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தான் கற்றதைப் பிறர் மனங்கொள்ள  
விளக்கிச்சொல்லும் ஆற்றல் அற்றவர், கொத்தாக  
மலர்ந்தும் மணக்காத மலர் போன்றவர்.

Those who are unable to set forth their acquirements  
(before others) are like flowers blossoming in a cluster  
and yet without fragrance.

## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK



Dear Probian,

Loving Greetings to you  
and your family members.

At the outset, I thank  
all of you for electing me  
as the President in the  
recent elections. I extend  
my open hands to all of  
you to come together and work for our fellowship  
and service to the Society. After all, elections are  
just like Ranji Trophy where all Indians break into  
teams and play against each other, but when it  
comes to international cricket, they all play on the  
same Indian side. The Monthly Meeting was held  
as Installation Ceremony for the New Team at  
the Kalyana Nagar Association, Mandavelipakkam  
on Saturday, the 27th March, '21. Rtn P.B. Prasad,  
Secretary, RCM, Ann Shobha Gupta, President, IWC,  
Sri D. Rajasekaran, President, FOSCATON and Shri  
Sivakumar, Director, HelpAge India, TN Region, came

as Guests of Honour, recollected their organisations'  
relationship and association with the Probus Club  
of Chennai and felicitated me and the new team to  
achieve more laurels. Pn Pugazhenthii, Secretary and  
three members of the Probus Club of Cheyyaru also  
attended and felicitated the new team. Mr. Gennadii  
A Rogalev, Director, Russian House, Chennai (By  
the way, the Russian Centre of Science and Culture  
has been renamed as Russian House, Chennai  
recently), though could not come personally, sent  
his felicitations by a special letter, which was  
readout by the IPP PF Gopalakrishnan, S. He stated  
that "It is with immense pleasure that Russian  
House in Chennai congratulates and welcomes  
the new President of the Probus Club of Chennai,  
Mr. Ranganathan. We are happy to continue our long-  
standing, constant partnership with the club and its  
valuable members. The hard-work, dedication and  
commitment of the members towards community  
work is always inspiring and deserving of praise.  
We wish Ranganathan and all the members of the

club, the very best for a bright and fruitful future.” PPP Singaraja M., PPP Venkatachari K and PPP Namasivayam R.T. also felicitated the New President and his team. In my Acceptance Speech, I stressed the need for all of us to come together and work as friends for fellowship and service to the society, and also assured that the new Team would strive to implement and fulfil all the items indicated in the election manifesto.

The work of implementation of our election manifesto started with right earnest with the first step of covering the Installation Ceremony simultaneously by ZOOM link to enable Probians, who could not physically attend, to view it. This practice would be continued in future Monthly Meetings also. Photos of the function are elsewhere in the Newsletter.

The work relating to bringing out the New Members' Directory has been started immediately with PF Sadagopan G, Joint-Secretary sending out Forms to all Probians to furnish the correct and latest information about themselves along with a self-addressed stamped envelope. So far, we have received back about 120 duly filled-in forms. I request all of you to submit the duly filled-in forms at the earliest.

There was a reference to revamp of Bye-laws of the Club during elections. Also, on the one hand the interest rates are falling and on the other, there is demand to increase the scholarship amount to each student in our flagship Educational Scholarship Scheme (ESS). Thus, a fresh look into the scheme is necessary. Accordingly, two important sub-committees, viz., the Bye-law Committee and the Educational Scholarship Scheme Revamp Committee are formed. These need to complete their task by June end, when our AGM is likely to be held after the finalisation of the Accounts. Therefore, I appeal to each of you to **apply your mind and send in your**

**suggestions to the Secretary / Joint Secretary or me at the earliest**, so that the Committees could deliberate on your suggestions and recommend suitably for **revamping the Bye-laws and the ESS**.

In the Monthly Meeting floral tributes were paid to Late Pn Ramakrishna G.V., who was the first SEBI Chairman and Adviser to TN Governor during President's Rule. I welcome Probian Dr. R. Lakshmanan, the newly inducted Life Member and the new Probus Fellow Panchalan K. Dr and Probus Fellow Viswakumar K.

Also, as indicated in our election manifesto, we visited and felicitated Pn Ranganatha Rao S and his wife Mrs. Meera Rao on their Diamond (60 years of) Wedding Anniversary at their residence. I thank Pn Ranganatha Rao for donating ₹15,000/- to the Club on the occasion.

