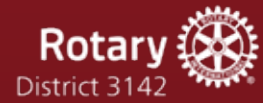




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# Beyond the Veil

## An Exclusive Sneak Peek

### Feedback Fuels Progress Your Voice! Our Action!

• Dear DG Dinesh,

I am now home. I am writing first to express my gratitude for the hospitality and kindness extended to me during your felicitation event. You had a good team dedicated to detail and I could see that every effort had gone into ensuring everything ran smoothly without a hitch

You gave me a wonderful aide in Prasad Tendulkar who took care of every little detail. It was good to meet with your family they all seemed level-headed and well-placed. I look forward to seeing you again sometime. Please keep me in the loop about the progress on all those commitments I listened to. All these commitments must be honored with integrity.

**Rgds. Ravi**

• Most Readable, informative, very attractive layout and display ! Congratulations !

**PDG Ulhas Kolhatkar 3142**

• Well compiled Easy to read Wide range of topics Crisp and clean no clutter of excessiveness

**- PDG Sunil Mehra 3141**

• Read the GML on Sunday. It's attractive. Has good content. DG's thoughts and his background well presented. Interesting article on Doll museum and from Kumar Deshpande . With other contents it's a well-balanced publication. Keep it up. Best wishes

**- PDG Dr Jayant Kulkarni 3141**

• Exhaustive! Exhilarating! Elegant! Exceptional! Exemplary! Exuberant!  
• Yet! AWESOME! Kudos to GML Editor Dr. Namrata Srivastav and her team for such a fabulous publication. I like the name RotaryTimes@3142! Looking forward to future editions

**- PDG Kailash Jethani**

• Great! Has a look of 'more than any professional magazine 'Tremendous hardwork and talent Congratulations

**- PP Madhav Baitule**

• Excellent GML. I simply wonder how could you gather all the information for a massive 52 page GML. A lot of praises for your untiring efforts, time and energy

**- Prem Kewalramani**

• "Congratulations to District publications team and especially Rtn Dr Namrataa Srivastav for a beautiful first issue of GML. The layout is well planned, graphics placement perfect, subjects covered wide and super content. What more can a reader ask for. I am circulating to my non Rotary friends. I am sure from next issue we will see more of projects done and wider variety of authors on various Rotary and non Rotary subjects"

**- PP Rajeev Karnik**

• Fantastic work! High quality and very informative... keep doing the great work

**-PP Kirtivasan RCT Northend**

• Awesome work Namrataa. It is very well written and designed and what I loved then most about it are the catchy headings. Each one is unique indeed. You have truly created magic with your first GML.

**- AP Sohini Dam**

• Wonderfully compiled

**- PP Brijesh Gupta**

• Outstanding work Rtn Bhagyashree Very nice. Great work by GML team Rtn Sanjay Superb !

**- AP Seema Khurana**

• And the magic begins! My heartfelt congratulations on the release of the first edition of our rotary bulletin. Your dedication and hard work in putting this together are truly commendable. The bulletin is not only informative but also beautifully crafted, reflecting the essence of our rotary community. Your attention to detail and creative touch have set a high standard, and I am excited to see how the bulletin will continue to evolve under your guidance. Thank you for your incredible effort and for bringing this vision to life

**- PP Neha Nimbalkar Principal Aide**

• Dear Editor Namrataa, I liked 3 things in the 1st edition of GML. 1. The layout and the soft colors. 2. The layout and the soft colors. 3. The layout and the soft colors... It stays with the reader till the last page. That puts a seal with the word 'Impressive' as an 'Intaglio' on the GML - easy for the eye to read and the mind to comprehend. Well done, Team GML

**-Dr Lucky S Kasat**

• Congratulations for the 1st issue of GML. Simply put, it is AWESOME. The attention to detail, the catchy phrases, the slick editing, et al. Kudos to you and the team

**-AP Prashant Patro**

• GML 24-25 presentation par Excellence

**-PP CM Bendre**

• Wow! Simply Awesome! One of the best GML editions I have ever read in the last 2 decades of my Rotary journey . Very High Quality Content, Wide spectrum coverage; Overall good reading. Normally, the average time taken for a first glance reading is about 10-12 minutes, but this edition took me 25 minutes and mesmerised me. It speaks all about the hard work put in by the editorial team. Kudos to you as Editorial In Charge...truly appreciate the excellent conceptualization, design lay out, the structuring , compilation and the lucid narration . Salute to you. With higher regards now, than before

**-Rtn.A. Ravindran**

• Namrataa .... Sometimes words are useless .....the GML is just !!!

**-PP Meenal Savashe**

• This has come out very well. Just one point, DG's page, in 4 way test, could be started with 'of things we think, say or do'. This indeed is an awesome GML. Congratulations!! Way to go

**-PP Sankar Mohan**

• Hey Namrataa, exhaustive coverage in an easy-to-read layout! Kudos to you and the team GML!!

**-PP Sunil Gwalani**

• Well-designed along with good presentation...Governor's Monthly Letter is an update from District Governor where he conveys the members about the projects carried out each month including important updates It's a matter of pride for every club to see their projects reflects in GML

*Don't miss this edition's stories - it's a heartwarming tale of leadership, Service, dedication, and the magic of fellowship that unfolds when Rotarians unite!*

This edition's cover story whisks you away to witness the essence of a Double Installation Extravaganza: A Night of Rotary Magic! RC Thane Lake City and Rotary District 3142 joined forces for a night of unforgettable celebration! the inductions of President Jagdish Chelaramani and District Governor Dinesh Mehta.

But this wasn't just a ceremony - it was a 12-hour whirlwind of triumph! Imagine: a room filled with Rotarians, the excitement buzzing in the air, and Past RI President KR Ravindran himself gracing the occasion as the Chief Guest.

Witness this momentous event through our captivating photo essay, capturing the essence of these new leaders taking the reins, spirit of collaborations and the celebratory atmosphere that solidified the vibrant camaraderie that binds the Rotary community together.

• Congratulations Dr. Namrataa & your Team for the awesome GML . I am really proud of for making it Digital so each & every member can read it and know that what activities are going on in OUR - Others District for the betterment of the society.. Once again very big Congratulations for your hard work and dedication. Wish YOU & Your Team All the best.. keep it up...

**--PP PRAKASH SHAH**

• Hello, Really Awesome GML. Really appreciate the hard work behind making such an informative and aesthetic GML, Looking forward to the upcoming Rotary Times. Thanks and Regards,

**Rtn Dr Vishal Karkamkar IPP**

• Hi Very good gml on design and words from leaders Regards,

**Rtn. Devendra Shah**

• Looks simply awesome and inviting to read..The layouts and content has excellent impact having editors impeccable style..Looking forward to read next issues..

**PP Girish Birud**

• Brilliant design and easy reading. Great job!

**PP Pushan Vaidya**

• Great reading. Well designed. Congratulations to GML team

**PP Devendra Tomar**

• Nice n innovative presentation

**D Musale Online Prints**

• Superb! Very beautifully presented n lots of information.

**-Rtn Veena Chandavarkar**

• Fantastic job Namrata, you have made all of us very proud.

**PP Vijay Shetty**

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# Editor's Musings

## Unveiling Magical July

# Karma to Growth

*A Season of Service Blooms  
in Rotary Leadership Month*

We mentioned karma resonating with **"What Goes Around Comes Around,"** and wouldn't you know it, that virtuous cycle has opened into a whole season of growth and service!

### Greetings, fellow Rotarians!

July arrives, heralding the heart of summer in the Northern Hemisphere and the depths of winter in the South. Regardless of your geographic location, this month embodies a spirit of growth, transformation, and inner exploration.

We delve into the rich history of **July**, named after the illustrious Julius Caesar. We explore the symbolism associated with the month's fiery birthstone, the **Ruby**, known to **Inspire Motivation** and **Courage**.

As you turn the pages, **Get ready to be inspired!**

These pages are packed with stories that celebrate the power of service and leadership within our district. Witness the impact of **Meaningful MOUs** with government and dependable organizations, tackling issues from **sustainable Nutrition** to **Mental Health, Environmental Protection** to **Water Conservation**, and **Vaccination Drives** to **E-Tech Empowerment**.

We will showcase our newly minted **'Leaders In Action!'** and shine a light on the remarkable achievements of our dedicated members.

This edition is not just about sharing past victories, it is a call to Action! marks not just the start of July, but the **"Awesome Beginning"** of our year.

Let us embrace July's spirit!

A Time of **Abundance & Illumination!** to further manifest the Optimistic **Impression of Rotary** in our communities.

Peek Inside! For **Crab-tastic** vibes for a season of leadership & growth!

Warmly,

*Namrataa*

Fuel your creativity with... Namrataa  
#RotaryTimes@3142 GML Editor 24-25

*Together, we can continue to make a difference, One Act Of Service Above Self! At A Time.*



Errata: "This edition incorporates minor corrections from the previous edition. (Page 04-Top right) new Rotary International Governor, Dinesh Mehta, and his wife Jyoti. We sincerely apologize for any inconvenience these errors may have caused."

# Taking Action

## RI President's Roadmap for a Thriving Rotary Year

### Dear Rotary Member,

As we embark on a new year of service and fellowship, I want to emphasize the importance of a fulfilling club experience. Rotary thrives on the connections we forge within our clubs. Just as my own club experience fostered a sense of belonging and purpose, I believe this holds true for all members.

### **"Make Rotary simply irresistible"- urged RIP Stephanie A. Urchick**

"This year, prioritize creating a truly engaging and welcoming environment for every member. Collaborative efforts are key. talk openly with leaders, share your Rotary goals, and work together." she also recommends Member surveys to understand needs and improve the club experience and encourages us to Invest in our Rotary journey by delving into the wealth of resources designed to enhance your Rotary experience resources and enriching your membership.

### **"Find strength in diversity"- emphasised RIP Stephanie A. Urchick.**

## **S**trengthening Your Rotary Experience & Making a Global Impact:

### *A Message from Rotary International President*

"A tapestry woven from varied threads is far stronger than one of a single color" underlines RIP. 'Historically, many of us have joined Rotary through friends with similar backgrounds. Broaden your horizons! extend invitations to individuals from all walks of life, those with diverse experiences and perspectives who share our passion for service.'

### **"Join the effort to end polio now"-advocates RIP Stephanie A.Urchick**

"Rotary's fight to eradicate polio remains a top priority. You can be a part of this historic achievement! Consider joining or initiating a PolioPlus Society in your club. Donations are generously matched by the Gates Foundation, significantly amplifying your impact. Raising awareness within your community through events or projects is another powerful way to contribute."

- RI President

**Visit:** [endpolio.org](http://endpolio.org) to access resources and information to champion the fight against polio.

### **"Build peace across the world"- insists Urchick**

cornerstone of Rotary's mission. Consider enrolling in the Rotary Positive Peace Academy or advocating for your district to become a Global Peacebuilder District. Rotary invites you to their February peace conference in Istanbul! Join Rotary's Istanbul Peace Conference in February! Learn how to heal divisions & make a difference.'

You are the spark that ignites this magic, This year, Take Action! Engage with your club, explore the resources available, and embrace the opportunity to build a more peaceful and vibrant world. Together, we possess the power to achieve remarkable things.

In essence, RIP Stephanie, emphasizes the power of collaboration between Rotarians and community leaders in tackling challenges and transforming lives. She sees you, the member, as the spark that ignites this magic.

Her message serves as a call to action, urging you to engage with your club, explore available resources, and embrace the opportunity to build a more peaceful and vibrant world.

### **Together, Urchick, believes, we possess the power to achieve remarkable things.**

*"When I was growing up, I had a mantra and still have it, that lie is always more exciting on the other side of Yes, Say YES ! and just figure it out. As it is legal." declared Stephanie brimming with confidence*

*Stephanie A. Urchick*

Stephanie A. Urchick  
Rotary International President 2024-25

#RIPresident\_VOICE

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# 'A United Vision for District 3142

A Message from Your District Governor'

## Baton Charged, Hearts Fired UP

*Let's Make Magic in District 3142!*

**A huge DG high five to each of you!**

**Congratulations and a heartfelt welcome aboard! !**

We have acceded the baton, and July's blank canvas is our runway.

This buffer time is pure leadership rocket fuel. It is a prime opportunity coming to us from our predecessors to ignite the race of progress, a force of action, guided by the incredible Karma of Rotary.

Remember, as leaders, we wield the power of the three **T's: Talent, Time, and Treasure**. We must leverage these resources with calm focus, staying true to the guiding light of the Four-Way Test. Every decision, every action, should be measured against its truth, fairness, ability to build goodwill and friendships, and ultimate benefit for all

Never lose sight of the Objects of Rotary they serve as the bedrock of our endeavors 'We foster connections, champion ethical practices in business and professions, actively serve our communities, and most importantly, cultivate international understanding, goodwill, and peace.'

