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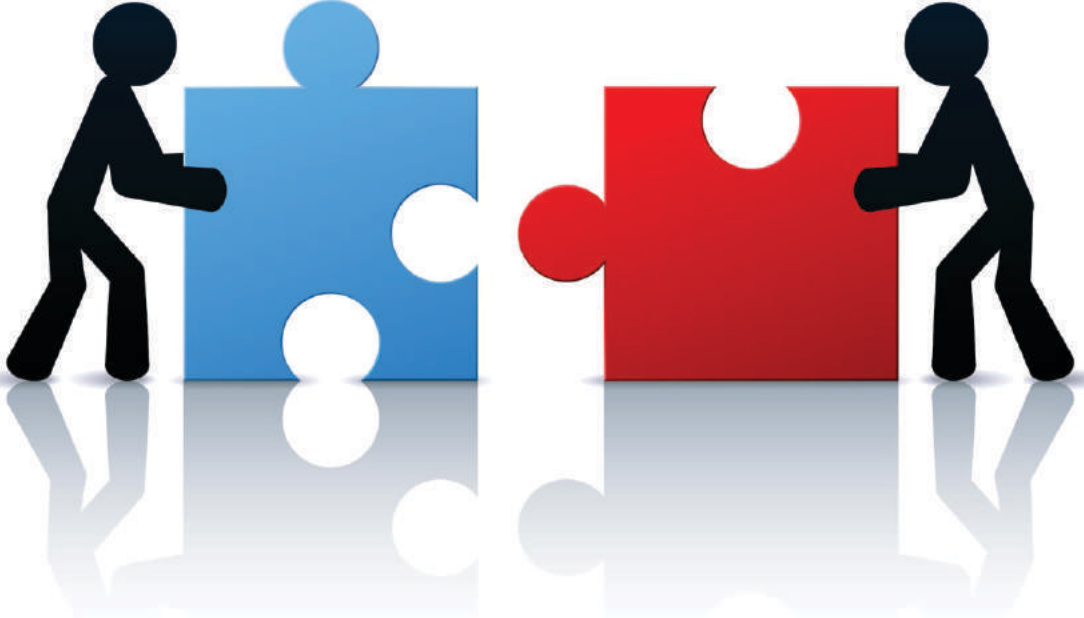
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Rtn. Arun Bhargava
District Governor

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यह भावों का सांख्य है, नहीं गणित का सार । एक - एक ग्यारह हुए , ग्यारह हुए हजार ।।
ग्यारह हुए हजार, नहीं यह यहीं रुकेगा । आ, मिल खींचे डोर, देख अँबर भी झुकेगा ।।
कहे अमित यह प्यार, खेल कब है दाँवों का । आपस का संबंध , योग यह है भावों का ।।

“AUGUST” - Membership & New Club Development Month



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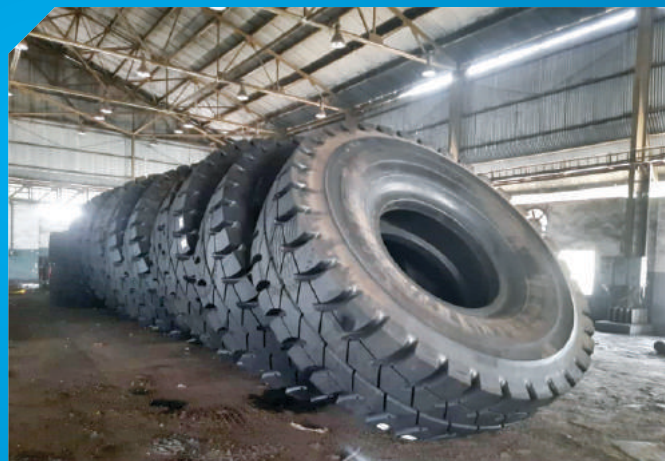
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Let's turn the page, The Incredible Way



Arun Bhargava
District Governor | 2023-24

My Dear Incredibles,

Good outset is half the voyage - What an Incredible start you all have given to our Incredible year. The much needed initial torque was so strong and powerful that it will keep the propellers of our engine - which is service to the mankind and care for the community - running at full throttle throughout the Incredible year and beyond. The way you all have responded to the needs of the community is truly adorable and I feel myself privileged to have such a dedicated and committed Incredible team.

I am deeply touched to notice that you all have done proper need assessment and due diligence to identify the needs of your community, mobilised and channelled your resources properly and doing the required service / projects for the benefit of the people around you. Friends, it is very important to focus on the issues being faced by the community around us and identify projects and formulate an action plan to address those issue so that people in our locality prosper well. Active participation and involvement of members from every Club is a very good sign and I look forward to the same zeal and enthusiasm to continue throughout the year and even thereafter.

The installations are almost complete by now. Seema and I have travelled across the District to attend them and we are humbled with the love, affection, warmth and energy we have received

everywhere. We are enjoying our Incredible journey and feeling proud to see our Clubs growing and making their presence felt in the areas they are located through well planned and well managed humanitarian activities. I am truly delighted to observe that despite being different in terms of locality, membership strength, age of the Club and collection of funds for service projects - all our Clubs have a common goal to make our Incredible journey a superlative experience and Create Hope in the World around us for a better and prosperous tomorrow.

August is Membership month and I wish you to plan great fellowship opportunities for all members to ensure everyone gels together well, take good care of your members and make sure that all your Club members including the newly added members always remain friends and more importantly a member of your Club. Retention is the key and more emphasis should be given to create an atmosphere where each member feels welcomed and happy.

Our Incredible District team is always there with you in all your endeavours and to ensure that all your plans are executed efficiently and successfully. You have already received the District Directory which have details of District officers for all the avenues. Please feel free to connect with the District officers assigned to your Clubs for any support / assistance. This is a lifetime opportunity for all of us and together let's make it a year of - making lifelong friends, accomplishing goals to cherish forever, bringing back smiles on the faces unknown to us, making our neighbourhood happy and flourishing, contributing towards the betterment of the society and for the less privileged who look towards us with Hope for a better tomorrow and thus making our life more meaningful and complete.

Together we can, Together we will, Together Again!

