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Theme of the Month :
BASIC EDUCATION & LITERACY MONTH

Satvika Sanat Pai Raikar poses for the camera as she reads a book. This cute model depicts the theme of the month of September. Basic education is not just literacy - it's what helps us to function successfully within our societies

Photo Credit: **Sanat Pai Raikar**





CLUB PRESIDENT

Rtn. Siddha D. Sardesai
2022-2023

Time flies... we are already one quarter down in the Rotary year. Yes, it seemed just like yesterday when the new team took over the functioning of the Club. September - done and dusted! We now stand to reap on the preparations that have been sowed in the last quarter.

The month of September witnessed a few important projects like the Nation Builder Award to the Teachers. The light of the world, the beacon in the dark and the hope that gives us strength to survive, is our teacher. We celebrated Teachers' Day - a day to honour the gifted souls who work everyday to make sure that the future is bright for all of us. Teachers play a very important role in developing the younger generation and in building a healthy and a strong Nation. And that's precisely why they are rightly called as Nation Builders.

Women are the epitome of wealth and power. Women play an important role in society and the whole family is dependent on women for its daily activities. They play the role of mother, wife, homemaker, cook, teacher, friend, Nurse all at the same time while catering to every body's needs. Those in a job have to also fulfill the job responsibilities while managing home & family. The life of women is very hard, but she gets little or no appreciation. It is said that girls with dreams become women with vision. And to empower a girl child, we initiated our projects with Smita Keshav Kamat Charitable Trust.

Working together collaboratively can result in greater accomplishments as compared to each organization working on its own separately. The sum of the whole is bigger than the sum of each part. The Synergy between likeminded

organizations rose to the fore at our Coastal Cleanup campaign. By getting involved and by being a part of other organizations and groups, your organization's message is better relayed to the community leading to increased community awareness. And sometimes, the end result is also fruitful. The after-effect of the campaign led by Rotary Club of Panaji Mid-Town has been that the Government has taken up the entire promenade from Youth Hostel to Kala Academy to maintain cleanliness and hygiene along with police patrolling.

We now look at beginning Q2 on a positive note, making an impact on the community in a big way.

Happiness is in the Air, It's Diwali everywhere, Lets Show Some Love and Care, And Wish Everyone out there...Happy Diwali!!!

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Rotary Club of Panaji Mid-Town is committed to actively raising the quality of life for the under-privileged since 1998 through its various community service projects. This Rotary year 2022-23 is our Silver Jubilee Year. The Club has 5 flagship projects:

SAKSHARTA - This is our education grants project. Rotary Scholars from professional colleges are recommended by their respective colleges and selected on the basis of merit by our committee and are supported upto their graduation.



SUDHARTA - This is our disability corrective surgery project where we admit patients with various forms of disability ranging from limb lengthening to congenital absence of tibia. Each patient undergoes numerous surgical operations to correct their physical defect and lead a normal life.

SAHAYATA - This is our Home Care Nursing School project in association with Matruchhaya. This is a 100% charity school. At Sahayata, youth are given free education & training, gainfully employed and raised to respected level in community. Your loved one can now get trained nursing care in the comfort of your home.



SWACHHATA - This is our Wash in Schools (WInS) project where we construct health and sanitation facilities to the students in schools. Toilet blocks and Washing units are being developed in schools that don't have these facilities.

SANJEEVANI - During this pandemic, we created a bank of 26 Oxygen Concentrators that are being lent to needy patients (even non-covid) for supporting them with handy oxygen. And now, we are increasing our scope by including wheelchairs, fowler beds, and other requisites to further the project and rechristen it as Sanjeevani.



THE FOUR-WAY TEST of the things we think, say or do

- Is it the TRUTH?
- Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- Will it build GOODWILL & BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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CLUB SECRETARY

Rtn. Sachin Bhandare
2022-2023

Extending early wishes for the festive season ahead, Have a fun and festive Diwali!

The month before the festivities begin, September marks an important month for Rotary. A month in which it celebrates one of its areas of focus "Basic Education & Literacy" the month coinciding with Teacher's day. Being first time involved with Rotary's Nation Builder Award taught me many aspects in-terms of evaluation of teachers – by both Principal and Management as well as from student's perspective. And the process does not end there but is carried ahead with programs of constant and further development of the teacher's in various other areas for improvement.

