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From the President's Desk...



October Theme: Economic & Community Development

RCBA: A Quarter of Service and Momentum

As we look back on the first three months of Rotary Year 2025-26, the Rotary Club of Bombay Airport (RCBA) takes pride in being a vibrant hub of activity, truly living the spirit of Service Above Self. A major highlight has been our focus on women's health and empowerment. Under Medical Dir. Yogini Sheth and Dr. Rajhu Sahetya, we conducted Breast & Cervical Cancer Awareness sessions at Maniben Nanavati College, followed by PEP smear tests at Sane Guruji.

Community Services Dir. Nini Bhatia further launched a project sponsoring shelter girls for nursing courses, affirming our belief that empowering women strengthens society.

Youth education and empowerment remained central. September month saw the installation of three Rotaract Clubs at MNWC, Thadomal Engineering, and NMIMS SOC. Career Counselling, Aptitude tests, Artificial Intelligence, Life Skills and Self-Defense sessions along with oral hygiene and anti-tobacco pledges prepared the students for the future. RCBA co-hosted Inspire Knowledge Quest quiz where students participated and won accolades too. Students won many prizes at Udaan – District Interact Conference for their cultural talents.

Heartily appreciate Students' will to spread happiness & joy by spending fun time with senior citizens and orphans. Special thanks to PP Dr. Akshay Mehta for training college students and fire officers in lifesaving CPR. Fellowship and visibility also shone bright with super perfomances at vibrant Navratri celebrations, fireside meetings by VP Sandip Tarkas and strong public image initiatives by Dir. Vaishali.

The pre-OCV meeting with AG Vidhi Gupta was fruitful and reaffirmed our club's strength and readiness. Heartfelt appreciation to all our Directors and Chairs whose dedication and passion is transforming vision into reality. As we host our OCV on October 6th, we look forward to celebrating these achievements with our District leaders and carrying this momentum into the months ahead.

Pragna Mehta - President Inspire Year 2025- 26

TRF AWARENESS Director: Rtn. Sanjay Merchant





- Highest Integrity
- Common Areas of Focus
- Allow Volunteering
- Nil Overheads
- Value Addition



- •Easiest Source for Service Project funding
 •Multiplier possible
- •Can become a Multi Year partnership for multiple projects and can keep growing
 - Simple process and documentation

President: Pragna Mehta Secretary: Manish Kothari Director: Sanjay Merchant

EDITOR'S MUSINGS...



The Light You Almost Missed...



Diwali doesn't always arrive with fireworks,

It comes guietly at first in the scent of something sweet in the kitchen,

in the sound of drawers being opened, dust being cleared, in the soft flicker of a diya waiting to be lit. It reminds us that light doesn't just arrive, we prepare for it. We make space for it.

Gratitude works the same way....

It doesn't shout. It whispers through an unexpected phone call, a shared laugh, a small kindness we didn't ask for but deeply needed.

And when we begin to notice those moments, something shifts.

The ordinary begins to glow.

This Diwali, Let's celebrate the vision that helps us notice the light, especially when things feel uncertain.

Gratitude isn't just a response, it's a quiet practice.

It softens what's harsh. It slows us down enough to see what's already good.

It reminds us that joy was never somewhere else it was always here,

in the quiet corners, waiting to be seen.

So light your lamps. Open your windows. Make space not just in your home, but in your heart.

And if you do one thing this Diwali, let it be this:

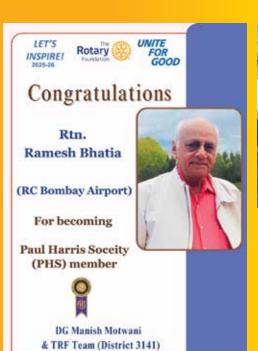
Notice the light you almost missed.

Wishing you love & light. Happy Diwali!

Meena Joshi - Editor



ACCOLADES & AWARDS



Rtn. Ramesh
Bhatia has become
a member of Paul
Harris Society.



PP Rtn Dr. Akshay Mehta - Major Donor



Club Sec. Rtn Manish Kothari -PHF+2



Rtn Sidharth Desai - PHF+8



Rtn Nina Bhatia - PHF+2



COMMUNITY SERVICES (MEDICAL) Director: Rtn. Dr. Yogini Sheth



A session on Awareness and Self - Examination of Breast Cancer for early detection at Maniben Nanavati College by PP Dr. Rajhu Sahetya.



CPR training for students at Chandulal Nanavati School Vile Parle (W) by PP Rtn Dr. Akshay Mehta.



CPR training workshop at Borivali firefighting station by PP Rtn Dr. Akshay Mehta.



55th AED installation & CPR training at Sewri station by PP Rtn Dr. Akshay Mehta.



Blood donation camp at Andheri station West Lead host : Rotary club of Bombay Airport.



Second AED machine installed at Arthur Road Prison.

COMMUNITY SERVICES -NON MEDICAL Director - Rtn. Nina Bhatia



Girls of the YWCA shelter home were sponsored Nursing Course.

YOUTH SERVICE II - INTERACT

Director - Rtn. Bijal Merchant & Chairperson Ann Dr. Urvi Kothari



CPR training of interact club students of Shri Chandulal Nanavati Vinay Mandir conducted by PP Rtn Dr. Akshay Mehta.