Yours in Rotary,
Rtn Arun Bhargava
District Governor



Seema Bhargava
First Lady

जहाँ सद्भाव होता है-वहाँ विचारों में कहीं अधिक ताकत, आपस में बेहतर तालमेल व सुखद संचार के साथ ही बेहतर समझ भी होती है। जहाँ भी भाईचारा एवं विश्वास की एक जुटता होती है-वहाँ मर्यादा, संयम, देखभाल एवं प्रेम के विस्तार के साथ ही एक सकारात्मक उर्जा का प्रवाह सतत् रूप में स्वाभाविक प्रवाहित होता रहता है। एकता न सिर्फ नैतिक रूप से लोगों की मदद करती है वरन् हमारे रिश्तों को भी मजबूती प्रदान करती है।

विश्वास और पारदर्शिता ही एकता की मूल ताकत है। एक परिवार

जिस तरह स्वयं के बंधन, मर्यादा व स्वभाव को आपस में संचारित करता है-अपने सुख-दुःख व परेशानियों को जिस तरह आपस में साझा करता है-वही एकता की मूल ताकत है। एकता के बगैर दुनिया में कोई उपलब्धि संभव नहीं है। एकता जीवन के प्रत्येक चरणों में सर्वोच्च व सर्वशक्तिमान है।

एकता को उन लोगों के गुणों के रूप में परिभाषित किया जा सकता है जो सभी के संयुक्त हित के लिए समूह में काम करते हैं। एकता सभी के लिए समान अधिकार प्रदान करती है। एकता प्रदर्शन में, काम की गुणवत्ता में और स्वस्थ जीवन शैली में सुधार की संभावना पर बल देती है। एकता स्वस्थ मानवीय संबंधों में सुधार और सभी के लिए समान मानवाधिकार की सुरक्षा करती है।

आईए, हम इसी तरह एकजुट होकर अपने पथ पर अग्रसित होते रहें। अपनी एकता से वैयक्तिक एवं सामाजिक सद्भाव को बढ़ाते रहें। आपस में मिल-जुलकर दुनिया को गति देते रहें एवं आने वाली पीढ़ी और समाज के लिए एक सुखद भविष्य का निर्माण करते रहें।

District Election Committee

In pursuant of District Bylaws Article 9.010.2 Composition of Election Committee, District Governor Rtn Arun Bhargava has constituted A District election Committee having following dignitaries:

1. DG Rtn Arun Bhargava (Chairman)
2. IPDG Rtn Sandip Agarwalla
3. PDG (RY 2021-22) Rtn Rajendra Agrawal
4. DGE Rtn Chetan Desai
5. DGN Rtn Manish Motwani

This committee will help DG Arun in conducting smooth, fair and transparent election of DGND for RY 2026-27

R.I. President Nominee (2025-26)

Mário César Martins de Camargo



A member of the Rotary Club of Santo André, São Paulo, Brazil, is the selection of Nominating Committee for President to become Rotary International's president for 2025-26. He will officially become the nominee on 15 September 2023 if no other candidates challenge him.

Congratulations

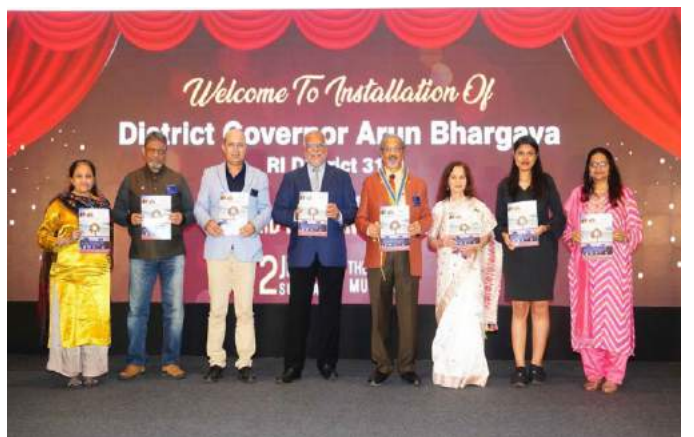


PDG Rtn Gulam A Vahanvaty
Member of The Rotary Foundation's
Fund Development Committee
(2022-2025)



Rtn Manish Gyani
Assistant End Polio Now Co-ordinator
(R.I. Zone 4 - West : 2023-24)
(RID-3040/3055/3056/3060/3141/3142)

Glimpses of D & G Installation



Venue: Hotel Lalit, Mumbai | Date: 02/07/2023, morning | Chief Guest: PRID Rtn Manoj Desai



Ajit Dubey

Managing Editor - GML | 2023-24

Hello Friends,

Creating an interesting, informative, easy-to-read and offering something for everyone approach drove us towards crafting the inaugural issue of our Incredible GML – and we are truly elated to receive your positive and encouraging response! Our team is buoyed with your inspiring feedback and this will add more fuel to our burning desire of bringing more innovative and probing articles in our future editions.

This issue contains – Actions across the District which is a reflection of fantastic start of our Incredible year and magnanimous activities carried out by the Clubs during the months of July, Updates about our Flagship Project – Project National Integration (PNI), Incredible-राजतिलक, Mumbai-मेरी जान, xyz of membership, DEI, Important online actions our Presidents should know and of course Incredible vibes.

We will continue with our quest to explore further about history and culture of our city and we are extremely happy that you are enjoying and appreciating our efforts. The most important roles belong to the authors, designers, advisor and co-editors of this GML and they have been fabulous in their efforts. Our team would like to acknowledge the support and backing of our District Governor Arun for his relentless encouragement and utmost support.

August, being the month of Membership – we dedicate this issue of our GML to all our Rotary friends from our District and Rotary world. Please continue to Inspire. Motivate. Dream. Explore. and above all be a good friend, be a better human being, bring happiness in someone's life and thus continue to enjoy Rotary.

Your response to the Quiz has been phenomenal. We are extremely delighted with support from the clubs by mailing us the data of your installation and for the projects done by your Club. We have tried to accommodate as many projects we could have done in this issue. If you feel that any important projects have been missed by our team, please bring it to our notice and we will publish the same in our next edition.

Finally, I urge you again to please share your feedbacks and give your suggestions so that we can improve further. Your support, encouragement and involvement pushes us to do more and bring exciting articles and reports. We have many interesting and astonishing plans for our future editions which I am sure will make you feel Wow. Stay tuned ...

