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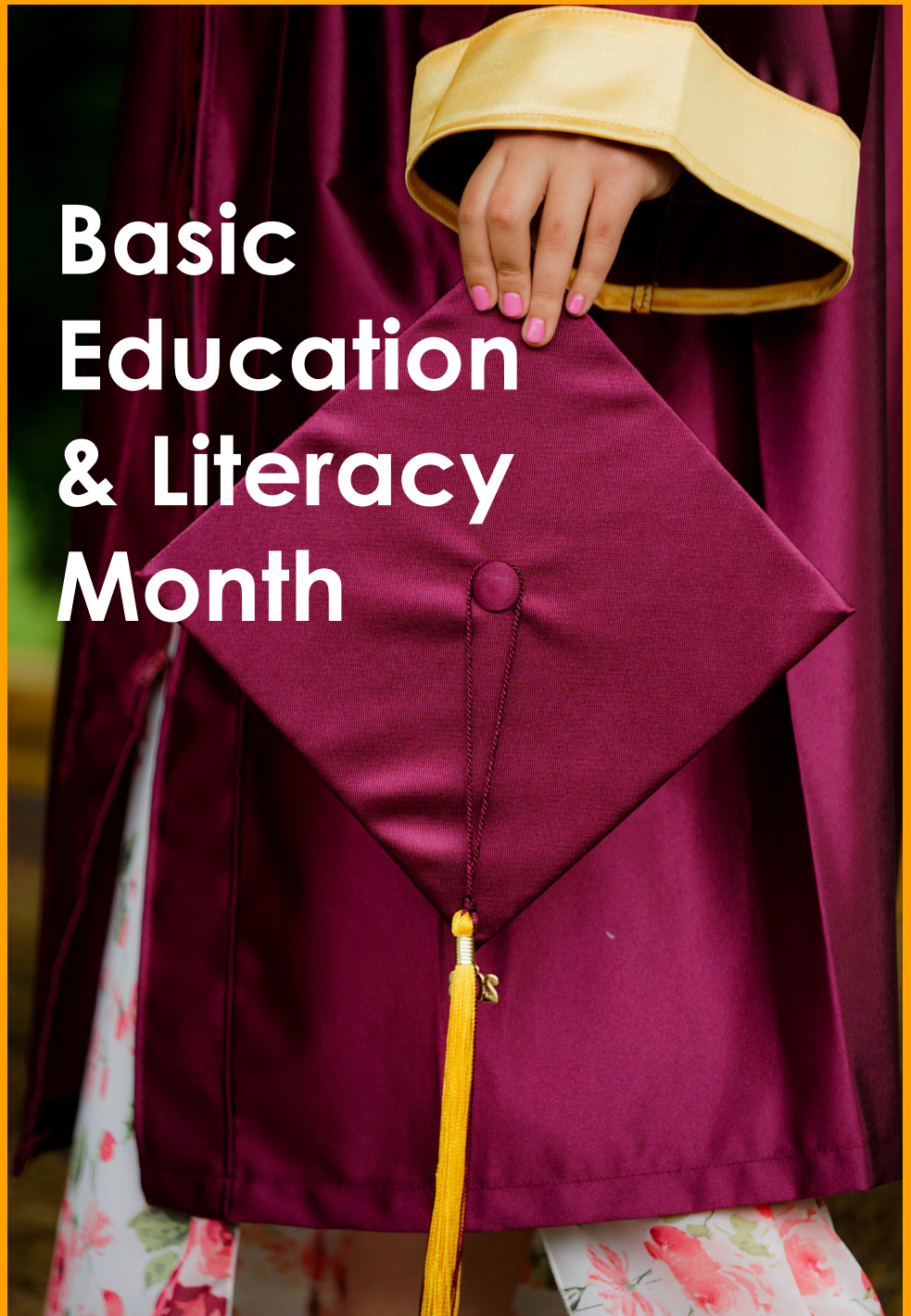
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**“An investment in
knowledge always pays
the best interest.”**

- Benjamin Franklin

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President's Message



My Dear Club Members, Anns, Annets and fellow Rotarians,

गुरुर्ब्रह्मा गुरुर्वरुषुः गुरुर्देवो महेश्वरुः ।
गुरुः साक्षात्परंब्रह्म तस्मैश्री गुरुवेनमुः ॥

The meaning as I understood of the above shloka is that, the one who creates anything is definitely to be revered as our teacher, the one who maintains and runs any system in an orderly manner too, is to be revered and the one who dismantles the unwanted or rather removes the clogs from the system too, needs to be revered. However the biggest of all is the one, who shows all these three facets, is the Supreme of all.