The second wave of Corona Virus is spreading with scare and the vaccination drive is also on. I thank Rtn. Vijaya Bharathi Rangarajan of Sundaram Medical Foundation who arranged to vaccinate Probians free of cost. Many of us have taken the first dose and some have taken the second dose also. I appeal to all of you to check up with your doctor and take the vaccination at the earliest.

Though, we might have taken the vaccination, it is necessary we should follow strictly SMS (Sanitiser, Mask and Social Distance) as the second wave seems to be scary and spreading fast and, vaccination does not guarantee full immunity.

WISHING YOU ALL A HEALTHY, PEACEFUL AND HAPPY TIME WITH FAMILY, I remain

With regards,  
Yours sincerely,

**Ranganathan B**

*President – Probus Club of Chennai*

**PROBUZZ REGRETS TO INFORM THE DEMISE OF FOLLOWING MEMBERS ON THE DATES MENTIONED THERE AGAINST:**

- (i) Pn Ramakrishna G.V. (L-075) aged 90 years, died on the 19th of Mar 2021.
  - (ii) Pn Jegannathan L.S. (L-152) aged 81 years, died on the 09th of Aug 2020.
  - (iii) Pn Trivedi Sadasiva Vishwanatha (L-175) aged 86 years, died on the 01st of Sep 2020.
- They are all our very senior members and we express our deep-felt sorrow over their demise.

**MAY THEIR SOULS REST IN PEACE.**

# SECRETARY'S REPORT

Dear Probians,



Loving Greetings to you and your family members.

At the outset, I thank you all for electing me as Secretary of the Probus Club of Chennai for the Term 2021 – 2023. It is my first Secretary's report and the new team effectively started functioning from April 01, 2021. The Breakfast meeting for March, '21 was held as Installation Ceremony for the new team on Saturday, the 27th March, '21 at the Kalyana Nagar Association, 29, West Circular Road, Mandavelipakkam, Chennai – 600 028.

After the Breakfast by 8.45 a.m., fellowship meetings was held by PPP Venkatachari K upto 10.15 a.m. It was followed by floral homage to Late Pn. Ramakrishna G.V., who was the first SEBI Chairman. The Installation Ceremony started thereafter with the Charter Member & PPP Singaraja M garlanding the President, PF Gopalakrishan S with the Probus insignia. Rtn. P.B. Prasad, Secretary, Rotary Club of Madras, Ann Shobha Gupta, President, Inner wheel Club of Madras, Shri D. Rajasekaran, President. FOSCATAN and Shri V. Sivakumar, Director, HelpAge India, Tamilnadu Region participated in the ceremony as the Guest of Honours. Probian Pugalenth, Secretary and three more Probians of Probus Club of Cheyyaru also attended the function.

After rendering of the Universal prayer by Probian A. Damodharan and playing of the Probus anthem, the function started with welcome address by the president PF Gopalakrishnan S. Thereafter, the President pinned the Probus "President" Badge on Pn B. Ranganathan, who was elected as the new President. In turn, the New president Pn B Ranganathan pinned the Probus "Immediate Past President" badge on PF Gopalakrishnan S. Then, Pn Ranganathan B, the New President pinned the respective Probus Badges to the New Office Bearers and EC Members present, viz., Vice-Presidents, Pn N.Ramanathan and Pn C Badri; Secretary Pn M. Annadhurai; Treasurer PF Balachander V.; Joint Secretary PF Sadagopan G.; Joint Treasurer, Pn Prabhakar M. and the EC Members, Pn Dr. A Bhavani, Pn Dr. D. Dhanasekaran, Pn Geetha Viswakumar, Pn Jayashree Kishore, Pn Lakshmi Natarajan, Pn Mala Venkataraman, PnT. Mohanam,V. Ramaraj, Pn Sappani Pillai, Pn S. Sukumar, Pn S Venkataraman, Pn Venkoba Rao and PF R. Vivekanandan. Two New Office Bearers and four New EC Members could not attend the function.

All Guest speakers gave their felicitations to the New Team, fondly recollected their association with the Probus Club of Chennai and appreciated the services of the Club. Ann Shobha Gupta gave ₹10,000.00 as contribution from the Inner Wheel Club for this year. Apart from Guest speakers, Probian Past President (PPP) Singaraja M, PPP Venkatachar K, PPP Namsivayam R.T., also delivered their felicitations to the New Team headed by Pn Ranganathan B. In his

Dear Probus brothers and sisters,  
Greetings to all my fellow Probians.

