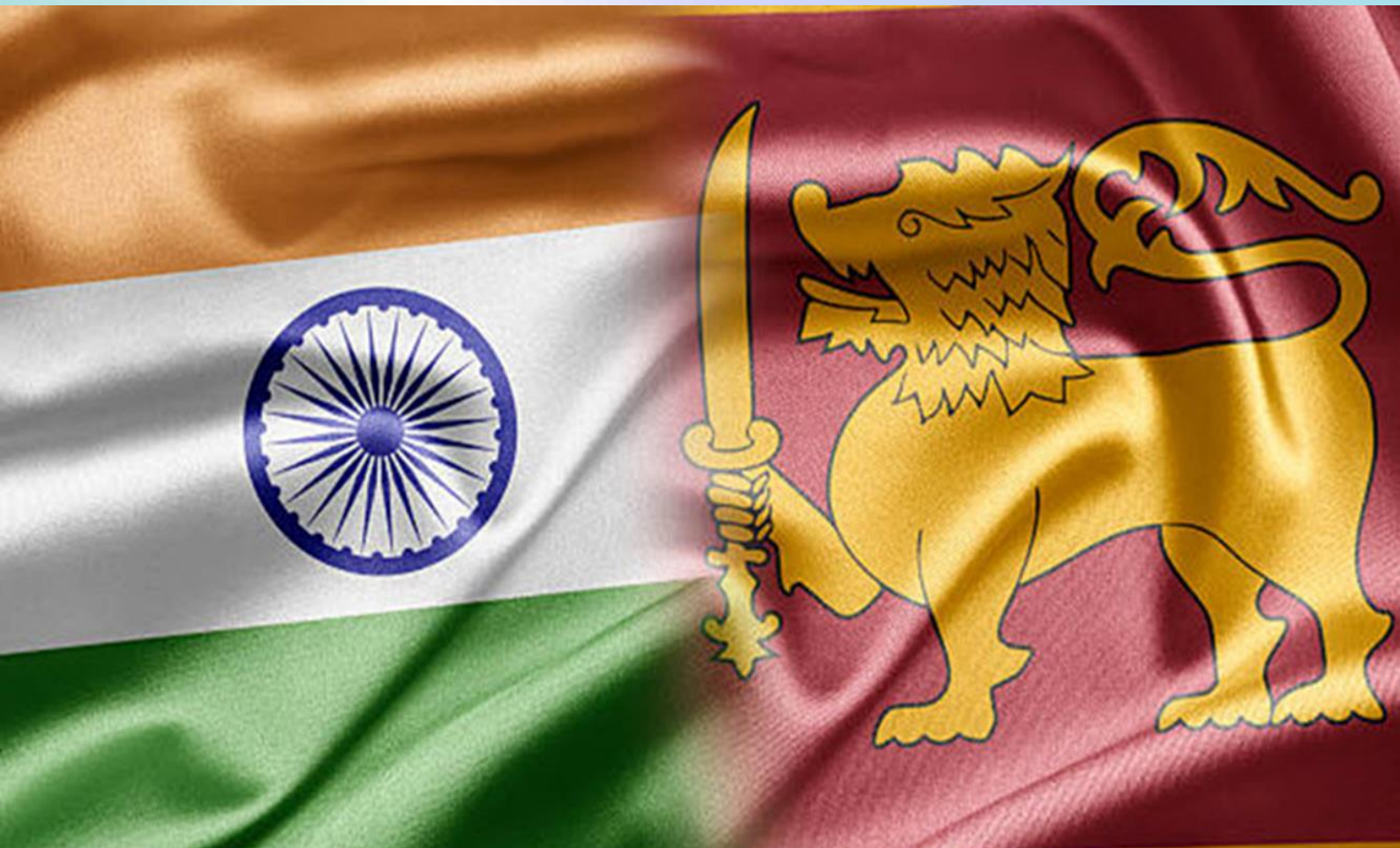




Joint Bulletin

By

*The Rotaract Club of Saraswati College and the
Rotaract Club of Achievers Lanka Business School*



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Rotaract Club of Saraswati College

Rotaract Club of Saraswati College was chartered on 10th November 2009 by Rotary Club of Navi Mumbai. Rotaract Club Of Saraswati College has been most successful institutional based club in RID3142. We won best institutional club award in year 2017-18 under leadership of Rtr. Vaibhav Bhagat. Our club is known for organizing some of the biggest and unique projects all over the district. Our past out members have hold district core posts. We are the club who works together as we believe in togetherness. We aim to inculcate true rotaraction in our members.



Rotaract Club of Achievers Lanka Business School

The Rotaract Club of Achievers Lanka Business School was chartered on the 10th of March, 2020 under our parent club, The Rotary Club of Colombo Mid Town. The club is based in one of the leading CIMA tuition providers in Sri Lanka and is the first and only CIMA institute with its own Rotaract Club. The club is now in its eleventh year, with many successful projects to its name. Within just 10 years from inception, Rotaract club of Achievers Lanka Business School now stands toe-to-toe with several clubs that have been in existence for approximately 30 years. Despite the relative inexperience, the club, guided by able hands of distinguished past presidents has built up a reputation of carrying out one successful project after the other. The club is specially known for implementing unique projects based on different concepts

President Speaks

Warm Rotaract Greetings!