Something similar was said by Sant Kabir too in his doha,

गुरु गोविन्दु दोऊ खडेकाक्रेलागूपाय । बललहारी गुरु आपनो,जिन गोविन्दु ददयो
बताय

That is, the 'teacher' is the Supreme of all.

This month we celebrate National Teacher's Day on 5th September. It is celebrated in the honour of the birth of our 2nd President of India Shri Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan and the International Teachers Day is consequently celebrated on 5th October.

It is indeed very pleasant to see all the teachers stepping up to ensure that the students are remaining safe and healthy and also continuing to reach out to them and teach them through online classes during the pandemic caused by Covid -19.

I am sure, all the students have now adjusted and acclimatised themselves to the new 'normal' of online classes. I trust that they all will study well and make not only themselves, but their school and their teachers very proud for years to come!

Besides, this month's theme also being on 'Basic Education And Literacy', we took the opportunity of felicitating three outstanding personalities who have brought about a silent revolution not only to themselves but to the Institute they belong to. Most importantly they have managed to train students belonging primarily to the rural areas of our State and managing to bring in 100% results. They have done so without promoting the culture of Private Tutorials. They are not only self motivators but also have motivated the entire team of teachers under them to perform for this herculean task of cent percent results.

These stalwarts were Principal Smita Parsekar of Harmal Panchakroshi High School, Mandrem ; Principal Shobha Priolkar of Shiksha Sadan High School, Priyol and Principal Narendra Prabhu of S.E.S High School, Sancordem, for their hard work and dedication to provide all round education to their students.

This pandemic has impacted and affected numerous people and the count is still climbing in the small state of Goa. There seems to be no respite to it. As a token of our social responsibility towards it, we have donated about 100 numbers 3M quality N95 masks, together with 10 numbers of oximeters to Goa Medical College to front line Doctor warriors namely Dr.Edwin Gomes and Dr.Viraj Khandeparkar. These oximeters were sponsored by our Club and the masks were sponsored by the

trustee of Madhav Madhavi and Mahendra Dhond Charitable Trust. We specially thank our very own DGE Rtn Gaurish Dhond for channelizing this project through us.

Our Club has also donated 11 numbers of Oximeters to the Dean of Goa Medical College and Hospital which the hospital was running short due to the sudden spike of patients after the festive season. This was possible only because of the sheer foresight and mental balance under the stressful condition by our very own Past President and currently International Director (20-21) of our club, namely Rtn Manisha Sardesai. A true Rotarian by heart, who walked the talk of service above self, in spite of herself being admitted, understood the plight of the patients and rose up for the moment. Three cheers to you Madam for that.

When we went to GMC, we were met with the awful sight of covid wards flooding with patients, who were either sleeping on the floor, or on the chairs due to non-availability of sufficient number of beds because of sudden spike in the number of patients.

In order to alleviate the above load, our Club Board has in principle decided to donate a minimum of 10 fowler beds with railings, mattresses and side stand and 10 SS Trolleys to GMC which are very much in demand in the current scenario.

I sincerely urge each and every member of our Club, to open your hearts and donate your might for this worthy project. The benefits of this is direct and will reach across to so many needy patients in their times of needs. This is what Rotary truly stands for, 'Service above Self'. For your generous contributions, you can directly get in touch with our young and enthusiastic Community Service Director Rtn Siddharth Deshpande.

Two of our club members bereaved, namely Brother to our Club Vocational Director Rtn. Sonali Nagvenkar, and Mother-in-Law of Club Sergeant at Arms Rtn. Megha Harmalkar. We join in their grief and sorrow and extend our heartfelt condolences. Om Shanti.

It would be unfair if we do not recognise the yeoman's services being provided by our very own Club Secretary Rtn Dr Noel Britto. He has not only taken the mantle of starting a covid ward in the hospital he is associated with and manage the same but also has gone out of his way to help so many of our club members in their times of need. Again another true Rotarian by heart who leads from the front and leaving an undeletable trail of goodness in times to come. A True COVID warrior from our Club.

I sincerely urge all our members to come forward and do participate in our club activities and please do take good care of themselves in this pandemic situation. Life is precious.

Stay home, Stay healthy, Stay safe.

