

What is Rotary Youth Exchange?

Rotary Youth Exchange (RYE) is one of the world's largest and most respected youth exchange programmes, operating in over 100 countries. Each year, thousands of students aged 15 to 19 spend a semester or full academic year living with host families in another country, attending a local school and immersing themselves in a new culture. District 3250 covers Bihar and Jharkhand and is your local gateway to this life-changing experience.

Rotary Youth Exchange has been running for over 60 years and has helped more than a million young people become true global citizens.

Programme Options

Programme	Duration	Age	Best For
Long-Term Exchange (LTEP)	9–12 months	15–18.5 yrs	Full school year abroad
Short-Term Exchange (STEP)	4–6 weeks	15–19 yrs	Summer exchange, first-time travellers

Long-Term Exchange (LTEP)

The LTEP is the flagship Rotary exchange. Students spend a full academic year abroad, living with two to four host families, attending a local school and fully immersing themselves in the culture and language of their host country.

- ✓ Live with 2–4 carefully vetted host families
- ✓ Attend a local high school for the full academic year
- ✓ Learn the local language through daily immersion
- ✓ Receive a Rotary blazer and official student ID
- ✓ Participate in district-organised tours and camps
- ✓ Return home with fluency, confidence and a global network

Short-Term Exchange (STEP)

STEP offers a condensed but equally enriching exchange experience over 4 to 6 weeks, typically during summer holidays. Ideal for students wanting a first international experience before committing to a full year.

- ✓ Live with a Rotary host family for 4–6 weeks
- ✓ Participate in cultural activities and excursions
- ✓ Lower cost than LTEP — more accessible for many families
- ✓ Build international friendships and confidence

Your District — Bihar & Jharkhand

Rotary District 3250 covers the states of Bihar and Jharkhand in eastern India — a region of extraordinary history, natural beauty and warm hospitality. Inbound students are initially hosted in Jamshedpur, Jharkhand's largest city, known for its green boulevards, safety and the legendary Tata Steel heritage.

District	3250
States	Bihar and Jharkhand
Primary host city	Jamshedpur, Jharkhand
Rotary clubs	107
Rotary members	4,000+
Nearest airport	Birsa Munda Airport, Ranchi (130 km)

Eligibility

- ✓ Aged 15–18.5 at time of departure (LTEP) or 15–19 (STEP)
- ✓ Currently enrolled in Class 9, 10 or 11
- ✓ Resident in Rotary District 3250 (Bihar or Jharkhand)
- ✓ Good academic standing — no failed years
- ✓ Medically and psychologically fit to live abroad independently
- ✓ Full parental support and consent

How to Apply

Stage 1: Submit a short Expression of Interest form at ryedistrict3250.org. Takes 5 minutes.

Stage 2: If shortlisted, complete the full application form covering medical, academic and personal details.

Interview: Attend an interview with the RYE committee at the district level.

Selection: Successful candidates are notified and the placement process begins.

Orientation: All outbound students attend a mandatory pre-departure orientation camp.

Depart: Fly to your host country and begin your year abroad.

Apply online at ryedistrict3250.org · Contact the RYE Chair for more information