I have taken over from Prbn. B. Satyanarayana as the Editor of Probuzz with effect from this month. This is the first issue from the new Editorial Board. As this transition happened only a few days back, the new Team is racing against time to get this issue out in time.

While I start on this new role, I wish to acknowledge with gratitude the contributions of Prbn. B. Satyanarayana to keep Probuzz buzzing year-round. I admire and salute his deep sense of dedication, sincerity and hard work.

Frankly, I am nervous. I am wondering if I can live up to the high standards of dedication and sincerity displayed by my predecessor - especially since I am stepping into a field I have not dabbled in before.

I hope to be able to emulate at least some of Prbn. Satyanarayana's enviable track record with the support and guidance of the new Editorial Board as well as with all your best wishes.

I seek your active contributions and suggestions to make our Probuzz more interesting.

With best wishes,  
EDITOR ([vijisbi@gmail](mailto:vijisbi@gmail))

EDITOR'S  
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acceptance speech, the New President appealed to all Probians to come together and work as a team and elections were only a friendly tug-off war match between two teams in the same group. He said that as given in his election manifesto, simultaneous video coverage of Monthly Breakfast Meetings in ZOOM is started from the Installation Ceremony itself, which is also broadcast simultaneously by ZOOM link. Birthday Gifts were given to the Probian Birthday Babies present. IPP PF Gopalakrishnan S. and the New President, Pn B.Ranganathan handed over the Life Member certificate to Dr. R Lakshmanan, and Probus Fellow Certificates to Pn Panchalan K Dr. and Pn Viswakumar K. The function ended with the New Secretary, Pn Annadhurai M, rendering the Vote of Thanks.

I appeal to all Probians to sponsor the whole Probuzz Newsletter by donating ₹5,000/- or donate for the strip advertisement by contributing ₹800.00 for inner page and ₹1000 for first page or last page.

I am happy to inform that our President Pn. B. Ranganathan, PP Pn RT. Namasivayam and Secretary Pn M. Annadhurai got their **“Certificate**

**of Participation”** for joining the Global Fight against Cancer by participating in the **“Walk for Life-Stride Against Cancer”** on 7th Feb, 2021 organised by the HelpAge India.

I am sad to inform that we have lost the following pobians who attained Lotus feet of God, viz., .(i) Pn G.V. Ramakrishna (L 075; Dod- 19 March, 2021). (ii) Pn Sadasiva Viswanatha Trivedi (L-175; Dod- 01 Sep 2020 & (iii) Pn L S Jaganathan (L-152; (Dod- 09 Aug 2020).

As promised in the election manifesto, we had arranged **“Live telecast of our Installation ceremony through ZOOM link”** for Probians who were unable to attend physically the installation ceremony. This is first of its kind Live Telecast in Probus meetings. Probians were very much happy about the arrangement. Moreover, the practice of visiting Probians above 80 years and meeting them at their residence on their Birthdays / Wedding Anniversaries has also been started.

I wish you all very Happy, Healthy and Prosperous days, months and years ahead.

**M. Annadhurai**  
Secretary

## SENIORS WHO INSPIRE US EVERYDAY. . .



Ann Shobha Gupta, *President IWC*, handing over contribution Cheque



Felicitating Pn Ranganatha Rao & Mrs. Meera Rao on their Diamond (60th) Wedding Anniversary



