



INNER WHEEL CLUB  
OF CENTRAL CALCUTTA  
DISTRICT 329



ECHO

Empower and Evolve

NO. 05 APRIL/MAY/JUNE Round Up

President: Meghna Lohia | Secretary: Archana Gupta | Editor: Mridu Somani



## From the Desk of the President

Dear Friends,

On consummation of the 30th year of Inner Wheel Club of Central Calcutta, we recognize once again the selfless dedication and service shown by our members. We are now near the end of the projects and programmes for this year. Every year each New President comes with a dream, a goal to serve the society to the fullest in the most fruitful way.

I would like to share my feelings of immense gratitude, satisfaction, joy, humility and respect that I experienced as a President of this esteemed club.

Keeping with this year's theme **"Empower and Evolve"**, we have tried our best to empower the less privileged society as well as ourselves. Besides carrying out our ongoing projects, in the education field we gave scholarships to students, donated 100 computers, built one floor for a girls' college, made a Happy School. In the medical field we gifted an OTU for Autistic children, aided treatment for critically ill children, donated eye care equipments, ventilator and servoflurane vaporizer to various hospitals. In this whole year the smiles I have seen on the faces of children, elders and less privileged by the philanthropic activities undertaken by us, carries immense value and a sense of contentment in my heart.

Our Flagship project *Apnalay* by the God's grace and the commitment shown by members is doing well and we have **19 senior residents** at present.

Various other meaningful projects were also done which enhanced joy in many lives. It has been an unforgettable year for me as President, and in this process besides learning and gaining experience I have made lovely friends whom I will treasure for my whole life.

I wholeheartedly thank **DC Indrani Chatterjee**, who has been a stunning leader, always a phone call away to guide me through every query I had. I also thank the Executive Team for standing like 'pillars of support' throughout. I also thank each and every member for believing in me and showering their love and affection which made my journey comfortable.

I extend my HEARTY CONGRATULATIONS to our very own **AVP Mamta Gupta** for being installed as the Association President of Inner Wheel Clubs of India, for the year 2019-2020 and wish her all the best for the coming year. She has touched my heart and inspite of her busy schedule, guided me always in the right direction.

Summing up my journey with a quote, **"There is no chance, no destiny, no fate, that can hinder or control the firm resolve of a DETERMINED soul"**.

Meghna Lohia



**INNER WHEEL CLUB OF CENTRAL CALCUTTA**

*invites you to an enchanting evening of Music & Masti  
at the*

# 31ST CHARTER DAY



**SATURDAY 15TH JUNE 2019**

Registration: 6pm | Programme starts: 6.30pm

Dress Code: Smart Casual



**Chief Guest**

IIW Vice President 2019-20

**DR. BINA VYAS**

**Guests of Honour**



Association President

**SMITA PINGALE**



Association Vice President

**MAMTA GUPTA**



**Special Guest**

District Chairman

**INDRANI CHATTERJEE**

**President**

**Meghna Lohia**

**Secretary**

**Archana Gupta**

**Chairman**

**Dipti Khaitan**

**Co-chairman**

**Sunita Jalan**

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**Venue: ISKCON HOUSE, 1st Floor, Banquet**

22 Gurusaday Road, Ballygunge, Kolkata 700 019



# MY PILLARS OF STRENGTH

## Executive Committee, 2018-19

*Some words of appreciation for the people who got me through this year...*

### IPP Riju Chamaria

Riju is a talented person. As the IPP she has helped me understand the formal technicalities of communicating with the district, patrons, etc.

### VP Babita Moody

Babita was always an active part of our meetings.

### Joint Secretary Seema Gupta

Seema has always been tech-savvy and has shown an eagerness to learn.

### Secretary Archana Gupta

Archana has been sincere, hardworking and has stood by her duties throughout. She never says 'no' to any responsibility that is given to her and has an innate compassion for everything that she does.

She has been a perfect secretary that any President would want.