***Ours is the Mission 'that unites us' and it aligns with our shared Vision 'a world where individuals come together to create lasting change, on a global scale, within our communities, and within ourselves.'***

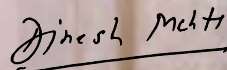
It is now the Time to demonstrate The Magic of Rotary! Infuse actions with our Core Values '**Service, Fellowship, Diversity, Integrity, and Leadership.**'

The combined force of our 114+ clubs presents a powerful engine for positive change. This unwavering commitment fuels our fight against hunger, our pursuit to conquer polio, and our dedication to embodying Rotary's guiding principle: '**Service Above Self**', empowered by the Five Avenues of Service '**Club, Vocational, Community, International, and Youth**', we are poised to make a demonstrably positive impact.

Join me in advancing Rotary's mission to create a better world by aligning with President Stephanie Urchick's vision "**Together, harness our creativity and make a lasting impact.**' **This is the essence of Rotary, taking action! to make this world a happy place to live!**"  
- Rotary International President Stephanie Urchick!

This month is ours, leaders. Let's make it legendary!

With Rotary Spirit,



Dinesh Mehta  
District Governor, RID 3142

***Charged batons, hearts ablaze,  
District 3142 in a maze  
Let's weave magic,  
strong and true,  
Dreams accomplished,  
just me and you  
...savi***



# Reflections from the First Lady

## A Song Close to Her Heart

Dearest Family of Rotary,

**Sat Sri Akal! Waheguru Ji Ka Khalsa,  
Waheguru Ji Ki Fateh!**

As the First Lady of Rotary International District 3142, I stand before you today, not only with immense excitement but also with a profound sense of purpose. We are embarking on a remarkable journey, one that will empower us to make a tangible difference in the lives of others.

### Our Mission

Expanding Our Lifesaving Network  
At the heart of this initiative lies the crucial skill of CPR, or Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation, and its advanced counterpart, COLS, or Cardiopulmonary Out-of-Hospital Life Support. These life-saving techniques hold the power to restart a stopped heart and provide critical support until medical assistance arrives.

Remember, "जान है तो जहान है!"  
(There is life, there is the world!).

A single breath, a single push can be the bridge between life and loss. We must not wait for someone else to step in. We have the power to be the heroes, the difference-makers. Empowering Our Community With this vision in mind, I am thrilled to announce a comprehensive **Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) & Cardiopulmonary Out-of-Hospital Life Support (COLS)** training program.

This initiative aims to equip individuals from all walks of life with the skills and confidence to respond effectively in emergency situations.

No prior medical experience is necessary. The program will focus on evidence-based, easily-learned

techniques that can be readily applied in a variety of settings.

Imagine becoming the hero of your own neighborhood! This training program empowers us all to become potential lifesavers.

### A Call to Action

I eagerly anticipate joining each and every training session that will be organized.

Furthermore, I extend my deepest gratitude to every club that takes the initiative to host these programs and empowers its members

This is a small token of my appreciation for your unwavering commitment to saving lives.

**With heartfelt commitment,**

**Jyoti Mehta**  
First Lady RID 3142

*Together, let us strengthen our  
community, one beat at a time!  
One person can save a life,  
but together, we can save  
countless lives*

## A Song of Womanhood'

*Woman, a whisper, a world untold,  
A tapestry woven, brave and bold.  
She walks in grace, a heart of fire, Mother,  
daughter, sister, with endless desire.  
Her eyes, a well of love profound, In gentle  
touch, true solace found.  
She builds a home, a nurturing nest,  
A haven of comfort, where souls find rest.  
Wife and friend, a loyal soul,  
Standing by her side, making her whole.  
But wait, there's more, a spirit that won't be  
tamed,  
A burning ambition, a name to be claimed.  
The doctor, the artist, the teacher, the guide,  
She shatters the mould, with nothing to  
hide.  
A symphony of talents, a chorus so grand,  
The woman who conquers, by heart and by  
hand.  
Blessed are those, in her circle they stand,  
Loved by a mother, held by a friend's hand.  
Sisterhood's solace, a wife's tender touch,  
Woman, the essence, we love oh so much.  
So raise a glass, to the altars we see,  
The woman, the wonder, forever she'll  
be...savi*





# Inner Wheel: a Circle Strong

Empowers Women, Righting Wrong!



*“Inner Wheel is more than just a women's organization; it's a powerful international network dedicated to fostering positive change for women and children worldwide. Their mission is clear: to leverage the dedication and compassion of their members to create and support initiatives that enhance lives”*

Inner Wheel's strength lies in its global reach. Members across the globe volunteer their time and expertise, transforming local action into impactful change. By working together, Inner Wheel members create a ripple effect of positive change. They empower women, nurture children, and foster stronger communities, one project at a time.



## Inner Wheel District 314 Ushers in New Leadership

Inner Wheel District 314 marked a significant transition on June 12th, 2024, with the District Assembly & Manipura held at the Nehru Centre Auditorium, Worli.

This esteemed gathering witnessed the installation ceremony of the District Chairman 2024-25, Prerana Raichur, along with her District Executive Committee Members, Project

Chairmen, and their coordinators. The event drew over 608 Inner Wheel members, signifying a strong and united District.

Adding to the occasion's prestige were the esteemed guests: District Governors for 2024-25 from Districts 3141 Rtn. Chetan & First Lady Jwala Desai and 3142 Rtn. Dinesh & First Lady Jyoti Mehta. They extended their warm congratulations to DC Prerana, as she assumed the leadership of Inner Wheel District 314.

This ceremony marks a new chapter for Inner Wheel District 314, and with a dedicated team at the helm, the organization is poised to continue its impactful work in the year ahead.

## Inner Wheel Celebrates 101 Years with a Forest Full of Thanks!

Inner Wheel District 314 marked a To kick off their 101st year, Inner Wheel District 314 did something amazing! They held a tree plantation ceremony at their very own Inner Wheel Forest in Kandivali.

District Chairman Prerana Raichur even sponsored 54 trees as a special tribute to all the past District Chairmen of District 314. It was a fantastic way to celebrate the organization's history while giving back to the environment.

The event was a big deal, with the District Chairman herself inaugurating the project alongside the District Executive Committee, Past District Chairs, and many Inner Wheel members.

But the real hero here is Past District Chair Himadri Nanavati and her team along with Nusrat and Rtn. Afzal. For the past 10 years, they have been championing the development and maintenance of this incredible forest.

Thanks to her dedication, the Inner Wheel Forest is now home to over 17,000 trees and counting!



And guess what? Inner Wheel isn't stopping there. They're committed to keeping this forest thriving year after year, adding even more trees to this vibrant green space in the heart of the city. Now that's something to celebrate!

# In Recognition of PRIP KR Ravindran

A Verse For! Insights From!

## *A Rotarian, inspired by PRIP's address, began writing a poem.*

*A delightful anecdote emerged during the recent visit of our esteemed District Guest, PRIP Ravindran, As his words of wisdom resonated with the audience, one Rotarian, captivated everyone by composing a poem in real-time, a rhyming tribute to the Chief Guest's message. This heartwarming gesture exemplified the true spirit of Rotary – a spirit of active listening, thoughtful engagement, and creative expression.*

## *PP Milind Ballal...(quoted)*

*A few thoughts that I scribbled as I was witnessing DG Dinesh's installation and hearing the 'straight from the heart' feelings of PRIP respected Ravindran sir.*

*His voice choked  
Tears in the eyes of few  
Has 'that' Rotary that he spoke  
Lost in the milieu ?*

*Restless in their seats  
Rotarians questioned themselves  
Has the good old four way test  
Become a thing of past ?*

*Physically there, wondered my mind  
Mutely watching the show and protocol  
Has the sacred service above self  
Simply forgotten or faced a heavy toll ?*

*Bouquets changed hand, fragrance lost  
Gifts glittering made a quick round  
As bubbles endless bursted from the mike  
Praises galore and trophies abound*

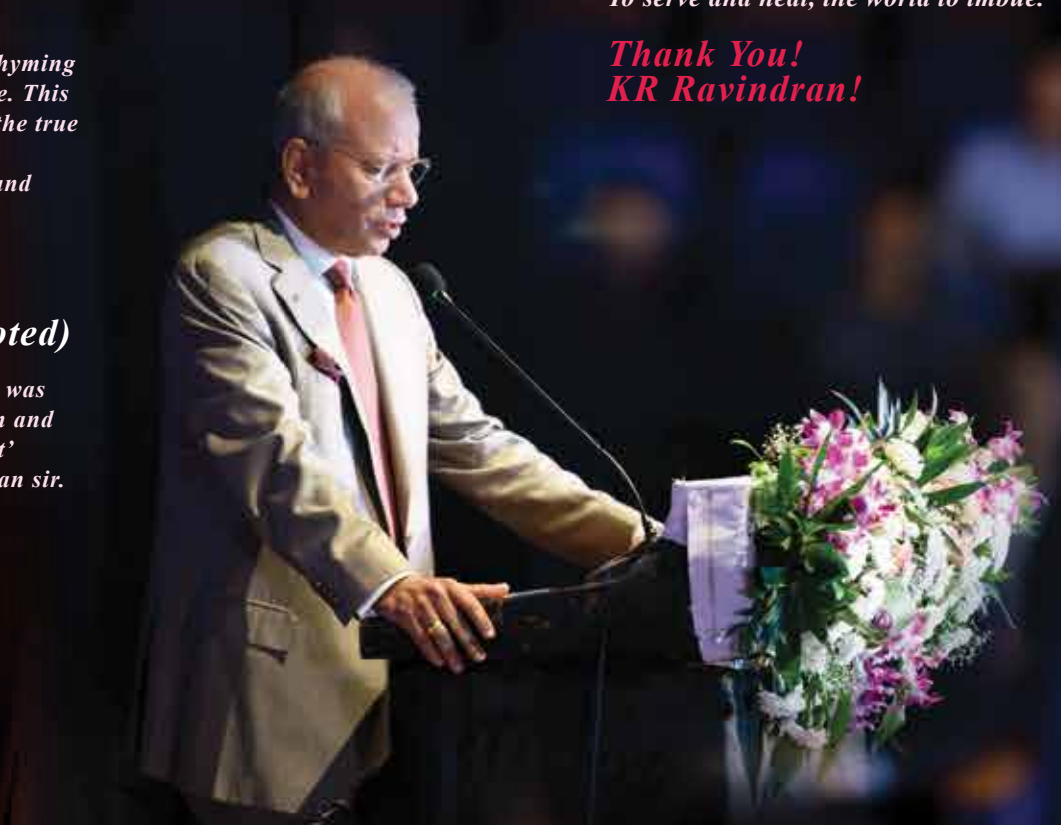
*Hopeless may have felt many  
Meaningless may have said many  
True Rotarians however still believed  
Hope is the answer if at all any*

*Inspired by HIM' Rotarians stepped out  
Possessed they were and fully charged  
Armed with an invisible wand in the hand  
Determined to CREATE the world as  
MAGIC land!*

*@ PP Milind Ballal  
RC Thane Midtown*

**W**ith grateful hearts,  
we raise a toast, to PRIP Ravindran,  
humanity's host.  
His words ignite, a guiding light,  
To live as one, to do what's right.  
For true humanity requires its share,  
Of actions kind, a burden to bear.  
Inspired by him, we rise a new,  
To serve and heal, the world to imbue.

**Thank You!  
KR Ravindran!**



## *PRIP's reply?*

*Hello Milind!  
I am deeply touched by the beautiful poem you wrote following my remarks at the DG installation in Thane. Your words are profound, moving, and linguistically rejuvenating, capturing the essence of the occasion with such elegance and insight. Few could write like this.*

*Some of the lines you have crafted resonate deeply with me. You are right that such thoughts about the very relevance of our movement do run in the minds of some because, at times, we forget the woods for the trees.*

*If, as you say, my words did inspire such a heartfelt response, I am pleased. At least I know one person (you) appreciated the contents of my address! I rarely receive such a poetic compliment! Your poem reflects the emotions of the moment and the enduring spirit of Rotary and its commitment to service above self.*

*Thank you for sharing your talent and your heart with me. Your poem will remain a cherished reminder of that special event and the impact we can have through our words and actions.*

# Parliamentary Praise

## Hon.MP Naresh Maske Lauds Rotary's Service-Driven Approach

The Rotary District's 314 installation ceremony was imbued with a spirit of synergy and promise as esteemed Member of Parliament, (MP) Shri Naresh Maske, graced the occasion.

His presence served as a source of immense pride and privilege for the club.

Following the event, MP Shri Naresh Maske, took to his social media platform, sharing a glowing review of his experience, expressing positive and synergistic feedback about Rotary's mission and impact.

This exchange highlights the potential for collaboration between Rotary and esteemed officials in serving the community.

“सामाजिक उपक्रमांना प्रचंड प्रमाणात आर्थिक पाठबळ देणारी संस्था म्हणजे रोटरी क्लब! आजमितीस ठाणे जिल्ह्यात जे सामाजिक उपक्रम चालतात त्यातल्या 50 ते 60% उपक्रमांना तरी रोटरी क्लब ची आर्थिक मदत होत असेल. विविध क्षेत्रातल्या विविध गोष्टींसाठीच्या सामाजिक उपक्रमांमध्ये रोटरी क्लबचा फार मोठा सहभाग असतो त्यामुळेच सरकारी यंत्रणा जिथे पोहोचू शकत नाही तिथल्या कामांना आर्थिक पाठबळ आणि गती रोटरी क्लब मुळे मिळते. अशा या रोटरी क्लबचे आणि माझे जुने ऋणानुबंध आहेत. आज रोटरी क्लबच्या ठाणे जिल्हा गव्हर्नर रोटरियन श्री दिनेश मेहता यांच्या पदग्रहणाचा समारंभ काशिनाथ घाणेकर नाट्यगृहाच्या मुख्य

सभागृहात पार पडला. 2024-25 साठी ची ही नियुक्ती असून या कार्यक्रमाला रोटरी इंटरनॅशनलचे माजी अध्यक्ष श्रीलंकेतील रोटरियन के. आर. रवींद्रन हे सुद्धा उपस्थित होते.