- Rtn Ajit Dubey

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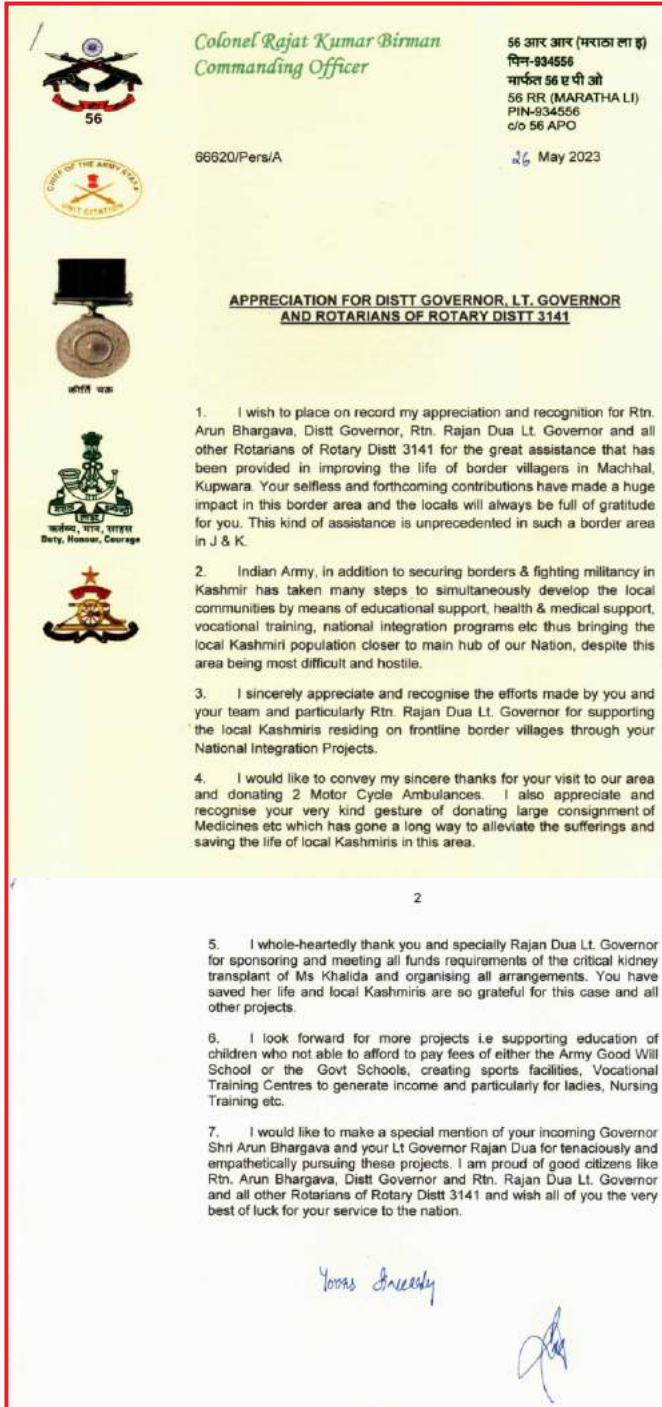
A new level of Patriotism Project National Integration



Kashmir Valley (PNI) Project By Rotary District 3141 Rtn Rajan Dua | Lt Governor & Avenue Chair PNI

Appreciation Certificate

Commitments Fulfilled



I am very happy to report that our Incredible Flagship Project National Integration has received a phenomenal response. So far we have commitments of:



3 School Buses @ Rs 22 lacs Each

My sincere thanks to President Anupama Jalan, RC QueenCity, President Rajendra Bhinge, RC B'bay Hills South & Donor PP Gayomard Panthaki & President Sonal Saxena, RC Mumbai Mulund South

2 National Flags @Rs10 lacs Each

My sincere thanks to President Ashwin Ankhad, RC Bombay Mid Town

Proposed Location Of 1st Flag →



3 Vocational Centres and Self Help Centres @ Rs 25 Lacs and Rs. 5 lacs Respectively

My sincere thanks to President Pia Bhagi, RC Bombay Central for the Vocational Centre, President Ashwin Ankhad, RC Bombay Mid Town for the Self Help Centre

1st Batch of Girls for Nursing & Midwifery Program arriving in Mumbai on 19-Aug-2023



Please join us for their Grand Reception Ceremony

Stay Tuned For More Updates Soon :

**15th Aug Flag Hoisting Visit ...
Ambulances Donation / Fees Sponsorship**

I am delighted to share an appreciation letter received from the Command Office of Indian Military. As an ex Armed Forces Officer , I can assure you that issuance of such letters is very rare in Military. This is a great honour for our organization & testimonial for the excellent work being done by our leaders.

- Cdr. Rtn. B K Ahluwalia (Retd)



Heart Surgery



Ayushi, a sweet little girl from Mulund was having some heart issues from the birth. But the parents were not aware of it. They were treating her with general physician and medicines.

But a day came when things started getting bad to worse. She started with breathing issues and that's when they started taking her to specialist doctors.

She was advised to Wadia hospital . They reached here and after going through all the tests and examinations, she was asked to get hospitalized and advised to undergo a Heart surgery at the earliest. But then comes the biggest problem of the parents, who were very poor and couldn't afford to pay for the surgery.

From somewhere they got my number and contacted me for the surgery and I can never say No to any child. With the help of Sunil Pal, we raised funds . Rotary is one of the major donors for heart surgeries. Soon the surgery took place and as always a successful one , with such efficient Doctors and the team at Wadia hospital.

5 year old Aayushi sweet and naughty smile brought tears to our eyes. She is absolutely fine and very soon will join back to school. The parents thanked all of us for the support.

This is the Power of Rotary and Rotarians, who are always ready to help. **Rtn. Sneh Malhotra, Mob: 8369367989**



Rotary Club of Upper Kandivali - Cochlear Implant Sponsorship



We often take for granted the simple joy of communication and the beauty of sound that enriches our lives. However, for those living without these essential senses, life can be challenging. Rotary Club of Upper Kandivali (RCUK) stepped forward to make a remarkable difference by sponsoring a Cochlear Implant for a three-year-old boy, Master Shaurya Singh, who was born with complete hearing loss.

Master Shaurya Singh's plight touched the hearts of RCUK members, prompting them to initiate a project aimed at providing a life-changing solution for the young child. A Cochlear Implant, a sophisticated device surgically inserted in the ear, was identified as the ideal means to enable Shaurya to experience the gift of sound and lead a life akin to that of his peers. With the

implant, Shaurya will have the opportunity to attend a regular school and partake in daily activities like any other child.

The cost of the Cochlear Implant amounted to a substantial Rs 6 lakhs, a sum beyond the means of Shaurya's parents. Determined to make a positive impact, RCUK members unanimously decided to sponsor the implant, ensuring that the young boy receives the necessary support for his hearing abilities. The success of this incredible project can be attributed to the dedication of RCUK member, Rtn. Dr. Rajesh Yadav, Head of the ENT Department at BDBA Hospital, Kandivali West, Mumbai.

As we celebrate the successful completion of this remarkable project, Rotary Club of Upper Kandivali looks forward to further endeavors that will positively impact the lives of individuals in need, spreading hope and happiness within our community and beyond.



August 2023 QUIZZZZO

Hello friends...

We are back with the fresh challenge for you in our GML Quiz (all questions are from the contents within this issue of GML).

Remember - First Three respondents with correct answers will be recognised prominently in the next edition and will received our especially designed Coffee Mug !

Quiz Questions

- 1) When is the 1st batch of Kashmiri girls for Nursing and Midwifery program arriving at Mumbai ?
- 2) In which year the building of Churchgate station was built?
- 3) In which town the first Shiva Temple built in भूमिज शैलीचे मंदिर in Maharashtra?
- 4) Which Rotarian from our District has been selected as "Assistant End Polio Now Co-ordinator" of RI Zone 4 ?
- 5) What is the message given in the article "आदर्श यक्तु आचरण"?