### Co-editor PP Renu Bagrodia

Renu Bhabhi has several capabilities. She has been a superb co-editor who has enhanced all the work that has been published in this past year. She was always a call away whenever I needed her.

### Editor Mridu Somani

Mridu is a very warm person. Although she has several other commitments yet she had put in enormous effort which had resulted in beautiful souvenir and bulletins.

### Treasurer Dipti Chamaria

Dipti has always been thorough, meticulous, and organized. She is honest, diligent and ready to help whenever and wherever.

### ISO Savita Newatia

Savita is the bubbliest EC member. With her poetic skill she has won the members' hearts. She is a sincere person and has fulfilled her ISO responsibility beautifully.

### Treasurer Advisor PP Dipti Khaitan

Dipti is a true friend and a phenomenal human being. Although along with other responsibilities, she is a multi-tasker who worked hand in hand with me for the club. She has always been there for me and our similar thought process has supported me throughout this year.

### CLCC PP Shashi Khandelwal

Shashi Bhabhi is a kind and helpful soul. She gives her full attention to the nitty-gritties of all the work, and totally committed to her responsibilities.

## BEAUTIFUL MINDS INSPIRE OTHERS

### EC MEMBERS:

#### PP Aruna Murarka

My feelings for Arunaji can't be described in words, she has stood by me as my friend, philosopher, guide and mentor. The whole year was filled with her creative thoughts, deeds, and actions. She is a splendid human being, a perfectionist and her affection, kindness and helping nature is showered on us always.

#### PP Kamini Mehta

Kamini Bhabhi is the sweetest person. She has given me a lot of mental support and always guided me and pampered me with Gujrati treats.

#### Kanchan Somani

Kanchan has a soft heart. She has proven herself to be a true EC member by attending each and every project and meeting. I can count on her always.

#### Vinita Poddar

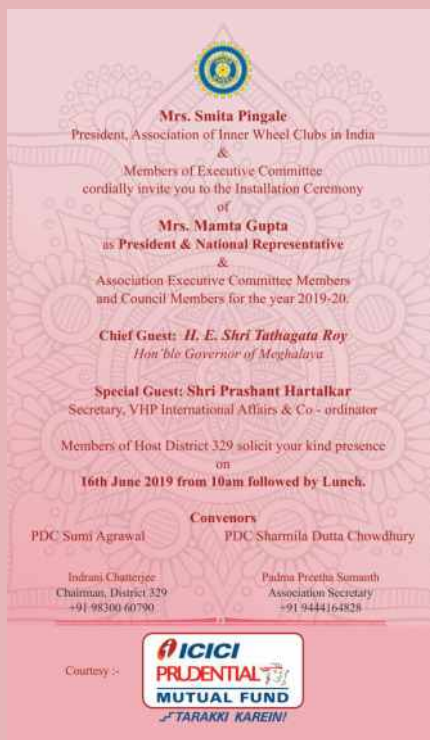
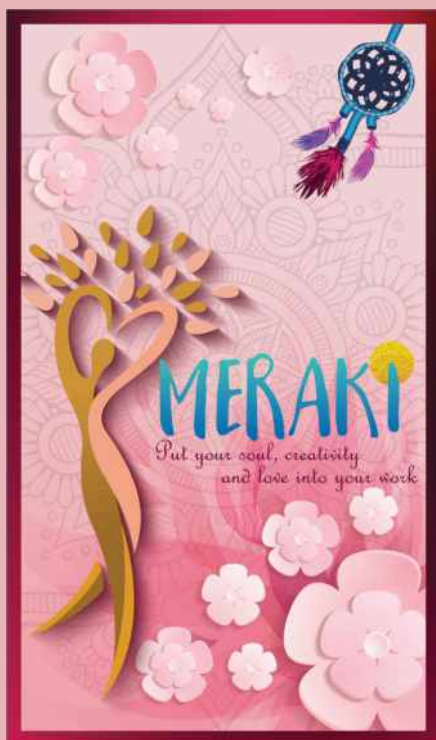
Vinita uses her aesthetic sense in executing the work beautifully.

