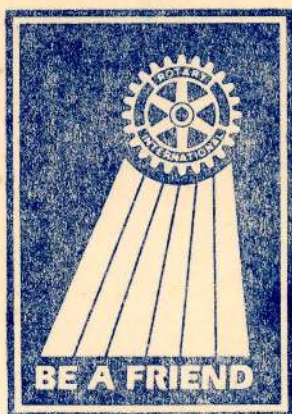


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Installation of the 54th President

The Installation of the 54th President was held on 16th October, 1994 at Hotel Gnanams. Mr. Sundaram Divakalala ACLG, Jaffna & Kilinochchi and Mrs. Divakalala were the Chief Guests. Prominent personalities including University Dons, Present and Past Administrative Officers, Educationists, Educational administrators, Principals of Schools and staff Advisors of Interact Clubs, Interactors, Rotaractors, RVC Representatives and Rotary Annes and Annets were present to felicitate the new President.



President Sara

In his presidential address PP Selva outlined the Projects carried out by us during his term 1993/94. Due recognition was given to the Free Cataract Surgery Camp initiated in last May. He awarded the Certificates of Appreciation to the Medical Team headed by Dr. S. Kugathan, Eye Surgeon of the Jaffna Teaching Hospital. He also presented gifts to all his Directors. Dr. K. Viveganandan was awarded with a Medal for his services rendered to the Cataract Camp. Dr. K. Srirathnakumar who was also the Club Service Director received a special gift for 100% attendance during 1993/94.

The Chief Guest was introduced by Secretary Thiru.

The Chief Guest in his key note address emphasised the need for identifying target groups for Rotary's Humanitarian Services.

As requested by the Outgoing President, Rtn. M. Thiruvathavooran presented the Financial Report for 1993/94.

PP Selva installed the new President. In his address President Sara outlined his priorities for the current year. He informed that the District Governor Melville Assauw and other District Chairmen have pledged their support for Jaffna Club. He expressed gratitude for the Colombo Clubs who had already started to assist the Club for various Humanitarian Projects.

President Sara during his Presidential address introduced his Team Mates.

For the first time the Past Presidents were honoured at the Installation function. Rtn. S. Manivasakan introduced PP Kanagaratnam, PP Dr. Rasasooriyar and PP. P. Selvanathan.

Rotarians Mahadeva, Suntharesan, Kumarathasan, Rajendram and Sripathy introduced the new members A. Kugamoorthy, S. Baskaran, Dr. T. W. Jeyakularajah, R. Karthigeyan and Rev. Fr. G. A. Francis Joseph respectively. They were inducted by President Sara.

Members who have put 100% attendance during the first quarter were given prizes.

President Sara also awarded Certificates of Appreciation to Dr. S. Kugathasan, Eye Surgeon and his Medical Team for their continued participation in the Free Cataract Surgery Camps carried out during July - September.

The other Rotarians too were given memorable gifts that include a Rotary Cap, a Club banner and a copy of 'Chakkaram' Special Installation issue.

After the felicitations, Secretary Thiru proposed the Vote of thanks. This was followed by TOMBOLA, a kind of Lottery game.

Rtn. Baskaran has made all arrangements for the Dinner hosted by President Sara.

Club Service Director Rtn. K. Kumarathasan and his Team have put their heart and soul to make this function a success.

Secretary's Report

October — November 1994

Membership

Membership rose to 30 as two members were inducted during October.

R. Karthigeyan : Computer Hardware
Teacher, Chundikuli Girls' College.

Rev. Fr. G. A. Francis Joseph: Religion - Roman Catholic.

ATTENDANCE

The average attendance for October was 82.62%.
It was 65.43% for November.

Visiting Rotarians

A three member Team from Colombo Clubs visited Jaffna to attend the First Interact Conference - Jaffna Schools 1994. A special report on their visit appears in this issue.

Installation of the 54th President

The installation of the 54th President PHF E. Saravanapavan was held on 16th October, at Hotel Gnanams. A detailed account of the Installation is reported separately in this issue.

T. Thirunanthakumar,
Secretary.

Club Service



Weekly Meetings were interesting and informative.
Rotary information was part of the weekly programmes.

Classification Talk

PP Selvanathan gave a talk on his classification.
This was followed by PP Dr. Rasasooriyar at the next meeting on 3. 11. 94.