So hurry friends, please mail your answers to incrediblegml@gmail.com and get recognised for your knowledge, wisdom, keen eye and swift response

For feedbacks, reviews and suggestions please mail us on incrediblegml@gmail.com

Quiz Masters

Rotarians who responded with the answer (Sequence as per receipt of email)

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And The Fastest Fingers (Obviously With Correct & Complete Answers)



1

Rtn. Ashish Tapiawala
Rotary Club of Borivali
Zonal Chair North - Vocational Service 4



2

Rtn. CA Sharat Chand Jain
Rotary Club Of Mulund Hills
Co Chair Central 1 - Membership 1

3

Rtn. Ravichandran S
Rotary Club of Bombay Kandivali
Incredible President

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DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION

Rotary's Commitment & Priority



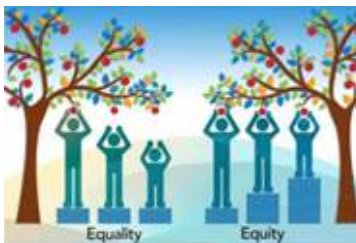
DIVERSITY

diversity is less about what makes people different - their race, socioeconomic status, and so on - and more about understanding, accepting and valuing those

Diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) is a top priority for Rotary International as well as our District 3141. It underscores our core values as a foundation for how members interact with each other and their communities. Rotary was based on Diversity in 1905 and has grown globally on that foundation. Yet, our Rotary clubs can learn more and do more to support that commitment to DEI as our communities and our world transform around us. We want to welcome more people with diverse abilities and from diverse backgrounds, as people of action, in our cause of service above self.

By its very nature, with 1.4 million members, in clubs all over the world, Rotary certainly has for a long time been diverse, equitable and inclusive in its shared purpose of doing good in the world. Our communities and our world are transforming more and more in the direction of DEI. Our Rotary clubs, built on their values and commitments to service, are transforming as well.

In 2019 Rotary's Board of Directors adopted a statement that affirms its commitment to DEI and recognizes that welcoming people with differing perspectives and ideas enhances Rotary's ability to create lasting change in communities worldwide. It's crucial that everyone who engages with Rotary - no matter who they are in the world, or how long they have been connected with Rotary - feel valued, respected, and welcomed. Rotary's capacity for doing good is amplified when we not only welcome, but actively invite, a variety of experiences, cultures, and perspective.



EQUITY

equity is about creating fair access, opportunity, and advancement for all those different people. It's about creating a fair playing field to use a familiar metaphor

As one of Rotary's Core Values, diversity should be one of our great strengths. We should be proud that Rotary reflects so many cultures, generations, and lived experiences, and offers the potential for countless leaders to tap into those experiences to make a difference. As a sign of our commitment to creating an organization that sets the standard for valuing and living the principles of diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI), the Rotary International Board adopted Rotary's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion statement in January 2019.

While progress has been made, we need a concrete plan to make sure that DEI are ingrained into everything that we do as an organization and reflected in the actions Rotary takes as we engage with the communities we serve. In September 2020, RI formed a DEI task force that is charged with shaping a comprehensive action plan with achievable, measurable, and meaningful outcomes for Rotary.



INCLUSION

inclusion is the extent to which various team members, employees and other people feel a sense of belonging and value within a given organizational setting

Rotary International tapped into the expertise of Rotary participants around the globe for this task force. This task force will devise a plan that assesses the current state of DEI at Rotary and articulates a vision that incorporates regional differences, needs and priorities. To ensure we live up to that ideal, the Board of Directors and DEI Task force acted to strengthen the DEI statement originally adopted in 2019. The result is in a new commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion:

At Rotary, we understand that cultivating a diverse, equitable, and inclusive culture is essential to realizing our vision of a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change.

As Rotarians, we value diversity and celebrate the contributions of people of all backgrounds, across age, ethnicity, race, colour, disability, learning style, religion, faith, socioeconomic status, culture, marital status, languages spoken, sex, sexual orientation, and gender identity as well as differences in ideas, thoughts, values, and beliefs.

Recognizing that individuals from certain groups have historically experienced barriers to membership, participation, and leadership, we commit to advancing equity in all aspects of Rotary, including in our community partnerships, so that each person has the necessary access to resources, opportunities, networks, and support to thrive.

Rotary believes that all people hold visible and invisible qualities that inherently make them unique, and we strive to create an inclusive culture where each person knows they are valued and belong.

In line with our value of integrity, we are committed to being honest and transparent about where we are in our DEI journey as an organization, and to continuing to learn and do better.

- Rtn. Sampada Kashikar

WE ARE ALL WELCOME

- All ages
- All sizes
- All races
- All abilities
- All religions
- All ethnicities
- All nationalities
- All sexual orientations
- All immigration statuses
- All socio-economic backgrounds
- All gender expressions & identities



Action Across The District



Health Check-up Camp by RC Bombay Airport



BP, Diabetes, ECG & Physio advice for back neck and knee pain - camp at Oshiwara Police Station

Cataract Surgery by RC Bombay Bandra



One cataract surgery done at Lotus Hospital, Juhu

Utility Distribution, Inauguration of Well & Tree Plantation by RC Bombay Bay View



Distributed Ration, Raincoats, School bags, School uniform & Toys at Nandadeep Orphanage, Panvel



Inauguration of Well & Plantation of trees

Hair Donation for Cancer Patients & Tree Plantation by RC Bombay Film City

A baby step towards the Hair Donation for Cancer Patients & Tree Plantation Drive was done at Aarey Colony, Goregaon East along with The National Society of the Friends of Trees and 107 saplings were planted



Uniform Project at Aryan School by RC Bombay Hanging Garden



Felicitation function of meritorious students by the hands of DG by RC Bombay Powai



Project Basera & Donated Essentials to Anand Vridhashram, Palghar by RC Bombay Kandivali



Raincoats Distribution and Eye Camp & Glass Distribution by RC Bombay Queen City



100 raincoats distributed at Dadar West police station



Eye camp and glass distribution at Balak Vrind School, Tardeo

Special lunch for Blind Children by RC Bombay Uptown



Special lunch for children and staff of Kamla Mehta School for the Blind

Text Book distribution & Lunch by RC Bombay West



Text book distribution & served yummy lunch to children and staff of Shruti school for hearing impaired

Free Medical Check-up Camp by RC Borivali



Organized a Free Medical Checkup Camp Total Beneficiaries 145, Cost 8 Lacs

Blood Donation Camp & Organ Donation Awareness Program by RC Dahanu Seacoast



Healthy Morning & Sessions on Metabolism Syndrome & Anti Obesity Diet by RC Chandivali



Chandivali and Hiranandani Hospital had planned a health morning at Raheja Vihar Club House. A Talk on Walk & also two sessions on Metabolism Syndrome & An anti obesity Diet were also arranged.