Community service is a good subject to be taught at all levels of

students and citizens too because this will make create awareness for them so that they will tend to inculcate in the near future. This month, at Beach cleaning activity we showcased our responsibility towards mother nature and the surroundings. We could get a very good response for the activity and awareness among the students, morning walkers and even the authorities as we could see the after effects of the projects.

During the month, Siddha and I met Rtn Ravi Vadlamani, a person with many block blusters in his Rotary stint. It was inspirational evening speaking with the ROTARY MONK, spreading smiles to MANY at one go through the projects which seem

to be IMPOSSIBLE only to be pronounced as "I M POSSIBLE". To name a few 10,000 bore-wells to 1,00,000 school benches and 10,000 sewing machines and 132 school buildings in 62 cities across India. Looking forward for many more interactions with Ravi-ji and to inspire us all to be a part of such projects and events.

As we begun October, let's meet up for Diwali Dhamaka looking ahead to celebrate the festival with my extended family in Rotary, completing few of the many community projects planned for the year and also for the sports enthusiasts planning of the sports events ahead.

Club Assembly | 6 September 2022

11th Weekly Meeting was a Club Assembly and held at Terminal Banquet hall on 6th September at Terminal Banquets. Discussions and decisions taken up in the BOD meeting held in the month of August were informed to the members. Projects and events planned for the month of September were intimated. Team standings along with STAR of the MONTH were announced for the month of August.



Nation Builders Award Function | 13 September 2022

Six teachers from schools across Goa who are the back bone of our society were honoured with the Nation Builder Awards at our 12th Weekly Meeting. The teachers were felicitated and presented with the award at the hands of Chief Guest Mrs. Pallavi Dempo.

Guest speaker - Pramod Acharya | 20 September 2022

13th Weekly meeting was held on 20th sept at Terminal Banquets. The Guest speaker at the occasion was Mr Pramod Acharya (Editor & Director, Prudent Media). Mr Acharya delivered the insights of today's political scenario in Goa and touched upon history of defections in Goa and the 3rd eye view towards defections. The members present at the meet had lovely interaction about the topic with some hard statements along with some laughing moments.



Women Empowerment program | 27 September 2022

14th Weekly meeting as the family meeting of the month of September was held at Terminal Banquet Hall. On this occasion a donation of Rs 1,01,000/- (One lac one thousand) was received for 2 projects under Women Empowerment. Rtn Keshav Kamat handed over the cheque to IPP and trust chair Rtn Sunil Mone from the Smita Keshav Kamat Charitable Trust.

Board Meeting:

3rd board meeting was held at O'Camotim restaurant on 30th September to review the months activities carried out in the month of September and to decide on the plans for the month of October.

Charitable Trust Meeting:

2nd Trust Meeting was held at the O'Camotim on 30th September 2022

SAKSHARTA

EDUCATION SUPPORT PROJECT

Education Grants Project: | 6 September 2022

Under the club's flagship project SAKSHARTA, Rotary Scholars from professional colleges are recommended by their respective colleges and selected on the basis of merit by our committee for financial support towards their graduation. On 6th September, we gave a grant of Rs. 60,000/- to Prabhakar Asewar, student of 3rd year MBBS at the Goa Medical College.

Dr. Jagdish Kakodkar, Head of the Department of Preventive and Social Medicine has been doing Rotary-like activities outside of the club. He has been mentoring several students at the Goa Medical College who have been financially supported by the Rotary Club of Panaji Midtown. He had proposed a scholar by name of Mast. Prabhakar Asewar who is not in a position to complete his medical education for the lack of funds.

As for the family background, his father is a door-to-door salesman but currently not able to work on account of a certain ailment. Prabhakar is answering his 7th semester exam and needed a sum of Rs. 60,000/- to meet up with the expenditure of exam fees and the books for preparation. Prabhakar also engages part-time in food delivery business with Swiggy to partially support his need for fees and purchase of book

Rtn Vijay Hede through Shivranjani Securities Co. Pvt. Ltd. expressed willingness to fund his requirement through Saksharta Project. On completion of his MBBS, Prabhakar has a dream to complete MD at reputed institutions like AIIMS, JIPMER and become a Cardiologist. He would like to treat the needy and the poor free of cost as he has first-hand experience of difficulties faced by them.





