

WASH NEWS

WASH ROTARY ACTION GROUP

12 Schools in 12 Months

Setting WASH goals for the upcoming year is always a great way to ensure something gets done.

The Rotary Club of Silk City Malda established a goal for the current Rotary year to install handwashing facilities at 12 rural primary schools in West Bengal, India, at a rate of one per month.

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Sharing Your Passion for WASH

The WASH Ambassador program has expanded considerably over the last year. We currently have 120 WASH Ambassadors, and our goal is to have at least one WASH Ambassador in each District, so we have a lot of work to do.

Ambassadors are passionate about Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene, trusted and respected in their District, advocates for universal WASH, and connectors of resources for Rotary Members around the world.

To learn more and to apply, go to:
<https://www.wash-rag.org/ambassadors/>

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Water is for More Than Drinking

Poorly managed WASH services put patients and staff at risk of harm from healthcare-related

infections. Dr Li Ann Ong who will host the following webinar was a contributor to the article "[Making water safe for maternal & neonatal care in Bangladesh hospitals.](#)"

The Water Institute at UNC is putting on a free webinar on the topic "[Water for healthcare services is for more than drinking: Rethinking indicators for healthcare facilities](#)"

Thursday, November 14
8:00 am EST / 13:00 CET / 7:00 pm Dhaka Time



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Baby WASH

Blessing Muderhwa, a WASH Ambassador and Rotaract member, provided a [presentation on Baby WASH](#) an integrated approach to decreasing child mortality in the first 1,000 days of life. The four key components are Maternal, Newborn, and Child Health, Nutrition, Early Childhood Development, and WASH.

A key issue was the lack of adequate WASH in Healthcare facilities, which compromises the ability to provide basic services, such as clean childbirth and surgery areas, and the prevention of hospital acquired infections.



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Demystifying Systems Strengthening

With the upcoming release of Rotary's Global WASH Strategy, Rotary members will need to understand "Systems Strengthening" as a component of sustainability and scale.

The Rural Water Supply Network is providing a free webinar on the topic of Demystifying Systems Strengthening in WASH. The webinar is **Tuesday, November 12 at 8:00 am Eastern**

The webinar will be in English, with simultaneous translation in French and Spanish.



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Make a Difference

The WASH Rotary Action Group is divided into two sections: the Board of Directors, which sets policy. Elections to the Board happen once a year.

The other section is the Operations Team, which does many activities, from reviewing Global Grants to WASH Ambassadors. We are always looking for new people to get involved.



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Calendar of Events

- 12 Nov - [Webinar - Demystifying Systems Strengthening](#)
- 14 Nov - [Webinar: Water is for more than Drinking in Healthcare](#)
- 19 Nov - [World Toilet Day](#)
- 22 Mar - [World Water Day](#)
- 28 May - [World Menstrual Hygiene Day](#)
- 15 Oct - [Global Hand Washing Day](#)
- 19 Oct - [District 5450 WASH Symposium](#) Denver, CO
- 24 Oct - [World Polio Day](#)

WASH Calendar

WASH Ambassador Blessing Muderhwa, is now maintaining the [Calendar](#) on the WASH-RAG.ORG website. If you have something you want on the Calendar, send it to calendar@wash-rag.org

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The WASH Rotary Action Group is pleased to consider partnerships with any corporate supporter. Due to the unique attributes of water sources and water provision, accepting corporate support does not imply an endorsement of any particular water technology. Rotarians, Rotary Clubs, and Rotary partners must evaluate any technology to determine if it is the best solution for the conditions where the program will be implemented. The WASH Rotary Action Group can provide guidance about where different technologies work best, but Rotarians and Rotary clubs must decide how to implement their programs.

This Rotary Action Group is recognized and operates in accordance with Rotary International policy, but is not an agency of, or controlled by, Rotary International. To learn more please contact the WASH Rotary Action Group by email at info@wash-rag.org Thank you.



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