Waste management & Project Barsaat by RC Deonar



Waste management session along with distribution of bags to encourage people not to use plastic bags

Distributed umbrellas to school kids and staff like maids drivers watchman doing Rotary Branding.

Blood Donation at Railway Station (In the presence of DG Arun Bhargava) & Eye Check-up Camp Near Railway Station by RC Ghatkopar West



Blood Donation Camp & Organ Donation Awareness Program & Raincoat Distribution by RC Harbour View



Blood Donation and Organ Donation Awareness Camp at CST. Collected 44 bottles of blood and 39 Organ Donation pledges

Distribution of Raincoats

Food Distribution by RC Mumbai Khar



Project of Food distribution to 120 needy children of Sarvodaya Nagar Jogeshwari East

Cataract Camp by RC Mumbai Bhandup



Conducted Cataract Camp, wherein 41 screening done and 23 sent for cataract surgery

Industrial Health and Safety Workshop & Awareness Seminar on Snakes and Snake bite management by RC Manor Highway



Organised 1st Industrial Health and Safety Workshop for workers in companies near Manor



Manor Highway organized An awareness seminar on Snakes and snake bite management for Highway Construction Site Workers who are more exposed to serpents during rainy season around Manor Beneficiaries 125



Raincoats Distribution by RC Mira Road

Distributed Raincoats to Needy Students

Friendship Day at Old Age Home by RC Virar



Visited and Celebrated Friendship Day at Old age home

Shed Construction by RC Wada



Construction of Shed outside Rural Hospital by the Club

Blood Donation Drive & Raincoat Donation by RC Mulund Hillview



Blood Donation Drive at City of Joy. Collected 47 Blood bottles



Donated 75 raincoats to girls at Sakhi NGO

Distribution of Sanitary Napkins

by RC Mumbai Borivali East
Club was instrumental in
Distribution of 4800 Sanitary
Napkins to The Rescue
Foundation Kandivali & Boisar
Shelter home



Tree Plantation

by RC Mumbai Elite
Club organised Tree
Plantation at Butterfly
Garden Aarey

Annapurna Project & Tree Plantation Drive by RC Mumbai Cuffe Parade



Organised Annapurna Project at Kamla Mehta Blind School
at Dadar, Beneficiaries 140



Tree plantation drive with help of Dadar Green North planted
trees at Sarvajnik Vachnalaya Mahim

Stop Tobacco Use Seminar by RC Mumbai Goregaon West



Organised a Seminar on Stop Tobacco use at Rane School,
Goregaon

Medical Camp by RC Mumbai Green City



Conducted a Medical Camp with Nanavati Max Hospital at
Good Shepherd Convent Hall

Notebook, Clothes & Umbrella Distribution by RC Mumbai Horizons



Provided 300 note books to 50 HIV infected children supported by SAHAS at K J Somaiya Hospital Also Nutritional and educational needs of such children are taken care of by the center



Distribution of clothes to over 500 families living in Damu Nagar slum in Kandivali East



Provided Umbrellas to 110 children of Angel Express Foundation at Yari Road

Dental Camp by RC Mumbai Kalakar Arranged at Vidyasagar International School Beneficiaries 270



English Speaking & Personality Development by RC Mumbai Kandivali West



Club organised English speaking and personality Development and Vyakti Vikas Project

Stationery Distribution & Anna Dan by RC Mumbai Iconics



200 students from Angel express foundation at Muktananda park were given stationery



Anna Dan at Cooper Hospital

Food Distribution by RC Mumbai Khar



Distribution of food to 200 children at Jogeshwari Sanjay Nagar belonging to Vydu Community, Nomadic & Rag pickers Community slums



Hoarding Display by RC Mumbai Khar

Display of hoardings all over Mumbai displaying Incredible Public Image

Medical Camp by RC Mumbai Lower Parel



Medical camp for the staff of US CLUB Colaba in which The staff and surrounding area residents took benefits of this camp

Aquaguard Launch by RC Mumbai Mahim



Inaugurated Aqua guard launch in Dadar Vidya Mandir School Dadar for 700 students

Educative Session & Blood Donation Drive by RC Mumbai Malabar Hills



An educative session against Narcotics and drugs usage & Cyber security-this was an awareness campaign for children



Blood Donation Drive Collected 100 Blood bags at Churchgate Railway Station

Safe Unsafe Touch & Free Dental Checkup by RC Mumbai Mulund East



Conducted Session on safe unsafe touch by our own Rotarian Ambika Dani at MPS at Mulund East



Successfully completed free dental check up camp with 80 Beneficiaries

Sanitary Pad Distribution

by RC Mumbai North Island

Visited St Charles High School for girls located at Santa Cruz East and distributed sanitary pads to 1000 girls



Blood Donation by RC Mumbai West Coast



Blood Donation Drive Collected 90 Blood bags at Goregaon Railway Station

Notebook Distribution & Visit to Senior Citizens by RC Mumbai Royales



More than 70 students from Mora Gaon going to Gandhi Gram Municipal School were distributed Note Books



Members spent their afternoon with Senior Citizens of Manav Seva Sangh

Meal Distribution & Tree Plantation by RC Mumbai South



The Greatest Meal was distributed to the children of Sundatta High School



The Tree Plantation and Fellowship Project at S K Patil Udayan

School Kits Distribution & Eye Check-up Camp by RC Mumbai West End



Distributed school kits Containing School Bag and Stationery-Beneficiaries 800



Organised Eye Check Up Camp at Murugan Chawl Santacruz West

Text Books Distribution (Vidyadeep), E-waste Collection & Seed Balls Sowing by RC Palghar



60 Sets of Text books were distributed in Maswan, Chahade & Mahim Schools



E-waste collection from all rotary members and sent to District



Seed Balls sowing at Palghar Mountains



Ration Kits Donation & Feeding the Devotees (International Project) by RC Bombay Mahakali Heights



Donated Ration Kits to Pearl Foundation, Andheri East | Beautifully started a unique project - providing nourishment and care to 1000 devotees visiting Lord Shiva Temple at Nepal every Monday during the auspicious month of Shravan. The project originally started by the mother of Incredible President Pinky Rajgarhiya 40 yrs ago and now been rejuvenated with the Team support.

Computers Donation by RC MaKaBo



Donated computers to underprivileged children from nearby slums at Vidya Vikas Mandal School Andheri West

Project Gyan Prakash by RC Borivali



Tuition classes for 10th standard students For the year 2023-24. 6 classes per week at Bajaj Municipal school Kandivali west. Beneficiaries 95 students

An Incredible Beginning....

6:00'O'clock, the alarm rang. I got up with a smile on my face after all it was start of a new Rotary Year. I peeped out of window, it had started drizzling. I started getting ready for the big day of my life, taking over as President of our dynamic Rotary Club of Bombay Mahakali Heights. We had planned to start our first day of the Rotary year by taking Divine blessings in Gurudwara @Shere Punjab, Andheri East, Mumbai.