International Coastal Clean up Day | 17 September 2022

International Coastal Cleanup Day is a promise to bring cleanliness and purity to nature as a whole. The day was started as a way to raise awareness about the growing pollution on various beaches of the world. Population growth and capitalism are just two of the main factors that have led to severely high levels of pollution in the environment, particularly in the oceans that make up over 70% of our planet.

Water has a cyclical nature, which means that anything we are putting into our oceans and other water bodies will come back to us sooner or later. For every mile of ocean,

there are at least 46,000 pieces of plastic debris floating within said distance. Furthermore, as plastic does not decompose over a long period, and only disintegrates, minute plastic particles are already showing up in our food and water. If these trends continue, it won't be long before we face disastrous outcomes for our environment.

On the occasion of International Coastal Clean-up Day, our club along with other partner organisations like Panaji BJP Mandal, Corporation of the City of Panaji, Interact club of Dr K B Hedgewar school, Janhit Seva Mandal, B-Live, Jolly walkers, Youth hostel and Ex-

servicemen conducted the event. About 140+ participants participated in the event from 7am to 9am for a stretch of 1.5km. Panaji MLA & Hon. Minister Atanasio Monserrate flagged off the movement which was a part of the nation-wide campaign.

In all, 52 beaches in Goa were cleaned by 5327 volunteers and collected 26,161 kgs of waste. The after-effect of the campaign led by Rotary Club of Panaji Mid-Town has been that the Government has taken up the entire promenade from Youth Hostel to Kala Academy to maintain cleanliness and hygiene along with police patrolling.



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Six teachers from schools across Goa who are the back bone of our society were honoured with the Nation Builder Awards at a function organised by the Rotary Club of Panaji Mid-Town on Tuesday, 13th September 2022 at Terminal Banquets. The teachers were felicitated and presented with the award at the hands of Chief Guest Mrs. Pallavi Dempo.

Rotary India Literacy Mission (RILM) aims to work towards Total literacy and Quality Education in India. One major component of the Teacher Support program of Rotary India Literacy Mission is recognizing teachers through the "Nation Builder Award" that provides recognition to outstanding teachers of Government and Government aided schools, through a participatory evaluation

process by the students and head teacher of the school. The award certificates are generated online through the Rotary Teach website.

The 6 Nation Builder Awardees are as under:

Tr. Apolonia Fernandes
(Bal Bharti Vidyamandir, Ribandar)

Tr. Bharti Khandekar
(Disha School for Special Children)

Tr. Chinmay Amshekar
(Shri Shradhanand Vidyalyaya, Poinguinim)

Tr. Nagesh S. Gosavi
(Vikas High School, Pernem)

Tr. Shraddha Gawas
(Dr. K. B. Hedgewar High School, Cujira)

Tr. Surabhi S. Tari
(St. Aloysius High School, Diwar)

Chief Guest Mrs. Pallavi Dempo in her address extended her gratitude to every teacher for selfless service and dynamic support. They spear head change by shaping and building students' personality and make them ideal citizens of the country.

RILM has designed a comprehensive program called "T-E-A-C-H" where: T - Teacher Support, E - E-learning, A - Adult Literacy, C - Child Development, H - Happy School. Each of these programs has a specific focus and it is interlinked with each other in achieving the common goal of bringing total literacy and improving the learning outcomes of primary education, in various parts of the country.