मी खासदार झाल्याबद्दल रोटरी क्लब ने माझा सत्कार केला परंतु, खरं म्हणजे, माझ्यासाठी तो आभाराचा कार्यक्रम होता...कारण, रोटरी क्लबच्या सर्व मॅंबर्सनी निवडणुकीदरम्यान घरोघर जाऊन, वैयक्तिक स्तरावर आणि रोटरी क्लब म्हणून माझा प्रचारही केला. मतदानासाठी लोकांना आवाहन केलं, मतदानासाठी त्यांना बाहेर काढलं आणि त्यामुळेच मी इतक्या प्रचंड मताधिक्याने निवडून येऊ शकलो.

माझ्या लोकसभा क्षेत्रातल्या या साऱ्या लोकांचं प्रेम पाहून मला गहिवरून येत... हे ऋणानुबंध कायम असेच राहतील. हा नरेश म्हस्के या सगळ्या लोकांसाठी कायम उपलब्ध होता, आहे आणि यापुढेही राहील.

ठाणे लोकसभा क्षेत्रातल्या विविध सामाजिक उपक्रमांमध्ये रोटरी क्लबने असाच सदैव पुढाकार घ्यावा आणि त्या उपक्रमांना सहकार्य करावे अशी विनंती करत, माझ्याकडून काहीही मदत लागली तरी कधीही मला आवाज द्या मी उपलब्ध असेन असा शब्द सगळ्या रोटरीयन्स ना याप्रसंगी दिला.” - MP Shri Naresh Maske



# A Pictorial Look

The Day Rotary Club of Lake City Became Awesome

## A Symphony of Light

*Floodlights Bathe The Grand Stage In A Warm Glow, Casting A Vibrant Tapestry Of Colours Across The Expectant Faces Of The Rotary Club Of Lake City.*



### The Resonant Gong

A gong & gavel signifying the official start of a new era for the Rotary Club.

### Transfer of Authority



### The Magic Shines

The Lamp Of Rotary, Radiating Warmth And Purpose, Bathes The Installation Ceremony In Its Benevolent Light, Guiding The Formal Handover Process.



### A Toast to Success

A celebratory toast raises spirits high, marking the beginning of an awesome year for the Rotary Club of Lake City

### Excitement Cracked

In The Grand Auditorium. A Gleaming Gold And Blue Collar A Single Gong Echo, Awaited Its New Custodian...marking The Official Handover  
Excellent Club President Dr. Raviraj Ahirrao, His Palm On His Heart A Symbol Of Past Service, Took The Stage.



Club Full Legacy of Service!  
Past leaders and dignitaries bless the Incoming President and his team.

# A District Governor's Commentary

A Must-See Installation Unveiled

## A Hush Descend

A reverent silence falls over the gathering as all eyes fixate on CG DG Dinesh, Excellent Club President Raviraj, Club Secretary Hemali, Awesome President Jagdish, AG Supriya and Club Secretary Ashish the formal looks symbolising leadership, taking center stage with a meticulously polished, gold framed Charter gleaming in their hand.



## A Handshake for History

The outgoing club President Raviraj and the incoming club President Jagdish clasp hands in a symbolic gesture, marking the official transition of leadership.



Awesome Club First Lady Vinita Excellent support First Lady Dr Manjushree



CG DG Dinesh, Excellent Club President Raviraj, Club Secretary Hemali, Awesome President Jagdish, AG Supriya and Club Secretary Ashish



## Charting the Course

Board of Directors outlines strategic Membership goals! strengthening Rotary Foundation and PR in Public Image!



Rotarians Family connect, sharing camaraderie and a sense of purpose



*Savour these moments, knowing there is more to come...Patience is a virtue, and the best is yet to be...*  
Team #RT@3142 GML 2024-25



**Empowering Communication** "The Voice of the Club," is unveiled. Charter gleaming in their hand.



Special moments of guidance shared with PRIP KR Ravindran



## Blessings Bestowed

The Member! Past President! District Governor 24-25, a model of experience, and the esteemed Chief Guest for Club Installation Dinesh Mehta share a moment of blessing and support with the incoming President, IPP and club members and family.



## Leading with Excellence

Outgoing President Raviraj Ahirrao and Club Secretary Hemali Shah, Incoming President Jagdish and Club Secretary Ashish stand proudly amidst this grandeur, promising to continue bringing honours and leading THE Rotary Club of Lake City to Awesomeness!



## A Team United

The newly installed President and his team stand united, their faces alight with determination and ready to embark on a year of service and fellowship.



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**Clang!** A ceremonial gavel pounds the podium, echoing through the grand hall. A vibrant Rotary flag unfurls, its colours swirling with a touch of magic. A gong booms, a resonant chime that signals a new beginning.



**Collars**, polished to a gleaming shine, are donned with pride. Each one a badge of honor, a symbol of the fellowship that binds them together. This is not just any gathering; it's the start of a momentous year - a Rotary Renaissance!



The past year has been Excellent, a whirlwind of challenges were well accomplished. But today, Magic! takes center stage. The energy in the room crackles with anticipation. As the pages of the calendar turn, a collective spirit of revival takes hold.

This is more than just a rotary meeting; it's a promise. A promise to weave 365 days of vibrant experiences, a tapestry rich with fellowship and service. Each day, a new thread will be added, a memory meticulously crafted to be cherished forever.

**Action!** Let the year of the Rotary Renaissance begin! Let the stories unfold, the laughter echo, and the bonds of friendship strengthen. Let this be a year where service takes precedence, where hands join to uplift the community, and hearts unite to make a difference.

This year, Rotary will not just exist; it will thrive. It will be a beacon of hope, a testament to the power of collective action. As the sun sets on this day, casting long shadows of promise, one thing is certain: the next 365 days will be unforgettably Awesome.

The clock struck twelve on June 30th, 2024, and Rotary District 3142 witnessed a magical transformation! Rtn.Dinesh Mehta wasn't just changing the date, he was taking the reins as District Governor.

The official "Changing of the Guard" ceremony wasn't just any meeting, it was a celebration! Held on July 7th at the Kashinath Ghanekar Auditorium in Thane, the excitement crackled in the air. The guest of honor? None other than Past Rotary International President K R Ravindran himself, who flew all the way from Colombo to add a touch of international sparkle to the night.



Get ready for a year of incredible things under Dinesh Mehta's leadership, District 3142! This is just the beginning of the adventure.



A R Rahman's stirring paean of praise " Azeem-o-Shaan Shahen Shah" fills the air! welcoming P.R.I.P. Ravindran walk into the auditorium, Talk about a grand entrance. They rolled out the red carpet (or should we say, red velvet?) for Ravindran, escorting him to his seat with Rahman's epic music setting the mood.



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The ceremony opened with a display of international unity, featuring both the Indian and Sri Lankan national anthems. Following tradition, a lamp lighting ceremony invoked divine blessings for a flawless event. This momentous occasion was marked by the participation of esteemed guests, including Chief Guest K R Ravindran, Past District Governor Milind Kulkarni and his wife Madhavi, and newly appointed District Governor Dinesh Mehta with his wife Jyoti.



The ceremony began with welcoming remarks from Jagdish Chelaramani, President of the Rotary Club of Thane Lake City. He addressed dignitaries, invitees, and fellow Rotarians in attendance.



Following the welcome, District Secretary Sangram Joshi assumed the role of Master of Ceremonies. He presented an audio visual introduction highlighting the accomplishments of Past District Governor Milind Kulkarni before inviting him to deliver his address to the audience.



A dance troupe's lively Ganesh Vandana invoked blessings and wowed the crowd. Jagdish Chelaramani, President of the Rotary Club of Thane Lake City, welcomed everyone. Master of Ceremonies Sangram Joshi then introduced Past District Governor Milind Kulkarni with a video tribute.

The ceremony commenced with a propitious invocation to Lord Ganesha, the remover of obstacles, seeking his blessings for a smooth and successful event. This was followed by a captivating performance of a Ganesh Vandana by a talented dance troupe. The performance showcased their energy, grace, and well-rehearsed choreography, setting a positive and auspicious tone for the evening.



The Ceremonial , "Handing over Ceremony" as per established Rotary Protocol, followed

Following the presentation, District Governor Dinesh extended a warm welcome to a distinguished audience. Notably, this included Past Rotary International President K R Ravindran, esteemed Rotarians from both Districts 3141 and 3142, the Inner Wheel Chairperson, the District Rotaract Representative, his core team members, Joint District Secretaries, Assistant Governors, Assistant Learning Facilitators, Avenue Chairs, and all District Officers for the upcoming year (2024-2025).



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Additionally, he welcomed all 114 Club Presidents, members of the host club, his wife Jyoti and their children, and representatives from esteemed organizations like the Mahavir Jain Trust, What's Next, IWILL GITA, and Parveen Industries, along with his esteemed personal guests.

In extending his welcome, District Governor Dinesh Mehta also acknowledged the presence of a distinguished esteemed Mahendra Jain form Mahavir Jain Trust, Raj Verma, Anuraag Srivastav and Aditya Kala from What's Next, Shipra Davar from IWILL GITA, and Parveen Industries (our valued Corporate Social Responsibility Partner), represented by Mr. Prakash Mittal and Amit Shah. Additionally, he recognized the presence of his personal guests, including Mr. Madhu Verma, Mr. Shekhar Ahluwalia, Mr. Virender Singh, Mr. Ravinder Singh, and Mr. Dhananjay Singh.

District Governor Dinesh Mehta commenced his address by acknowledging the exemplary leadership of Past District Governor Milind Kulkarni during the 2023-2024 Rotary year. In a traditional Indian gesture of appreciation, he presented Kulkarni and his wife Madhavi with a memento on behalf of the entire district.



PRIP KR Ravindran & DG Dinesh Mehta

Dinesh, then expressed his sincere gratitude to Past Rotary International President K R Ravindran for accepting his invitation to grace the occasion and for sharing his renowned oratory skills to motivate the Rotarians present.

He felt blessed, he stated, to be elected unopposed, to serve as District Governor 24-25 and promised to strive hard to fulfil all the expectations that we had from him as District Governor. To paraphrase the Spider Man quote, he thought, his being elevated to the exalted position of District Leadership was a Divine Gift but realised that with "Great Gift comes Great Responsibility".



DG Dinesh & Jyoti Mehta | IPDG Milind & Madhavi Kulkarni



Dinesh, then introduced the Members of his CORE TEAM





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District Governor Mehta then shared a thought-provoking anecdote from Vishnu Sharma's classic, the Panchatantra. The tale centered around two competitive friends, an elephant and a monkey, who constantly debated their superior qualities. The elephant boasted of his immense size and strength, while the monkey countered with his exceptional agility. Seeking an impartial judgment, they approached a wise owl.

The owl, renowned for his wisdom, presented them with a unique challenge. He declared that the one who could retrieve a coveted fruit hanging high on a tree across a powerful river would be deemed the victor. This challenge posed a dilemma. The strong current rendered the river unnavigable for the monkey, while the fruit remained beyond the elephant's reach due to its height.

In a display of remarkable cooperation, the elephant offered the monkey a ride across the river on his back. Once on the opposite bank, the monkey, leveraging his agility, effortlessly climbed the tree and secured the fruit.

Witnessing this act of collaboration, the owl sagely proclaimed, "Each of us possesses unique and undeniable strengths. While these strengths may seem limited individually, when combined, they become a formidable force, much like the unified fingers of a hand." Through this compelling narrative, District Governor Mehta underscored the paramount importance of teamwork within Rotary. Every member contributes a distinct set of abilities, and by working collaboratively, they can achieve remarkable goals and maximize their collective impact.

*In consonance with Martin Luther King's famous speech on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial, "I have a Dream", he outlined his dreams on the Kashinath Ghanekar Stage. The Dream is about Thinking BIG, The Dream encompassed making preparations to cater to the last detail and providing a Huge Canvas for every Club and every Rotarians to participate in*

District Governor Mehta unveiled a massive service plan for Rotary's 75th anniversary year, 2025. He outlined 32 projects, including eight mega projects, a CPR training program led by First Lady Jyoti, and special "Amrit Mahotsav Challenges" to mark India's 75th Republic anniversary. This ambitious plan showcases Rotary District 3142's commitment to impactful community service.

In a display of enthusiastic leadership, District Governor Mehta highlighted two significant accomplishments within the district's first week. The "Annapurna Divas" program, celebrating the Hindu goddess of food and nourishment, saw all district clubs distribute meals to those in need. He commended Joint District Secretary Resham Thanekar, the Avenue Co-Chairs, and all Club Presidents for their vital role in this successful initiative.

