



# GIFT OF LIFE



A Rotary project to save the lives of children suffering from heart ailments

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## Saving lives and building peace

TRF Chair Rtn. Dr. Dong Kurn (DK) Lee (李東健)

and Madam Young Lee visit GOL children at Delhi



Devesh Patel, 1 year, male, U.P. (page 5)



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Sayima, 6 years, female, Jammu & Kashmir (page 7)

Trustee Chair, Rotary Foundation (2013-14) and Past Rotary International President (2008-09) Rtn Dr. Dong Kurn (D.K.) Lee visited Gift of Life project at New Delhi (Fortis Escorts Heart Institute) on 13 September 2013.

Rtn Dr DK Lee was accompanied by his lovely wife Young. This is his second visit to Gift of Life project.. During his previous visit, a few years ago, he had interacted with the children and their parents at National Heart Institute, New Delhi.

Rtn DK Lee was received at hospital by the Management and staff of Fortis Escorts Heart Institute, New Delhi. Rtn D K Lee was escorted by the Coordinators and volunteers of 'Gift of Life'

Rtn Dr D K Lee spent quality time with children and their parents. He enquired the welfare of each child. He interacted with the Doctors at the hospital. Rtn Dr DK Lee commended that GOL is one of the best projects of Rotary International.



Vishal, 10 years, male referred by Rotary Club of Bareilly North was admitted at Fortis Escorts Heart Institute, New Delhi on 23rd September 2013. He underwent open heart surgery on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2013. After recovery, Vishal was discharged from hospital in stable condition.



Pelesi, 1.4 years, female referred by Rotary Club of Kohima (Rtn Rose ) was admitted at Escorts Hospital, New Delhi on 07 November 2013. She underwent VSD closure open heart surgery procedure on 9 Nov 2013.



Rakesh, 12 years, male, Manali was admitted at National Heart Institute on 28 Oct 2013. He was operated on 29 Oct 2013. He got discharged on 6 Nov 2013 after surgery and recuperation. Rakesh's family is from BPL (Below Poverty Line). They could not afford the cost of surgery.



Imran Ganai, 4 years, male referred by Rtn KK Langer of Rotary Club of Rajouri, Jammu & Kashmir was admitted at Fortis Escorts Heart Institute on 04 November 2013. He was successfully operated on 7 November 2013.



Kashish, 8 months, female referred by Rotary Club of Jalandher West (Punjab) by Rtn Dr SPS Grover was admitted at Escorts hospital on 9 Sept 2013. Upon successful operation and recuperation, this child was discharged from hospital.



Ms. Joshna 13 years, female from Manipur reported to National Heart Institute on 11 Nov 2013. On evaluation, she was found suffering from chest infection. After treatment, she was operated on 13 Nov 2013.

L. Joshna is studying in IXth class at Govt Hight School. Her father Loitongbam Jiban Sing is a auto driver. They are from Yairipok village, 40 km from Imphal. Mother is a handloom weaver. Joshna has three younger sisters, all studying the Govt. school.



Shami Ahmad, 8 years, male, referred by Rotary Club of Delhi Rajdhani through Dr Nischal Pandey of Rotary E-club was admitted at Escorts hospital on 11 November 2013. He underwent ASD open heart surgery procedure on 13 November 2013. Shami belongs to labour family in Bihar State.



Metso Luha, 7 years, male, referred by President Rtn Rosemary Dzuwichu of Rotary Club of Kohima, Nagaland was admitted at National Heart Institute on 13 Nov 2013. Surgery was done on 19 Nov 2013



Rakhi, 18 years, female referred by Rotary Club of Bareilly North reported to National Heart Institute on 21 Oct 2013. She was operated on 23 Oct 2013. After recuperation, she was discharged.



Gedion Thanglenlal, 15 years, male belonging to Kamchinkhup, Molkon Village, Sailkul, Senapati District, Manipur reported to National Heart Institute on 18 Nov 2013. His village is about 45 km away from Imphal. Gedion studying in IXth standard is staying at his uncle's house. His father Mr Kamchinkhup runs a small grocery shop in his village. Gedion has two elder brothers- both stopped studying after IXth. His sister is now in class 2.



