



Date: 03-05-2025

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE 1609th MEETING:	
1. MEETING CALL TO ORDER:	
1609 th regular fortnightly virtual meeting (RFM) of Rotary Club of Motijheel was held on Saturday 26 th April 2025 at 8.30am at InterContinental Hotel, 1 Minto Road, Dhaka-1000. Club President, Rtn. S M Moinul Islam, PHF, B presided over the meeting and called the meeting to order.	
2. ROTARY INVOCATION:	
Rtn PE Md Enamul Hoque, PHF recited the Rotary Invocation while all the Rotarians stood up and pronounced the same in chorus.	
3. CONFIRMATION OF LAST MEETING MINUTES:	
Club Secretary Rtn Ayesha Siddiqua, PHF read out the minutes of RFM no.1609 in front of the members present. Since no amendment or correction was proposed President Rtn. PP Sujit Kumar Bhowmik, PHF proposed to accept the minute and Rtn. S M Rahmatul Mujeeb, FCA, PHF second the proposal and the minute was accepted and approved by the members present.	
4. FELICITATION:	
Rtn. PP Sujit Kumar Bhowmik, PHF announced the name of Rotarians, R-Ann and R-Lets whose birthday and wedding anniversary will fall during the period between 26-04-2025 to 09-05-2025 and felicitated them in their respective anniversaries. After the felicitation recitation of Fateha, Darood Shareef and prayer was offered for salvation of the departed soul of Rtn PP Oheedzzaman Mazaumder, PHF. 1 minute silence was observed by the members present to pay tribute to Late Rtn PP Oheedzzaman Mazaumder, PHF. He was RCM President during the RY1996-97. He was living in Melbourne in Australia for long time and was under treatment of cancer. In the morning on 24-04-2025 he breathed his last in a hospital at Melbourne as informed by his son and daughter. His Namaz-E-Janaza was held on 25-04-2025 and was buried at a graveyard in Melbourne. His son organized virtual attendance in his Namaz-E-Janaza and burial. President and President Elect, and other RCM members joined the funeral virtually from Dhaka and participated in the prayer. Members present in the meeting reminisced about the time they passed with him and shared their sweet and profound memories with Rtn. PP Oheedzzaman Mazaumder, PHF. All members present said he was a very nice, polite, gentle, lovable, down-to-earth and friendly person throughout his Rotary life as they all saw. They will never forget him, his fellowship and May ALLAH place him in Jannatul Ferdous (Heaven). The prayer was administered by Club Secretary Elect Rtn S M Rahmatul Mujeeb, PHF and was prayed for salvation of the departed soul and for ALLAH's Rahmat (blessings) to the bereaved family so that they can bear this irreparable loss.	
5. VISITING GUESTS:	
Former member of RCM Rtn PP M Mahfuzul Bari Chowdhury, PHF from USA was present in the meeting with his friend who works in Trust Islami Life Insurance Company Ltd. President welcomed them both in the meeting and thanked them for making time to visit RCM and attend meeting. Fellow Rotarin friends of Rtn PP M Mahfuzul Bari Chowdhury, PHF in RCM reminisced their sweet memories with Rtn PP M Mahfuzul Bari Chowdhury, PHF. It was a wonderful reunion and fellowship after a long time with Rtn PP M Mahfuzul Bari Chowdhury, PHF. His presence changed the atmosphere of the meeting to a rejoice and adorable, pleasant time. In addition, Mr. Md. Mesbahul Haque was present to accept the cheque of BDT 50,000 donated by RCM members for his daughter Arisha's blood cancer treatment	
6. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF MAIL, IF ANY:	
<p>(1) President stated that an e-mail was received on 12/04/2025 from RI South Asia Office with the link to access SAO newsletter "RESOURCE" for the month of April 2025. President will forward the e-mail to all members to read it.</p> <p>(2) President stated that Polio Plus campaign is the RI's signature project. An e-mail was received on 14/04/2025 from RI President Stephanie A. Urchick on Global Polio</p>	

Eradication Initiative as many have approached RI with concerns about the current political and economic volatility, and its potential impact on the work that RI does on Polio eradication. President said this RY he urged all members to donate at least 1 USD to Polio Plus. But only 15 members out of 38 members contributed, which was not expected. Nevertheless, President wished that in the next RY members will generously contribute to the Polio Plus campaign.

- (3) President informed that an e-mail was received on 16/04/2025 from RI Membership on 2025 Rotary International Convention. This year, Rtn PP Mohammad Gias Uddin, MPH, was interested in attending the Calgary convention. He applied for Canadian visa, but he didn't get it. So, this year nobody from RCM will attend the RI Convention.

7. CLUB ACTIVITIES:

- (a) Event Chair Rtn Sujit Kumar Bhowmik, PHF and Co-Chair Rtn Satya Ranjan Saha, PHF discussed about overseas trip to Philippines. After discussion 6 days 5 nights Philippines tour was finalized at BDT 1,74,000 to start on 9th June 2025 and return on 14th June 2025. It was also decided that President will give a post in the WhatsApp Group inviting interested members for registration on or before 27th April 2025 and payment of BDT 1,50,000 to RCM Bank Account as down payment on or before 30th April 2025. Also to submit all pertinent papers with original passport on 4th May 2025.

- (b) **Project no.20:** President presented the background of this project in the meeting and stated that he is not getting the proposer of this project Rtn PP Abdus Shakur Chowdhury, MPH, MC, B, MD to discuss the developments he got and to obtain his comments to progress. Respected Treasurer Rtn PP Manoranjan Bhakta, MPH, B stated that proposer is presently visiting UK on his family affairs so President can call him in the evening via WhatsApp. It was decided that Respected Treasurer Rtn PP Manoranjan Bhakta, MPH, B will call the proposer and appraise him of the developments and will ask him to know if he is still interested in supporting this project financially as it may cost a good amount of money to execute this project.