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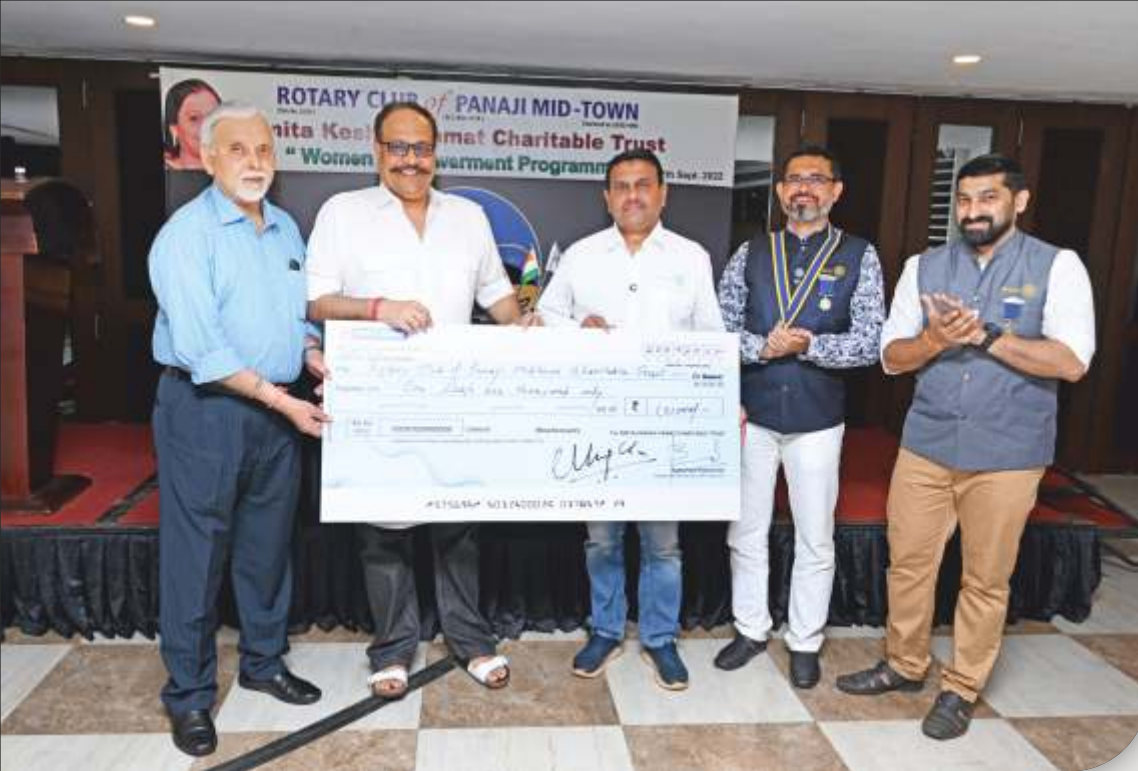


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Women Empowerment Project

in association with **Smita Keshav Kamat Charitable Trust** | 17 September 2022

Rtn Keshav Kamat has been supporting the Women Empowerment Project of the Club for the last 10 years through the Smita Keshav Kamat Charitable Trust. Through the project, we have reached over 100 beneficiaries during the last decade while contributing over 10 lacs. This year, under the aegis of the Smita Keshav Kamat Charitable Trust, we have committed to two projects with the donation of Rs. 101,000/- received, which will help empower women.

Indian culture gives women the utmost respect. Many of our Gods are

female and they are worshipped as a deity. The Goddess of wealth is Laxmi, the Goddess of wisdom is Saraswati and the Goddess of power and strength is Durga. Coincidentally we are celebrating Navratri, a festival dedicated to Goddess Durga, and what better time to have our women empowerment project initiative through the Smita Keshav Kamat Charitable Trust.

Aid to Balika Kalyan Ashram: The Club donated an amount of Rs. 31,000/- to Matruchhaya Trust who run the Balika Kalyan Ashram for girl child. They needed funds for setup of

their premises for items like track pants and t shirts, plastic chairs and tables, etc. The cheque for the same was handed over to Sarita Prabhu of Balika Kalyan Ashram at the family meeting held on 27th September.



Project Asmita: The Club committed an amount of Rs. 69,000/- to Project Asmita on Menstrual Hygiene Management. The letter of commitment for the same was handed over to Rtn Ajay Menon at the family meeting held on 27th September. This project has been initiated by RC Bibwewadi – Pune (RI Dist 3131) along with GTPL Hathway as CSR partners. This is the 5th Edition of Rotary India's one of the biggest Daughter Empowerment Project.

With focus on training to fight domestic sexual abuse, social media abuse, self-defence, gynaecological myths and nutrition, the Rotary Club of Bibwewadi has with its CSR partner GTPL Hathway Limited launched the fifth phase of Project Asmita- 'Empowering daughters is empowering the nation'.

Partnering with rotary clubs of multiple districts, the project aims to empower over 36,000 daughters through training from various schools, orphanages and institutions across Maharashtra, Gujarat and Goa. The project is Rotary India's biggest project in the field of daughter empowerment.

