RYLA 2020 REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN

Early Bird Registration for RYLA 2020 is \$360.00 per student. Early Bird registration ends on December 30. After January 1, registration for RYLA 2020 is \$410.00 per student. Registration closes on February 12.



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SUCCESS OF A MULTI-CLUB GLOBAL GRANT PROJECT IN INDIA By Paul Mahata, Project Manager

Nine clubs of District 7620 (Mt. Airy, Bonds Meadow, Westminster, Sykesville-South Carroll, Rockville, Montgomery Village, PG County, Howard West, and South Frederick County) initiated a global grant project three years ago to provide clean drinking water and sanitation training to 17 high schools and a village in rural part of eastern India, where average daily income of a person is about \$2/day. The project is officially known as "Water and Sanitation for Purulia (WASPUR)" #GG1744166. The project is near completion with 14 schools done. Three more schools and one village will be completed by December 2019.

This is a true success story of a multi-club global grant project. The total grant value for this project is \$52,516. All nine clubs raised \$12,433 and the district matched with a DDF grant of \$12,433. The Rotary Foundation (TRF) matched with \$21,650, and we were able to secure a third-party donation of \$5,500, including a cash contribution of \$500 from the international host club (Rotary Club of Purulia). About 25,000 students and villagers will be benefitted by this project. So, the project offers clean drinking water with an investment of only \$2 per person. The nine clubs have gained extensive experience in applying for and managing a global grant project. We will be happy to share this experience with clubs who are thinking about doing a global grant project.

Paul Mahata will accompany about twelve Rotarians and their spouses to do site visits of the high schools and a village (in Purulia, Eastern India), where the global grant project has been completed. Following the site visit, the Rotarians and their spouses have an option to do some sight seeing such as: Agra's world-famous Taj Mahal, Jaipur's palaces (with a side trip to a Tiger Reserve), and finally New Delhi's Red Fort. These three cities make the "Golden Triangle" of India.

Trip duration: Jan 29 - Feb 12, 2020.

If you are interested, please contact Paul Mahata by Nov 9, at Pmahata@verizon.net; 301-275-9730.