Yours in Rotary
Rtn. Kamlesh Amlani
Clun President
2020-2021



From the Editor's Desk

Dear Fellow Club Members, Anns and Annets

This is the third issue of our monthly magazine 'Manthan' and it is a pleasure to be able to present it to you.

Every Rotarian should have a role to play in the multitude activities of Rotary. It is by engaging and immersing oneself in programs and projects along with fellow Rotarians that a bond of fellowship and camaraderie develops. When every Rotarian shares the passion, goal and culture of Rotary, the change envisioned will automatically follow.

'Manthan' is the face of our club and to represent true opinions, feedback from members is essential. We want to engage every reader and make the communication for the better.

I hope to see many interesting articles coming in for our magazine.

Your in Rotary
Chintan Ved
Club Editor
2020-2021

Secretary's

Report



Dear Club Members, Anns & Annets

The pandemic has been dynamic and intense in the past month so I urge everyone to take care of themselves.

On the Club front, we have been conducting our Weekly Club meetings online and have done various projects. Looking forward to each and every Rotarian's active participation, in some form or another.

Also, remember to do your parts in staying safe and sanitise, as the Virus is here to stay if we don't take care. Our loved ones, our parents and our siblings, all of them must be taken care of. We may never know when the virus comes knocking. So let's pledge to stay prepared and stay calm.

Yours in Rotary
Rtn. Dr. Noel Britto
Club Secretary
2020 - 2021


Date: 11th September 2020

Donaton Of Oximeters:

When affected by the Corona virus the patients are found with lower oxygen rate. To keep the patient's oxygen level in check, the doctors at GMC use 'oximeter'. It is a small equipment that clips onto the person's finger and measures the pulse and the percentage of oxygen in the blood. Due to rising amount of cases in Goa, there are less oximeters available at hand. Our club, as to help our state cope with the virus donated 11 oximeters to Goa Medical College.



L to R : Community Service Director Rtn. Siddharth Deshpande, GMC Dean Dr. Bandekar , President Rtn. Kamlesh Amlani


Goa Medical College
Government of Goa
Office of the Dean, Bambolim, Goa.

Dated: 11/09/2020


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To
✓ The President,
Rotary Club Miramar.

Sir,

We appreciate the support provided by your Rotary Club Miramar, by this Hospital for giving 11 Oximeter during this pandemic. The said oximeters have been handed over to Dr. Anar Khandeparkar, Nodal Officer for COVID 19, GMC.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

(Prof. Dr. S/ M. Bandekar)
Dean
Goa Medical College

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Date : 18th September 2020

Donation Of N95 Mask:

Masks are used as a barrier to help prevent respiratory droplets from travelling into the air and onto other people. Masks are a must at this time of a global pandemic. The place which requires the maximum amount of masks at this time is the hospital. Rotary Club of Miramar, as to help with prevent the shortage of masks, donated 100 N95 masks to Goa Medical College. These were donated by Madhav Madhavi and Mahendra Dhond Medical Trust.



Dr. Edwin Gomes



L to R : President Rtn. Kamlesh Amlani, Dr. Viraj Khandeparker ,Youth Service Director Rtn. Vijay Jain



L to R : President Rtn. Kamlesh Amlani, Dr. Edwin Gomes, Youth Service Director Rtn. Vijay Jain

Date : 30th September 2020

Felicitatation Of Principals:

Teachers are the most important members of the society. They give children purpose, set them up for success as citizens of our world and inspire them to do well and succeed in life. Keeping this importance in mind, Rotary Club of Miramar felicitated various principals across Goa for their dedication in providing proper education to the students of our state.



L to R : Ex-CM Shri Laxmikant Parsekar, Principal Smita Parsekar, Jt. Secretary Rtn. Sagar Kulkarni & President Rtn. Kamlesh Amlani,



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L to R : President Rtn. Kamlesh Amlani, Principal Narendra Prabhu & Rtn. Madhan Sadhale



L to R : President Rtn. Kamlesh Amlani,, Rtn. Madhan Sadhale, and Principal Narendra Prabhu with his freinds & family