Further exemplifying the power of Rotary collaboration, Mehta announced a unique partnership. The Rotary Clubs of Thane Lake City, Thane Green City, and Bangalore, in conjunction with the Thane Municipal Corporation and a CSR grant from Goldman Sachs, signed an MOU to establish TECH LABS in 22 municipal schools. This commendable Rs 1.6 crore project will equip the schools with 200 computers and provide necessary teacher training. The official inauguration is scheduled for July 27th, 2024. This collaborative effort serves as a prime example of Rotary's ability to leverage resources and create impactful change within communities.

The ceremony continued with exciting announcements about partnerships between Rotary and esteemed partner organizations. The first collaboration involved Rotary District 3142 and "What's Next." This partnership will focus on vaccinating girls between 9 and 14 to prevent cervical cancer. The Rotary Club of Thane Hills already has experience with this project, thanks to a generous CSR grant from Mrs. Rajshree Birla. This new partnership will undoubtedly expand the program's reach and impact.

District Governor Mehta announced a partnership with What's Next to vaccinate girls against cervical cancer. Building on the success of the Rotary Club of Thane Hills' program, this initiative aims to reach more girls across the district. Aditya Kale and Anurag Srivastav from What's Next joined the signing ceremony. The program runs from September 8th to March 8th, 2025, with Rotary clubs helping target schools



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A second memorandum of understanding (MOU) was established with the thane municipal corporation (TMC) for the purpose of creating and operating a dedicated skill development centre. The TMC will contribute 4,000 square feet of space to this initiative, encompassing an auditorium, a conference room, and two training facilities. In recognition of this significant collaboration, the signing ceremony included Neha Nimbalkar (chief co-ordinator mega projects), Hrishikesh Dole (DC Mega projects), Prasad Tendulkar (DGCS CSR grants), and the esteemed club presidents: Prashant Patro (Thane Green City), Medha Joshi (Thane North), and Jagdish Chelaramani (thane lake city), alongside a representative from the thane municipal corporation.



Manish Joshi, Deputy Commissioner (TMC), Jagdish Chelaramani (RCT Lake City), IPDG Milind Kulkarni, PRIP KR Ravindran, Thane Collector Mr. Ashok Shingare, Chief Secretary of Maharashtra Sujata Saunik, Sachin Bhole (Avenue Chair), and Sonal Bangde, President (RCT Premium), First Lady Jyoti Mehta & Madhavi Kulkarni, CEO Shipra Dawar, I WILL GITA

On the 9th of September 2022, In furtherance of the national Pradhan Mantri TB Mukta Bharat Abhiyan (PMTBMBA) campaign launched by the President of India on September 9, 2022, the District signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Thane Municipal Corporation (TMC) to contribute to the TB eradication effort. This partnership positions the District as a NIKSHAY Mitra, aligning with the program's objective of providing comprehensive support to tuberculosis (TB) patients and their families. "NIKSHAY" itself is a meaningful acronym derived from "NI" (end) and "KSHAY" (TB), signifying the program's aim to eliminate the disease.

Recognizing the crucial role of adequate nutrition in successful TB treatment, the MoU outlines a plan to provide nutritional support packages valued at Rs. 2,500 each to a targeted group of 1,500 patients. This collaborative effort demonstrates the District's commitment to public health and aligns with PMTBMA's vision of a TB-free India. To acknowledge this significant partnership, key representatives were invited to the signing ceremony, including Manish Joshi, Deputy Commissioner (TMC), Sachin Bhole (Avenue Chair), and Sonal Bangde, President (Rotary Club of Thane Premium).



Thane Collector Mr. Ashok Shingare, IPDG Milind Kulkarni, PRIP KR Ravindran, Chief Secretary of Maharashtra Sujata Saunik, Anurag Srivastav from What's Next, FL Jyoti & FL Madhavi



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In a significant step towards mental health awareness, Rotary District 3142 partnered with IWILL GITA, the world's first controlled Generative AI model for mental well-being. This innovative app, led by founder and CEO SHIPRA DAWAR, utilizes active listening technology to understand users' concerns, emotions, and sentiment. Through personalized responses and empathetic engagement, IWILL GITA empowers individuals experiencing mild mental health issues. Dinesh, the District leader, invited Shipra Dawar, CEO of IWILL GITA, and Pushan Vaidya, Avenue Chair, on stage to acknowledge this impactful MoU signing. This collaboration signifies Rotary's commitment to leveraging technology for positive social change and promoting mental well-being within the community.

Jagdish Chelaramani (RCT Lake City), IPDG Milind Kulkarni, PRIP KR Ravindran, Thane Collector Mr. Ashok Shingare, Chief Secretary of Maharashtra Sujata Saunik, District Governor Manish Ladge of Lions District 3132-A2, Hemant Jagtap, and President Sonal Bangde (RCT Premium), First Lady Jyoti Mehta, Radhika Gupte (RC Dombivli East), and Madhavi Kharote (RC Thane Uptown) FL Madhavi Kulkarni, CEO Shipra Dawar, I WILL GITA.

Rotary District 3142 partnered with Lions District 3231-A2 on a water conservation project to construct 50 check dams. The project, with a budget of Rs. 5 crore, will be funded equally by both organizations. The Rotary Club of Thane Premium will oversee execution, with Hemant Jagtap, the "Water Man" of RI District 3142, serving as lead executor. To commemorate the MOU signing, District Governor Manish Ladge of Lions District 3132-A2, Hemant Jagtap, and President Sonal Bangde of RC Thane Premium were invited on stage.



Jagdish Chelaramani (RCT Lake City), PRIP KR Ravindran, Chief Secretary of Maharashtra Sujata Saunik, DG Dinesh Mehta, IPDG Milind Kulkarni, Radhika Gupte (RC Dombivli East), First Lady Jyoti Mehta, Madhavi Kharote (RC Thane Uptown) Vandana Khanvilkar (RC Dombivli East) FL Madhavi Kulkarni, CEO Shipra Dawar, I WILL GITA.

The Rotary District 3142 championed the E-LEARNING IDEAL STUDY APP, a comprehensive resource for Maharashtra State Board 10th graders (English, Marathi, semi-English). Launched under Past Governor Milind Kulkarni, it has seen over 27,000 downloads and offers career guidance. In recognition of the app provider partnership, Vandana Khanvilkar (RC Dombivli East), Radhika Gupte (RC Dombivli East), and Madhavi Kharote (RC Thane Uptown) were acknowledged.

He then hosted a segment dedicated to Foundation Announcements, a spirit of philanthropic giving prevailed. Highlighting District 3142's commitment to philanthropy, DAFSC Chandrahas Shetty along with Prasad Tendulkar and Sandeep Salvi, presented a substantial initial contribution of US \$251,000 to the Rotary Foundation. He further expressed the district's unwavering dedication to the cause by pledging to surpass this initial contribution. Arch Klumph Society (AKS) Member D P Tripathi demonstrably amplified the fundraising momentum with a dedicated contribution of \$125,000 to the Polio Fund. He passionately appealed to the audience, urging their support in Rotary's ongoing mission to eradicate polio worldwide.



Arch Klumph Society (AKS) Member D P Tripathi, DAFSC Chandrahas Shetty, DGSC Prasad Tendulkar, PP Sandeep Salvi, First Lady Jyoti Mehta

During his membership update, the District Governor delivered exciting news: the chartering of two new Rotary Clubs. The Rotary Club of Hiranandani Ivan welcomed Chetna Singh as its inaugural President, with DS Sangram Joshi serving as the New Club Advisor. The Rotary Club of New Regency Estate established its leadership with Vikram Gade as Charter President and Sameer Gaikwad as the New Club Advisor. The Governor extended his congratulations to the new clubs, their advisors, and Membership Chair Ravi Iyer for their outstanding efforts in achieving this milestone.

Two New Rotary Clubs. The Rotary Club of Hiranandani Ivan Chetna Singh as its Charter President and The Rotary Club of New Regency Estate Vikram Gade as Charter President



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PRIP KR Ravindran, Chief Secretary of Maharashtra Sujata Saunik, Thane Collector Mr. Ashok Shingare, Mahendra Jain from Mahavir Jain Trust, Additional Municipal Commissioner Mr. Prashant Rode CEO Shipra Dawar, I WILL GITA, DG Dinesh & FL Jyoti Mehta



Her presence, accompanied by Thane Collector Mr. Ashok Shingare and Additional Municipal Commissioner Mr. Prashant Rode of the TMC, underscored the significance of the event. Chief Secretary Saunik received a traditional welcome and was subsequently invited to address the gathering. Her speech acknowledged Rotary's invaluable contributions to the community. She highlighted the potential for impactful partnerships between the civil government and service organizations, fostering a spirit of collaboration towards a greater good.



The assembly buzzed with anticipation as a flurry of activity unfolded near the entrance. Prominent government officials were ushered to reserved front-row seating, creating a palpable sense of heightened importance. The event's significance was further elevated when it was revealed that the esteemed Chief Secretary of Maharashtra would be gracing the occasion with her presence. This was a rare honor, akin to witnessing a celestial anomaly such as a blue moon, a phenomenon documented only on a handful of occasions. However, defying the odds, Rotary was poised to experience a moment of historical significance. On July 7th, 2024, Sujata Saunik, the first woman to ever assume the office of Chief Secretary in Maharashtra, would bestow upon the gathering the distinction of her presence.

The program transitioned seamlessly into a captivating multimedia presentation. This immersive experience unveiled the esteemed PRIP KR Ravindran's life story and his impressive accomplishments within Rotary. The audio visual journey served as a compelling introduction, fostering a deeper appreciation for this well-known figure in the organization.



Past RI President (PRIP) Ravindran delivered a powerful address, drawing on his experiences as Rotary's leader to illustrate the organization's global impact. He emphasized the transformative power of Rotary, showcasing how it fosters meaningful connections and changes lives. PRIP Ravindran shared a heartwarming story of a mother in Mongolia who desperately sought Rotary's help to fly her son to the US for a critical medical procedure. Despite the distance (Mongolia falling under the purview of the Hong Kong District Governor), the Rotary network sprang into action. Leveraging connections and collaborating with government channels, they secured airline support to transport the boy to the US, ultimately saving his life. This act of compassion earned Rotary and PRIP Ravindran the enduring gratitude of a family.

His address served as a call to action, urging Rotarians to contribute to the Rotary Foundation. He concluded by wishing District Governor Dinesh and his team a successful and extraordinary year.



Unveiling a powerful membership tool, the Rotary Club of Thane Vaibhav launched "KYT Know Your Town," a 4-page tabloid. This publication explores Rotary and its causes, igniting interest in joining. PRIP KR Ravindran graced the launch, amplifying its significance.



The day's proceedings, from sunrise to sunset, unfolded with commendable order and efficiency, impeccable flow was ensured by the well-managed and disciplined efforts of the stand-alone District Chief Sergeants-at-Arms, B.S. Kumar and District SAA Raj Sharma. Their dedication to maintaining order ensured a smooth and successful event.

The ceremony unfolded under the skilful direction of master of ceremonies Sangram Joshi. The seamless flow of audio visual introductions and presentations was a testament to the meticulous and innovative talents of Dr. Lucky Kasat, a true maestro of his craft.



The event transcended a typical gathering, assuming a mantle of historic significance. The presence of the recently elected Member of Parliament, designated as MP Naresh Maske, significantly elevated the proceedings. MP Naresh Maske's address served to further emphasize the occasion's importance. His remarks lauded Rotary's invaluable service to the community and provided strong encouragement for Rotarians to persevere in their impactful endeavors.



The Rotary Club of District 3142 proudly unveiled the inaugural issue of GML magazine for the 2024-25 Rotary year. The ceremony commenced with a distinguished guest of honor officiating the unveiling. Further enhancing the occasion's prestige were the magazine's cover sponsors: PDG Rahul Timbadia (D 3141, Latim Group), Kapil Jain (Enrich Wise), Rtn Smita Mahajan (RC Thane), and Rtn Sujit Gawayi (Kuvega Studio). The Rotary Times team, spearheaded by GML Editor Namrata Srivastav, Dr. Sanjeev Jain (District Secretary Publications) and Kumar Deshpande (OSD) along with the entire GML team, actively participated in the celebration.



# A District Governor's Commentary

Through the Lens of Renewal



## **F**or You, By You: Your Role in Shaping Our

*Not a blink spared! Every scene a portal to a world of wonder. The trailer has us spellbound for what's to come!*  
**#RotaryPresents #MagicUnleashed**



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Through the Lens of Renewal



## Rotary Family! A Circle of Support!

*The Rotary spirit extends beyond membership, embracing loved ones who share the passion for service. Dinesh and Jyoti's gathering welcomed family and friends, showcasing the unwavering support,*

*where loved ones fuel the passion to serve!  
where support and pride go hand-in-hand!*



## Stellar Gathering: Rotary Synergy Unites!

*This photo essay captures the magic of Rotary Synergy 3141 & 3142, a night brimming with blessings and camaraderie!*

*The esteemed PDG Venkat ji, PRID Ashok Mahajan, IPDG Arun Bhargava (District 3141), Lions International DG Manish Ladge, DGE Harsh Makol (District 3142), DGE Dr. Manish Motwani (District 3141), and DGN Dr. Nilesh Jaywanta veritable galaxy of governors! graced the occasion.!*

*IW Chairperson Prerna Raichur's presence further amplified the spirit of empowerment*

*The awe-inspiring trail of the First Ladies... their unwavering support and dedication are woven into the fabric of Rotary's history, that immortalizes this remarkable convergence, a testament to the collective power of Rotary and the enduring spirit of service.*



# TRF Pledges Amplified

## Strength in Numbers Fuels Optimism

### July Salutes Generosity: Philanthropy Flourishes! Makes a Mark...

The Rotary District 3142 installation ceremony for District Governor 2024-25 Dinesh Mehta was a resounding success. The event, held at Kashinath Ghanekar Hall on July 7th, 2024, was further distinguished by the presence of Past Rotary International President, K.R. Ravindran.



Handing over of cheque for 2,51,000 US\$ to PRIP K R Ravindran for July 2024

#PRIP Ravindran's visit served as a significant source of inspiration for the Rotarians of District 3142. The TRF Support Team took the opportunity to present a meaningful gift to PRIP Ravindran in recognition of his esteemed position and dedicated service.



AWESOME President Ajay Tale felicitated for 10,000 US\$ TRF donation

The evening pulsed with a unique energy, as Rotarians like Awesome President Ajay Tale, RC Ambarnath North, proved that leadership truly meant "leading from the front" with his \$10,000 donation.



AKS D P Tripathi ji getting felicitated by PRIP Ravindran for a 1,25,000 US\$ commitment

The true highlight of the month, however, was the overwhelming response from District 3142's Club Presidents and Rotarians to a call for contributions towards The Rotary Foundation (TRF). For July alone, pledges and contributions surpassed \$251,000, demonstrating a remarkable commitment to the organization's philanthropic goals. Several leading clubs, including Dombivli East, Thane Hills, Thane, Thane DownTown, Thane Lake City, and Thane Green City, have made particularly noteworthy commitments, pledging to raise between \$50,000 and \$100,000 for TRF during the 2024-25 Rotary year. Additionally, a significant number of other clubs have pledged contributions exceeding \$10,000.

*"Awesome Fellow Rotarians, your incredible July pledges fueled a powerful wave of support for the TRF! This collective effort positions us for a truly exceptional year in ending polio and empowering communities. United, we make a difference! Keep the Momentum Going."  
- beams DG Dinesh Mehta.*

A special felicitation evening brought together a chorus of grateful hearts, celebrating the unwavering commitment of donors who were making a real difference. #At the forefront of this chorus stood District End Polio Chair, Rtn. D.P. Tripathi, a man aptly nicknamed "Golden Heart." His pledge of a staggering \$125,000 echoed through the room, a testament to his boundless compassion.



Felicitations of AKS Nikunj Jahveri for CSR commitments of 21,000 US\$ from Systems Plus Pvt. Ltd.



AG Rajesh Kadam felicitated for 8,000 US\$ commitment

AG Rtn. Rajesh Kadam (RC Dombivli Diamond) also joined the cause with a generous \$8,000 commitment.



TRF Support Chair Chandrahas Shetty getting felicitated for 35,000 US\$ commitment.

#TRF Support Chair Rtn. Chandrahas Shetty wasn't far behind, his \$35,000 commitment a powerful display of his dedication.



Vice Chair, IFRM India & Sri Lanka getting felicitated for 12,000 US\$ commitment

Following suit, IFRM Vice Chair, India & Sri Lanka Rtn. Paddy Iyer (RC Thane Hills) demonstrated his unwavering commitment to the cause with a significant contribution of \$12,000



P6- Chief Sgt. at Arms Baljinder Kumar and Avaneet felicitated for 10,000 US\$

Chief Sgt. at Arms Rtn. Baljinder Kumar (RC Hiranandani Estate) further solidified the evening's spirit of giving with a generous \$10,000 commitment



Felicitations of Nanik Jeswani for CSR commitments of 21,000 US\$ from M/S Praveen Industries Ltd.

The evening received a significant boost with substantial CSR contributions of \$21,000 each for July 2024 from M/S Praveen Industries Ltd. and Systems Plus Pvt. Ltd. These generous commitments exemplify the growing recognition and importance of corporate social responsibility as a driving force for positive change..

*"Moments to cherish! Gratitude fills the air as we close. District 3142's "Bade Dilwale"s pledged hope, not just funds."-DAFSC*

# TRF Pledges Amplified

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## Recognition Gala: Honoring the Pledges that Make a Difference

Not to be outdone, several other Rotarians, including DS Rtn. Sangram Joshi (RCT Green City), DS Rtn. Nitin More (RC Ambarnath), DS Rtn. Sanjeev Jain (RCT Aces), DPIC Rtn. Yakub Bhetasiwala (RC Kalyan City), and Awesome President Nilesch Dhaifule (RCT Hiranandani Legends), all stepped forward, pledging \$5,000 or more, demonstrating the collective power of Rotarians working together.



*DS Sangram Joshi and Archana felicitated for committing \$5,000*



*DS Nitin More and Hema felicitated for committing \$5,000*



*DS Sanjeev Jain and Awesome President Sunita felicitated for committing \$5,000*



*DPIC Yakub Bhetasiwala and Awesome President Hycenth felicitated for committing \$5,000*



*Awesome President Nilesch Dhaifule felicitated for committing \$5000*

## A Night of Unity:

Thank You to the Donors Who Strengthen Our Community



*RC Dombivli East President and members felicitated for 50,000 US\$ club commitment.*



*RC Thane President and members felicitated for 50,000 US\$ club commitment.*



*RC Thane DownTown members felicitated for 50,000 US\$ club commitment.*



*RC Thane Hills President and members felicitated for 50,000 US\$ club commitment*



*RC Thane Lakecity President and members felicitated for 50,000 US\$ club commitment.*



*RC Hiranandani Evan President and members felicitated for 50,000 US\$ club commitment.*



*RC Thane Green City President and members felicitated for 50,000 US\$ club commitment.*

**May This Tribe Increase Day By Day!**

**(DAFSC) Chandrahas Shetty**  
District Annual Foundation  
Subcommittee Chair 2024-25

## Blessings & Action

District 3142 DAY  
ONE Starts Year with 'TB  
Mukt Bharat' Annadaan



### A Year of Service Begins: A Conversation at the #DG's Gratitude Desk

**Team GML:** Congratulations, District Governor Dinesh, on commencing a new year of Rotary service! We are particularly interested in learning more about the fight against tuberculosis (TB) through the "TB Mukht Bharat" initiative and how Rotary clubs participated through the "Annapoorna" program.

**District Governor Dinesh:** "Thank you, Team GML. It's truly inspiring to see the collective effort of our Rotary clubs. Reflecting on the past year, I'm incredibly proud of our district's impactful participation in the "TB Mukht Bharat" initiative. A critical challenge we identified was ensuring food security for families battling TB. Even with comprehensive government healthcare, lengthy treatments can lead to financial hardship for these families."

**Team GML:** That's a very insightful point. Missing work for treatment can have severe financial consequences.

**District Governor Dinesh:** Precisely. This situation jeopardizes not only the patient's health but also increases the risk of TB transmission within the community. That's where the "Annapoorna Solution"

came into play. Through generous donations like yours, we've been able to directly address food insecurity for TB-affected families.

**Team GML:** Can you elaborate on how "Annapoorna" provides assistance?

**District Governor Dinesh:** Absolutely. Your contributions enable us to organize in-person food deliveries, ensuring TB patients and their families have access to essential nutrition throughout the treatment period. Your impactful donation of Rs 11,000 exemplifies this perfectly. It demonstrably improved a family's well-being and treatment adherence during a critical phase.

**Team GML:** That's a remarkable outcome! The year-long family adoption tier sounds like a fantastic way to offer long-term support.

**District Governor Dinesh:** It is! By opting for that tier, you provided a family with comprehensive support, including consistent meals throughout their treatment. This impactful contribution aligns perfectly with our unwavering commitment to ending TB. "The symbolic gathering we held on Annapoorna Day marked the official launch of our district activities for this government-approved project. Don't just take our word for it. See it to believe it! Inspiring coverage that validates our support!"- Dinesh's voice held a tremor of emotion as he brought his remarks to a close.

**Team GML:** A powerful way to kick off the year. Thank you for sharing this information, DG Dinesh. Together, through collaborations like this, we can make a significant difference in the fight against TB. We're honored to be a part of this journey.

Reported By #RotaryTimes@3142







## The cycle of Annapoorna Annadaan a wellspring of nourishment spins on, an endless thread of compassion.

**रोटरी क्लब ऑफ बदलापूर स्मार्ट सिटी ने "अन्नदान श्रेष्ठदान" के तहत 600 जरूरतमंदों तक पहुंचाई मदद.**

रोटरी क्लब ऑफ बदलापूर स्मार्ट सिटी ने "अन्नदान श्रेष्ठदान" के तहत 1 जुलाई, 2024 को फलेगांव (टिटवाड़ा), बेंडशील (बदलापूर) और मुलगांव (बदलापूर) में अन्नदान कार्यक्रम आयोजित किया। क्लब के अध्यक्ष डॉ. बिपिन कुमार और सचिव डॉ. रूपाली धवन के नेतृत्व में, 65 आदिवासी, गरीब और दिव्यांग परिवारों को फलेगांव टिटवाला में महीने भर का राशन प्रदान किया गया। इस पहल से कुल 260 लाभार्थियों को लाभ हुआ।

बेंडशील बदलापूर पूर्व और रोटरी क्लब ऑफ बदलापूर इंडस्ट्रियल एरियाज के अध्यक्ष Vaibhav Lawate, के सहयोग से मुलगांव बदलापूर पश्चिम में स्थित दो वृद्धाश्रमों में भी 15 दिनों का राशन वितरित किया गया। 60 बुजुर्गों को किराणा किट प्रदान की गई, जिनमें चावल, दाल, तेल, मसाले, चाय, साबुन और अन्य आवश्यक वस्तुएं शामिल थीं। यह पहल डीजी दिनेश जी मेहता की थी, जो दोपहर में बेंडशील के आश्रम में शामिल हुए। कुल मिलाकर, रोटरी क्लब ऑफ बदलापूर स्मार्ट सिटी ने 600 जरूरतमंदों को भोजन और अन्य आवश्यक वस्तुएं प्रदान कीं। क्लब का मानना है कि भोजन एक बुनियादी मानवीय अधिकार है और यह सुनिश्चित करने के लिए प्रतिबद्ध है कि सभी को पौष्टिक भोजन तक पहुंच प्राप्त हो।

यह पहल उन सभी सदस्यों और दानदाताओं के योगदान के बिना संभव नहीं होती जो रोटरी क्लब ऑफ बदलापूर स्मार्ट सिटी का समर्थन करते हैं। क्लब सभी को इस नेक काम में शामिल होने और जरूरतमंदों को वापस देने के लिए प्रोत्साहित करता है।



सर्व टीमच्या अथव प्रयत्नामुळे पहिला अन्नपूर्णा प्रकल्प मोठ्या संख्येने आणि उत्साहाने साजरा झाला. रोटरी यापुढेही असेच समाज सेवेचे कार्यक्रम करत राहिल व गरजूंना मदत करेन.



**रोटरी क्लब ऑफ ठाणे सिंधु नगर ने भोजन वितरण से की शानदार वर्ष की शुरुआत**

रोटरी क्लब ऑफ सिंधुनगर ने 1 जुलाई को अन्नदान दिवस के शुभ

रोटरी क्लब ऑफ सिंधुनगर पिछले कई वर्षों से अन्नदान दिवस के अवसर पर इस तरह के कार्यक्रम आयोजित करता रहा है। यह क्लब जरूरतमंदों की सहायता करने और समुदाय में सकारात्मक बदलाव लाने के लिए प्रतिबद्ध है।

अवसर पर उल्हासनगर-5 और अंबरनाथ में स्थित शिव मंदिर के जलाश्रम में एक भव्य कार्यक्रम आयोजित किया। इस कार्यक्रम में, क्लब के अध्यक्ष Pankaj Kumar और अन्य गणमान्य रोटेरियनों ने सैकड़ों जरूरतमंदों को भोजन, कपड़े और दैनिक उपयोग की वस्तुएं वितरित कीं। डिस्ट्रिक्ट डिजिटल सहित कई अन्य गणमान्य व्यक्तियों ने शिव मंदिर में दर्शन किए और आशीर्वाद प्राप्त किया।

# Club "S" ensational DG's Gratitude Desk A Service Salute

## RC of Thane East Spreads Joy at Hutatma Maruti Kumar School on Annapurna Divas

The Rotary Club of Thane East Led by President Yatish Kuril, celebrated Annapurna Divas, a day dedicated to the goddess of food and nourishment, by bringing smiles to the faces of deserving students at the Hutatma Maruti Kumar School in Thanekar Wadi.