As we embarked on a new Rotary year, we were filled with immense gratitude and the determination to make a positive impact in our community. The day commenced with heartfelt devotion as we sought blessings at the Sher e Punjab Gurudwara. Under the divine grace of Wahe Guru, we held a Langar.

Following the morning's spiritual awakening, we proudly inaugurated a blood donation camp at Andheri Railway Station. This noble initiative, graced by the presence of Dr. Nandini Gupta, Mrs. Bharat Icon 2019, Mrs. India 2019, and Most Inspiring Model of the Year 2020, Overall 114 units of blood was collected.

We firmly believe in empowering the next generation, and with that in mind, we distributed sanitary pads to girls in Shankar Wadi. Additionally, we extended our support to underprivileged children in Shankar Wadi by distributing food through a heartwarming Langar.

In line with our commitment to fostering mobility and independence, we were honored to distribute two Jaipur Foot at Anand Niketan, Mahalaxmi. Collaborating with DG Arun Bhargava, we brought hope and support to individuals in need, enabling them to regain their mobility and pursue their dreams. Lastly, as the day drew to a close, we distributed umbrellas in Appapada, Malad, offering protection and relief during the monsoon season.

The Rotary Club of Bombay Mahakali Heights is immensely proud to have initiated these diverse projects on the first day of our incredible new year. We extend our gratitude to all our members who have passionately contributed their time, skills, and resources to make these endeavours possible.

Story narrated by RCBMH President Rtn. Pinky Rajgarhiya and penned by Club Public Image Chair PP Rtn. Gurpreet Singh (Guru) Uppal

INNER WHEEL DISTRICT PROJECTS



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DIST. EXT. SERVICE ORGANIZER



MONILA BHATTASALI
DIST. IGO



SUCHITRA NAYAK
DIST. EDITOR

This year marks the centennial anniversary of International Inner Wheel, and in District 314, we have planned an array of celebrations and service activities. Centenary District Chairman Pallavi Choksi, along with Inner Wheel District 314, celebrates the incredible spirit of women as we dare, dream, and dazzle to SHINE ALIGHT.



IWC Bombay Hanging Garden -DC Pallavi Choksi Inaugurating The Therapy Centre For Special Children



IWC Bombay Airport- Inauguration Of Vocational Centre "Saksham"



IWC Mumbai Green City Planted 45 Fruit Bearing Trees Like Lemon, Pomegranate, Guava, Jamun And Chiku At Chawli Gaon Uttan Village Bhayandar East.



IWC Mulund - Teachers Training For Homi Bhabha Exam



IWC Bombay Hanging Garden Distributed 5100 Notebooks At Guhir Asharam Shala Palghar.



IWC Bombay Pier - Donated Cycles To Girl Child



IWC Parleshwar- Awaerness And Distribution Of 100% Biodegradable Sanitary Napkins - Asmee



IWC Bombay Bayview - Donation At Sathya Sai Hospital



धोराजुनी हॉस्पिटलमां सोनोग्राफी मशीननुं लोकार्पण
धोराजुनी नगरांतली धोराजुनी हॉस्पिटलमां सोनोग्राफी मशीननुं लोकार्पण करताना उपस्थित असलेल्या महिलांच्या संख्येबाबतची माहिती खालीलप्रमाणे आहे. (संख्या: 1000)

IWC Bombay North Setting Up A Sonography Dept At Hiralakxmi Gandhi Hospital Rajkot



IWC Bombay Midwest- Zero Waste Poster Competition Held At Dawood Baug School



IWC Borivli Installed 5 Sanitary Vending Machines At 5 Metro Stations Namely Akurli, Dahisar East, Gudavali, Andheri & Kandivli West.



IWC Bombay North Island- Donation At Lions School For Differently Abled Children

ROTARACT CLUB DISTRICT PROJECTS

DRR Aastha Parekh's (2023-24) Collaring Ceremony



Auriga - The 8th District Assembly & AARA Night, the official handover ceremony between Rtr. Gemin Shah, DRR 22-23 & Rtr. Aastha Parekh, DRR 23-24. This was Conducted on 8th July, 2023 in the presence of Incredible DG Rtn. Arun Bhargava at Sheila Raheja Auditorium, Bandra. Auriga consisted of witnessing the achievements of the Conquerors year while embarking on a new journey of RIY 23-24 with the visions & goals of Team Infinity.

Jeevandan & Annadan

To celebrate the new Rotary International Year 23-24, Rotaract Mumbai organised projects Jeevandaan & Annadaan on 1st July, 2023 to kickstart the year by serving & contributing towards the Community.



Congratulations

Congratulations & All The Best Yash

Yash Desai, son of our DGE Rtn Chetan Desai from Rotary Club of Borivali went to Brazil Rotary District 4420 as a RYE student



रोटरी क्लब मिरारोटर्फ विद्यार्थ्यांना रेनकोट वाटप

■ भाईंदर, प्रतिनिधी

मीर-भाईंदर महानगरपालिकेच्या मीर रोड रेल्वे स्टेशनजवळ असलेल्या मराठी आणि गुजराती माध्यमांच्या शाळेतील विद्यार्थ्यांना रोटरी क्लबने रेनकोट वाटप केले. रोटरी क्लब मिरारोटर्फ यांनी मीर भाईंदर महापालिकेची मराठी व गुजराती माध्यमांची शाळा क्रमांक २१ या शाळेला रेल्वे अनेक वर्षांपासून दत्तक घेतलेले आहे. दरवर्षी रोटरी क्लब शाळा व्यवस्थापन आणि विद्यार्थ्यांच्या सहाय्यासाठी अनेक उपक्रम राबवत असते. त्याचाच एक भाग म्हणून रोटरी इंटरनॅशनल इस्टिडिक्ट ३१४१ च्या मीर रोड रोटरी क्लबने अल्पसंख्यक विभागात अजित श्रीवास्तव यांच्या नेतृत्वाखाली चंद्रशेखर पालन, प्रमोद पुरी, आमंड परकर, विवेक रामनी, कैटन एस. वी.सिंह, संजय मेहता, मंगी मे, हिमांशू ताम्बर, दशर मोहन, भूपेश राहा यांनी विद्यार्थ्यांना रेनकोट वाटप केले. रोटरी क्लबने उद्गाढवांना शिक्षक व सर्व कर्मचाऱ्यांना छत्रीचे सुट्टा वाटप केले होते. तसेच आदिवासी समाजाचे प्राबल्य असलेल्या मीर गावठाण पागातील मिर प्रामोण विद्यालयाला वाचनालय आणि थंड पाण्याची मशीन सुट्टा भेट दिली होती.