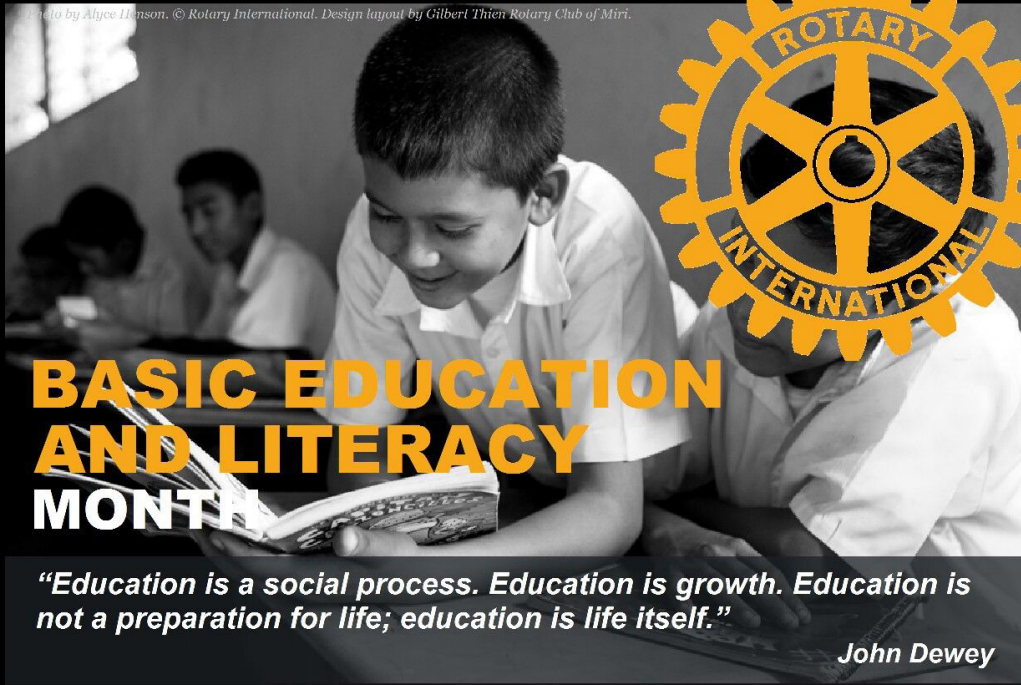


L to R : Principal Shobha Priolkar , President Rtn. Kamlesh Amlani & Rtn. Madhan Sadhale



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SEPTEMBER IS



**BASIC EDUCATION
AND LITERACY
MONTH**

"Education is a social process. Education is growth. Education is not a preparation for life; education is life itself."

John Dewey



TAKE ACTION: Join Rotary, Get Involved



Basic education and literacy is one of Rotary's six areas of focus. We know that basic education and literacy are essential for reducing poverty, improving health, encouraging community and economic development, and promoting peace. Worldwide, 67 million children have no access to education, and more than 775 million people over the age of 15 are illiterate. Rotarians support educational projects that provide technology, teacher training, vocational training teams, student meal programs, and low-cost textbooks to communities. Our goal is to strengthen the capacity of communities to support basic education and literacy, reduce gender disparity in education, and increase adult literacy.



ONLINE CLASS

In the New Normal
There is my class, but inside a **BOX**
My computer stares, my computer blares,
My video off, my audio off...

Came along a platform **Virtual**
The "**MOODLE**" platform,
My class performance,
My mates & teacher's
All on a **SCREEN** !

I miss my buddies
I miss my Desk
I miss my Chair
I miss those BREAKS...when we were **free**
To eat our tiffins , around the Almond **tree**.

No morning alarm singing ,
No school bells ringing ,
No joy of DAY, alas no evening play

And ..i miss the thrilling **Race**...
the home to school & school to home **chase**...

I know it all, every turn is a **Surprise** ,
BEWARE...in Every moment ,
Take EACH day at a time
Don't close your eyes....there are **beautiful** days
coming.

A cleaner greener AIR
Is where we **WILL BE**
To chase the thrills... together you and **me**!



By Annet Rishith Sheth



What The Characters of Harry Potter Taught Me

The magical series of Harry Potter has a special place in my life. I still can recall how I used to never like reading, but one day I saw the first Harry Potter movie 'The Philosopher's Stone' and found it interesting! So I decided, with the persuasion of my sister, to give the book a try. From then on there was no looking back, I was hooked. Hungry for more, I hunted throughout the library for the rest of the books. I fell in love with Harry, Ron and Hermione, and travelled with them on all of their adventures. I was 13 when I first read the books and didn't realize just how deep the books went, but as I got older, I realized just how many lessons I learned from my favorite characters.

Note: There may be spoilers from the book.

Harry Potter

Harry taught me to never stop fighting. Like all of us, Harry too has his strengths and flaws, but he doesn't let those flaws get into his way. There are many bad things that happen to him over his lifetime; his parents dying, him being raised by a family who doesn't want him, constantly being put in danger, he learns that he has to make the ultimate sacrifice and many more. Despite this, he never stops fighting and always gets back up again.