"Members of the Rotary Club of Thane East pose with students from Hutatma Maruti Kumar School after sharing a heartwarming meal on Annapurna Divas."



## RC Thane Horizon Club Spreading Smiles at Ankur Bal Vikas Kendra

The RC Thane Horizon Club visited Ankur Bal Vikas Kendra on Annapurna Day, July 1st, 2024. Led by President Vinesh Yadav, the team delivered food and treats to the 40 orphaned children living there (ages 2-12).

Seeing the smiles on the kids' faces made the visit worthwhile! This act of giving reflects the club's dedication to helping those in need.

## RCNM Central Delivers Breakfast Bonanza to 'परमशान्तिधाम वृद्धाश्रम',!

To kick off the new Rotary year, RCNM Central delivered a truckload of breakfast cheer to the 'परमशान्तिधाम वृद्धाश्रम', a local senior care home!

Club President Abhishek Sharma along with members of our club visited the residents, bringing essential supplies like tea, sugar, poha, and cooking oil to benefit the 45 folks who call Parmashantidham home.



It was a heartwarming way to show our commitment to serving the community. We look forward to keeping the good times rolling with more Rotary projects throughout the year!



## Rotary Club Dombivli West Spreads Cheer to Girls at Neela Bal Sadan

The Rotary Club of Dombivli West kicked off their year with a heartwarming visit to "Neela Bal Sadan," a Balgram SOS Children's Village family home in Ambernath. Led by President Manoj Oak and club members brought smiles to the faces of young girls residing there.

This special home, donated by a kind-hearted retired teacher, provides a safe haven for girls whose parents are incarcerated. The dedicated couple, Mr. Virendra Gujar and Ms. Priyanka Gujar, manage "Neela Bal Sadan" with unwavering care.

The Balgram Trust, which operates ten centers across Maharashtra, relies on generous donations to continue their vital work. Recognizing the ongoing needs of "Neela Bal Sadan," including food and groceries, the Rotary Club is exploring ways to offer ongoing support.

It was a meaningful experience for the club, solidifying their commitment to serving the community through Rotary!

# Club "S" Sensational DG's Gratitude Desk A Service Salute

## Navi Mumbai Samaritans Club Packs a Punch!

The Rotary Club of Navi Mumbai Samaritans (RCNM Samaritans) led by President Seema Khurana, is making a difference on multiple fronts.

Fighting TB: Their "Nikshay Mitra" project launched on July 1st provides essential monthly food grains to TB patients, ensuring they have the support they need to recover. Nourishing Children: On the same day, RCNM Samaritans served meals to 600 students across 6 Centres of Vishwa Balak Kendra.



This commitment to the well-being of future generations was bolstered by the presence of District Governor Dinesh Mehta, First Lady Jyoti Mehta & Rotarians.



## Sharing Plates, Sharing Love: Rotary Club's Meal Project for Panvel Seniors

The Rotary Club of Thane North, led by President Medha Joshi and fellow members, brought some sunshine to Ramakrishna Niketan Old People's Home in Panvel! They dished out a delicious meal for 40 residents, spreading smiles and filling bellies.

Great work, Rotary Club of Thane North! you truly brightened their day!

## Rotary Club's Annapurna Feeds Hope at St. Jude's"

The Thane Ghodbunder Rotary Club isn't just about awesome meetings, they're about awesome acts too! Led by president Vikas Toshniwal, kicked off their year by

showering love and laughter on the brave kids at St. Jude's Children's Cancer Centre. But the good vibes don't stop there. Through Project Annapurna, they'll be superheroes for these families for a year, providing weekly food kits to 100 of them. The Club brought joy with songs, stories, and new friendships.

Living their motto "Service Above Self," the Club's "Annapurna" initiative provided 3,360 meals to those in need, thanks to member donations. A great visit showcasing the Club's community spirit!



## A Day of Joy Fills Girija Welfare Association: Three Rotary Clubs Unite!

The spirit of Rotary shone brightly on July 1st, 2024, as three Navi Mumbai clubs joined forces for a heartwarming "Annadaan" event at the Girija Welfare Association. Led by the dynamic trio of Priyeta Priyadarshini (Rotary Club of Navi Mumbai Hillside), Mukul Gupta (Rotary Club of Navi Mumbai Valley Golfers), and Prabhakar Dekatey (Rotary Club of Navi Mumbai Jewels), the day was all about spreading joy and connection. Girija Welfare Association, an Old Age Home and Orphanage, buzzed with excitement as residents of all ages

welcomed the Rotarians. Delicious food, prepared with love, filled the air with inviting aromas. Laughter echoed through the halls as residents and Rotarians shared stories, jokes, and warm smiles. The event transcended a simple meal; it was a celebration of life, community, and the power of collective action. The residents, often feeling isolated, were treated with respect and kindness. The children, full of energy, reveled in the joyful atmosphere, forging new connections with the Rotarians. As the day concluded, hearts were full and spirits lifted. The Rotary Club of Navi Mumbai Hillside, Rotary Club of Navi Mumbai Valley Golfers, and Rotary Club of Navi Mumbai Jewels proved that even a single act of kindness, multiplied by collaboration, can create a ripple effect of joy, leaving a lasting impact on the lives of those they serve.

Rotarians and their families came out in large numbers, sharing meals and creating lasting memories with the children and elders at the association. It was a beautiful day of community service and heartwarming connection!

# Club "S" ensational DG's Gratitude Desk A Service Salute



## Heartfelt Connections & Shared Meals: Smart City Rotary Visits Cancer Shelter

The Smart City Rotary Club of Navi Mumbai, led by President Milan Chandak, embraced the spirit of sharing on Annapurna Day. Their heartwarming visit to Jagannath Cancer Shelter (JACAF) in Kharghar embodied the Rotary motto of "Service Above Self." President Chandak and fellow Rotarians spent quality time with 60 patients and caregivers at JACAF. This wasn't just

about delivering a meal (though a delicious one was surely enjoyed by all!), but about creating a space for connection and shared experiences. Laughter mingled with heartfelt conversations, fostering a sense of community and reminding everyone present that they're not alone in their journeys. The Smart City Rotary Club's initiative goes beyond simply providing food. It highlights the transformative power of human connection, especially for those facing health challenges. By sharing their time and kindness, the Rotarians brought a ray of sunshine into the lives of those at JACAF, proving that even the smallest gestures can make a significant impact.

This inclusive approach to Annapoorna Day exemplifies Rotary's commitment to serving all members of the community, fostering hope and resilience in the face of adversity.

## RC of Thane Suburban "Annadaan" Delivers Essential Support

The Rotary Club of Thane Suburban led by President Chandrashekhar Joshi and Fellow Members, proudly announces the successful launch of its "Annadaan" initiative. This project, aimed at supporting the Kshamata Foundation, provided essential dry ration kits to the Foundation's 35 residents for a full month. Through generous

donations and dedicated volunteer efforts, the Club fulfilled its commitment to addressing food security needs within the Thane community. The "Annadaan" initiative fostered meaningful connections between Rotary members and beneficiaries, further solidifying the Club's commitment to serving its local population. The Foundation's heartfelt appreciation, expressed in a formal letter of thanks, serves as a testament to the positive impact of this project.



The "Annadaan" launch marks a significant milestone for the Rotary Club of Thane Suburban, signifying their ongoing commitment to serving and uplifting the Thane community.



## RC Awesome Annapoorna story: Nourishes Lives

The Rotary Club of Thane North End's Annapoorna project led by President Suresh Srinivasan and fellow members, live by the proverb "Pure food, pure everything." Launched on July 1st, this initiative provided nutritious meals for a week to 2,100 homeless individuals near

Thane Civil Hospital. Rotary members, volunteers, and partners like Shri Swami Samarth Annachatra worked tirelessly to ensure a steady supply of rice, lentils, and other essentials. This act of kindness reflects the Rotary spirit of "Sarve Bhavantu Sukhinah" (May all be happy). It's a community effort supported by Rotary clubs of Thane, Horizon, Passion, that exemplifies "Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam" (The world is one family).

The Annapoorna project proves that together, we can create a world where everyone has enough to eat. Let's continue this spirit and strive for "Loka Samastah Sukhino Bhavantu" (May all beings be happy and free).

# Club "S" ensational DG's Gratitude Desk A Service Salute

## Navi Mumbai Bayside Rotary Club Delivers Essentials to Taloja Old Age Home

In a demonstration of their unwavering commitment to social responsibility, the Navi Mumbai Bayside Rotary Club led by Ranganayaki Rangachari along with fellow members, recently undertook a commendable initiative to aid the local community. In honor of Annapurna Day, the Club donated essential dry rations to 35 residents of the Taloja Old Age Home - Paramshanthi Dham, ensuring their basic needs were met for nearly two weeks.



This act exemplifies the Club's dedication to serving the community throughout the year, extending far beyond designated observances



## RC Hiranandani Legends Says "Yes" to Monthly Food Program After Project Annapoorna Success

The Rotary Club of Thane Hiranandani Legends led by President Nilesh Dahifule and fellow members, brought smiles to over 121 underprivileged kids near Brahmmand Thane with "Project Annapoorna" on July 1st. This district-wide food drive served healthy meals and inspired the club to continue their "Anna Daan" program – monthly food donations for the needy.

President Nilesh Dahifule's announcement solidified their commitment to serve the community, with a big thanks to the club members who came out strong!

## RC of Thane Central Doubles Down on Annapurna Divas Fun!

The Rotary Club of Thane Central, under President Swati Yeri's leadership, went above and beyond to celebrate Annapurna Divas! Their two-day extravaganza brought smiles and nourishment to a total of 350 people. Day One, themed "Sharing with the

Future," saw Rotarians connecting with 100 girls at Maa Niketan Orphanage over a heartwarming lunch. Day Two shifted focus to "Fueling the Journey," where the club treated Warkari' pilgrims embarking on long walks, to a hearty meal in Saswad. This act of kindness provided them with much-needed energy for their spiritual journey.



The Rotary Club of Thane Central's initiative exemplifies the spirit of Annapurna Divas, highlighting the importance of fighting hunger while fostering connections across different communities.



## RC of Palava Lights Up Lives on Annapoorna Day

The Rotary Club of Palava, led by President Shaji Pillai, ushered in July with a project that brought both light and nourishment. In honor of Annapoorna Day, dedicated to fighting hunger, they delivered grocery packs to 25 individuals at the Blind Welfare Association in Ambernath.

This initiative wasn't just about the end result, but also about the journey. Club members came together, their collective effort a testament to the power of teamwork. As they packed the grocery bags, thoughts turned to the smiles these essentials would bring. It was a reminder that even small acts of kindness can illuminate someone's day. The Rotary Club of Palava's project serves as an inspiring example. It highlights the transformative power of community and the simple joy of giving back.

It sounds like a fantastic way to support those in need – great work, Rotary Club of Palava!

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## Rotary Club of Ambernath Smart City serving lunch to smiling girls at Neela Balsadan.

The Rotary Club of Ambernath Smart City dished out happiness (and lunch!) to 30 girls at Neela Balsadan. Their "Annapurna" project provided a delicious and nutritious meal for these young

students, many from underprivileged backgrounds.

Warm smiles and laughter filled the room as the Rotarians served the girls. The club led by President Sandip Patkar and fellow members, not only nourished bodies but also created a moment of connection. The joy on the girls' faces was a true reward.

'This initiative embodies Rotary's spirit of service. By addressing food insecurity, the club made a significant difference. The "Annapurna" project is a heartwarming reminder that small gestures can create lasting impacts'- voiced the club members.

The smiles on their faces said it all – the Annapurna project wasn't just about filling plates, it was about empowering young minds to reach their full potential.

## Rotary Club of Hiranandani Estate Embarks on a Year of Karma (#RCHE1st)

The Rotary Club of Hiranandani Estate (#RCHE1st) opened their new Rotary year (RY 24-25) with a resounding commitment to community service, drawing inspiration from the auspicious Annapurna Day celebration. Led by the compassionate President, Arunima Singh, and supported by her dedicated fellow club members, RCHE sponsored the auspicious community service, a commitment to alleviating hunger



#RCHE serves as a beacon, inspiring others to embrace the spirit of service and contribute to a better world. This Act of Kindness Sets Sail! Year-Long Mission to Nourish the Community Begins with Blessings at Gurudwara Sri Dasmesh Darbar. Follow #RCHE1st to stay updated on their impactful journey throughout the year!."