A session on "Good Touch Bad Touch" at KES Gujarati Medium School.



"Anti Tobacco Awareness" session for the students of BPM High School.



Aptitude written test for class 10 students for career guidance at KES School SSC.
Supported by Rtn Vishulalaji & Ann Punamji.



Session on Career Guidance at KES ICSE School.



A session on Artificial Intelligence by Rtn Ms Anjali Malviya at KES SSC school Khar.



Visit to old age home Jeevan Asha and girls orphanage by Parle Tilak Vidyalaya 10 th Std students.



Udaan - District Interact conference at Dinanath Mangeshkar Auditorium co hosted by Rotary Club of Bombay Airport.



Inspire knowledge Quest 25 at Hiranandani Foundation School Powai co- hosted by Rotary club of Bombay Airport.

Self - Defence and Personal Safety worshop at NSM School, Vile Parle (E)

YOUTH SERVICE I - ROTARACT Director - Rtn. Dr Ranjit Bhosale



14th Installation of Rotaract club of Maniben Nanavati College.



Public Image - Director Vaishali Paranjape: RCBA project featured in INSPIRE newspaper

Heartiest Congratulations



11th Installation Ceremony of Rotaract club of NMIMS SOC.





10th Installation of Rotaract Club of Thadomal Sahani Engineering College.



President Pragna Mehta & Secretary Manish Kothari at Inauguration of Maitreyi exhibition organised by Innerwheel club of Bombay Airport.















Versatile & Omni dimensional Bollywood celebrity Gul Panag.





Pre OCV meeting conducted by AG Vidhi Gupta.

MEMBERSHIP Vice President Rtn. Sandip Tarkas

AVENUE ENVIRONMENT Director - Rtn. Derrick Angelsz



Jaan Pehchan meet at the residence of Rtn Jagdish & Hema Vora conducted by PDG Bansi Dhurandhar.



Tree plantation drive at Palghar campus of Dandekar college.



FELLOWSHIP - NAVRATRI CELEBRATIONS Director - Rtn. Dhruti Shah

























KNOW YOUR FESTIVALS...

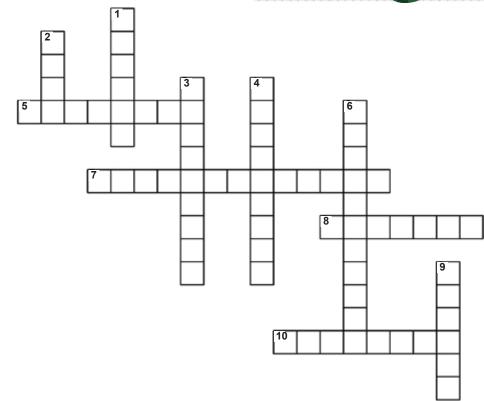


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- 5. The idols of Lord Jagannath Balabhadra and are taken out during the annual Rath Yatra in Puri (8)
- 7. He is credited with celebrating Ganesh Chaturthi as a public festival (8, 5)
- 8. The town where Lathmaar Holl is played
- 10. The mountain from which Ma Mahakali comes down to Earth to play garba during Navratri (8)

DOWN

- 1. The sport of Jallikattu is associated with this festival (6)
- 2. Rongali, Bhogali, and Kongali are the three types of this festival of the North East (4)
- 3. The Desert Festival is held annually in this city of Rajasthan (9)
- 4. The Madhavpur Mela in this town of Gujarat celebrates the journey of Krishna and Rukmini from Arunachal Pradesh to Guiarat for their nuptials (9)
- 6. The colours attributed to the nine forms of goddess during Navratri were nothing but a brilliant marketing gimmick by The _Times (11)
- 9. This is the famous feast served during the festival of Onam (6)



Celebrations in October

Birthdays

- 01 Mamta Sanwal
- 01 Meena Puri
- 01 Shobha Mandhana
- 02 Hema Vora
- 04 Neeta Dalal
- 04 Suchitra Nayak
- 06 Ram Harisingani
- **07 Rohit Chugani**
- 07 Sandeep Jhaveri
- 08 Pragna Mehta
- 08 Nafisa Thingna
- **10 Jasmine Mehta**
- 10 Neeli Ajmera
- 14 Paresh Maniar

- 15 Sumant Naik
- 15 Poonam Kalia
- 19 Rahul Timbadia
- 20 Rajesh Agrawal
- 21 Sanjiv Pant
- 22 Ramesh Gupta
- 22 Mona Patel
- 23 Rahul Patel
- 27 Priya Nebhwani
- 27 Ranjan Tarkas
- 29 Marise Colaco
- 30 Ranjit Bhosale

Anniversary

- 18 Sumant & Suchitra
- 21 Derrick & Alexandria Angelsz 19 Shachiin & Himadri
- 21 Mayoor & Roopa 21 Nitin & Harsha

Forthcoming events in the month of October

6th Oct : OCV Meeting 13th Oct: Diwali Fellowship 12th Oct : Mega Medical Camp 27th Oct: Speaker meeting



9- Sadhya 6- Maharashtra 4- Porbandar 3- Jaisalmer 1- Pongal nuig -z

10- Pavagadh 8 - Barsana

7 - Lokmanya tilak 2 - Subhadra **ACTOSS**