#### Monika Kejriwal

Monika is a sweetheart. She did justice to all the work that was given to her despite her other commitment.

#### Shraddha Rathi

I have found a very jovial friend in Shraddha. She has a generous heart and was always there when I needed her. She was the heart and soul of our trip to Mandarmani.



*Sunday 16th June 2019 | The Oberoi Grand*



## INNER WHEEL CLUB OF CENTRAL CALCUTTA DISTRICT 329

*takes great pleasure in inviting you to the installation of*

## ARCHANA GUPTA

as President  
and the Executive Committee for the year 2019-20

**TUESDAY, 2ND JULY 2019**

**HOTEL AAURIS,**

4, Robinson Street, Kolkata 700019 (near Bhagirathi Neotia Hospital)

*in the presence of*

**Chief Guest**

ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT & NATIONAL REPRESENTATIVE  
**MAMTA GUPTA**

**Guest of Honour**

DISTRICT CHAIRMAN  
**DR. RUCHI GUPTA**

Registration: 3pm | Meeting: 3.30pm | High Tea: 5.00pm

RSVP: Mridu Somani, Hony Secretary  
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# 31ST INSTALLATION MEETING





*Hues of colours and flowers.*

There were ample reasons for celebrations at Apnalay on 17th March. To name a few, the **Club's Formation Day** and **The Festival Holi**.

IWCCC has flourished and grown under a rich legacy of 30 years. The 30th Anniversary of our Club was celebrated with a musical performance. The residents thoroughly enjoyed every moment and participated in each activity with full enthusiasm.

PDG of Rotary International 3291 **Angshuman Bandhopadhyay's** wife **Jaya** and daughter **Adrija** also performed. The residents and members dipped themselves in hues of love and happiness with colours and flowers.

**President Meghna Lohia** with eleven members attended the festival.



*Doctor at work.*

On 7th may, The Rabindra Jayanti was observed by the residents of Apnalay. They recited poems and songs of Tagore.

*Together with high spirits.*



*Movement brings joviality.*

We had organised a **Dance Movement Therapy**, at Apnalay for it's residents, by **Shubha Bangur** and her friends, on 4th March.



*New Year merriment.*

Poila Baisakh was celebrated at **Apnalay** with full zest and fervour. Awesome energy was at play by the President and the members! The residents were also happy and contented which could be seen on their faces. Bhajans and songs were sung by the members. Manisha Agarwal performed a dance. Members present were President Meghna Lohia, Babita Moody, Sonam Parasrampur, Archana Agarwal, Vinnyta Agarwala and Manisha Agarwal.

Free medical health check-up camp was held at Apnalay on 31st March. ECG, Eye Test, Blood Sugar and Blood Pressure were checked for 35 patients. Free spectacles and medicines were also arranged for them.

Members who attended were PP **Ruchika Rajgharia**, PP **Shashi Khandelwal** and **Sudha Bagaria**.



# Temptations

plus *a reason to indulge*

MARCH

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The 17th edition of Temptations Plus held at Calcutta Ice Skating Rink on 26th, 27th and 28th March was a stupendous success. Come March and spring is in the air. Everywhere there is a vigour of celebration and it is the right time for shopping. We kept stalls with a variety of clothes, bags, home decor, jewellery and silver. There was no stopping the shopaholics.

Going with the Inner Wheel theme **Empower and Evolve**, we acknowledged three worthy women by giving them **Woman Achievers' Awards** for their excellent work in their respective fields.

The awardees were **Deepanjali Kanoria**, who founded a start up to provide biodegradable organic personal hygiene products such as sanitary napkins etc; **Indrani Basu**, founder director of Autism Society West Bengal; and **Anjali Saraogi**, a marathon runner of International fame.

The inauguration was done by District Chairman **Indrani Chatterjee**, **AVP Mamta Gupta** and **PAP Mamta Agarwal**.