Through Project Asmita, the haemoglobin levels of over 36,000 girls will be checked and they will be provided with iron supplements in case of a deficiency. They will also be given help booklets, which will cover all the video topics in a short and concise manner with interesting pictorial representation.

"The daughters face a lot of issues in their day-to-day lives. Project Asmita is an attempt to provide confidence to the daughters, make them independent, fearless and brave."



Total 25 Rotary GTPL Daughter Empowerment Centres to be established in the project. Each Center, located at a reputed Rotary Club of the area will address concerns and needs of one thousand daughters of the area.



Release of Club's Monthly Bulletin "THE DREAM"

The Club's Monthly Bulletin "THE DREAM" was released at the hands of Shri Pramod Acharya at the 13th Weekly Meeting held on 20th September 2022.



Samuhik Cake Cutting

A samuhik cake cutting function was organised for the Rotarians who celebrate their birthdays in September and a gift given to the birthday boys by Lounge Terminal at the family meeting held on 27 September 2022.



TRF Pins distribution:

TRF Pins were handed over to members Rtn Nazareth Vaz (PHF +5), Rtn Bhupesh Shah (PHF+4) and Rtn Prakash Kapadia (PHF +2) and for their TRF contribution in Rotary year 2021-22. On this occasion Mrs Sheetal Pai Kane was handed over a PHF pin and a certificate for her contribution through our club.



Felicitations to Teachers on Teachers' Day:

6 Teachers from the Rotary Club of Panaji Mid-Town family (Rotarians, Anns and Annets) were felicitated on the occasion of Teachers' Day at the family meeting. The teachers who were present at the family meeting were handed a certificate of appreciation. Ann Sheetal Karkare, Ann Suchitra Chandrashekar, Ann Swati Shirodkar, Ann Dalia Bhandare, Ann Priya Verlekar and Ann Minal Kamat were felicitated.





THE Joy of Giving

The basic need of a human being is food. Rotary Club of Panaji Mid-Town initiated Project Annadata to provide monthly ration support to organizations that are working for the under-privileged section of the society. As of now, we support two organizations: National Association for the Blind and Keshav Seva Sadhana.



Monthly ration supplies to National Association for the Blind (NAB)

The Club has initiated to supply continuous rations to the National Association for the Blind (NAB) of a value of Rs. 5,000/- per month. Members have come forward to donate the same, and this month Rtn Yatin Parekh donated for the rations.

Monthly ration supplies to Keshav Seva Sadhana, Bethoda

The Club has initiated to supply continuous rations to Keshav Seva Sadhana, Bethoda of a value of Rs. 10,000/- per month. Friend of Rotary- Adv Nitin Sardesai has committed to donate Rs. 5,000/- per month for a period of one year. Our Club members have committed to match the contribution so that the amount doubles up. This month, along with the contribution from Adv Nitin, Rtn Kedar Dhume donated for the Rations.



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GOAN GHOTANCHE SASAV

Ghotan are called the wild mango or not so famous mango. They are either sweet or sour depending on the type of tree. They are smaller in size with a lot of hairy fibres so you need to suck on the fruit to get the pulp. Ghotan is this mango and saasav is mustard seeds which is the main ingredient which gives the flavour to this recipe. This dish is made either using green chillies or red chillies depending on which part of Goa you are from. Very few ingredients but the taste is awesome. Most of us store this pulp frozen so that it can be used to make this dish throughout the year. A tangy spicy sweet recipe with hardly any ingredients but loved by all.

Method:

1. Squeeze ripe mangoes to extract slight pulp. You will require the seed as well as the pulp.
2. Grind coconut, green chillies, mustard seeds to a coarse paste.
3. Add this mixture to the mangoes, add salt and jaggery as per your taste.
4. Add small pieces of ghavti bananas.
5. Serve chilled.



Ann Gauri Nadkarni

SUDHARTA

Disability Corrective Surgery Project

SUDHARTA

The Rotary Club of Panaji Midtown has been carrying out corrective surgeries for the disabled patients since the first year of its inception (1998-99). In the early stages there used be quite a few children affected by Post-Polio Residual Paralysis, however over the years the numbers of polio affected children have decreased as Goa has been Polio free since 1998. There has been influx of migrant laborers from polio endemic areas of Karnataka, Bihar and Uttar Pradesh and hence we see some children with post polio deformities.