N. Anjana, 9 years, female came to National Heart Institute on 18 November 2013. She hails from Chajing Karam Makha Leikai, Thoubal District of Manipur. Her village is about 20 km away from Imphal. Her father N Inao Singh is an auto rickshaw driver. Anjana is admitted in IInd standard but cannot attend school regularly. Two elder brothers stopped studying after VIII std.



Ahongshangbam Kellina, 7 years, female referred by Rotary Club of Imphal (Rtn Dr Radhesyam Oinam) was admitted at National Heart Institute, New Delhi on 11 November 2013. Upon detailed evaluation, she was found not operable due to 'down syndrome'. Hence she was discharged without surgery on 13 Nov 2013. However, she was given counselling and advice for proper medical management.

Open heart surgery of Jone Yajo of Arunachal Pradesh was successfully done on 4 Oct 2013 at National Heart Institute. Upon recuperation, she was discharged from hospital. She was from an economically disadvantaged BPL (below poverty line) family.



Nikhil Singh, 3 years, male, J&K, referred by Rtn KK Langer was admitted on 21st October 2013 at Escorts hospital. He was operated on 25<sup>th</sup> October and discharged on 4 Nov 2013



Tarun, 8 years, male referred by Rtn Vineet Mehndiratta of Rotary Club of Manali was admitted at Escorts Hospital, New Delhi on 8 November 2013. He was operated on 13 Nov 2013.



Sadhika, 3 years, female, referred by Rotary Club of Pagwara (Rtn Varinder Madan) was admitted on 7<sup>th</sup> October 2013 at Fortis Escorts Heart Institute, New Delhi. She was operated on 9<sup>th</sup> October 2013. After recovery, she was discharged on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2013.



Aarti 15 years, female, referred by Rtn KK Langer was admitted at Fortis Escorts Heart Institute, New Delhi on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2013. She underwent successful open heart surgery on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2013. After recuperation, she was discharged.



Nikhil Bhatt, 9 months, male, was admitted to Escorts hospital on 2 Sept 2013. He was referred by Kalakar Trust, New Delhi through Rotary Club of Delhi Midwest. After successful surgery and recuperation, Nikhil was discharged on 11 Sept 2013. This child was from a slum region of West Delhi belonging to economically backward family with below poverty line category.



Devsh Patel, 1 year, male, referred by RC Bareilly North, U.P. (Rtn Mohit Khanna and PDG Rtn PP Singh) was admitted to Escorts hospital on 9 Sept 2013. He was operated on 16 Sept 2013. This child belonged to Below Poverty Line (BPL) category family.



P U Patil, 9 years, male, referred by Rotary Club of Krishna Valley Sangli (Rtn Sanjeev Patil), was admitted on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2013 at Fortis Escorts Heart Institute, New Delhi and underwent successful Residual VSD procedure on 7<sup>th</sup> September 2013. He was discharged on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2013.



Prince, 8 years, male, referred by Rtn Vijay Bahadur Singh, Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha), India was admitted on 12<sup>th</sup> October 2013 at Fortis Escorts Heart Institute, New Delhi. Prince was operated on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2013. After recovery, he was discharged on 25<sup>th</sup> October 2013.



P U Patil upon arrival at Sangli Railway station on 26.9.2013 at 9.15 pm was received by Rtn Sanjeev Patil, GOL Coordinator, Western part of India and Member R C Vishrambag along with R C Krishna Valley President Rtn Jadhav, Secretary Rtn Suhas Janaj and AG Rtn Sanjiv Shinde.



Ajay Kumar, 2 years, male from Jammu & Kashmir, referred by Rtn KK Langer was admitted on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2013 at Fortis Escorts Heart Institute. Ajay was operated on 16<sup>th</sup> October 2013. He was discharged on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2013 after convalescence.