Dinner Meeting

The first dinner meeting hosted in honour of the visiting Rotarians took place on 8th October at Hotel Gnanam.

PDG Suresh Melwani, PP Kushil Gunasekera, and V. P. Janaka Edirisinghe shared their Rotary experience with Jaffna Rotarians.

Luncheon Meeting

Luncheon Meeting held on 10th October, 1994, at Hotel Subas was attended by Visiting Rotarians.

Families could not get together since it was a working day and that Rotarians had to come directly from their places of work.

K. Kumarathasan
Director, Club Service

Community Service



President Saravanapavan brought a large quantity of Worm Treatment Tablets worth over Rs. 120,000/= donated by M/s. Master Feeds Ltd. Colombo. In consultation with the Child Consultant of the University of Jaffna Dr. (Mrs.) V. M. Karunakaran, plans were drawn up for the distribution of the tablets.

October 5th:

The first Medical Camp was at Puttur where more than thousand children were present in response to a paper advertisement that appeared only on that day (5th October)

October 7th

The 'Screening' for the patients for Cataract Surgery Camp was held at Chankanai Govt. Hospital. More than 400 people were present in response to the paper advertisement. Out of the people present, 63 patients were selected for the Cataract Surgery. The Medical Team consisted of Dr. S.Kugathasan, Eye Consultant, and Dr. A. Yogarajah. 24 Patients were selected to undergo surgery on the 9th.

October 9th

The 5th Cataract Surgery Camp was held on 9th October, at Kopay Govt. Hospital. 24 patients who were screened on the 7th, underwent Surgery. Dr. S. Kugathasan

Eye Surgeon & Consultant, Dr. A. Yogarajah and the staff of the Govt. Hospital Jaffna had engaged themselves in this project. The Visiting Rotarians PDG Suresh, PP Kushil and Rtn. Janaka paid a courtesy call on the Medical Team at the Camp Site. Rtn. K. Nadesan sponsored the 5th Cataract Surgery Camp.

RVC

Urumpiray RVC conducted a training course on Cake Icing & Artificial Flower making and Decoration for girls.

The cost of the Training Programme was Rs. 45, 000/=

The fund was raised by donation from members and well wishers.

It was held at Urumpiray R. D. S. Hall.

After the successful completion of the course an exhibition of Cake Icing and Artificial flowers and Hair dressing was held on 05.11.94 Saturday at Urumpiray Rural Development Society Hall.

Certificates were issued to those who underwent Training.

Dr. K. Viveganandan
Director, Community Service.

Bring new members
We need young blood

Vocational Service



Career Guidance Seminar:

October 18th:

More than 534 participants including A Level students, School leavers, Unemployed Youths and parents attended the Career Guidance Seminar conducted at Jaffna Central College from 8.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

The Panel included:

Prof. P. Balasunderampillai - Dean / Arts University of Jaffna.

(University Opportunities)

Mr. R. Sundaralingam - Former Regional Director of Education, Jaffna.

(Teaching Service)

Lion K. Jeyaratnam - Principal, Jaffna Technical College.

(Teaching Education)

Mr. N. Kanagaratnam - Matron, Teaching Hospital, Jaffna (Nursing & Para Medical Services)

Rtn. M. Thiruvathavooran - Asst. Bursar, University of Jaffna (Law & Management studies)

President Sara inaugurated the Seminar. Secretary Thiru proposed the vote of thanks.

A 16 page Hand Book on information relating to the Career & Higher studies opportunities was given to each participant. Uthayan Publications (Pvt.) Ltd., sponsored this event.

PP. P. Selvanathan
Director, Vocational Service

Youth Service

The First ever Interact Conference of Jaffna Schools was held on 8th & 9th October. The total Registration was 624.

Another Interact Club was inaugurated on 14th October at Tellippali Union College, which was displaced during Military Operations and now settled in the premises of Ramanathan College, Chunnakam. President Sara inaugurated the Club and installed the President. Youth Service Director felicitated the Board of Directors. Secretary Thiru explained the function of the Officers. Earlier the Standard Interact Club Constitution was formally adopted by a resolution. The Principal presided over the function. The staff Advisor was also present.

The Rotaract Club of Jaffna organised a series of Career Guidance Seminars at the Leading Schools in Jaffna during October - November.