The other conditions causing the deformities and disabilities that we see in Goa are: Cerebral Palsy, Congenital conditions like Club Foot, Developmental diseases like Rickets,

Post Traumatic conditions like Mal-unions and Non Unions & Post-infective conditions Like Osteomyelitis and Septic Arthritis.

The patients are treated on an

individual basis and not as Camp cases. They are admitted and treated in a Private Nursing Home just like any other private patients.

She had severe bow-legs when she presented at the age of 5 in 2004. After successful surgeries she is now a teenager and the goalkeeper of her school football team.





He was 12 years when we spotted him at Curca, the adopted village of the Rotary Club of Panaji. He was suffering from post polio residual paralysis involving left lower limb. After a series of surgeries he grew up to be a hero, achieving laurels in Archery and Swimming. He represented India in Paralympics in UK.

This highly successful and much applauded project is structured to meet all the demands of the needy patients. Because of the facilities provided, so far we do not have even a single case of dropout from the treatment.

The patients used to be identified by surveying and visiting the slum areas and identifying the children who can benefit from this project. In 1999, we began this project as CHILDREN OPPORTUNITY GRANT, funded by TRF. Because of our consistent good results, now the patients on their own bring the affected children directly to our clinics. They even bring their relations from their hometown.

This project provides for the cost of investigations like blood tests, x-rays etc. A thorough pre-operative work-up is done. The surgeries are conducted by me personally and have been ably assisted by a team of dedicated doctors. The Anesthetist, Assistant Orthopedic Surgeon and

Paramedics like the physiotherapist; Orthotics and Prosthetic persons also help in this project.

The surgeries were carried out at Bhandare hospital, Vintage Hospital, and at present at Manipal hospitals Goa. The implants, appliances, plasters and other materials like calipers, crutches etc. used for the patients are also provided through the project. The parents, siblings and the attendants are also provided with all their meals, during their stay in hospital.

The patients are provided transport to go home and picked up whenever they are needed to be attended to. Some children who do not have hygienic conditions at home are provided with a separate room with proper sanitation facilities.

Children who require appliances for their rehabilitation are provided with the same. We have provided wheelchairs, calipers, crutches and braces to the needy children so far.

Those who have completed treatment or in between operation are being helped to pursue their studies by way of providing notebooks, uniforms etc. The Club also has plans to embark on a comprehensive social rehabilitation package. We have been able to provide gainful employment to some of our patients.

We have received funds from the following avenues since the onset of this project:

- Children Opportunity Grant from Rotary Foundation.
- District Grants.
- 3 H Project of TRF.
- Matching Grant Project of TRF
- Donations from local and foreign philanthropists
- Fund raising projects by the Club

It has been over two decades since we launched the project of Corrective Surgeries for disabled children. All these years have been very satisfying

and fulfilling in terms of our achievements. The children we had operated in the late nineties and early 2000s, have all become adults.

As on date, we have treated 374 patients and conducted 878 surgeries. We have also given 48 wheelchairs, 134 calipers, 79 braces, 26 shoes and 18 artificial limbs to our beneficiaries while making a positive change in the lives of all people that we have been fortunate to treat.

It was recently that we realized the magnitude of the good work we have been undertaking, when a bhelpuri vendor at Miramar came and greeted

me. He said thanks to our efforts his daughter is now happily married. But for our surgical feats, no one would come forth and marry a girl with deformed legs. On ruminating I realized that many more children whom we had operated are now well-settled in their families. Similarly there are a number of boys and girls who are now doctors, lawyers and graduates. They all are gainfully employed and are supporting themselves and their families.

Few hours of the surgical time and expertise of the team with back up by the Rotarians and The Rotary

Foundation has resulted in making so many unfortunates to be independent members of the society. We hope to continue this project and give a ray of hope to the crippled children and adults. We aim to make them independent and useful members of the society.

Dr. D. B. Bhandare

Consultant Orthopedic Surgeon,
Sr. Consultant in Orthopedics

Manipal Hospitals Goa

She suffered from severe knock-knee deformity when she presented to us in 2003. She also had a stunted growth with dwarfism. This was due to a congenital kidney disease. After series of surgeries including lengthening of both legs she is now a law graduate working with a law firm.