Khandey Waseem, 11 years, male from Jammu & Kashmir, referred by Rtn KK Langer of Rotary Club of Rajouri was admitted on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2013 at Fortis Escorts Heart Institute. He underwent successful open heart surgery on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2013. He was discharged on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2013.



Roop Kumari, 13 years, female, referred by Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha), India, Rtn Vijay Bahadur Singh was admitted at National Heart Institute, New Delhi on 16<sup>th</sup> September, underwent valve replacement on 20<sup>th</sup> September and got discharged after total recovery.



Sayima Rasheed, 6 years, female from Pulwara, Jammu & Kashmir was admitted on 9<sup>th</sup> September 2013 at Fortis Escorts Heart Institute. She underwent total correction procedure (open heart surgery) on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2013. She was discharged from hospital on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2013 after recuperation and left home on 5 Oct 2013. This was coordinated by Rtn KK Langer.



Mudasir Khan Ahmed, 5 years, male, J&K referred by Rtn KK Langer, admitted at Escorts hospital on 18 Nov, underwent open heart surgery on 19.11.2013

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Pritam Kumar, 4 years. male referred by Rotary Club of Giridih, Jharkhand, was on 9<sup>th</sup> October 2013 at Escorts hospital. After recuperation, the child was discharged



Sania Sultan, 7 years, female, RC Rajouri, J&K admitted on 9 Sept 2013 at National Heart Institute was operated on 13 Sept 2013.



Abdul Rouf, 13 years, referred by Rtn KK Langer of Rotary Club of Rajouri, J&K was admitted at Escorts hospital on 11.11.2013 and operated on 15.11.2013



Ravi Kumar, 5 years, male, J & K, referred by District Magistrate, Reasi, Jammu & Kashmir through Rotary Club of Rajouri was admitted at Escorts Hospital and operated on 30 Oct 2013.



Nidhi Chowdhary, Bareilly, U.P., admitted at Escorts hospital on 19 November 2013 for open heart surgery



Avinash Kumar, 14 years, Male, RC Rajouri, J & K was admitted on 9 Sept 2013. He was operated on 11 Sept 2013 at National Heart Institute. This was coordinated by Rtn KK Langer of Rotary Club of Rajouri, Jammu & Kashmir



Talib Akbar, 8 months, male, J&K referred by Rtn KK Langer was admitted at Escorts hospital on 16.9.2013 and operated on 20.9.2013.



Manni Sharma, 11 years, female J&K was found not needing open heart surgery after evaluation at Escorts hospital and therefore discharged. This case was referred by Rotary Club of Rajouri.





Samriti, 9.5 years, female referred by Rotarian Vineet Mehndiratta, Rotary Club of Manali (Club No 25622, RI Dist 3070) was admitted to Escorts hospital on 30 Sept 2013. She was discharged from Escorts hospital on 9 October 2013 after surgery and recuperation



Haris Afzal, 13 months, male, J & K referred by Rotary Club of Rajouri reported to Escorts hospital on 11 Nov 2013. This child needs to undergo certain tests before decision for surgery.

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Ganesh Patil, 4 years, male from Rotary Club of Shirol, Maharashtra through GOL Coordinator West, Rtn Sanjeev Patil was admitted to Escorts hospital on 23 Sept 2013. The echocardiography evaluation showed that child was not operable due to late presentation. Child was discharged with advice for medical management.



Arush Thakur, 7 months, female, J&K was admitted at Escorts hospital on 30 Sept 2013. She was operated on 5 Oct 2013 successfully. Upon recuperation, she was discharged



#### NEXT ADMISSION:

Linthoi, Manipur - 25 Nov - Escorts  
Biki, Arunachal - 25 Nov - Escorts  
Pipilika, Manipur - 26 Nov - NHI  
Aktar, J&K - 2 Dec - Escorts  
Manvi, J&K - 2 Dec - Escorts  
Mingyao, Manipur - 3 Dec - NHI  
Thoi, Manipur - 3 Dec - NHI  
Kartik, J&K - 9 Dec - Escorts  
Daksh, J&K - 9 Dec - Escorts  
Arjan, J&K 16 Dec - Escorts  
Babli, J&K 16 Dec - Escorts

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We dedicate this issue of the bulletin  
to the children of West India



### KNOW YOUR 'GIFT OF LIFE' COORDINATORS

Past President **Rtn. Sanjeev Patil** is a Rotary leader in the District 3170 comprising 4 geographical districts in the State of Maharashtra, 6 geographical districts in the State of Karnataka, and entire Goa.