लोकागत

उन्हात-पावसात रांगेत उभे राहणाऱ्यांची समस्या मिटली

वाडा ग्रामीण रुग्णालयास रोटरी क्लबने बांधून दिली शेड

लोकागत न्यूज नेटवर्क वाडा : ग्रामीण रुग्णालय, वाडा येथे दररोज ३०० ते ३०० रुग्ण, गर्भवती महिला, बालरुग्ण यादी मोजक्या फंडातून भागवान उपचारासाठी येत असतात. बाह्यरुग्ण विभागबाहेर वेळ पसर आणि तयारीकरिता कटक उन्हात आणि मुसळधार पावसावळी या सर्वांना रांगेत उभे राहणे लागत होते. रोटरी क्लबच्या माध्यमातून ही समस्या दूर झाली आहे.



बाह्यरुग्ण विभागबाहेर वेळ पसर आणि तयारीसाठी उन्हात व पावसावळी मोकळी रांगेत उभे राहणे लागत होते. याला ही समस्या अखेर दूर झाली आहे.

वैदिक अधिकार्यांनी ही समस्या दूर करण्यासाठी रोमिश फर्नांडे शेड उन्हातयारी मिटली रोटरी क्लब ऑफ वाडाक क्रेडीट होती. वाडा क्लबचे संचालक व अध्यक्ष शशि शिंगी आणि उपनिर्वाह यांच्या मार्फत रोटरी क्लबने १०० शैक्षणिक साहित्याचे वाटप करण्यात आले. वाट वल्हा, चित्रकलेचे साहित्य, लेख साहित्याचा समावेश आहे. क्लबचे अध्यक्ष विपुल शोध, सेक्रेटरी रेषु साखरानी यांच्या नेतृत्वाखाली आ. जवळ इतर समजोपयोगी कामांवरहीरवत

गैरसोय दूर : रण आणि स्वादी भाषावर्षावळी मंडी नैसर्गिक दूर केल्याबद्दल रोटरी क्लब ऑफ मुंबई रेल्वेच्या अध्यक्ष विलास शंकर आणि त्यासाठी प्रयत्न करणाऱ्या रासेन उज्ज्वल आणि वाडा राबळच्या मदत्याचे वैभवाजी आणि गणेशकुमारी आभार मानले आहे.

रोटरी क्लब ऑफ वाडाचे अध्यक्ष शशि शिंगी, सेक्रेटरी दुर्गा शिंदे, उपनिर्वाह प्रकल्प संचालक विलास शोध, डॉ. विद्यानाथ परते, डॉ. विद्या राजे, डॉ. समीर धनूराणी यांच्या उपस्थितीत वाडाचा गैरसोय दूर करणारे १०० साहित्य साहित्याचे वाटप करण्यात आले. यावेळी डॉ. विद्यानाथ परते, डॉ. विद्या राजे, डॉ. समीर धनूराणी यांच्या उपस्थितीत वाडाचा गैरसोय दूर करणारे १०० साहित्य साहित्याचे वाटप करण्यात आले.

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पालघर जिल्हात रोटरी क्लबची यशस्वी घोडदौड

पालघर जिल्हात रोटरी क्लबची यशस्वी घोडदौड... (Detailed text about the horse race event in Palghar district, mentioning the date July 13, 2023, and the success of the event.)

डहाणूत स्वतदान व अवयवदान जनजागृती शिबीर संपन्न !

डहाणू दि.१८ : रोटरी क्लब ऑफ डहाणू (सिकांस्ट), इंडियन मेडिकल असोसिएशन तसेच इन्टरव्हिल क्लब ऑफ डहाणू यांच्या संयुक्त विद्यमाने रविवार, दि.१६ जुलै रोजी डहाणूतील एच.के.इंग्रजी हॉल येथे स्वतदान, शिबाराबोबरच अवयवदान जनजागृती शिबाराचे आयोजन करण्यात आले होते. रक्तदान शिबारांमध्ये ७६ रक्तदात्यांनी रक्तदान करून अभूतपूर्व उत्पुर्न प्रतिसादन दिले. हि शिबारा सकाळी १० ते सायंकाळी ४ वाजेदरम्यान चालले. या शिबारास प्रमुख पाहुणे व



उद्घाटक म्हणून माजी नगराध्यक्ष भरतभाई राजपुत तसेच सहाय्यक जिल्हाधिकारी संजिता महापात्रा उपस्थित होते. तसेच डॉ.जाधव आणि छेडा ब्लड बँकेच्या डॉक्टरांची टीम उपस्थित होते. रोटरीयन हार्दीक पटेल यांच्या पुढाकारखाली घेण्यात आलेले

गैरसोय दूर वार्ताहर

गुजरात दि.१० ऑगस्ट २०२३
शालेय विद्यार्थ्यांना शैक्षणिक साहित्य वाटप
१०० शैक्षणिक संचाचे वाटप

रोटरी क्लब ऑफ मुंबई ग्रेडगॅटर्स कडून घोडदौड येथील मानपाटा, विमानेखाल तसेच बाळासाहेब कट्टे यांच्या मार्फत रोटरी क्लबने १०० शैक्षणिक साहित्याचे वाटप करण्यात आले. वाट वल्हा, चित्रकलेचे साहित्य, लेख साहित्याचा समावेश आहे. क्लबचे अध्यक्ष विपुल शोध, सेक्रेटरी रेषु साखरानी यांच्या नेतृत्वाखाली आ. जवळ इतर समजोपयोगी कामांवरहीरवत



रोटरी क्लब ऑफ मुंबई कांठिवली-पश्चिम द्वारा कांठिवलीनी हिल्स स्थूलना विद्यार्थ्यांजोने रक्त दान राने मूणपुत स्टेशनरी व हॉरेंसवामां राची हती. आ प्रसंणे प्रमुज प्रीतिडा सामाणी, प्रसन्ना उषासनी, सीमा वाडी, नंदिनी, नीरव वजाडिया, प्लेच रोमिन्स वगैरे उपस्थित रह्यां हतां

Date: 02-08-2023, Wednesday



रोटरी क्लब ओड ओडीवली द्वारा प्रमुज रविशंकां संघची, सेक्रेटरी केवल तारियावाला, रोडर धर्माळ शिंदे, चैनम शिंदे, डेनन शाह, अशशा संपत्तीना प्रधास थी मुंजळ डिसनी शरु-डेशन अने रोडर उमेश भस्मा सल्लोणी नी प्लेच रोमिन्स, प्लेच, डिसनी किवार माडे मेडीकल सेक्रेषन डेवम नुं आयोजन कुंठुल्ल. २०००नी वषाचे हवी अने जाण लीणे. विषोई सारे कुडुविलास भंड ने निपुण रोडर अश शाह नी शुक्र सल्ला अपावयासं आसारी संपुषा डेवम नुं संघावन वजनस २५ रोटरी क्लब ओड ओडीवली-मं सवयंसेक दारा कशवामां मॉं आळुं वनुं.आसारे 'बळ कुशी' संघावेग वॉटेडेशन लेटरना दिव्यानां सवयम पधारी नी आशियाई. पला आल्या. रोडर उमेश भस्म अने रोटरी क्लब ओडीवली आवां अनेक फॉर-द-गोड कश्यां सवयम सवयम छे