As usual we had three days of non stop fellowship. A special thanks to **PP Aruna Murarka** for giving ideas to decorate the lobby and **Vinnyta Agarwal** for decorating it. It was stunning and appreciated by everyone.

I thank **Savita Nevatia** and **Vinnyta Agarwal** for the mouth watering food they had organised and **PP Kamini Mehta** for arranging the food packets for the stall owners. A very big thanks to **Dipti Chamarla** and **Archana Gupta** for helping me calling the participants and keeping the finances in order.

**PP Shashi Khandelwal** and I would like to thank **PP Dipti Khaitan** who helped us sail through bringing together **Temptations Plus**.

- **Vinita Poddar**, Temptation Plus Chairman







*'Shubharambh'*



*Recognition of Excellence.*



*Indulgence in Temptations Plus*



# CLUB IN ACTION



MARCH  
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*Smiling all the way*



*A dream ride*

The Club's 30th Formation Day on 17th March was commemorated by the Club members on an air-conditioned 'Heritage Tram Ride'. There was super excitement for this innovative idea of a meeting, and we had housefull attendance. We gathered near the Esplanade tram depot, the starting point and from here started the photo sessions. We sang our way through the lush green Maidans, crossing Kidderpore and back.

Right from the minute we sat, we were well taken care with lovely Bengali food, Mishti doi and Rosogolla giving a nice sweet ending to the seven course meal. Cannot forget the lifetime experience of driving a Tram and ringing the stoppage bell. Children crossing the tram tracks were thrilled seeing lady drivers.

The efficient and caring secretary **Archana Gupta** managed to arrange hot water for green tea as cheers to friendship and fellowship.

To sum it all we had a splendid, terrific, memorable time!

-PP Geetika Khaitan







A small step..



Inner Wheel Club of Central Calcutta carried out a philanthropic project by donating Eye Care Equipments at the Eye OPD Clinic of Shree Vishudhanand Saraswati Hospital ( SVS ) on 7th April 2019.

It was inaugurated by the **Dist. Chairman Indrani Chatterjee**. SVS is celebrating its Centennial year and we have been associated with the hospital since a few years. We have seen it grow over a period of time to help the weaker section of the society. Today's project was initiated by **Mr. Sushil Murarka** which was then taken forward by **President Meghna Lohia**. The eye care equipments donated by IWCCC would help the economically challenged people. President Meghna is of the opinion that *"It is indeed satisfactory to give back to the society in a meaningful manner"*. The Inner Wheel logo engraved on the marble plaque has helped branding the Inner Wheel. 21 members attended this project and almost all of us filled the eye donation forms. Last but not the least it left us with a great pride that **Mr. Sushil Murarka** and **PP Aruna Murarka** sponsored the surgery of a cancer patient and also gifted 2 refrigerators to SVS on that day. We returned with a feeling of great satisfaction.

**-PP Ruchika Rajgharia**



Gift of sight



On 15th April, we donated and installed a Mechanical Life Saving Ventilator in Shree Jain Hospital & Research Centre, in Shibpur, Howrah.

It was indeed a matter of great pride and honour for our club, AVP Mamta Gupta inaugurated this project. 10 members and 2 Rotarians were present.

A worthy project it was, but what one brought back was the passion & dedication of service. Mr. Sagarmul Kankaria aged 91 years who is still the youngest in energy and spirit; and is ready 24 hrs. to render his selfless *sewa*.

-PP Aruna Murarka

Another eye opener was Bhansaliji's statement that *"though we do charity but we make sure that the patients do not feel that they are getting free treatment and feel subjugated"*. I was greatly touched by his words and feeling.

-PP Sunita Jalan



*Help till the last breath*



*Together we make a difference*





APRIL  
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The 336th regular meeting of our club was held on 22nd April, at The Grid. This was followed by lunch which was jointly sponsored by the President Meghna Lohia and PP Dipti Khaitan, as they both celebrated their birthdays on this day.