I'm delighted to be writing this in the joint bulletin of Rotaract Club of Saraswati College and Rotaract Club of Achievers Lanka Business School.

For me Twin club agreements are always so exciting and special. This shows how truly big and loving Rotaract is. We get chance to exchange ideas , culture and much more. Twin club agreements not only strengthens bond between the clubs but also between two countries .

Cultural Exchange is one of very important and exciting opportunity according to me as it helps us to understand different culture all around the world. It develops respect and love of each other cultures. It is one of the best things Rotaract has to offer. It not only helps to know each other's tradition and culture but also bonds us together as rotaractors.

India is famous for our wide variety of languages ,culture , heritage,architecture and has rich history. In India we love to host our guests with immense pride.

It is pleasure to have my note on this joint bulletin. I am very glad we could work out our twin club agreement and I am looking forward towards working with your club.

Lastly , I would like to acknowledge everyone who have made this twin club agreement possible.

Regards,
Rtr. Hrishikesh Sawant
President 19-20
Rotaract Club of Saraswati College
RID 3142

President Speaks

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Welcome!

It is with great pleasure that I pen down this message to the joint bulletin between the Rotaract Club of Achievers Lanka Business School and the Rotaract Club of Saraswati College. I believe that a Twin Club Agreement is a window of opportunity to strengthen the bond between the two clubs all the while exchanging cultures and building a long lasting relationship between two clubs from different countries.

Cultural exchange is a core component of Rotary, Rotaract and Interact. It is of paramount importance in fostering a sense of global leadership and service throughout our community. Cultural exchange is sharing different ideas, traditions, and knowledge with someone who may be coming from a completely different background than your own. Sri Lanka was long famous for its rich social diversity and the harmonious co-existence of various communities. Therefore, I am a firm believer that as Sri Lankans we always try to enhance our cross-cultural understanding.

It's important to be aware of the differences between cultures, particularly if you are volunteering, working, or living in a new country or interacting with people from a different country than your own and as Rotaractors we are constantly looking for better ways to transform the youth of our country into global citizens.

I'm extremely excited about this joint bulletin and believe that it will give a better understanding of our cultures and traditions. I sincerely hope that it will show a glimpse of the beauty of Sri Lanka and paint a picture of its wonders.

As a final note, I would like to convey my sincere gratitude to everyone involved, who worked tirelessly with dedication and commitment to make this joint bulletin a phenomenal success! Best,

Rtr. Sathma Jayasinghe

President

Rotaract Club of Achievers Lanka Business School

RID 3220 Sri Lanka & Maldives

Our Projects

Turfest Battle

This is 5 A-Side football tournament consisting of 32 teams for men tournament and 16 teams for women tournament



Vakratunda

We go to schools and teach students how to make eco-friendly ganpati idols.

Ride For Pride

Exhibition of super car and super bikes , all the money generated is donated to NGO who looks upto to family of martyrs.



Next-The Think Tank

Achivers from various fields are called to share thier journey with us.

Our Projects

Conquer Colombo

It is a single day event where teams of 4 people roam around the city of Colombo, searching for specific locations where they will have to complete challenges that will test them both mentally and physically. This year's winner were given free ticket to Singapore



Project Life

The signature Community Service project of the club, Project Life looks to tackle a prevalent problem in Sri Lanka, especially in the rural agricultural communities.

Jump Start

JumpStart is a platform for entrepreneurs with aspiring startups to get the required exposure and financial support.



Info Factory

Info Factory is a social media platform via Facebook, Instagram and Twitter for enhancing knowledge by posting weekly facts from a selected topic.

India

India. The rich cultural heritage, the traditions and religion going back thousands of years, the Representation on a global stage, The population of 1.36 billion. There's so much to talk about our beautiful country. Having gained independence in 1947, India is proud to call itself the largest democracy in the World Our Festivals are celebrated not only in India, but all over the world, to name a few; Diwali, Holi, Ganesh Chaturthi, Ramadan, Mahla Shivratri, Baisakhi, Raksha Bandhan, Krishna Janmashtami etc. Festivals and Traditions aside, Indians are at the top of so many World renowned companies like Google, Microsoft, Tata, Infosys to name a few. Ranging from The extremely cold Kashmir to the Peninsula at Kanyakumari, our country has a diverse culmination of People, Traditions and languages with over 22 languages spoken across the country



India

Festivals in India, as mentioned earlier are deeply engraved in us Indians.

Diwali- Diwali is regarded as a prosperous time of the year with lamps being lit at homes, bursting of crackers, exchanging of gifts and donating to the poor. Autumn marks the arrival of this festival and the preparation for the same begins much in advance with people decorating their houses.



Holi- The festival of colours
The arrival of spring in India is marked with the revelers covered in bright colored powder as they celebrate this festival. Usually falling in March, the festival of Holi brings with it the celebrations where people wish each other Happy Holi by applying 'gulal' or colored powder on each other's cheeks. Savories, dance, music, and food are the other highlights of this festival.