Hermione Granger

Hermione taught me to be a warrior. When I first read the book I thought Hermione is the perfect student. She is smart and a teacher's pet. That's all there is to learn from her. But as I read further,

I realized just how badass she is. She put up with discrimination for years, she fought for what she believed in and she was consistently at the top of her class. In a world where girls are taught to be delicate and sweet, and any character who isn't delicate are perceived as wrong. But Hermione showed that a girl can be girly and badass at the same time.

Ronald Weasley

Ron taught me that friendship truly is the greatest bond. At first, I wasn't too fond of Ron. He was always fighting with Hermione, jealous of Harry, wasn't an outstanding wizard and generally was overshadowed by his two more talented friends. But I realized that there was more to Ron. Ron is the character that we all can relate to; because at some point, we all have felt jealous of someone who we thought was more talented than us. But Ron, in 'Prisoner of Azkaban', got over his jealousy and ignoring everything, stood on his broken leg to protect Harry from the supposed murderer Sirius Black. To go through so much pain for a friend is truly incredible.

Neville Longbottom

Neville taught me to be brave. Neville is one of my favorite characters from the series. Most people would expect Harry or Hermione to teach me to be brave, but to me, the bravest character was Neville. Neville was the comedic relief for most of the books and movies. He was always bullied and didn't have a true friend. But he showed bravery throughout the series. In 'The Philosopher's

Stone', he attempted to stop the Golden Trio from leaving. I know from experience that it really is more difficult to stand up to your friends than to your enemies, and it must have taken a lot of effort for Neville to confront them. After what Bellatrix Lestrange did to his parents, Neville still had the courage to face her in battle in 'Order of The Phoenix'. Then, while Harry, Ron and Hermione were busy searching for Horcruxes, he was helping to lead Dumbledore's Army in a secret battle and later killing a Horcrux himself.

Draco Malfoy

Draco taught me that not all bad people are bad. Draco was Harry's enemy at Hogwarts. Draco was a Slytherin, played in the opposite Quidditch team, used to always taunt Harry and his friends. For most of the series Draco was arrogant and a bully. But once he turns sixteen in 'Half Blood Prince', we learn that he is a death eater and is assigned the task of killing Dumbledore. Throughout the book he is in his own shell, the pressure eating him alive. He cries in the girls' bathroom, barely eats or sleeps and doesn't hang out with his friends. When the time comes to kill Dumbledore, he can't do it. In the seventh book, when the trio is captured and brought to his house, he pretends to not know them, hence saving them. Like Harry, he never had a choice.

Albus Dumbledore

Dumbledore taught me that not all good people are good. Albus Dumbledore was someone who treated everyone equally, even going so far as to hire a werewolf as a teacher. But in 'The Deathly Hallows', after reading a biography by the notorious reporter Rita Skeeter, Harry learns that Dumbledore used to be friends with the second vilest wizard, Gilbert Grindelwald. They used to plot about the enslavement of Muggles and their reign as wizard kings. Although he decided to discontinue this path, his childhood serves as reminder that everyone has a little bad in them.

Severus Snape

Snape taught me to never judge a book by its cover. Let me say this, I hated Snape. He was shown to be rude and obnoxious. He played a negative role

throughout the series only to be a hero at the end of it. He was protecting Harry all along but was always misunderstood. He even had to kill the only person that trusted him, Dumbledore. Deep inside he loved Lily Evans to the point that he was ready to play double agent to Voldemort and was even ready to sacrifice himself to save Harry. Everyone has good and evil in them but it is the side you choose that determines what kind of a person you are. Snape chose the good and was truly a good man. To me Snape will 'always' be a hero.

Lily Evans & Narcissa Malfoy

Lily Evans & Narcissa Malfoy taught me that a mother's love can conquer all. Harry Potter was saved by a mother's love not once, but twice. First when Lily refused to step aside and tried to protect her son, and secondly when Narcissa lied to Voldemort in order to find out if her son was alive. Narcissa had no love for Harry, but she did love her son Draco, and it was her love for her son that saved Harry. Had she told the truth, the series would have a much more different ending.

There are so many more lessons that these books have taught me, and the eight that I just listed are just a fraction of them. People may say that they're just children's book, but they are more than that. I feel that the characters of every book you read teach us a lesson some way or another, at the end it's the reader's perception on what they learn from the characters.



