

SURAJ BAGLA
BOARD OF DIRECTOR APPOINTEE

Suraj Bagla, from Kolkata, India, was appointed by International President A.P. Singh to serve a one-year term as a member of the Lions International Board of Directors at the association's 107th international convention in Orlando, Florida, USA that was held July 13, 2025 through July 17, 2025.

Board of Director Appointee Suraj joined the organization as a Leo in 1984 and became a charter member of Calcutta Park Avenue Lions Club in 1994. He has held a number of offices in the association including cabinet secretary, cabinet treasurer, district governor, council secretary, GLT MD coordinator, GMT MD coordinator and GAT area leader.

In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards including Lion of the Year three times in his district. He was named the best VDG and best DG of MD322 and was also awarded the Top 5 District Governor Award in 2008-09.

Suraj is the recipient of 10 International President's Awards, four International President's Leadership Awards and numerous International President's Certificates of Appreciation. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

FDI and LCIP graduate Suraj has been a faculty member at ELLI, ALLI, FDI and LCIP. He has also served as the group leader for the DGE Seminar and has attended 20 international conventions to date.

Board of Director Appointee Suraj is the managing director of Kaybee International, an official licensee of Lions Clubs International.

Board of Director Appointee Suraj receives immense support from his wife, Rashmi, who is also a past council chairperson and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow. They are followed in their Lion legacy by their two sons, Aayush and Akshit, both past Leo-Lion board liaisons and Progressive Melvin Jones Fellows, as well as their daughter-in-law, Dhvani, Leo district president and Melvin Jones Fellow. They have one three-year-old granddaughter who is also a Melvin Jones Fellow.