India

Ganesh Chaturthi

Celebrated with much fervor and

excitement, the festival of Ganesh Chaturthi reveals the homecoming of Lord Ganesh. One of the most colorful and exciting 10 day-long celebrations

of the Ganesh Chaturthi is initiated with installing the idol of Lord Ganesh at home to bless the house, and its members with happiness and prosperity. At the end of the ten days, this idol is taken with much pomp and show to be immersed in water.



Dussehra

This festival marks the end of the nine-day long festival of Navaratri.

The day is commemorated as the day

Lord Ram attained victory over

Ravana, and therefore, this festival symbolizes the victory of good over evil. It is celebrated by typically

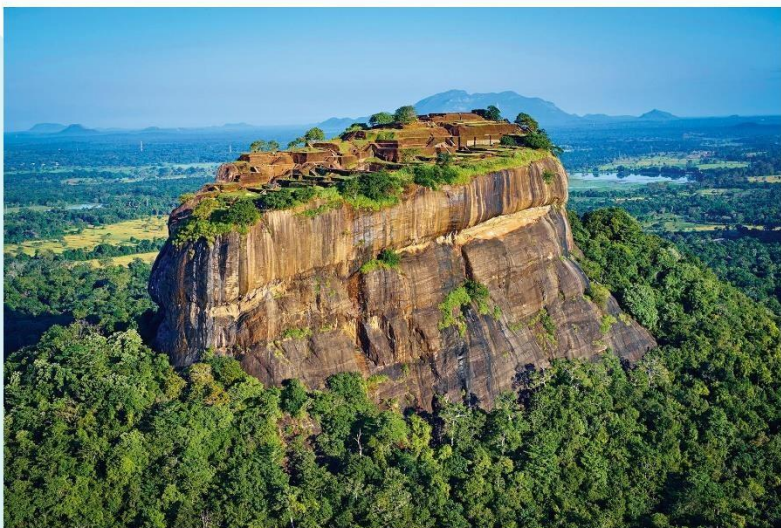
burning a statue of Ravana signifying the end of evil.



Sri Lanka

Sri Lanka is an island in the Indian Ocean off the South Coast of India which is also referred to as the “Pearl of the Indian Ocean”. Even though Sri Lanka does not have the largest size, it is home to a population of around 20 million people. The island has a varied landscape with attractive beaches across the coastline to cooler and more mountainous regions towards the center of the country.

Sri Lanka has also had a rich history dating back to nearly 3000 years. This history has been well documented through written chronicles and can be further evidenced through the historical ruins where the ancient kingdoms used to be located. Sri Lanka used to have highly developed technology for the time, as evidenced through the Jetavanaramaya, a Buddhist stupa that was the third highest structure in the world at the time of its construction as well as the ancient rock fortress of Sigiriya, where a castle, complete with a functioning water transportation system was built on the summit of a 200m high rock.



Sri Lanka

As a result of these geographical and historical attractions, Sri Lanka is world famous for being an ideal tourist destination, with tourism being one of the country's major industries. In fact, in 2019 it was named as the number one tourist destination worldwide, by Lonely Planet.

Sri Lanka has had considerable colonial influence with the Portuguese, Dutch and British having varying degrees of power in the country from 1505 up to independence in 1948. The British were responsible for developing the railway and road infrastructure of the country as well as for introducing tea to Sri Lanka, which has now become the major agricultural export in the country, with Sri Lankan tea having the reputation of having superior quality.

Sri Lanka is ethnically diverse with a majority Sinhalese population, along with a considerable Tamil and Muslim population. This has resulted in a diverse religious landscape where Buddhism is the most common religion with Hinduism, Islam and Christianity consisting of sizeable minorities. This diversity and celebration of a number of cultural events is the reason for Sri Lanka being one of the countries to have the most number of national holidays. This has also extended to Sri Lankan cuisine which has been shaped by numerous influences into having unique dishes found nowhere else.



Sri Lankan Festivals-

The Sinhala and Tamil New Year is a traditional festival celebrated primarily by the Sinhalese and Tamil communities, but is also celebrated by all communities in Sri Lanka. It signifies the movement of the sun moving from the House of Pisces to the House of Aries, signifying the start of the traditional year. During the New Year period activities such as preparing the first meal of the year, consuming the first meal of the year are done according to auspicious times. Avurudu or New Year also says the preparation of dishes that are seen exclusively during this period. The New Year is also a time for reconnection among communities as during this time it is customary to visit neighbors with dishes prepared at our homes. So, the Sinhala and Tamil New Year is a time of celebration and co-operation

Vesak is a Buddhist festival that is the full moon day in the month of May. It is celebrated as the day of birth, enlightenment and attaining of Nirvana of Lord Buddha, the founder of Buddhism. Vesak is a time for worship and all Buddhists go to the temple to take part in religious activities. Vesak also sees the hanging of lanterns from every house as well as dansal, which are events where food is handed out free to the public. There are also large pandols which narrate and show stories from the life of Lord Buddha, known as jathaka stories.



Thank you