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PROGRAMME

Nation Builder Awards

Chief Guest: **Dr. H.S. Saini**

District Education Officer, Panchkula

Date: **September 09, 2016 (Friday)**

Time: **7.00 p.m.**

Venue: **Hotel President, Sector 26, Chandigarh**

Human Rights under the Constitution of India



Prof. Dr. Nishtha Jaswal

In our regular meeting on September 02, 2016, after greeting all present, President Rtn. Amarjit Singh said, "September is a Literacy month and we plan to participate in all programs of **TEACH**, Teacher Support, **E**-learning, **A**dult Literacy, **C**hild Development and **H**appy School."

He welcomed the Chief Guest Prof. Dr. Nishtha Jaswal, Professor and Former Chairperson, Department of Laws, Panjab University, Chandigarh and Member, Chandigarh Commission for Protection of Child Rights. Prof. Dr. Nishtha was introduced by Rtn. Prof. Dr. I.S. Dua, who was pleased to announce that she was one of the brightest students of PP Rtn. Dr. Balram K. Gupta. Her educational qualifications are B.A. (Gold Medalist), B.L., LL.B., LL.M. and Ph.D from Panjab University. She has been getting first division all throughout the academic career: First position in Panjab University in B.A.-II and B.A.-III, first position in College in Pre-University, B.A.-I, B.A.-II and B.A.-III. She has four books to her credit: (i) Role of the Supreme Court with regard to the Right to Life and Personal Liberty (ii) Human Rights and the Law (iii) Environmental Law and (iv) Law as a Facilitator of Socio-economic Reforms. She has vast administrative and professional experience. Her field of specialisation is Constitutional Law, Administrative Law, Human Rights and Environmental Law. She also served in Panjab University as Dean Students Welfare (Women). Her husband is Professor Dr. Paramjit S. Jaswal, Vice Chancellor of Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law at Patiala who had visited our club as Chief Guest at the installation ceremony of PP Rtn. Deepak Sood on July 22, 2013.

Prof. Nishtha spoke about a very important issue, Human Rights under the Constitution of India. The Constitution is the supreme law of our country. The supremacy of the Constitution is undisputed and cannot be challenged in any court of law. She shared the views of Dalai Lama on human rights. All human beings suffer when they are intimidated, imprisoned or tortured. We must therefore insist globally on all human beings getting freedom, equality and dignity, and they all have equal right to achieve that. She quoted Mahatma Gandhi, "Live as if you were to die

tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever."

Prof. Nishtha said, "Human rights simply means the rights which must be available to human beings. Any civilization can be recognized from the human rights to citizens of that country." She added, "When we talk globally or nationally, the spirit of dignity is necessary." Human right is based on the dignity of human beings. She also explained the six freedoms. Freedom of speech and expression; to assemble peaceably and without arms; to form associations or unions or cooperative societies; to move freely throughout the territory of India; to reside and settle in any part of the territory of India; to practice any profession, or to carry on any occupation, trade or business.

For exercising of power, it was explained that power is always vested under some law and there is a control mechanism which is essential for any administration or government to function.

Prof. Nishtha said we have the right to know, that is, Right to Information (RTI Act, 2005) which is one of the most significant



**Greetings from
President Amarjit Singh**

development. Her talk resulted in a vibrant interactive discussion with Rotarians regarding the functioning of the courts in India and the delays which denies justice. The doctors described their plight for being harassed for no fault of theirs, whereas there is no accountability in the judicial system. Many people become victims of serious health hazards due to the agony, delays and injustice that they have to face!