He has served Rotary as Club President, Assistant Governor, Dist. Chair Coordinator for various avenues and participated in all major Rotary events in his District and elsewhere in India. He has been instrumental in getting & implementing 16 Matching Grant projects, so far and continues supporting local Rotary club leaders.



Rtn. Sanjeev Patil receiving Best AG award from then R. I. General Secretary Rtn Edwin Futa in the presence of DG 2002-03 Capt. D. R. Khobare

Rtn. Sanjeev Patil is with the Gift of Life program since 2007. He coordinated children from his district as well as other districts viz. RID 3132 (Satara, Solapur, Osmanabad, Latur) and RID 3030 (Nashik) etc., to undergo open heart surgery at Delhi under Gift of Life program. He had participated in the Gift of Life seminar at Cochin along with PIRG seminar on 3 April 2009.



He helped & motivated local Rotary clubs for cash contribution towards the GOL MG project regularly. He himself has also contributed to Gift of Life.

Mr Raju Shetty, Member of Parliament of his constituency and other officials have been very supportive to the program. Mr Shetty visited children at Escorts hospital recently.



Rtn. Sanjeev Patil with Gift of Life Chair, TRF Trustee & Past Rotary International Director Rtn. Sushil Gupta

Rtn. Sanjeev Patil has kind & helpful nature and therefore he has been engaged in social service, particularly in educational development of girls. He is honorary Chairman of L. P. Girls' High-school, facilitating girls from under-privileged families in rural areas.

Rtn. Sanjeev is happily married to Anne Lata, who has been an active Inner Wheel member & Past President. She is working for Hemophilia and past Secretary of Kolhapur chapter of Hemophilia Federation (India). The couple is blessed with son Amit, an entrepreneur with daughter in law Supriya & a grandson Ranveer and a daughter Nayan, M. Sc. (Biotech), with son in law Preetam working with Wipro.

Rtn. Sanjeev remains constantly in touch with the children who got operated through his reference & their parents, enquiring their welfare and also for arranging medical follow up, wherever required. He arranges the travel, help for Angio, constantly in touch with beneficiary from journey to Delhi and back. Gift of Life thank Rtn Sanjeev Patil for participating in GOL Matching Grant regularly.

Bravo Rotarian Sanjeev Patil.

**EXTRACT FROM ROTARY INTERNATIONAL  
BOARD DECISIONS – OCT 2013**

“The Board elected **Sushil Gupta**, Paul Netzel, Sakuji Tanaka, and Young Suk Yoon to be Trustees of The Rotary Foundation, beginning 1 July 2014”.

Rtn Sushil Gupta, Chair, “Rotary (Delhi NCR) Gift of Life Trust” is recipient of prestigious national award of “Padma Shri” by the President of India for Distinguished Service (Social Work).



ROARY ‘GIFT OF LIFE’ CONGRATULAES RTN SUSHIL GUPTA. We are proud of our Chairman.



WE ARE ALSO PROUD OF PDG RTN RAVISHANKER BOOPLAPUR, Chair-Rotary Gift of Life India (first and youngest Indian ‘Hall of Fame’ recipient by The Rotary Foundation)



Rtn Ravishanker Bhooplapur (right) met then President of India, when he visited President’s Secretariat to discuss Gift of Life project.



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- Rotary Intl District 3070 - India
- Rotary Intl District 3201 - India
- Rotary Intl District 3110 - India
- Rotary Intl District 3010 - India
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**GIFT OF LIFE, NEW DELHI**  
Saving Lives, Building peace  
Children came to New Delhi for GOL surgeries from:



**Uganda, Kenya, Sudan, El Salvador, Nepal, Sri Lanka,  
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