Youth Service Director Dr. K. Strirathakumar and PP Selva attended an Interest Meeting at Manipal Ladies College where they spoke on Interact Programme of Rotary. The new Club will be inaugurated in January.

Interact Leaders Meeting is held monthly. President of the Interact Club of Holy Family Convent Chandrika donated Rs. 1,000/= to the Rotary Foundation at the October Meeting.

Printed forms have been issued to the Presidents for sending monthly reports to the Director.

Copies of the Interact News sent by the D I R were also issued to the Presidents at the Leaders' Meeting.



WELCOME

Governor Mel Keen to Visit

District Governor Melville Assauw is expected to be with us in Mid January 1995. He has successfully completed Official Visits to all the Clubs scheduled during first half.

We look forward to receive DG Mel and First Lady.

October 28th :

The newly organised Rotaract Club of Vadamaradchy preferred to do the Worm Treatment as their first project. Dr. K. Viveganandan, Director, Community Service and Dr. K. Srirathnakumar, Director, Youth Service, along with others went to Chempianpattu in the Vadamaradchy East area (25 miles from Jaffna). The refugees living in Camps at this coastal fishing village were given guidance and tablets.

Acting Deputy Provincial Director of Health Services, Jaffna Dr. N. Viveganandan was kind enough to offer transport facilities to the Medical Team from Jaffna to Chempianpattu and back. It was a full day project.

October 30th

The Rotaract Clubs of Jaffna and Jaffna Mid Town also took part in this Project by distributing Worm Treatment Tablets at the identified areas.

Dr. K. Srirathnakumar,
Director, Youth.

October Visit Of Colombo Rotarians A MILE STONE IN THE HISTORY

At the request of President Sara a Three Member Team from Colombo Clubs arrived in Jaffna on 8th October, 1994, to attend the first Interact Conference - Jaffna Schools 1994 organised by the Rotary Club of Jaffna. The Team comprised of Rotarians PDG Suresh Melwani (Colombo Mid - City) PP Kushil Gunasekera (Colombo East) and V.P. Janaka Edirisinghe (Colombo West). They were received by President Sara and Past President Dr. Rasasooriyar at Point Pedro. Earlier they have flown to Palaly from Colombo and reached Point Pedro by 'KOU-MARI'.



PDG Suresh

A wide publicity was given for their visit in the local dailies. Their visit was indeed a source of encouragement for Jaffna Rotarians. Their visit made history since it was the first visit by Rotarians from the South in the last 10 years.

The visiting Rotarians arrived at Jaffna Hindu College at 2.00 p.m for the Inaugural session of the First Interact Conference - Jaffna Schools 1994.

After the Inaugural session they attended a dinner hosted in honour of them, at Hotel Gnanams at 7.30 pm.

The following day they had a visit to Kopay Govt. Hospital where the 5th Cataract Surgery Camp was held. Youth Service Director Dr. K. Srirathnakumar hosted them.

the breakfast on that day at Kampan Kottam. Kampan Kazhagam, a Cultural Organisation, presented them with gifts to mark their visit to their place.

They proceeded to the grounds of St. Patrick's College, Jaffna, which hosted the 2nd day sessions of the Interact Conference. They were at the colourful opening ceremony at the site. They spent the whole day at St. Patrick's College with Interactors & Rotaractors. They also attended a function organized by the Jaffna Rotaractors.



PP. Kushi!

They were to leave Jaffna by 12 noon on 9th October, but there was no connecting ship. Hence their departure had to be postponed. This gave them the opportunity to see and meet people of Jaffna.

The following day they attended a meeting jointly organised by two Rotaract Clubs at President Sam's residence.

On 11th October they were taken round to see the various Development Projects including Reafforestation at Coastal Manalkadu at Vadamaradchi, Iron works, a Confectionery Factory and an Agricultural Farm.

They also worshipped at Sri Vallipuram Temple and Nallur Murugan Temple.

According to them Jaffna people are 'happy and smiling' lot despite hardship.

They had personally witnessed the damages caused to the property in Jaffna Town. They also visited the

Jaffna Hospital. They expressed their gratitude to LTTE for permitting them to visit Jaffna.



Rtn. Janaka

"We went there to build good will and friendship, We have laid the way for further building of understanding with the people of Jaffna" – they told a News Conference on their return to Colombo.