## भिवंडी साउथ की रोटरी क्लब ने "अन्नपूर्णा दिवस" पर जरूरतमंदों तक

रोटरी क्लब ऑफ भिवंडी साउथ led by Santosh Adep and fellow members, ने 1 जुलाई को "अन्नपूर्णा दिवस" के उपलक्ष्य में एक "अन्नदान" कार्यक्रम का आयोजन किया। इस पहल में क्लब ने एक वृद्धाश्रम और एक सुश्रुषा संस्थान (देखभाल संस्था) के साथ साझेदारी की। अन्नपूर्णा दिवस भूख के खिलाफ लड़ाई के लिए समर्पित एक विशेष दिन है। रोटरी क्लब ऑफ भिवंडी साउथ ने इस दिन जरूरतमंदों तक भोजन पहुंचाने का बीड़ा उठाया।

कार्यक्रम के दौरान, क्लब के सदस्यों ने वृद्धाश्रम और सुश्रुषा संस्थान के निवासियों के साथ बातचीत की और उन्हें स्वादिष्ट और पौष्टिक भोजन परोसा। इस पहल ने न केवल भूख मिटाई बल्कि उनके चेहरों पर मुस्कान भी लाई। यह कार्यक्रम रोटरी क्लब ऑफ भिवंडी साउथ की सामुदायिक सेवा के प्रति निष्ठा का एक उदाहरण है। क्लब का मानना है कि भोजन हर किसी का मूलभूत अधिकार है और वे यह सुनिश्चित करने के लिए प्रतिबद्ध हैं कि जरूरतमंदों को पौष्टिक भोजन मिले।

अन्नदान कार्यक्रम की सफलता के लिए क्लब के सदस्यों और स्वयंसेवकों के अथक प्रयासों को सराहना मिली। इस पहल ने साबित कर दिया कि छोटे प्रयास भी समाज में सकारात्मक बदलाव ला सकते हैं।

This generous act of providing food (Annadaan) signifies the Rotary Club of South's commitment to serving the community's most vulnerable populations.

## RC of Navi Mumbai Flamingo City Uplifts Single Earning Women

City, led by the compassionate President Rajani Shamshery, marked Annapurna Day with a thoughtful initiative. Recognizing the challenges faced by single-earning women, Rotarians distributed essential dry ration kits to 51 such workers at the NRI Complex. This act of kindness, generously supported by Seawoods Estates Limited, ensured these women wouldn't have to worry about putting food on the table for the next 15 days. For

many single mothers, the burden of sole financial responsibility can be immense. The Rotary Club's project offered a much-needed helping hand, a touching reminder that they're not alone in their struggles.

Beyond the immediate relief of groceries, this thoughtful move exemplifies Rotary's commitment to empowering women. By addressing their basic needs, the club empowers them to focus on their work and families, fostering a sense of security and dignity.



The Rotary Club of Navi Mumbai Flamingo City's initiative serves as a thoughtful hope, demonstrating how a little support can go a long way in uplifting lives.



## A Rotary Club of Thane Premium Tale: Uniting Traditions to Nourish the Community

The Thane Rotary Club Thane Premium joined to weave a tapestry of compassion and cultural connection with the launch of district "Annapurna Initiative." Inspired by the Sikh langar tradition of selfless service, the initiative promises to combat hunger within the city.

The launch ceremony itself resonated with a spirit of unity. Soulful Kirtans filled the air, creating an atmosphere of shared purpose. As a tangible symbol of hope, the Club led by President Sonal Bangde and fellow members, provided food for 250 individuals, each plate a testament to their unwavering commitment.

The "Annapurna Initiative" marks the beginning of a powerful journey. It's a story not just about food, but about fostering a more inclusive and nourished community, one act of kindness at a time.

This initiative highlights the Rotary Club of Thane Premium's dedication to improving lives in Thane

## United Against Hunger: "Annapoorna" Collaboration Sees Nine Rotary Clubs Step Up

Nine Thane-based Rotary Clubs - Thane Uptown President Lalit Nemade, Thane President Manish Patil, Horizon President Vinesh Yadav, Passion President Geeta Khanna, Green City President Prasant Patro, Thane Northend President Suresh Srinivasan, Thane Skyline President Murli Sundrani, Thane West President Kanwal Tikoo, and Thane Titans President Sunil

Sali, joined hands for a week-long initiative to make a significant impact on the lives of underprivileged residents.

Coming together under the banner of the Annapurna project, these dedicated Rotarians Inspired by the goddess of food, donated a substantial amount of groceries to Shri स्वामी समर्थ अन्नछत्र, a local organization, a soup kitchen serving vital meals breakfast, tea, lunch, and dinner to the homeless and underprivileged. The contribution translates to ensuring that approximately 300 individuals receive the daily nourishment they need.

विभिन्न ठाणे क्लबों के मुस्कुराते रोटेरियन स्वामी समर्थ अन्नछत्र (स्वामी समर्थ अन्नछत्र) में खुश स्वयंसेवकों को किराना वितरित करने के लिए साथ-साथ काम कर रहे हैं।

This initiative is a tasty reminder of Rotary's commitment to helping those in need.



# Club "S" Sensational

## DG's Gratitude Desk A Service Salute



### A Meal of Fellowship: Rotary Club Serves Warkari'

Rotary Club of Thane Central dished out a delicious meal for 500 Warkari in Saswad, celebrating Annapurna Day. This annual event, in its third year, provides nourishment to devotees of Lord Vitthal.

Led by Club President Swati Yeri, joined fellow members served and dined with the Warkari, fostering a spirit of community. This initiative reflects the Club's commitment to serving the underprivileged and promoting fellowship.

*"We plan to make it an annual tradition," shared past president Neha Nimbalkar. "It's a small way to show our appreciation for the Warkari' devotion."*

The Warkari deeply appreciated the gesture, making the event a success. Rotary Club of Thane Central's dedication strengthens Rotary International's values.

### Rotary Club Millennium City Pledges Weekly Support

The Rotary Club of Millennium City, led by President Miliend Sawai and fellow members, began their "Awesome Year" with a powerful commitment that extends far beyond designated days. Demonstrating their unwavering spirit of Annapurna Day,

they've embarked on an initiative to combat food insecurity, one Sunday at a time. Every week, the club will faithfully serve meals to 100 people in need, including children. This ongoing program, aptly launched on the first Sunday of the Rotary year, signifies a year-long promise to serve and uplift those facing hunger. It's a testament to the club's unwavering dedication to making a positive and lasting impact on their community.

This initiative goes beyond simply providing a meal; it's a promise of hope, stability, and a brighter future for those struggling with food insecurity. The Rotary Club of Millennium City sets a powerful example of sustained service, inspiring others to join the fight against hunger.



### Hope Blooms at SMIT Old Age Home: Rotary Club of Amaara's Touch

The Rotary Club of Amaara Thane led by President Girish Nair along with fellow members, brought sunshine to SMIT Old Age Home on July 1st. Their "Annapoorna" project provided nutritious meals for 126

residents, followed by heartfelt interactions. Six Rotarians and two guests ensured each resident felt valued. Laughter filled the air, fostering a sense of community. The project, more than just a meal, offered a shining example of hope, reminding residents they're cherished members of society. The Rotary Club's act of kindness exemplifies the power of connection and its lasting impact.



This initiative highlights the Club's commitment to fostering a supportive community.





## रोटरी क्लब ऑफ बदलापूर ने गजानन लीला अनाथालय का सहारा बना

1 जुलाई को रोटरी क्लब ऑफ बदलापूर ने गजानन लीला अनाथालय के बच्चों के लिए एक सार्थक पहल की। क्लब ने अनाथालय को खाद्यान्न का उदार दान दिया, जिससे वहां रहने वाले 26 बच्चों के भोजन की व्यवस्था सुनिश्चित हो सके। यह पहल अनाथालय के कठिन परिश्रम का समर्थन करने और वहां रहने वाले बच्चों के जीवन में सकारात्मक बदलाव

लाने का एक प्रयास है। खाद्यान्न दान यह सुनिश्चित करेगा कि बच्चों को पौष्टिक भोजन मिले और वे स्वस्थ रहें। रोटरी क्लब ऑफ बदलापूर led by President Dilip Choudhari and fellow members, जरूरतमंदों की मदद करने और उनके जीवन में सकारात्मक बदलाव लाने के लिए प्रतिबद्ध है। गजानन लीला अनाथालय को दिया गया खाद्यान्न दान इस प्रतिबद्धता का एक उदाहरण है। क्लब का मानना है कि हर बच्चे को देखभाल और सुरक्षित वातावरण मिलना चाहिए, और यह पहल उस दिशा में एक कदम है।

Six Rotarians were present to personally deliver the supplies, demonstrating the Club's commitment to helping those in need.

## ज्येष्ठ नागरिकांना आधार देण्यासाठी रोटरी क्लब ऑफ भिवंडी बी.के.सी पुढाकार!

रोटरी क्लब ऑफ भिवंडी बी.के.सी च्या वतीने अन्नपूर्णा दिवस साजरा दिनांक 01/07/2024 रोजी रोटरी क्लब ऑफ भिवंडी बी.के.सी च्या वतीने Awesome Year च्या पहिल्या दिवसाचे औचित्य साधुन भिवंडी तालुक्यातील मातोश्री

वृद्धाश्रम, खडवली येथे अन्नपूर्णा दिवस मोठ्या उत्साहात साजरा करण्यात आला. रोटरी क्लब ऑफ भिवंडी बी.के.सी. led by President Hrishikesh Patil, यांनी नुकतेच आयोजित केलेल्या सदर कार्यक्रमात 81 लाभार्थ्यांनी सहभाग घेतला. क्लबच्या सर्व सदस्यांसह अनेक मान्यवर उपस्थित होते.



या कार्यक्रमाचे आयोजन करण्यात आले होते रोटरी क्लब ऑफ भिवंडी बी.के.सी. मधील सर्व सदस्यांनी. क्लबचे अध्यक्ष, यांनी उपस्थितांचे स्वागत केले आणि क्लबच्या कार्याबद्दल माहिती दिली.



## Cheers to Sohini & Rajib! Their Anniversary Gift Warms Hearts at Old Age Home

“प्रार्थना ईश्वर की तरफ आधे रस्ते तक ले जाती है, उपवास हमको उनके महल के दरवाजे तक पहुंचा देता है

और दान से हम अंदर प्रवेश करते हैं”  
voiced sohini

The Rotary Club of Thane Royales' first Anna daan project at Shree Saidhaaam Old Age Home was a success! They provided meals for 31 beneficiaries thanks to President Sohini Dam and Rtn Rajib Sensharma's sponsorship in honor of their wedding anniversary was in presence of members of the club at large.

We're looking forward to more Annadaan projects in the future!

## Awesome GML Celebrates A Rotary Champion!

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### Empowering Minds and Hygiene Education & WASH in Schools

#### Rotary Club of Badlapur Makes a Big Difference for Tribal Students

The Rotary Club of Badlapur stepped up for students in nearby tribal schools by donating a whopping 700 school kits! Each kit included essentials like a school bag, stationery, a water bottle, a blanket, and even a drawing kit. This generous donation, valued at ₹3,50,000, will go a long way in supporting the educational journeys of these students.



16 Rotarians were present for the distribution, showcasing the club's commitment to making a positive impact in their community.



#### Equipping the Future: Rotary Provides Educational Supplies for Underprivileged Students

In a collaborative effort to empower future generations, the Rotary Club of Thane Royales partnered with the

Rotary Club of Lokhandwala (District 3142) on a special 'Gyaan-Daan' project. Held on July 6th, 2024, the initiative provided much-needed educational supplies, including notebooks and textbooks, to 280 students at VIDYA VIKAS MANDAL VIDHYALAYA in Andheri West. Rotarian Satish Kothare, a school alumnus, secured funding for the project. The students and Principal Mrs. Nutan were very appreciative of the Rotarians' efforts.

This initiative aligns with the Thane Royales Club's focus on education for underprivileged children

#### Birthday Smiles at the Rotary Day care!

Celebration was in the air at the Rotary Club of Thane North End's day care for special needs children! They've launched a new program to celebrate each child's birthday,

thanks to sponsorship by Manonmani Sivarraj. The first birthday bash on July 1st was a hit, filled with cake, songs, and games. President Suresh Srinivasan and his team joined the fun, creating a memorable day for the children. The Rotary Club looks forward to bringing more birthday cheer throughout the year!



This initiative is a shining example of Rotary's commitment to improving the lives of girls in their community. By prioritizing hygiene and sanitation, they're paving the way for a brighter future for all.



#### Thana Rotary Makes Hygiene a Priority for Girls' Education

The Rotary Club of Thane West is making a big splash in girls' education! They recently partnered with Flagship Biotech India Ltd. on a CSR initiative to construct new toilet blocks for girls at two schools:

Raigaid ZP School in Bagechiwadi Sarsai village, taluka Panvel and Thirani High School in Vartak Nagar, Thane west. Having access to clean and safe sanitation facilities is crucial for girls' health and well-being, and directly impacts their ability to attend school regularly.

The inauguration of both toilet blocks were held in June 2024, with Member Rotarians IPP Shrirang Deshpande, Club President Kanwal Tikoo, PP Kedar Vidwans (Chairman & MD Flagship Biotech India Ltd.) and PE Santosh Kadam, celebrating the project's

### Empowering Minds and Hygiene Education & WASH in Schools



#### Safe and Sound: Thane Rotary's "Sparsh" Program for Kids

The Rotary Club of Thane North End (RCTNE) conducted a successful "Good Touch, Bad Touch" and "Menstrual Hygiene" program on July 3rd at Sharda School in Thane. This initiative aimed to

educate children aged 10 to 12 about appropriate boundaries, safe interactions, and personal hygiene, fostering a culture of prevention, protection against child abuse and how to get help from a trusted adult. President Suresh of RCTNE inaugurated the workshop, while trained facilitator Rtn Vedashree delivered age-appropriate content. Over 50 kids participated and felt more confident about staying safe.