#### Reviving life

On 21st April, Rs.30,000/- was donated for surgery of a 20 year old boy. He was suffering with a tumor in jaw.



APRIL  
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Actually,  
YOU CAN



#### Smile more, laugh more

We distributed shoes, socks, goodie bags costing Rs 32,000/- to 227 students of Ghuni Free Primary School. This project is sponsored by a friend of EC member Shradha Rathi. Members present were CLCC Shashi Khandelwal, PP Dipti Khaitan and Secretary Archana Gupta.

7 children and 12 adults from the school attended the project.



APRIL  
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Our club gave uniforms to 84 students of Ghuni School. These uniforms were sponsored by the Club Secretary Archana Gupta.

She contributed Rs.26000/- for the same.

*The beauty of oneness*





*Strength of generations*

On 7th May 2019 we inaugurated a HAPPY SCHOOL at Ghuni, Rajarhat on the auspicious occasion of Akshaya Tritiya.

This was a joint effort by IWC Central Calcutta and IWC Kolkata New Gen where we constructed class rooms, separate wash rooms for boys and girls, wash basins, kitchen, shade at the entrance with cemented flooring, the boundary wall, painted and repaired existing class rooms, library, provided school uniforms, shoes, socks, sports and games accessories and seven tables for teachers. It was an extremely satisfactory and meaningful project which will benefit 227 students studying there.

The District Chairman, **Indrani Chatterjee**, ZLC and PAP **Mamta Agarwal**, DLCC and PDC **Saswati Dutta**, President **Meghna Lohia** with 13 members of IWCCC and President **Neha Agarwal** with 16 members from IWC Kolkata New Gen were present to show their solidarity towards this wonderful cause. IWC New Gen CLCC **Amrita Kedia Moody** took the lead and was solely instrumental along with CLCC PP **Shashi Khandelwal** for the same.

**-Mamta Saraf**



*Truly happy*





On the eve of World Environment Day, members at IWCCC planted fruit and flower saplings at Ghuni Free Primary School, the Happy School built by us. The enthusiasm of the children in helping us plant the trees needs a mention. Members present were President Meghna Lohia, CLCC Shashi Khandelwal, PP Geetika Khaitan, Kanchan Somani, Gita Jhawar .



## Events Attended

- Mamta Saraf attended the 25th Charter Day Celebrations of IWC Eastland.
- Mamta Saraf attended the Charter Day Celebrations of IWC Jodhpur Park on 2nd May & 10th Charter Day of IWC Madhyamgram Metropolitan.
- Mridu Somani attended ROSHNI-The COTI meet on 11th May.



## Forthcoming Projects

- **Tree Plantation in Ghuni School.**
- **Shuddhi Project**
- **6 Computer donations to Autistic Society.**

## Forthcoming Events

- 15th June: Music Mosaic - The Club's Charter Day Celebration
- 16th June: Meraki - Installation of AVP Mamta Gupta at Oberoi Grand Hotel.
- 22nd June: 1st DC Meet
- 29th June : District Assembly
- 2nd July : The Installation Ceremony of the Incoming President Ms Archana Gupta

## New Club Formation

A new club has been formed named Kolkata Evergreen.  
Now the District 329 has 54 Clubs.

## Asha Kiran

*This year we have donated towards Asha Kiran (a programme under TEACH),  
Rs.2500/- per child, totalling Rs.50,000/- . The cheque was given to RILM in March.*

Mamta Agrawal: 6 children  
Renu Lakhotia: 4 children  
Babita Moody: 4 children  
Vinita Poddar: 2 children  
Seema Gupta: 2 children  
Archana Agrawal: 2 children



*We are grateful to these members for coming forward and help needy children pursue their education.*



## Gratitude

- Ranjana Kajaria for donating Rs. 50,000/- to the club.
- Manjari Amol Kaulgud, a friend of PP Dipti Khaitan for donating Rs. 36,000/- to the Club's Charity Fund.
- PP Kavita Shah and her daughter Megha Shah for donating 7 tables to Ghuni Free Primary school.
- PP Renu Lakhotia for sponsoring sports equipments at Ghuni Free Primary School.