They left on 11th October from Point Pedro.

Club Service Director K. Kumarathasan, Youth Service Director Dr. K. Srirathnakumar, PP Selvanathan and Secretary Thiru went to Point Pedro to say 'Good Bye' to the true Rotary Ambassadors.

It's indeed a memorable visit.



**What does
this symbol mean?**

You can rely on me.

I am dependable.

I am available.

I give more than I take.

I add value.

Courtesy: The Rotarian
June, 1994

Interact Conference - Jaffna Schools 1994

For the first time in the history of the Jaffna Rotary Club, a grand two day function was organised where more than 600 Interactors from 19 Schools participated.

October 8 th

The Inauguration of the Interact conference hosted by the Interact Club of Jaffna Hindu College was held from 2. 00 p. m. Rotarian Advisors to Interact Clubs were entrusted with the task of registering the participants at the site.

PDG Suresh Melvani, who is also the Chairman of the Youth Advisory Committee of the Rotary District 3220 was the Chief Guest. Mr. K. Parameshwaran (Registrar, University of Jaffna) a former Rotarian in Batticaloa and a Senior Administrative Officer in Jaffna graced the function as Guest of Honour. Mr. V. Ilankumaran, Head of Educational Council also graced the function.

PP Kushil and V. P. Janaka coming from Colombo also attended the Inauguration.

The Chief Guests, Guests of Honour, President and Past Presidents and other distinguished guests were taken to the Hall with the Eastern music played by Jaffna Hindu College Eastern Band.

This was presided over by the President E. Saravanapavan. The visiting Rotarians were amazed at the mammoth crowd, the discipline maintained by the Interactors and the warmth of reception accorded to them, with garlands covering their heads. The auspicious traditional 'Arathi'

was taken at the entrance by two Rotary Annes. The Colombo Rotarians were introduced to our Rotarians at the entrance.

They were highly taken up by the Theme song and the Interact song sung by the Interactors of Chundikuli Girls' College and Jaffna Hindu Ladies College. Every one was at a loss for words to describe the stage which was arranged by the Rotaract Club of Jaffna Mid Town.

All the Interact School Flags were flying along the path which led to the Hall.

Dr. K. Sriratakumar delivered the Welcome address.

President Sara read out the messages of Rotary District Governor Melville Assauw and Interact District Chairman Ananda Rajapakshe.

On behalf of the Rotary District Governor Melville Assauw, PDG Suresh Melvani presented the PHF Medal and Certificate to President E. Sarayanapavan at the time of winding up his speech. Mr. K. Parameswaran and Mr. V. Ilankumaran during their address felicitated the Conference.

The Interact Directory Compiled by Secretary Thiru was released by President Sara.

Last item was a drama presented by Hindu Ladies' College Interact Club.

October 9 th

The second day of the Interact conference was the Leadership Training Seminar for Interact Officers and Panel discussions on topics of importance. This was hosted by the Interact Club of St. Patrick's College, Jaffna.

All the Interactors were assembled in the ground after registration.

Earlier Rev. Fr. A. I. Bernard (Rector) received the Colombo Team at the site.

The Schools flags were flown in a semi circle within which the Interactors arranged themselves in the form of Interact Emblem. Rotaract PP Packiya Reginold and his team were responsible for this excellent arrangement.

The opening ceremony was marked by greetings from PDG Suresh, PP Kushil and V. P. Janaka who went round the lines and greeted the Interactors individually.

After the greeting the interactors sung the Interact song.

This was followed by half the number of Interactors formed BE A FRIEND, R. I. Theme for the year 1994/95 in the ground.

At the General Assembly followed by the opening ceremony, President Sara. Rev. Fr. Francis Joseph and PDG Suresh addressed the audience.

Secretary Thirunanthakumar explained the day's programme.

This was followed by Group Session for all Interact Officers

PP Kushil joined the Committee for Community Service and V. P. Janaka joined Club Service Committee.

Youth Service Director Dr. K. Srirathnakumar met the Staff Advisors present and explained the Interact Programme. They had a lengthy discussion on the problems faced by each Club.

The new Interactors were briefed about the Rotary and Interact programmes by a Rotarian. Other Interactors enjoyed a Musical Show presented by the host Club.

