Foundation, adherence to Rotary's ethical standards, and also appreciation of the on-going CSR contributions due to sincere efforts of District CSR Chair PP Rtn Deepak Sood, who represented our club in this meeting.

Rotary District 3080 Peace Summit

Youth must make right choices for peace in the world: Experts

PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Mohali, March 22

Rotary District 3080 Peace Summit was hosted at Plaksha University, Mohali. Vice-Chancellor of the University inaugurating the event Dr Rudra Pratap lamented the sad state of affairs in the global conflict which would deeply impact the entire world. He said the youth needs to be sensitised today to resolve hu-



man conflicts by inculcating empathy, care and concern for other humans, and the peace summit, is one such effort to bring about this

realisation among the young generation.

Chief Guest on the Summit was District Governor of Rotary District 3080, Ravi Prakash, who informed that the Rotary has been engaged in promoting peace and goodwill amongst people through its humanitarian service projects.

Former chief secretary of Punjab, Sarvesh Kaushal, IAS (ret'd), delivering the keynote address said that

youth today must stay informed and make the right choices to create the kind of world they want for themselves in future. Cacophony and conflict is the default human setting and if we don't change this setting it will continue to turn into hatred, jealousy, cut throat competition to grab power.

District Governor Elect Dr Rita Kalra said that the population worldwide is facing the pandemic of mental and identity crisis, which requires active practice and self-discipline to achieve mental wellness and inner peace.



Vice-Chancellor
Dr Rudra Pratap



District Peace Chair
Rtn AP Singh Dhiman

The Summit was jointly organised by Peace builder Rotary Clubs of Chandigarh: Chandigarh Midtown, Chandigarh Shivalik, Chandigarh Uptown, Chandigarh Central, Classic Chandigarh and Chandigarh Tricity. Professors from Plaska University, Dr Prakarsh Singh and Dr Rajesh Sharma, delivered insightful presentations. Dr Singh spoke on the impact of current global conflicts, while Dr Sharma discussed the role of AI and machine learning in conflict research.

Several Rotaractors from different Rotaract clubs shared their perspectives on how peace can be achieved in the world.



From our club PE Rtn Amritpal Bhambra introduced Dr Rajesh Sharma. Memento was presented to him by PP Rtn Dr VJS Vohra. Others present from our club were Rtn Sanjay Malhotra, Rtn Rambir Chohan, and Secretary Rtn Rinku Prasad.



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RC CHANDIGARH TRICITY

Sewing Machines to Jail



Computer Donated to Government School



Road Safety Awareness Talk



Divya Kala Mela in Chandigarh for Persons with Disabilities



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Rotary Project at Patiala

On the auspicious occasion of Ram Navami, observed on 26 March 2026, 'Cadbury Five Star' chocolates were distributed to 66 specially-abled children at Navjyoti School of Special Education, Patiala.

The initiative was carried out as a Rotary project at Patiala by Rtn Dr Jaswant Singh Puri, Public Image Chair of Rotary Club Chandigarh Tricity. This gesture was warmly appreciated by the Principal, Mrs. Savita Kaushal, who acknowledged the thoughtful contribution toward the well-being and happiness of the students.

Rtn. Dr. Jaswant Singh Puri, along with his father, Dr. Ajit S. Puri, extended heartfelt Ram Navami greetings to the students and staff of the school, making the occasion even more meaningful and joyous.



Rtn Jaswant Puri and students

Heartiest Congratulations



Rtn Dr Anupam Jain was presented appreciation certificate from the highest authority on Women's Welfare in India Mrs Vijaya Rahatkar, Chairperson National Commission for Women, Govt. of India.