DOCTOR SPECIALISED IN PEDIATRICS

She was suffering from post polio paralysis involving her left leg. This caused her considerable difficulty in ambulation. After correction she managed to do her graduation in Medicine and post graduation in Pediatrics.



Teams

With a very thin margin, this month saw Team Shorey overtake Team Loehr who have been leading the team table for the last two months. We expect the other teams now to charge themselves up to be in the reckoning. The team culture has been promoting team spirit and a sense of belonging to the club and to infuse the members with the spirit of camaraderie, cohesion and competitiveness.

Harris	Loehr	Schiele	Shorey
Shivan Desai	Mahesh Patil	Dhruv Madan	Ashok Menon
Ameet Suctancar	Anand Patan	Ajit Dahi	Ben Saldanha
Dinar Tarcar	Ashish Verlekar	Buddha Mangulkar	Bhargav Desai
DW Kamat	Bhupesh Shah	Jahangir Taleyarkhan	Deep Bhandare
Ganesh Ishwar	Charles Bonifacio	Jee Manjarambhar	Gavind Tiwari
Gaurish Kamat	Gajanan Karkare	Madhura Nemkar	Jacob John
Haroon Ibrahim	Gaurish Nayak	Matin Naik	Jagmohan Chhabra
Ilyas Naroo	Grishh Raghua	Manoj Caccato	Manohar Kamat
Kedar Dhume	Kedar Konkre	N. Sriam	MG Chandrashekar
Keshav Kamat	Mahesh Adwalpalkar	Namita Tripathi	Nilesh Desai
Kiran Shirsat	Manu Anand	Nararath Vae	Prasad Koni
Milind Shankhwalkar	Prakash Kapadia	Nilesh Lawande	Rajesh Dessai
Rahim Virani	Sanjay Desai	Nithin Sant	Rajiv Chandan
Rajiv Shirodkar	Shekhar Sardesai	Nitin Anil	RD Bhide
Sumit Sethia	Suraj Kudchadkar	R. Ashok	Sandeep Nadkarni
Tanmay Kholkar	Vijay Hede	Sandeep Mukherjee	Sangam Kulkarni
Vasant Agshikar	Vinaykumar Ilalkar	Sandeep Wornkar	Santosh Shetty
Yogesh Nadkarni	Vinendra Mehta	Santosh Moha	Tushar Sawkar
		Vinaykumar	Yatin Parekh

The scores for the month of August:



Star of the Month



Rtn. Shivan Desai

Star of the Month is awarded to a member who participates and contributes to the Club in a big way. A pin in the shape of a star is given to the member who is declared a Star of the Month. This is creating a good buzz & members are keen to stand out and be counted. Rtn Shivan Desai was declared Star of the month for September.

BULLETIN EDITOR

Rtn. Mahesh Patil
2022-2023



Dear Readers

This Silver Jubilee Year of Rotary Club of Panaji Mid-Town has completed a trimester. Past few years we were reading the e-dream. This year we decided to go back to the print format and I must say we are happy feeling the hard copy and reading the magazine at leisure, since it's kept on the coffee table. I'm sure you too resonate the similar feelings.

We also have been featuring articles on our beneficiaries of our flagship projects. And this time we have featured Sudharta- Disability Corrective Surgery Project. This project is the most applauded project of the RI District 3170. It is

heartening to see our beneficiaries of Sudharta turn a leaf in their lives after surgery. We can say that Sudharta has transformed the lives of hundreds of patients who have seen the worst in their life and are today living a life like any other.

September is the Rotary month for Basic Education and Literacy. The cover photo with Satvika, who is the grand-daughter of our Rotarian Dr Vinaykumar Pai Raikar, is apt for this month. A child with a book in hand will definitely show the way to literacy at a young age and open doors to greater opportunities and avenues in life. We thank the participants who submitted their entries and the jury who selected the best entry.

As I come to the end of my editorial note, I would like to conclude that Rotary Club of Panaji Mid-Town has reached many homes through their Saksharta program and we are proud to make that change in the lives of so many young minds. When these youngsters reach a position where they in turn contribute for more such beneficiaries, it gives us immense pleasure and goodwill for fulfilling our goals as well as pledge to the rotary foundation.

Till we meet next month

Au revoir

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