By Annet Vaidehi Amlani

FEATURE STORY



KIRIT MAGANLAL

FOUNDER & CEO OF MAGSONS GROUP

Q. How did the idea for your business come about?

It was in late 1980s. My family was in the business of novelty goods, mining and seafood exports. I always carried a deep passion for food. Preparing and handling food was a hobby but Preservation and Post Harvest technologies for handling food interested me immensely. I was lucky to have very passionate teachers who moulded me when I passed out as a food technologist. So when the opportunity arose that there were no organized food and grocery retail outlets in our State, I was quick to jump off my family ship and alongwith my wife Andrea, plunged headlong into this business. I can't frankly remember what came first, the wife or the business thought, because those were heady days! But fortunately we shared the same appetite and so that's how MAGSONS came about.

Q. The name 'Magsons' is very interesting, How did you come up with the name?

It's simple actually. It's a contraction of two words, Maganlal and Sons. But Magsons sounds catchy and we are happy that this brand has built a suc-

cess story around it in Goa. The brand was founded earlier in our family, we added the 'Supercentre' to it. It is interesting to remember that during those founding years, only the American mega store Walmart spelled Supercentre with last r before the e. We loved the style and it has stayed. Though many folks still make the error of denoting us as Supercenter!

Q. Magsons is now a household name with a lot of customers coming. How did you build a successful customer base?

The Magsons philosophy is based on the basic tenet of "To be the Best, Think Long Term, Doing all that's Right for the Customer and Doing the Right thing for the Company" We evaluated that most of what we sell is what even the local kiranawalla sells. So we differentiated our position in the minds of our customers. We went out of our way to show them that we genuinely regarded them highly, valued their custom and we were willing to go that extra mile to keep them delighted. This culture, I'm proud to say, has been a latent trait of the Maganlal household and I am fortunate I got to imbibe this quality of service and humaneness from my father. I believe that once it comes from within you, your people will begin to emulate the culture and that has been the foundation stone of the structure that is Magsons today.

Another important aspect has been our drive to 'Always lead and seldom follow'. This means we are in a constant state of innovation. So whether it means being the frontrunner for introducing the latest frozen and chill display storages in Goa to introduction of imported cold cuts, premium meats, the largest varieties of cheese, both local and imported, chocolates and global sauces, Magsons was the first to deliver. We were the first to introduce a Loyalty card programme and integrating all our ERP, CRM, POS and Accounts programme on cloud servers. All our Stores are monitored 24x7 through closed circuit surveillance systems at a central Studio at our Head Office. When premium gourmet national players like Godrej Nature's Basket were scouting around for potential partnerships, Magsons was the first one with whom they entered into an alliance for the State. This was a history of sorts for Regional players anywhere in the country.

This does not mean to say that it makes us indolent. On the contrary, this has an effect of growing customer expectations and putting greater pressure on us to perform even better!

Q.What risks / Challenges did you face when starting this venture? And thereafter was it a smooth ride or were there ups and downs and how did you manage to tide over the

same?

Ask any entrepreneur and the answer will be the same. We came into this business with no funding other than a loan we secured from the EDC, Goa. And since this concept was new to everyone in our State, it took us a long time to break in. Ours was one of the first centrally air-conditioned grocery stores. This turned into a huge barrier in the customer's mind. They assumed that it must be an expensive place to shop and shunned away. It took us over a decade to break-even and change mindsets! Convenience was never on top of the Goan customers mind. Goans anyways were celebrated to be easy going, so maybe a 'tinto' kind of a place was their suitable choice!

It was once that the local community began traveling out for leisure and employment, and they saw the organized retail stores outside, they came to us with appreciative gestures.

Retail also survives on volumes since the operating margins are wafer thin. We realized that being a stand-alone store was no way to grow. Sometime in 2007, we opened our second store under partnership with Bharat Petroleum Corp Limited. From then on, we have opened over a dozen more stores equally spanning North and South of Goa.

Q. What was the most important / memorable part of your business journey?

In Retail, I believe every day is a memorable event. The excitement never ends. If it is not the customer rap which we also get often, it is

the smile on their faces when they achieve that 'wow' feeling having had a successful journey through our aisles. Our employees are the biggest pillars of strength. They provide the delight that the customer seeks. We have created a great team of leaders who are empowered to take the best decisions in the interest of the customers and the company.