Rtn. Kulbir Singh Bhatia presents a memento to Prof. Dr. Nishtha Jaswal. Looking on are President Amarjit Singh and Jt. Secretary Rtn. Dr. Harinder Jit Kaur



Prof. Dr. Nishtha Jaswal presents birthday gift to PP Rtn. Harish C. Sethi accompanied by R'ann Manjit Sethi



Prof. Dr. Nishtha Jaswal presents birthday gift to PP Rtn. Pallav Mukherjee accompanied by R'ann Dr. Joginder Mukherjee



Prof. Dr. Nishtha Jaswal presents birthday gift to Rtn. Dr. Sanjay Kalra. Looking on are PE Rtn. Dr. Rita Kalra and President Amarjit Singh



Prof. Dr. Nishtha Jaswal presents wedding anniversary gift to R'ann Kund Bala & PP Rtn. R.K. Goyal



Prof. Dr. Nishtha Jaswal presents birthday gift to R'ann Parveen. Looking on are Rtn. Arjan Singh and President Amarjit Singh



Radio show on celebrations of Teachers day and International Literacy day by Rotary being aired on 8th September 2016 at 9 a.m. on 107.8 MHz



Rtn. Prof. Dr. I.S. Dua Introduces the Chief Guest



PP R.K. Luther Announcement for Skill Development course



Rtn. Ashok K. Puri Announcement for Literacy programs



Rtn. Kulbir Singh Bhatia Vote of thanks



Prof. Dr. Nishtha Jaswal presents punctuality award to Rtn. Davinder K. Singh

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Rotary Chandigarh Midtown team for Centennial Year District 3080 Cricket Tournament



PE Rtn. Dr. Rita Kalra, Rtn. Ashutosh Mangla, Rtn. Nitin Kapur, PP Deepak Sood, Rtn. Shashikant Adokar, President Amarjit Singh, Rtn. Jeeten Bhambri, Secretary Sundeep S. Sawhney, Rtn. Kulbir S. Bhatia (Vice Captain), PP Dr. V.J.S. Vohra, PDG Shaju Peter, Rtn. Ashok K. Puri, Rtn. Salil Bali (Captain) and four young Rotaractors

Tree plantation



← In Sector 16 Panchkula with Press club 1000 saplings were planted from Rotary Nursery. PP Dr. S.K. Sharma joined PE Dr. Rita Kalra

The swachhta march



11 Interactors led by Rtn. Salil Chopra

Installation of Rotaract Club of PGGC-46

Installation of Rotaract Club of Post Graduate Government College, Sector 46, Chandigarh was successfully held on 01 September 2016. Chief Guest AG Deepak Sood, President Amarjit Singh, Secretary Sundeep Singh Sawhney, Rtn. Nitin Kapur, Rtn. Kulbir Singh Bhatia and District Rotaract Representative Rtr. Shubham Rattan participated in the installation ceremony.

AG Deepak Sood in his speech inspired the youth to do more for the community. In his address President Amarjit Singh talked about the role of Rotaractors in nation building. He promised full support to Rotaractors in their activities. DRR Rtr. Shubham Rattan gave his plans for the year 2016-17, and was confident of the support from his team.

A beautiful programme was presented by the students. Vote of thanks was proposed by Secretary Rtn. Sundeep Singh Sawhney.

Swachhta abhyan

On 4th September 2016 at 6 a.m. our swachhta team went to Vatika Park in Sector 5, Panchkula for cleanliness and water saving abhyan. It was the cleanest park of all the areas covered so far as our team filled only one garbage bag. The people sitting in the park responded very well and assured to carry the message amongst masses. There was a suggestion that Govt should form a body which takes the responsibility of Swachh Bharat which would ensure the desired results to make this abhyan successful and effective.

Rtn. Sanjay Bhatia

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RI President's citation and DG's certificate to Kundan School



On 01st September 2016 Rotarians of Chandigarh Midtown, President Amarjit Singh, IPP Kanan Diwan, PP Vinod Jawa, Secretary Sundeeep S. Sawhney and Rtn. Salil Chopra presented RI President's citation and District Governor's commendation certificate to the Principal of Kundan International School, Sector 46, Chandigarh.

It was a proud moment for the Principal, staff and students of Kundan International School.

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