

Celebrating Glorious
50
Years of
ROHINI SCIENCE CLUB



Rohini Science Club completed its glorious 50 years journey and celebrated the golden jubilee with all the members along with distinguished guests on Saturday the 18th March 2023 at Hotel Green Park, Lalpur, Ranchi.



It all started by two school going boys of class IX-X during 1973 when they spent most of their time in designing science models with household jugad. That was the time when they got an opportunity to exhibit their model at the science exhibition organized at the district level. The performance was outstanding and this made them allowed to exhibit at the National Science Exhibition organized by NCERT at Teen Murti Bhawan in 1973. This participation inspired them to start a science club of their own and thus Rohini Science Club came into existence with no blue print but enough energy, enthusiasm and experimentation ideas with no resource around. The students of science exhibition participants decided to organize science fairs with their own ideas and concepts both at state and national level. That journey of RSC continued and completed 50 good years in 2023.

President RSC, Sri Salil Baran Kundu in his speech welcomed the Chief Guest, Member of Parliament Sri Sanjay Seth and Dy. Mayor RMC, Sri Sanjeev Vijayvarghiya for accepting the invitation to become a part of this celebration of our club which made all members very proud and he conveyed thanks to both of them from the bottom of the heart. While addressing the audience, he spoke high on the passion of the club members, who demonstrated the love for science since 1973. He narrated his story of joining the club as science teacher during 1990s. He praised and thanked for the support from all club members, life members, well-wishers, sponsors and member-wives, children and all others who have extended all out support throughout these 50 years to the club and its activities in all situations.



Sri Salil Baran Kundu
President



Sri Suresh Chandra Agarwal
Founder Director

Founder Director, Sri Suresh Chandra Agarwal shared those initial days stories when club was not organized nor having any roadmap except the idea of “doing something’ together. The story of first rocket launch from the kokar bank colony ground during 1970s, which he said he will never forget in life when the co-founder Late Mahender Prasad was leading the launch event and he was as student of class VIII witnessing everything. That was the day which is a turning point for me, and the next day I joined in the science movement along with Mahender and Prasad. He also reminded the presence of Chief Guest Sri Sanjay Seth in the science exhibition held at 1984 at Zila School. He expressed his heartfelt thanks to both the distinguished guest by giving flower buckeyes to them.

On this completion of glorious 50 years, the club honoured several members for their outstanding contribution during the last 50 years in different ways. The members who have been honoured expressed their deep gratitude towards club and its legacy.



The Most Loved and Sincere Member Couple

Karanjeet Singh and Ishwinder Chadha

The Most Technology Loving Personalities

Probir K Mitra Shivaji Chakraborty

The Most Dynamic Leaders of the Club

Mrs. MenkaSumit Sen Dr. Mrs. Geetanjali Kumari

Outstanding Contribution in the field of Environment Education among Communities

Dr. M. K. Jamuar Dr. B. K. Sinha

Outstanding Contribution in Promoting Science

Shriniwas Shastry

The Most Dedicated and Passionate Teacher

Jyotish Prasad Sahu Salil Baran Kundu

Outstanding Contribution in the UNICEF Supported Pojects at Purnia District, Bihar

Md. Saddam Hussain Kumar Saurabh
Bipin Kumar

Honoured for the Dedicated Service

Md. Giasuddin (Munna Bhai) from Bharat Electronics
Prosoon da (Regal Studios)
Ghosh Da (Modern Tent House)
Suresh(Doon Tent House)
Dudeshwar Vishwakarma
Manoj Rathore



Sri Sanjay Seth
Member of Parliament

While addressing the august audience, Chief Guest, Sri Sanjay Seth, Member of Parliament said that the club has come a long way in the last 50 years. He shared his youth day's experiences when he spent time with some of the club members especially during science fairs. Praising the efforts of the club in bringing it up to a level where he said there is no need to turn back but to see the next 50 years. He was very emotional and said **"I am overwhelmed by the club's gesture and on this occasion I would like to support the club in whatever area they desire to raise the activities for the generation next in science and technology field"**. He thanked all the past and present members and well-wishers to keep the enthusiasm continue to bring change in the lives of the children and youth of this city as well as nation.

On completion of 50 years, a poster book was released by the honourable guests, which shows the journey of RSC from 1973 to 2023 covering landmark activities, collaborations, recognitions and team leads.

While addressing the audience, the guest of honour Sri Sanjeev Vijayvargheya, Dy. Mayor RMC shared his childhood days spent in kokar area with couple of very close friends who are the founders of this club. He also reminded the audience that Rohini Club was known to almost all youth members during those days because the activities of this club were always unique and science oriented. He further said **"the sincere and sustained effort of the club members to continue working in spite of all difficulties is a big lesson for the youngsters who are sitting in the audience. The club members have created an ecosystem in Ranchi city to prepare youth for the science promotion activities and today, many of these members have attained highest jobs and some of them are doing good business, serving the nation on different capacities which makes the club as well as the entire Ranchi city very proud. I congratulate the club on completion of 50 years and express my wholehearted supported in whatever way the club needs"**.



Sri Sanjeev Vijayvargheya
Dy. Mayor RMC



The session began with sharing of experiences of senior members. It was a very different feeling when some of the members shared their emotional journey of the club and at the same time a few described the journey with humour and fun making the audience laugh. Members who joined the club at different cross roads had different feeling and stories to share. During the initial struggle of the club, when Mahender, Prasad, Suresh, Bob, Sastry, Karanjeet, Abhay, Amit, Neeraj, Sunil, Maneshwar, Bhushan and others

contributed in many ways, and at the next level when Srinivas, Gautam Sinha, Shivaji, Biswas, Vivek and others were more technology savvy and changed the gears to take up innovative projects in the club.

It was a pleasure seeing club members joined the occasion to celebrate the 50 years event along with their wives. The second session was an opportunity to hear the ladies and their journey with the counterpart in club activities. All the lady members recalled the old association of them with the club especially some of the ladies who lost their husband in the past, expressed the emptiness but said that the life spent with their better half was always inspiring and full of happiness. Some of them recalled the days when they lead the club as executive members in the post of President and Secretary,



whereas a few shared the nostalgic moments of the club when big events organized in the past.



In the last six years, club had made a bold move to promote the activities in areas like Purnia District in Bihar with the support of UNICEF as partners. Field Support Staff of Purnia, Sri Saddam, Saurabh and Bipin shared their view saying that the major activities undertaken by the club was to engage school children, teachers and community members in innovative educational activities to empower them to understand the power of education to make a better life to live. During the period 2017-

2022, the club did multiple natures of projects mostly to provide the students with an opportunity to equip themselves with life skills, vocational skills and scientific outlook.

This was the time when all young and little ones took the chair to speak and share their view point. A dram road map was presented before them to ignite their mind to come forward to take up the batten. Young boys and girls spoke high for the club to take up the journey for the last 50 years bearing all kinds of problems and challenges. They want to change the gears and assured the members to take-up technology for the social development in the next years to come. They were also of the opinion that mere technology will not work unless it will have passion, value system, and trust for each other and collaborative mind set to work together. All of them agreed and believed that the club 5.0k onwards will transform the generation-next with the lessons they learnt and struggle they saw of their parents in upbringing the club to this level.



The celebrations came to an end with grand musical event lead by Sri Amit and Shameet Das brothers. Amit Das being the founder of this club shared his passionate journey with club members and recollected the music sessions organized on many occasions. The band members were honoured for their excellent performance and entertain the members with excellent music and songs.



Rohini Science Club (RSC) is a young dynamic voluntary organization that aims at infusing the young minds with new energy, enthusiasm and expertise to think out of box. In the past 50 years it has worked in significant ways with schools, teachers, students as well as general public across the state. We believe in developing CREATORS not CONSUMERS. We encourage entrepreneurship and hands-on practices to solve our day to day life using tools, gadgets, equipment's and available technologies.