My memory goes back to the earliest days when, in hindsight, maybe we took on more than what we could chew. In the early 90's we initiated the supermarket business simultaneously alongside a 10 room Hotel and Goa's first speciality sizzler restaurant called 'UNO SIZZLERS' in the same building!! I was out of college, just married and spending 16+ hours in a day getting all these things working together. I guess that's what most entrepreneurs go through. That shot of adrenaline, never look back, give all you get, attitude. And the unstinted support you get from your near and dear ones. Memories are made up of all these.

Q. How did this pandemic affect your business?

The grocery business is one of the less affected businesses as a result of the pandemic. Being an integral part of essential commodities for the common man, this business never really had a shut down during the lockdown periods. Instead, we had to work longer hours and under extremely trying circumstances during this time. Customers, more specially the old and ailing were our priority. Long queues gave rise to flayed tempers. Social distancing norms meant customers had just agonizing few minutes to rush through their shopping lists. Sup-

ply chain was badly fractured with no inter and intra state movement permitted for goods and services. Staff were handicapped from joining duties and there was a general fear of this 'unknown enemy' in the air. Many of our staff showed exemplary courage and resolve during that scary period. We christened them "food warriors" in recognition of their brave front-line activity. Government flip flops in handling the situation was no comfort to us. However, the administration supported us to the hilt in whatever form and fashion they could.

These are all distant memories now, best forgotten. We pray that the situation does not return.

Q. Where do you see this industry in the next 20 years?

Retail was growing at a CAGR of over 20% before COVID-19 hit us. Twenty years is a very very long timeframe for this industry. Two years would be more like it! However, it would be imprudent to make any predictions in the current environment. Suffice to say, this industry can only grow exponentially in the future.

Q. What is your daily mantra for success?

Manage your personal time successfully and productively. Manage your associates efficaciously and energetically because if you can do so, they in turn will grow and manage your businesses.

Q. What advice can you give to the emerging entrepreneurs?

Dare to dream and do not hesitate to put your elbow grease to the wheels of those dream engines. The future is yours. No wonder you are called the 'Next Gen' !



Recalling Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan on Teacher's Day



When I first think about Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, I remember about an incident I read about him. When Dr. Sarvepalli was leaving Mysore University to join University of Calcutta; the student of Mysore University took him to the station in a carriage decorated with flowers. This just shows what a great teacher he was. Let's recall his life journey!



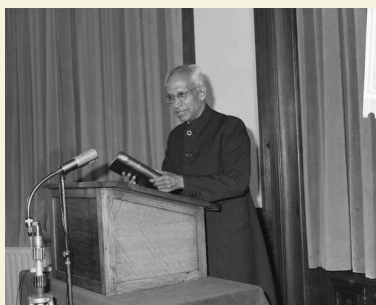
Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan was the most influential Indian thinkers in academic circles in the 20th century. He was the first Vice President of India and the second President of the country.



His journey from a small village in Andhra Pradesh to the President of India is not just inspiring, but his life itself has many wise lessons to teach us. His work dedicated towards education shaped the youth in the early years of democracy in our country.



Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan was born on 5th September 1888 in Tiruttani, Andhra Pradesh (now in Tamil Nadu). He



was the son of Sarvepalli Veeraswami and Savepalli Sita. His family hails from Sarvepalli Village in Nellore District of Andhra Pradesh. He did his Primary education in Thiruttani and later in Tirupati. Dr. Radhakrishnan was awarded several scholarships throughout his academic life. He joined Vorhees College in Vellore and later moved to Madras Christian College at the age of 17.

He started his academic career in 1909 where he was appointed as a faculty member of the Department of Philosophy at the Madras Presidency College. Later in 1918; he was selected as Professor of Philosophy by the University of Mysore. He taught in various other Prestigious Universities; Banaras Hindu University, Delhi University & the University of Oxford.

He wrote as many as 20 outstanding books on Philosophy, Ethic & Religion, namely;

1. The Ethics of Vedanta and its Material Presupposition (1908)
2. The Philosophy of Rabindranath Tagore (1918)
3. The Reign of Religion in Contemporary Philosophy (1920)
4. Indian Philosophy, 2 vols. (1923-27)
5. The Hindu View of Life (1927)
6. The Religion We Need (1928)
7. Kalki, Or the Future of Civilization: An Idealist View of Life (1932)
8. East and West in Religion (1933)
9. The Heart of Hindustan (1936)
10. My Search for Truth (autobiographical) (1937)
11. Gautama, the Buddha (1939)
12. Eastern Religion and Western Thought (1939)
13. Mahatma Gandhi (1939)
14. Education, Politics and War (1944)
15. Is This Peace? (1945)
16. The Religion and Society (1947)
17. The Bhagavadgita (1948)
18. The Great Indians (1949)
19. The Dhammapada (1950)
20. The Religion of the Spirit and the World's Need (autobiographical) (1952).

During his lifetime Dr. Radhakrishnan was awarded several honours- he was knighted in 1931 to be addressed as Sir S Radhakrishnan till the time India gained Independence, but after Independence, he came to be known as Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan. He was also awarded Bharat Ratna in 1954. In the same year he Received the German "Order pur le Merite" for Arts and Science and in 1961 the Peace Prize of German Book Trade.

After Independence, the significant step taken by Government of India in the field of education was the appointment of the University Education Commission in 1948 under the Chairmanship of Dr. Radhakrishnan. He was appointed as the first Vice President of India (1952-62). Later he was elected as the second President of India and retired after 5 years.

When Dr. Radhakrishnan became the President of India, some of his students and friends requested him to allow them to celebrate his birthday, on 5 th September. He replied, "Instead of celebrating my birthday, it would be my privilege if September 5 th is observed as Teacher's Day." His birthday has since been celebrated as Teacher's Day.

One more interesting thing about Dr. Sarvepalli is that, when he became the President of India, he accepted only Rs. 2,500 out of Rs. 10,00 of his salary and the remaining amount would be donated to the Prime Minister's National Relief Fund every month.

He was also the founder of Help Age India, which one of the biggest non-profit organizations in the country.

We cannot forget such a humble man who had devoted his entire life to promoting the value of education and also gave Indians a new sense of esteem by gracefully interpreting Indian thought in western terms.

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Birthdays, Anniversaries & 100% Attendance

Birthdays	
4th Sept	Ann Bharti Amlani
7th Sept	Rtn. Sonia Bhonsle
8th Sept	Annet Sayee Shirodkar
10th Sept	Annet Amey Deshpande
11th Sept	Ann. Rupal Britto
13th Sept	Rtn. Madan Sadhale
14th Sept	Ann Johnson Simoes
19th Sept	Rtn. Sagar Kulkarni
21st Sept	Rtn. Vijay Jain
22nd Sept	Rtn. Preeti Tyagi
27th Sept	Annet Nimisha Bhonsle
29th Sept	Annet Dhriti Amlani
30th Sept	Ann Angad Singh

Anniversaries	
20th Sept	Rtn. Sagar Kulkarni & Ann. Azeema Kulkarni

100% Attendance

Rtn. Kamlesh Amlani

Rtn. Natasha Parekh e Simoes

Rtn. Preeti Tyagi

Rtn. Priti Sheth

Rtn. Shreyas Lotlikar

Rtn. Snehlata Pednekar

Mentioned in Alphabetical Order.

Send in your entries !

I request you to kindly go through this month's magazine "Manthan" and let us know your feedback and suggestions.

To make our Newsletter richer in content, variety and quality, we urge all esteemed fellow Rotarians, Anns and Annets to contribute with their articles, write-ups, poems, recipes, artwork etc.

You can send your entries here :
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Thank you in advance!

SPECIAL APPRECIATION

DGE Rtn. Gaurish Dhond

We thank our very own DGE Rtn. Gaurish Dhond for channelizing their project through us by which we were able to donate 100 numbers 3M quality N95 masks to Goa Medical College.

Rtn. Dr. Noel Britto

We thank our club Secretary Rtn. Dr. Noel Britto who at such a testing time is helping our club members and other people through service above self.

Rtn. Manisha Sardessai

We were able to donate 11 number of oximeters to Goa Medical College only because of Rtn. Manisha Sardessai who understood the situation and rose up for the moment. Thank you ma'am, we are truly indebted to have such a fantastic Rotarian amongst us.



Book Recommendations

The Ones Who Walk Away from Omelas

By Ursula K. Le Guin

Kim Ji-young , Born 1982

By Cho Nam-Joo

Jung's Map of the Soul : An Introduction

By Murray Stein

Not a Penny More, Not a Penny Less

By Jeffrey Archer

A time to kill

By John Grisham

The Martian

By Andy Weir

Congratulations~

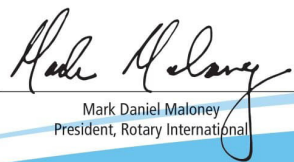
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