Pn Ranganatha Rao S giving donation on his diamond Wedding Anniversary

**MONTHLY MEETING PHOTOS**



Dr Lakshmanan receiving Member Certificate



Pn Pugazhenthii Secretary  
Probus club of Cheyyaru



Final EC meeting for outgoing team



FOSCATON President Rajasekaran D



Honoring the Election Officer



New President Receiving  
Insignia From President



PF Panchalan K Dr receiving PF Certificate



PF Viswakumar K receiving PF Certificate



Sri Sivakumar HelpAge India Felicitating  
New President



Pn Ranganathan B pinning Badge on  
IPP PF SG



President & New President with Badges



President Paying Homage to Late  
Pn Ramakrishna GV



Group Photo New OB & ECM



Probus Club Of Cheyyaru Members

**We Wish A Very Happy Birthday To All  
Probian having Birthdays in May 2021**

S.No.	DOB	Name	Mem No.
1	01/05/28	Pn Srinivasan V.	A-133
2	01/05/43	Pn Rangasami P.M.	A-204
3	02/05/38	Pn Vanajakshi V.K. Tmt. Dr.	L-218
4	02/05/48	Pn Raghupathi G.S. I.I.S.	L-187A
5	05/05/60	Pn Sridhar R.	L-121
6	05/05/47	Pn Festus Israel R. Dr.	L-158
7	05/05/47	Pn Mohanam T.	A-399
8	07/05/51	Pn Madavamoorthy D	L-281
9	11/05/33	Pn Sahasranaman K	A-229
10	12/05/35	Pn Srinivasan G.	A-130
11	12/05/41	Pn Jagannadhan V	L-299
12	13/05/50	PF Ravindran G. Dr.	PF 05
13	13/05/37	Pn Ramji A.	L-074
14	13/05/51	Pn Sukumar S	L-330
15	15/05/54	Pn Sakthivel Rajaa S.L.	L-297
16	14/05/50	Pn Kasturi Raja R Dr.	L-081A
17	15/05/39	Pn George Jebamony P.	A-334
18	17/05/33	Pn Sadasivam M. Prof. Er.	A-100
19	18/05/47	Pn Rathakrishnan S. Ervadi	L-163
20	20/05/50	Pn Somasundaram M	L-335
21	21/05/43	Pn Kumaresan M Dr.	L-252
22	23/05/34	Pn Srinivasan G.L.	L-125
23	25/05/56	PF Vivekanandan R.	PF-11
24	26/05/42	Pn Prabhakar R.	A-321
25	26/05/62	Pn Subbu Sundaram	L-215
26	26/05/49	Pn Vijayalakshmi T.V. Tmt.	L-257
27	27/05/32	Pn Ramachandran D.N.	L-309
28	28/05/41	Pn Venkitasubramaniam P.	L-067

**LIST OF DONATION FOR MARCH 2021**

S.No.	Name	Amount
<b>A. BYE-LAW BOOKLET</b>		
1	Pranesan A.G.	10.00
<b>B. BREAKFAST SPONSORS</b>		
2	Chidambaram M	4,500.00
3	Parthasarathy B Dr	4,500.00
4	Sunder Sankar	4,500.00
5	Ranganatha Rao S	12,600.00
<b>C. EDUCATIONAL SCH. SCHEME</b>		
6	Gopinathan V	45,000.00
<b>D. ID CARD</b>		
7	Pranesan A.G.	100.00
<b>E. LIFE MEMBERSHIP FEE</b>		
8	Pranesan A.G.	5,000.00
<b>F. MEMBERSHIP ADMN. FEE</b>		
9	Pranesan A.G.	100.00
<b>G. PROBUZZ ANNUAL SUBSPN.</b>		
10	James A	100.00
<b>H. PROBUZZ CORPUS FUND</b>		
11	Madhava Rao A.G.	5,000.00
12	Pranesan A.G.	500.00
13	Ranganatha Rao S	1,400.00
14	Viswakumar K	5,000.00
<b>I. PROBUZZ STRIP ADVT.</b>		
15	Pranesan A.G.	800.00
16	Ranganatha Rao S	1,000.00
<b>J. SJSCMBF</b>		
17	Venkatesan R	25,000.00
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>1,15,110.00</b>



மாணவன் : செய்யாத தப்புக்கு நீங்க தண்டனை தருவீங்களா சார்?

ஆசிரியர் : தரமாட்டேன். ஏன்?

மாணவன் : நான் home work செய்ய வில்லை சார்.



ஆசிரியர் : நான் தினமும் 7 கிலோமீட்டர் நடந்து சென்று படித்து வந்தேன்.

மாணவன் : அப்பவே உங்களுக்கும் படிப்புக்கும் ரொம்ப தூரமா சார்?