A Memorable Registration Kit consisting of a nice folder, a pen, a copy of the Interact Constitution and By Laws, a blue cap with Interact Emblem, a banner of Interact Conference and few suggestions on Service Projects were presented to first 500 Interactors registered through their Presidents. The rest will be given the Kit, once they are brought down from Colombo.

Principals of Schools and Staff Advisors along with Rotarians joined the Interactors at Lunch.

During the evening sessions, separate panels worked for Road Safety and Environmental Protection. Authorities in the related fields chaired and conducted the sessions for the groups of Interactors.

Secretary Thirunanthakumar spoke on the Rotary Foundation for the full house. He emphasised the need for contributing to the Rotary Foundation which is the heart of Rotary.

At the closing session, PDG Suresh spoke on the Rotary in general and Rotary Foundation in particular.

After his address, as requested by the Secretary in his address, Interact Presidents were busy collecting money from their members. They lined up to the stage and offered their contribution to PDG Suresh who was very much moved by the affection and enthusiasm shown by the Interactors. Some Interactors preferred to hand over the contribution directly to PDG Suresh. Rotaractors who were present in the meeting too contributed.

PDG Suresh was at a loss for words and enthusiastically announced that Interactors contribution was Rs. 5,450 /= and the Rotaractors contribution was Rs. 467/25 Total amount was equivalent to US \$ 119.78.

This was the first time the Interactors had the opportunity of contributing to the Rotary Foundation.

Interact Club of St. Patricks' College, the host Club for the full day function presented memorable Shields to all the participating Schools and the visiting Rotarians from Colombo.

Dr. K. Srisratnakumar, Director, Youth Service, announced the lucky Schools for special gifts for Early Registration, Maximum Participation, Hosting the Conference, etc. He also felicitated PP Packiya Reginold of Rotaract Club of Jaffna and President Selvendira of Rotaract Club of Jaffna Mid Town for their participation in the organisation of the Conference and assistance to the host Clubs.

Rotary Memorable Shields were awarded to 3 Visiting Rotarians to mark their participation at the First Interact Conference - Jaffna Schools 1994, by President PHF Saravanapavan.

Secretary PHSM T. Thirunanthakumar proposed the Vote of thanks.

Anyone can become angry -

That is easy

**But to be angry with the right person,
to the right degree,**

**at the right time, for the right purpose
and in the right way -**

That is not easy

- ARISTOTLE

Worm Treatment By Courtesy of M/S Master Feeds Ltd

Eighteen thousand Worm tablets donated by M/S Master Feeds Ltd., have been distributed successfully at 15 places. The Project started on 6th October at Puttur, completed on 13th November at Chulipuram.

Dr. (Mrs) V. M. Karunakaran (Consultant Pediatrician) attached to the Medical Faculty of the University of Jaffna was kind enough to give necessary guidance for the distribution.

Community Service Director Dr. K. Viveganandan with his Team had taken an active interest in the distribution.

We thank the sponsor Messers Master Feeds and Dr (Mrs) V. M. Karunakaran for their assistance at the hour of need.

Rotaractors too have taken part in the distribution process. The Third Rotaract Club of Jaffna - Rotaract Club of Vadamarachy opted to do the Worm Treatment as their First Project. Well done Rotaractors!

Worm Treatment

November 3rd — Koddady Namasivayam Vidyalayam.

Joint Project with Mid Town Rotaractors.

Nov. 4th — Mirusuvil Sarvodaya RVC
Inuvil - At Inuvil Community Centre.

6th — Urumpirai Community Centre
along with Urumpirai RVC.

13th — Chulipuram Victoria College.

(Final Programme)

District Community Service Chairman PP. Kushil writes...

October 27, 1994

Dear Rtn. Thiru

On behalf of my other two colleagues Suresh and Janaka, it is with absolute joy that I write to place on record our heartfelt appreciation for the manner in which your Club hosted us during the historic undertaking of our goodwill visit to Jaffna. We were most inspired by your genuine and enthusiastic efforts to care for our well being. The warmth with which we were entertained so hospitably shall never be forgotten and more importantly the involvement of all your members to ensure the success of our visit has been most noteworthy.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate your president and the members of your Club for having organised such a remarkable Interact Conference amidst the many difficulties encountered, which I believe is the hallmark of a resourceful Rotarian always bearing in mind the importance of commitment, unity and discipline.