- (c) **Project no.21:** Miss Arisha's father Mr. Md. Mesbahul Haque came to the meeting to receive the cheque of BDT 50,000 donated by the members of RCM for 3 months' blood cancer treatment of his 4 year 8 months old daughter. President and members present handed over the cheque to Mr. Md. Mesbahul Haque. President asked what he is doing now. He said he is now rickshaw pulling to earn money for his family and to continue Arisha's treatment. He also said Arisha's treatment is progressing well and treatment will finish in June 2025 and then doctor will do some test before they give final decision about her treatment. President requested him to tell the final position of Arisha to RCM through the project proposer Rtn S M Rahmatul Mujeeb, PHF.

- (d) Respected Treasurer Rtn PP Manoranjan Bhakta, MPH, B presented 3rd quarter statement of account of RCM which states a balance sheet of BDT 32,87,126.19. Members noted that dues collection improved from last quarter, and they expected that initiatives will be driven by President and Treasurer to collect all dues before the end of this Rotary Year. Members also noted that total project cost incurred up to the 3rd quarter is BDT 14,38,882 and current balance is BDT 17,498.27 and BDT 89,432.50 respectively in RCM General Account and Scholarship Account. Members present including President highly appreciated the efforts extended by the Treasurer.

8) Miscellaneous:

- (a) No discussion was held on possible collaboration with JAAGO Foundation as proposer Rtn Tanjil Ahmed Ruhullah was absent.
- (b) President placed for members concurrence to accept this as a project of RCM. President stated the background that on 22/04/2025 Rtn PP Akbar Hossain, PHF submitted a letter



from an old poor woman Mrs. Bilkish Akter of Songrish, Sadar, Cumilla applying for financial support for her Cellulitis operation. President stated that the doctor said the operation was urgent and otherwise she may lose her leg due to aggravation of infection. The surgery was done on 23/04/2025 and the total cost was BDT 78,700. Mrs. Bilkish Akter collected BDT 28,700 of her own and requested President of RCM to donate the balance BDT 50,000. Members present in principle agreed to accept this as project on condition that President will ask Mrs. Bilkish Akter to provide operation note. Members agreed that up on receiving the operation note as the matter is urgent President can put this in RCM WhatsApp Group for immediate fund raising.

9) STATISTICS:

Sergeant at Arms Rtn. S M R Mujeeb, PHF gave the statistics of the meeting as under:

Member on Roll	41
Excused attendance	12
Member present	14
Rotarian Guest	01
Rotaractor	00
Guest	02

10) SECRETARY'S BUSINESS:

Club Secretary, Rtn. Ayesha Siddiqua, ACA, PHF announced that the next RFM will be held on Saturday at 8.30am on 3rd May 2025 at InterContinental Hotel, 1 Minto Road, Dhaka-1000 and requested all members to attend the meeting on time.

11) ADJOURNMENT:

Having no other issues on the agenda, the meeting was adjourned by the Chair.

Rtn. Ayesha Siddiqua, ACA, PHF
Club Secretary (2024-2025)

Rtn. S M Moinul Islam, PHF, B
Club President (2024-25)

Regular Fortnightly Meeting no.1609:

Date: 26/04/2025

Pictures:



Project:

Name of the project: Financial assistance to Md. Mesbahul Haque for his daughter Arisha's blood cancer treatment

Date of implementation: 26/04/2025

Pictures:

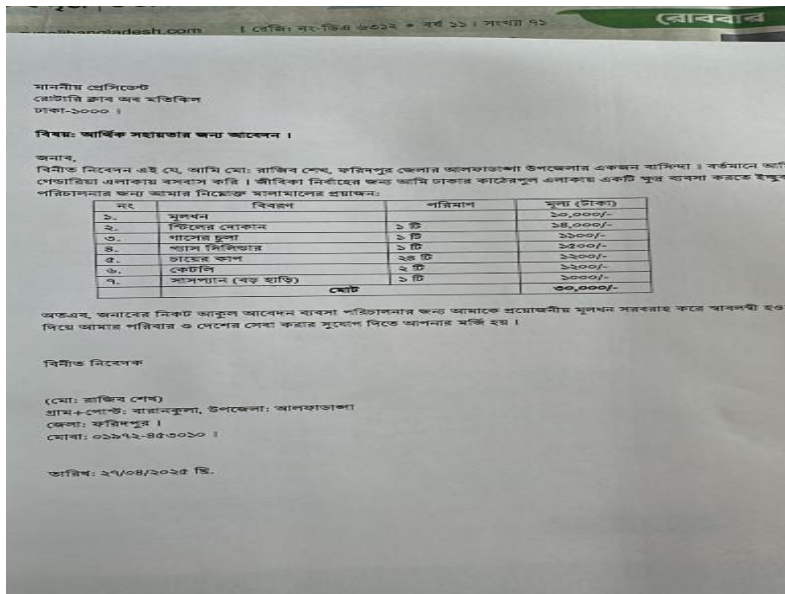


Project:

Name of the project: To provide capital to start a small business by Mr. Md Rajib sheikht

Date of implementation: 27/04/2025

Pictures:



Project:

Name of the project: Financial help for Cullulitis operation of Mrs. Bilkish Akter

Date of implementation: 27/04/2025

Pictures:

