

Rivers of the World Foundation

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Announces a Virtual Meeting of the Members, Volunteers and Associates on

Program Planning for-2020-2021

Date: October 30, 2020 (Friday)

Begins at: 9:00 AM US Eastern; India - 6:30 PM; China/Philippines - 9:00 PM

NOTE: ROW Board members are encouraged to donate \$50/\$100 for supporting the 2020-2021 activities

Background: The primary objective of the Rivers of the World (ROW) Foundation is to make all efforts to cleanup highly polluted Rivers in US, India, SE Asia, Nepal, S. America, Africa, Europe, and Other Parts of the World. The **Rivers of the World ROW Foundation** (Listed Name) is a 501(C)3 charitable organization. Our goal is to provide charitable, educational, and scientific assistance, primarily in the water, environment and energy area.

This Year's meeting will have a few special focus under Discussion – see Item D.

- a) WWD-2020 Impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Ideas on projects in small groups with safety protocols (include ideas in your 2021 plan).
- b) Water testing/monitoring program at the Himalayan Eng.
 School (Ghansali, Uttarakhand, India) and possible schools/institutes in other areas/countries.

Agenda Items: (updated Agenda will be posted at http://rowfoundation.org) Meeting Moderators: William Roper, Subijoy Dutta, and Subi Subramanian.

A. Registration/Introductions

Participants – sign in - (8:55 – 9:00 AM)
 Welcome – William E. Roper (10 mins.)
 Introduction – Subijoy Dutta (5 mins) –

B. Project Updates, Plans for 2021 (9:15 AM to 11:30 AM)

9:15 – 9:35AM **ROW Activities -2019-20 and Plans-2020-21** – Subijoy Dutta.

International Coordinators – [at their local time(LT) below] (8-10 min. each) (Speakers should send up to three slides to subjoy@gmail.com by Oct. 29th, 2020)

9:35 – 9:45 PM(LT) Philippines (Noel Hechanova (Summarize 2021 plan), Evelyn Belleza– Iloilo River, Tigum River and Batiano River (Cebu) 2021

9:45 - 9:55 PM(LT) China, (Ms. Hong Zhao/Yi Heng – Yangtze River 2021 plan, China)

7:25 - 8:05 PM(LT) India

- a. Anup Samantaray, Manas Mallick, Bhubaneswar, Odisha, India
- b. Sucharit Dutta Kolkata, India
 - 1. (Kolkata team- Soham Saha, Sandip Das, Swapan Dutta, Sourav Dutta, and Rajendra Yadav), Kolkata, India
- c. Prabhakar Puth (Kerala)
- d. Sudhir Nautiyal Himalayan English School (Uttarakhand)
- e. Sadashiva Murthy Mysuru SJC College of Engineering

8:20 - 8:30 PM(LT) Nepal

f. Pranuj Malla Kathmandu, Nepal. Well water filtration for Kathmandu residents plus 2021 plan

10:45 AM – 11:30 AM (Eastern Time): Oklahoma, Illinois, Maryland, Washington, DC

Oklahoma - Daryl Jackson, Poteau, OK:

Maryland - Fred Tutman, Patuxent Riverkeeper

Washington, DC - Matthew Reddy, Global Env. Foundation, Australia

Illinois - Prakasam Tata, Naperville, IL

C. **River Projects** –(11:30 – 11:55 AM)

William E. Roper –

- a. Remote Sensing Analysis of the Occoquan Reservoir, Virginia a case study.
- b. Discuss new developments at NASA and potential applications to projects.



- D. **GROUP Discussion** (11:55 12:20 PM) Lead by Subijoy Dutta, P.E.
 - a. Action Items For the Coming Year (post-pandemic)
 - i. Environmental Training Seminars Bhubaneswar, Hyderabad,Vizianagaram India, Kathmandu, Nepal, Iloilo city, Philippines
 - ii. Water Quality Testing/Monitoring Rishikesh, Gokul, Kolkata (India); Iloilo, Cebu (Philippines);
 - iii.Mural in Ghansali, Kolkata and other places by Jeff Huntington, Future History Now (Annapolis, MD)- in 2021
 - iv. Waste management and renewable energy(subi Subramanian)-Gokul
 - v.Ponds/Lakes Restoration Kolkata, Mysuru
 - vi. Quarterly interactions and progress status

****** International Participants (Late Evening hours) may wave goodbye at this point *********

- E. **Fundraising** (12:20-12:35) William E. Roper (Memberships and responsibilities)
 - Subijoy Dutta (RFPs)
 - Donald Henry (Grant writing and Financial Report)
- F. Q & A (12:40 -12:55 PM) Q?s received through chat box.(please write a few words)
- **G. Flute Performance "River Prayer"** John Wubbenhorst (visiting India now)
- H. Adjourn 1:15 PM