We are hopeful that in the near future, most of your members would attend the District Conference at which time it would be our pleasure to reciprocate the wonderful hospitality that was accorded us. May your very special efforts to support our mission uniting mankind in the true spirit of Rotary's ideals and objectives, take all of you from happiness to happiness.

Respectfully yours

Sgd : Kushil Gunasekera
Director - Community Service
Rotary Club of Colombo East.

District Interact Chairman Ananda writes

14th October '94

My Dear Rtn. Sriratnakumar,

Let me congratulate you for a fine Interact Conference held for the Interactors of Jaffna. From the newspapers and souvenir I read with interest the effort you have put into the promotion of Interact in Jaffna.

The Directory published by you is fantastic. You have made my task so much easier to publish the District Interact Directory.

I would like to receive a copy of the Conference programme for my information.

Your President Sara has been in touch with us in Colombo and his enthusiasm in the Interact programme I am sure is of great help to you.

Kindly let me know as to when you will be in Colombo next as I would like to discuss with you more details of the on going Interact projects in Jaffna. Please send me some photos and a report for the District Interact Newsletter.

Yours Sincerely,

Sgd. Ananda Rajapakse

GUESTURE OF LOVE AND CONCERN

PP Kushil (Colombo East) has donated Rs. 7, 000/= towards Cataract Surgery Camp Project. He made this donation at the Dinner Meeting held on 8th October.

Thank you Kushil for your love and care

OUR SPONSORS

Cataract Surgery Camp

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PP. Kushil Gunasekara

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First Interact Conference

Jaffna Schools 1994

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Rtn. S. Theiventhiran
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Thank you Sponsors for helping us to create History.
Interact Conference was indeed a Success and a
Milestone.

Thank You

We acknowledge the receipt of the following Club Bulletins.

Hot Spring	— Trincomalee
Town Talk	— Colombo Mid-Town
Andabera	— Kandy
East Word	— Colombo East
Singing Fish	— Batticaloa.
Clubbulletin	— Sri Jeyawardenapura

Contribution to Rotary Foundation Matched by PDG Suresh

In his reply to PDG Suresh, with copy to President Sara, DG. Mel has congratulated PDG Suresh for his valuable contribution as an Ambassador of Peace and Goodwill to the Rotary Club of Jaffna and our Partners In Service.

Interactors and Rotaractors of Jaffna have contributed Rs. 5,917.25 to the Rotary Foundation at the Interact Conference held in early October. Moved by this surprised gesture PDG Suresh while appreciating the spirit of the youngsters announced that he would match the amount received by him.

Accordingly he has sent a cheque equivalent to the amount contributed by the Partners In Service.

The total amount of Rs. 11,834/50 has been credited as follows:

Interact Clubs of Jaffna ...	Rs. 10,900.00
Rotaract Clubs of Jaffna ...	Rs. 934.50
Well done Young Leaders	
Thank you PDG Suresh.	

Twenty Five Ways To Live Happily And Make The World a Better Place

1. Smile - one smile makes two.
2. Listen more and talk less.
3. Learn to relax.
4. Practise meditation regularly.
5. Retreat into silence at least one hour a day.
6. Put away a small sum everyday for charity.
7. Plan your day so that you have time for all the things you want to do.
8. Think positively; cancel negative thoughts.
9. Remember to think 'can' instead of 'can't', 'misplaced' instead of 'lost', 'better' instead of 'worse'.
10. Do atleast one good deed everyday: build up the number gradually.
11. Look for the good in others. there is so much of it.
12. Share everything you have cheerfully: books, records, tapes, receipes and skills.
13. Remember birthdays and anniversaries with a phone call, a card, a visit or a gift. Everyone likes to be remembered.
14. Show appreciation of smallest service by your loved ones or employees.
15. Believe in the Organisation or Association you work for.
16. Be courteous and respectful to elders.
17. Enjoy your work. Dispose of jobs in hand quickly and competently.

18. Be more courteous when driving or using public transport.
19. Open doors for people behind you instead of slamming them in their faces.
20. Pick up a stone or rubbish in your path, it may hurt somebody.
21. Keep the roads in front and at the back of your house clean.
22. Stop people denuding trees from doing so.
23. Treat public property as your own.
24. Keep the volume of voice - radio and television low.
25. Take warmth, sunshine and humour with you whenever you go.

