

Know your Association President Saroj Katiyar

Born in the city of Nawabs, Lucknow in Uttar Pradesh, she received her early education at La Martiniere Girls College and has done M.A. (Honors) in Western History. Saroj is a social worker and an Entrepreneur. She is an Environment enthusiast with a keen interest in gardening, keeping the city-Clean and Green. Her name is synonym to the National flower (Lotus).

Saroj's mantra says "We lift ourselves by lifting others".

Her integrity, determination and passion towards Inner Wheel can be judged with the record breaking 40 per cent increment in the number of members during her tenure as President in the year 2008-09.

Thanks to her farsighted vision, she had started an initiative 'Each One Teach One' to enhance the schooling experience of underprivileged children over a decade ago, an idea that has become wisdom today.

She is vocal activist against consumption of tobacco and alcohol. To educate and guide the youth of the nation about the hazards of tobacco and smoking she has launched various long term tobacco control awareness campaigns engaging the youth in the city and covering 80% of the schools in Kanpur.

Accolades in her Account:

At Club Level:

Won 26 awards and par excellent Club President.

District Level:

As District Chairman -79 Happy Schools were inaugurated, 159 Toilet blocks constructed, 4500 women empowered through vocational training and skill development programmes.

As District Secretary: Awarded by all PDC's for Outstanding Work.

As District Treasurer: Awarded by Association of Inner Wheel Clubs in India.

Chartered thirteen new clubs in District as CGR, ESO and District Chairman.

Association Level: As Association Treasurer- recognized for flawless working and highly dedicated disposition of responsibility by Association President.

Participated thrice as Faculty at Incoming Chairman's Institute.

Imparted training in orientation programs at Club and District Level at COTI.

She is highly active with various other organizations dedicated to social welfare.

As Saroj belongs to a family of Doctors she has voluntarily devoted her time to Free Medical Checkup Camps and Awareness Programs in the city to make India healthy.

Besides this Saroj is:

1. Director of '**Prastuti Foundation**' a group for the Education of Girls.
2. Member of '**Health Foundation.**'
3. Member of '**Floriculture Society.**'
4. Member of '**Asthma Welfare Society**'.
5. Proprietor of '**3C Pharmacy.**'

She has been organizing fund raising events for the past six years to empower under privileged women by providing a Marketplace for their products and facilitating the creation of a strong commercial chain. The funds raised in these events are only consumed for service projects by clubs, a testament to the processes she put in place during her time as President.

Saroj embodies hard work, dedication and honesty. She has worked tirelessly towards women empowerment through entrepreneurship and conceptualized SUPER STREE in her year as District Chairman creating a platform for upcoming women led start-ups to grow, innovate and succeed. The initiative continues till present day.

She is adventurous, loves to travel and is a yoga enthusiast.

She is blessed with a loving family, husband Dr. S. K. Katiyar a pulmonologist and Ex Principal GSVM Medical College Kanpur, son Dr. Sandeep, a

pulmonologist, daughter in law Tanushree, Phd. in Bio Engineering, daughter Swatee and son in law Anand both software engineers and two loving granddaughters, Saysha and Sarya.

Saroj believes, 'Give to the world the best you have and the best shall come back to you.'

Presenting a Power pact lady to serve Inner Wheel with perseverance, commitment, energy and Love.