Best wishes

**Probian K Venkatachari**

## A Very Happy Anniversary To All Probians Who Have Wedding Anniversaries During This Period

S.No.	Wed Day	Name	Spouse Name	Mem No.
1	01/05/68	Pn Jayaraman N.	Mrs. J. Vasantha Meenakshi	A-230
2	02/05/75	Pn Lakshmipathi K.	Mrs. R. Sudamani	A-302
3	02/05/80	Pn Mohan M.	Mrs. Malathi Mohan	L-185
4	05/05/63	Pn Ramnath G.	Mrs. Padma Ramnath	A-092
5	05/05/63	Pn Subbiah K.S.	Mrs. Shanmugathai	L-169
6	05/05/67	Pn Mirza Ismail A.	Mrs. A. Hamitha	A-199
7	06/05/57	Pn Ramachandran C.	Mrs. R. Saroja	L-003
8	06th May	Pn Ravishankar R.V.	Mrs. Nirmala	L-313
9	07/05/66	Pn Gopinatha Rao C.H.	Mrs. Indira Gopinath	L-076
10	7th May	Pn Srinivasan G.L.	Mrs. Kalyani	L-125
11	08/05/74	Pn Shanmugam P. Justice	Mrs. S. Sakunthala	A-348
12	09/05/62	Pn Ramji A.	Mrs. Seetha Ramji	L-074
13	11/05/70	Pn Bhavani Shankar Joshi V.	Mrs. Kalyani B. Joshi	L-130
14	12/05/82	Pn Vijaya Kumar A.	Mrs. Chitra V	L-279
15	15/05/72	Pn Kalyanasundaram R	Mrs. K. Gowri	L-332
16	15/05/92	Pn Varadarajan R.	Mrs. D. Vijayalakshmi	L-239
17	16/05/62	Pn Rajagopalan T.	Mrs. R. Padmasini	A-274
18	17/05/61	Pn Venkatesan R.	Mrs. Uma Venkatesan	L-044
19	17/05/74	Pn Rammohan N.	Mrs. Tara	L-078
20	18/05/72	Pn Sadasivam M. Prof. Er.	Mrs. Pramila Sadasivam	A-100
21	19/05/67	Pn Ramanathan N.	Mrs. Sharada Ramanathan	L-183
22	19/05/91	Pn Panneerselvam S	Mrs. G. Devadha	L-296
23	19/05/80	Pn Ranganathan B.	Mrs. S. Vedanayaki	L-226
24	20/05/57	Pn Balaguruaiya B.B.	Mrs. Girija Balaguruviah	A-193
25	21/05/58	Pn Ranganathan P.V.	Mrs. P.R. Shantha	A-336
26	21/05/78	Pn Prasad D.S.L.	Mrs. D. Vatsala	L-202
27	22/05/69	Pn Mahadevan A.	Mrs. Meena Mahadevan	L-100
28	22/05/77	Pn Venkoba Rao G.	Mrs. Suguna Kumari	L-219
29	23/05/74	Pn Raghavendra Rao J.	Mrs. J. Nirupa	L-187
30	24/05/64	Pn Dhakshinamoorthy C.M.	Mrs. G. Jayalakshmi	L-173
31	24/05/62	Pn Rangabashyam P.G.	Mrs. R. Padma	L-146A
32	24/05/68	Pn Kartik Dattatri Dore	Mrs. Lakshmi Dore	L-135
33	25/05/52	Pn Ramamurthy G.V.	Mrs. Rajalakshmi Ramamurthy	L-061
34	25/05/68	Pn Sunder Sankar	Mrs. Prema Sunder	L-246
35	26/05/66	Pn George Jebamony P.	Mrs. Sucharita George	A-334
36	27/05/59	Pn Rengarajan K.	Mrs. Sakuntala Rajan	L-145
37	27/05/67	Pn Venkatasubramanian S.	Mrs. Rani	L-064
38	27/05/59	Pn Rajagopalan M.S.	Mrs. Prema Rajagopalan	A-243
39	28/05/86	Pn Ravi S.	Mrs. Rajalakshmi R	
40	28/05/69	Pn Sivarajan J	Mrs. S. Dakshayani	L-315
41	30/05/77	Pn Prabhakar R.	Mrs. S. Pattammal	A-321
42	30/05/79	Pn Venkitasubramaniam P.	Mrs. Kanthimathi Subramaniam	L-067
43	31/05/70	Pn Kishore R.B.	Mrs. Seetha Kishore	L-019
44	31/05/74	Pn Subramaniayar V.N.	Mrs. S. Malathi	L-221

## DATES TO REMEMBER : APRIL 2021

**MONTHLY MEETING** will be held via ZOOM on Fourth Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> April, 2021. 11.00 AM onwards

GUEST SPEAKER: **Kalaimamani Kizhambur Sankarasubramanian**

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## REQUEST FOR QUICK ACTION FROM ALL MEMBERS

Our Member's Directory is being updated. To this end, a "Personal Data" Form has been sent to all members.

We request you to spare a few minutes and complete the "Personal Data" form at the earliest and mail it back to PF Sadagopan G, Joint Secretary.

For your convenience, a stamped self-addressed envelope has also been sent to all the members along with the blank "Personal Data" Form.

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