COURTESY : BETTER LIFE

Sent by : A. K

PDG RAVI WRITES

Rotary International

28th October, 1994.

Dear Pres. Sara,

Many thanks indeed for the souvenir, the Club bulletin, Interact Conference Folder and the Interact Cap that you had sent me.

It is amazing that under so much adversity you are able to out do most others. I have heard much about your activities from PDG Suresh and others who visited Jaffna. It is my dream that I will be able to visit you soon.

In the meantime, please keep me informed of all your activities.

You are obviously one of the outstanding Presidents this year and I wish you and your Club Members well in your endeavours. They say that there is no electricity in Jaffna. But I can see that the glow emanated by the Jaffna Club must be lighting up the hearts of many.

Keep up the good work

Yours sincerely

Ravi

Comment

We have heard of an invasion of Jaffna by a Colombo Club many years ago when the Jaffna Rotary Club was in its infancy. Then there were no hotels in Jaffna five stars or no stars. The Colombo Club took us by storm. Some how, we weathered the storm and accommodated the guests as best as was possible in the homes of the Rotarians.

However, the recent visit of three Colombo Rotarians to Jaffna like the three Musketeers of Yore, surpasses the crossing of the Atlantic by Christopher Columbus, Dr Livingston's of Africa and many other daring feats.

They came, they saw, they conquered! In this war-torn part of our Country, this visit by three good men and true has instituted an unprecedented enthusiasm and a great hope of the fulfilment of the message 'Be A Friend', in the hearts of Rotarians and hundreds of Interactors male and female. We presume-not in vain we hope-that the harbingers of goodwill will usher in the halcyon days soon to come.

To Suresh, Kushil and Janaka we say thank you and come again

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'Farewell the trumpets' by a person of Anglo - Welsh parentage writing under the Pseudonym James Morris - theme exit British Imperialism brings us to the unenviable position of blowing our own trumpet.

Admidst the humming and hawing of the strumpets of Rotary, a herculean task was accomplished by the Rotary Club of Jaffna under the able generalship of President Sara. It was not for us to reason why but for us to do and die. A mammoth task - the Interact Conference of Jaffna Schools was completed triumphantly. The marshalling of near six hundred Interactors, drilling them into an orderly display of parade-ground performance, has not been seen in the annals of Rotary history in Jaffna. It was fantastic, stupendous, inimitable to a degree. It earned the plaudits of one and all.

The co-operation, participation and the togetherness of the Three Rotarians P D EG Suresh Melwani, P.P.Sunil Gunasekera and Rtn. Janaka Edirisinghe from Colombo Clubs was stupendous. In spite of a tiring and exacting journey they worked shoulder to shoulder to achieve success. They said that they were pleased. We need no more for our pleasure.

Thank you fellow Rotarians.

Editor

President Sara during his visit to Singapore attended a Rotary club meeting at Serangoon Gardens on November 10th 1994.

DG MEL WRITES



Rotary International

31st October 1994

Dear President Saravanapavan

I thought I would write to thank you and acknowledge the fine contribution you are making to the District as President of the Jaffna Club.

In particular I was very impressed with the success of your Interact Conference which was held on the 8th and 9th October 1994 at the Jaffna Hindu College and St. Patrick's College respectively. Please extend to the Interactors of these Schools my heartfelt appreciation and best wishes to the future of Inter-action in Jaffna. I feel their performance is a splendid example to the Interactors of our District.

I also note that they had spontaneously made a voluntary contribution of a sum of Rs. 5,917.25 to PDG Suresh Melvani, towards the Rotary Foundation.

Thank you also for sending me promptly the reports and progress of your Club.

Your Friend in Rotary

Sgd: Rtn Melville Assauw

District Governor

நான்கு வழிச் சோதனை

நாம் சிந்திக்கின்ற, பேசுகின்ற, செய்கின்ற
விடயங்களைப் பரீட்சிக்கும் நான்கு வழிகள்

- ★ அது தான் உண்மையா?
- ★ சம்பந்தப்பட்ட அனைவர்க்கும் அது நியாயமானதா?
- ★ நல்லென்னத்தையும் றெந்த நட்புறவையும்
அது வளர்க்குமா?
- ★ சம்பந்தப்பட்ட அனைவருக்கும் அது
நன்மையுக்குமா?



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