## Congratulations

- Meenakshi and Rtn. Aditya Bhuwalka's son Udhav engaged to Karishma Killa.
- PP Meeta and Rtn. Brij Lakhotia's son Ashish engaged to Parinita.
- Mala and Vishnu Ganeriwalla's daughter Paridhi engaged to Amritansh.
- PP Sudha and PP Rtn.C.R. Choudhury blessed with grand daughter, Arya.
- Shanti and Anil Shah blessed with a grand daughter, Ruhi.

## Condolences

- Demise of Shiv Ratan Jhawar, father in law of Shriti and PP Rtn . Shri Ratan Jhawar.
- Demise of Apnalay resident Gouri Mookerjee.



**INCOMING TEAM 2019 - 2020**

President: Archana Gupta / IPP: Meghna Lohia / Vice President: Dipti Chamaria  
Secretary: Mridu Somani / Joint Secretary: Kanchan Somani / Treasurer: Savita Nevatia  
Editor: Mona Saraf / ISO: Sonam Parasrampur

Executive Committee Members: PP Meeta Lakhotia / PP Shashi Khandelwal / Mala Ganeriwalla  
Rekha Saraogi / Sangita Ruia / Vinnyta Agarwal

## Happy Birthday

<b>MAY</b>	Anushree Mundhra:	04/05
	Mamta Agarwal:	05/05
	Geetika Khaitan:	07/05
	Sonam Parasrampur:	16/05
	Renu Lakhotia:	27/05
	Sunita Jalan:	29/05
	Shashi Khandelwal:	31/05

<b>JUNE</b>	Anushree Mundhra:	04/05
	Mamta Agarwal:	05/05
	Geetika Khaitan:	07/05
	Sonam Parasrampur:	16/05
	Renu Lakhotia:	27/05
	Sunita Jalan:	29/05
	Shashi Khandelwal:	31/05

## Happy Anniversary

<b>MAY</b>	Renu Lakhotia:	04/05
	Renu Dalmia:	10/05
	Kiran Jhunjhunwala:	13/05
	Archana Agarwal:	17/05
	Rekha Sarawgi:	30/05
	Anita Shroff:	24/05
	Seema Gupta:	28/05

<b>JUNE</b>	Sarla Maheshwari:	04/06
	Nisha Dhanuka:	12/06
	Sarla Badhani:	18/06
	Saroj Kedia:	19/06
	Kalpna Mallya:	23/06
	Nisha Ganeriwal:	24/06
	Meghna Lohia:	28/06
	Kiran ganeriwal:	29/06
	Sudha Bagaria:	29/06



## Flag Exchange

PP Sarla Bhadani  
exchanged flag with  
Inner Wheel Club  
Jaipur Pride



## FROM THE DESK OF THE EDITOR

Dear Friends!

Its Adieu time! The Inner Wheel has turned a full circle and along with it comes a cyclical fading away of current positions & responsibilities sincerely working towards one single goal, ***Empower and Evolve***.

Speaking for myself, as an Editor, it has been one magnificent journey of learning and unfoldment which I would be hard pressed to explain in few words. I thoroughly enjoyed every day of my involvement this year and I'm sure that can be said for each of us who gave so much of their personal time, energy and resources.

I'd like to personally thank each one of you for contributing your bit in bringing out the souvenir and the bulletins for the year 2018-19.

*Neelika Sonawani*



CELEBRATING RAKHI

# Temp<sup>+</sup>tations

*an attitude...*

Handcrafted Rakhis | Traditional & Fusion Wear  
Precious & Fashion Jewellery | Artefacts  
Lifestyle Products | Kids' Wear | Accessories & more



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JULY



CALCUTTA ICE SKATING RINK  
11AM-8PM