*"I learned that my body is mine, and I can say no to unwanted touch,"* shared Roshni Valmiki, a student of Grade 8. Jyotsana Rathod, a student of Grade 6, expressed, "The program helped me understand how to stay safe and who to trust." Rotaract President Apoorva stressed talking openly with parents. This ensures kids feel safe sharing anything. The program also encouraged open communication with parents. Great initiative by RCTNE!

### Healing Hands & Financial Minds A Magical Start to the Rotary Year

#### Rotary Club of Badlapur Celebrates Doctor's Day

The Rotary Club of Badlapur took a moment to appreciate the heroes of healthcare on Doctor's Day, July 1st. They honored doctors in Badlapur for their dedication and service to the community



Six Rotarians were present to show their appreciation.



#### Navi Mumbai Rotary Honors Medical & Accounting Professionals

In a collaborative effort to empower future generations, the Rotary Club of Thane Royales partnered with the The

Rotary Club of Navi Mumbai Flamingo City kicked off July 1st with a celebration of professional excellence! Their "Vocational Excellence Awards" ceremony, led by President Rajni Shamshery, honored ten outstanding doctors and six esteemed chartered accountants. These dedicated individuals were recognized for their invaluable contributions to the fields of medicine and accounting.

Appreciation goes to Club Secretary Meenakshi and Treasurer KK Kushwaha for making this event a success.

#### Rotary Clubs Honor Local Doctors and Chartered Accountants

The Rotary Club of Navi Mumbai Samaritans and Rotary Club of Navi

Mumbai Sunrise teamed up to celebrate Doctor's Day and CA Day on July 1st. They organized a special ceremony at the Bhartiya Vidya Peeth Dental College to acknowledge the dedication and service of doctors and chartered accountants in the community.



This collaborative effort highlights the importance of recognizing these professionals who play vital roles in our society.

### Tree-mendous Effort! The Awe-Inspiring Moments with Trees



#### Rotary Clubs Join Forces for Tree-Plenishment at Taloja Jail

Rotary Clubs in Navi Mumbai are taking root with environmental initiatives! The Samaritans launched their "#ekpedhmaak-naam" (one tree promise) project on July

1st, planting trees in Kharghar. They partnered with the Rotary Club of Navi Mumbai Sunrise on July 6th for a project at Taloja jail, planting over 50 trees. These efforts contribute to a greener, healthier Navi Mumbai, not only enhances the aesthetics of the jail but also potentially provides a source of fresh produce and medicinal plants for those within. These efforts contribute to a greener, healthier Navi Mumbai.

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#### Rotary Club Goes Green at Kores Towers

The Rotary Club of Thane End didn't waste any time this July! They teamed up with volunteers to plant 140 trees, including fragrant Tulsi and delicious fruit trees, at the Kores Towers housing complex.

This is a win-win for fresh air, wildlife, and community pride! Now that's getting dirty for a good cause!

Over 25 people joined the fun, from Rotarians to local residents. Even President Suresh, Inner Wheel President Meena, and Rotarian Kirtivasan got their hands dirty! Planting these trees is more than just beautification. They'll improve air quality, create wildlife habitats, and prevent soil erosion. This is a win for the environment and the community!



#### Rotary Club Sprouts Greener Future in Hiranandani Estate

High fives all around for the Rotary Club of Thane Hiranandani Legends! They just wrapped up a fantastic tree-planting drive

at Hiranandani Estate, proving that even small actions can have a big impact. Imagine a sunny day filled with laughter and teamwork – that's exactly what went down as club members, along with their families, got their hands dirty for a good cause. Together, they planted over 50 trees, not just beautifying the area but planting the seeds for a greener Thane.

President Nilesh Dahifule and Club Secretary Rachitha Mulki led the charge, with everyone pitching in. It was a true community effort, and the enthusiasm was infectious!

#### RCNM GARIMA Plants Trees in Ulwe: A Story of Green Commitment

Their initiative, aptly named "A Green Sow to Grow," embodies their commitment to environmental stewardship.

On July 16th, 2024, members of RCNM GARIMA in Ulwe transformed into nature lovers for a day. These dedicated individuals joined forces to plant trees, contributing to a greener future for their community and the community!



# Club "S" Sensational

DG's Gratitude Desk A Service Salute

## Monsoon Momentum Service Sprouts in the Rain



### Umbrellas Up! Thane Rotary Keeps Students smiling through Rains!

The Rotary Club of Thane North End (RCTNE) addressed the challenges faced by underprivileged students during the monsoon season through a thoughtful initiative. Led by President Suresh, club members distributed essential rain gear –

100 raincoats and umbrellas – to students at Pandit School and TMC School No. 7 on July 4th.

This generous act, supported by donors Rtn Puneet and Amee Takker, ensures that inclement weather doesn't hinder educational pursuits. By providing raincoats and umbrellas, RCTNE promotes regular school attendance and reduces absenteeism among these students.

The initiative not only fosters a sense of community and social responsibility but also underscores Rotary's commitment to supporting education and the overall well-being of children.

### Rain or Shine, Rotary Thanks TMC Heroes!

Monsoons can dampen spirits, but not the dedication of Thane Municipal Corporation (TMC) staff! The Rotary Club of Thane North End (RCTNE) showed their appreciation for these tireless public servants with a thoughtful gift – 50 umbrellas!

Imagine rushing to answer a call in a downpour, only to get soaked to the bone. That's the reality for many TMC staff who work tirelessly to serve the community. RCTNE's umbrella donation is a simple gesture with a big impact, a way to say "thank you" and keep the TMC heroes dry throughout the monsoon season



This act of kindness wasn't just about practicality, though. It's also a symbol of the strong partnership between Rotary and TMC. Both organizations share a commitment to serving the community, and this donation strengthens those bonds

## From Tiny Drop to Mighty Hope The Magic of a Crimson Drop

### RCNM Samaritans & Rotaractors: Double the Sites, Double the Impact!

The Rotary Club of Navi Mumbai Samaritans (RCNM Samaritans) along with their Rotaract Club joined forces for a life-saving initiative, "Drop of Hope", a blood donation camp held on July 1st. Setting up camps at Bhartiya Vidya Peeth Dental College and Kharghar Railway Station, they successfully collected a total of 107 blood units.



This critical collection will undoubtedly benefit those in need within the community.

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### Rotary Club Bolsters Health in Ambernath

The Rotary Club of Ambernath Smart City, teamed up with Plasma

Blood Bank for a blood donation camp at Gokhale Rahalkar Vidyalaya, Ambernath, collecting 45 vital blood donations. They further championed community health by screening over 100 students for Thalassemia, a blood disorder.



This two-pronged approach demonstrates the Rotary Club's commitment to Ambernath's well-being.



### Navi Mumbai Bayside Rotary Club Hits the Ground Running

Saving Lives Through Blood Donation: Partnering with the Navi Mumbai branch of ICAI, they organized a blood donation camp that collected a significant 55 units of blood for the vital Rotary Thalassemia center at Dr. DY Patil Hospital.

The program was bolstered by the presence of the GST commissioner and the capable support of the DY Patil team

### Thane Residents Donate Blood for the Community

Thane's Rotary Club of Thane North End crushed it with a hugely successful blood drive! Residents, young and old, joined forces to donate at Harmony Horizon Society. The Rotary Club ensured a smooth process and collected a ton of blood to help those in need. Safety was key, and strict health protocols were followed.

"We're thrilled with the community's response," said President Suresh Srinivasan. Big thanks to all the donors, volunteers, and Rotary Club for making a difference!



### Dombivli Suncity Rotary Club's Blood Drive Makes a Life-Saving Impact

The Dombivli Suncity Rotary Club starts the new year with a bang! They set up "Blood Donation Camps" all over Dombivli, making it super easy for

people to donate. And guess what? Over 190 people showed up to lend a hand, resulting in a whopping 143 blood bags collected! That's potentially countless lives saved!

This whole thing was a true team effort. Rotary Club volunteers were there making sure everything ran smoothly, local medical professionals chipped in with their expertise, but the real heroes were the blood donors themselves.

The Dombivli Suncity Rotary Club's success is more than just numbers though. Their generosity is amazing!

### Embracing Seva Rotarians Turn into Pit Crew for Warkari!



Special Story -2

### Rotary Pit Crew Keeps Warkari Pilgrims on the Go!

Imagine hundreds of pilgrims, the Warkaris, trekking their way through scorching heat and dust. Their destination? A sacred pilgrimage, a journey fueled by faith and devotion. But what if a blister pops mid-stride, or a headache threatens to derail their focus? That's where the Thane North End Rotary Club swoops in, like sunshine after a storm!

So, next time you see a group of people in orange robes chanting their way down the street, remember! They are The 'Warkari', and there might just be a team of Rotarians behind the scenes, making sure their journey is a little smoother, a little brighter. Now that's the spirit of service, wouldn't you say?

On July 2nd, these Rotarians turned into pit crew for the Warkaris. They set up a medical camp along the route, basically a first-aid oasis. Doc checked out scrapes and sniffles, nurses handed out cool water and snacks, and the whole atmosphere was pure kindness.

It wasn't just about physical needs, though. These Rotarians got to experience the heart of the Warkari tradition first hand. They saw the pilgrims' dedication, the way their faces lit up with faith. It was a cultural exchange unlike any other!

### Helping Hands on the Holy Path Rotarians Assist Warkaris

### Wending their Way to Wellness: A Story of Seva on the Ashadi Path

The monsoon winds whispered tales of devotion as lakhs of 'Warkari', their spirits high with faith, embarked on their annual pilgrimage to Pandharpur. Phaltan, a bustling stop on their journey, would witness not just their weary steps, but also a beacon of medical care – a joint initiative by the Rotary Club of Thane and the Inner Wheel Club of Thane.

Club President Manish, alongside Inner Wheel Club President Sujata, have together revived our signature project, one etched in the chronicles of service since 1996.

The Inner Wheel Club initiated this project in 1996 under President Anita Marathe to provide medical relief to Warkari pilgrims suffering from fatigue, fever, coughs, and dehydration. Every year, two weeks before the pilgrimage, the club's charity clinic buzzes with activity as volunteers prepare essential medical kits containing medicines, ointments, and massage oils. The day of service arrived. Phaltan transformed into a haven of medical aid. Rotary and Inner Wheel members, united in their purpose, offered their expertise. Professional nurses cleansed and dressed wounds, while doctors dispensed advice and medication. The air thrummed with a quiet efficiency, a testament to years of experience.

For the Warkari, weary from their journey, this medical camp was a

godsend. A moment of respite, a chance to address nagging ailments, and a renewed sense of well-being – all fueled by the selfless spirit of service. As they continued their pilgrimage, their steps, though tired, carried a lighter burden

### Awesome GML Shines Light on A Rotary Star!

A Special Recognition for a Dedicated Rotarian

A heartfelt shoutout to a remarkable member of the Rotary Club of Thane!

#### PP Smita Mahajan

Your passion for Rotary's endeavors is truly inspiring, and your desire to remain humble is a testament to your character.

While you prefer to stay out of the spotlight, **Team GML** simply couldn't resist acknowledging

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incredible generosity in sponsoring the publication of GML 2024-25.

**Thank you for everything you do!**



(Ready to serve the Calm before the care.)



(Nurses on standby! Who needs a superhero)



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A Toast to New Presidents!



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# The 2024 Union Budget

*ushers in a new era for Indian investors, introducing sweeping changes to the capital gains tax structure. These modifications aim to streamline the tax system while potentially reshaping investment strategies across various asset classes.*

### 1. Simplified Holding Periods

- 12 months for listed stocks and bonds
- 24 months for gold, real estate, and unlisted shares

### 2. New Tax Rates

- Short-term gains: 20% (up from 15%)
- Long-term gains: 12.5% for all asset types

### 3. Higher Tax-Free Limit

- Long-term capital gains up to ₹1.25 lakh now tax-free (previously ₹1 lakh)

### 4. Removal of Inflation Adjustment

- No more indexation benefit for calculating gains

### 5. Gold Investment Changes

- Long-term period reduced from 36 to 24 months
- Long-term gains taxed at 12.5% (down from 20%)
- No inflation adjustment benefit

As we navigate this transformed investment landscape, it's clear that the 2024 Budget brings both opportunities and challenges. It necessitates a careful re-evaluation of long-term investment strategies. As markets adjust to these changes, staying informed and agile will be key. Whether you're a seasoned investor or just starting out, now is the time to reassess your portfolio, consider the long-term implications of these tax changes.

### 6. Impact on Investors

- Small investors may benefit from higher tax-free limit
- Real estate and gold investors might face higher taxes on long-term gains
- Equity investors may see minimal changes for long-term investments

#### What This Means for You:

- For gains under ₹2,25,000, new rules could be advantageous
- Larger gains, especially in real estate or gold, might incur higher taxes
- Simpler to understand tax implications, but may require strategy adjustments

#### Key Takeaways:

- The new system is simpler but may increase tax liability for some long-term investments
- Short-term trading becomes less attractive due to higher tax rate
- Consider reviewing and adjusting your investment strategy

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