रोटरी क्लब द्वारा रक्तदान शिबिर योजाई

मुंबई : रोटरी क्लब ऑफ मुंबई, महापौर हिशु द्वारा अजय रोटरी क्लब तथा रोटरी क्लब सांठव जोग ओड रोटरी क्लब डिस्ट्रिक्ट ३१४१ना सहयोगी संतान शिबिरनुं आयोजन मसुळु हुं. १३ऑगस्ट सय होमिस्टिब बळ भे-डना सहयोगी शिबिर योजाई हती. रोटरी क्लब, मेनसेससेस फुईट, श्याडिड कोशेना विद्यालयीनी परल महापौर प्रान शशी हती. डिस्ट्रिक्ट जनरल अरुण भावेंव उपस्थित रह्या हता. रोटरी क्लब ओड महापौर शिबारा प्रमुज सुसेस दोसरेअ आभार मान्यो हती.

आसि. गवर्नर पुनित बडीसे रक्तदाननुं मदत सवयमसुं हुं. रोटरी क्लब ओड मुंबई ३१००-३१०० सोलेन, मीरु जुळेर, मुंबई ३१००३, मुंबई सी- डेव, मुंबई मे-वु. मुंबई जपतरडन परल शोशकट्यां योजाय हता.

भूमिमुमि

मुंबई, २३ऑगस्ट, ता. ३-८-२०२३

रोटरी क्लब ऑफ ओडीवली द्वारा प्रमुज रविशंका संघची, सेक्रेटरी केवल तारियावाला, डॉ. धर्मशु शिंदे, अशशा सल्लोणी द्वारा प्रमुज शिबिरांजोने अने उजवे देडनीलोडना हडकोडो हता वळ ओडीवलीनी जडुविलास भंड मोडुल्ल विवरणनुं जाणोवण कुंठुल्ल हुं. आ प्रसंणे प्रमुज प्रीतिडा सामाणी, प्रसन्ना उषासनी, सीमा वाडी, नंदिनी, नीरव वजाडिया, प्लेच रोमिन्स वगैरे उपस्थित रह्या हतां

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Rotary District 3141 stretches all the way from Cuffe Parade in the South to all the way upto Dahanu in the North. To most it is the Metropolis of Mumbai along with its extended suburbs and some rural pockets. Very few know that our Geographical Area of District 3141 has a glorious history stretching back to centuries and has Monuments/ forts/ palaces/ caves and religious places which are Internationally famous but less known to us. In the GML issues of the Incredible Year, we shall make a modest effort to unravel these lesser known Gems of

District 3141. A lot of Rotarians will definitely have even more interesting stories and facts which will make amazing & interesting reading material.

We request you all to share any information you may have with us on poonam@opportunitiesindia.com

Together lets celebrate the History of the geographical areas of our Incredible District 3141!

Lets make a beginning with little known
Riva Fort

Riva Fort

The Riwa Fort is locally known as Kala Qilla or Black Fort. The Riwa Fort is located in Dharavi in Mumbai, on the banks of the Mithi River. The Most Significant part of this British architecture is that its main ramparts are built with stones in black colour.

This fort lies hidden in the slums opposite Mahim Nature Park and behind Dharavi Bus Depot, and is accessible from a lane next to the depot. Dharavi as we all know, is well known as one of the largest slums in the world.

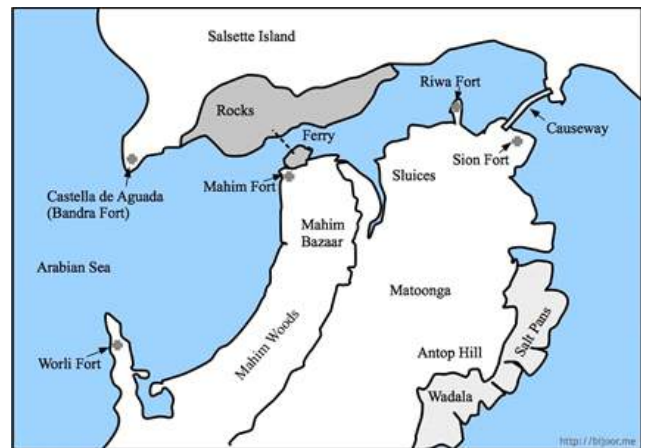
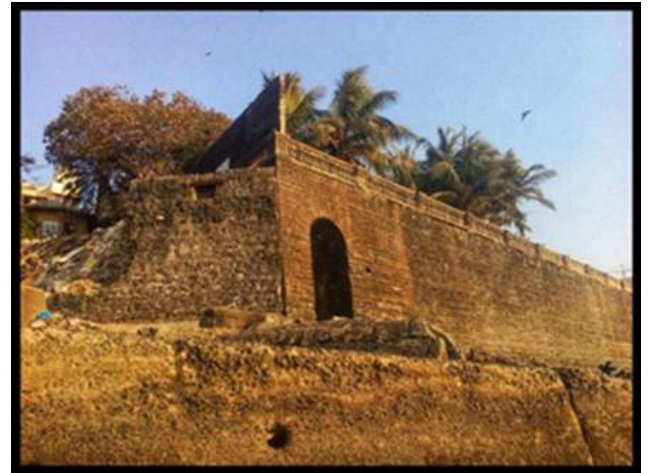
At that point of time, Dharavi was just a marshy land at the coast of the Mithi river (Mahim creek) that separated the British controlled Bombay island from Salsette island controlled by the Portuguese. In 1737, Salsette was captured by the Maratha Empire and most of the Portuguese provinces in Bombay were ceded to the Marathas. Perhaps in response to that, John Horne the Governor of Bombay, commissioned that a fort at Dharavi be constructed, to protect the border of Bombay from the mighty sea-faring leader of the Marathas – Kanhoji Angre.

This historic fort was also used as a watchtower, guarding the territory against the Marathas and also Portuguese who controlled the Salsette Island. The Riwa Fort was later captured by the Marathas.

Interestingly, the Riwa fort also has an underground tunnel, which was built for an unobstructed flow of water from Mithi River in those times. The coast of Mithi river used to extend eastward from Rewa fort to Sion fort, and between these two forts they guarded the only entry point to Bombay island – the Sion Causeway

The construction of the Riwa Fort is in the shape of boomerang, to protect the British from Kanhoji Angre. The fort has three bastions and a central area in which there seem to be signs of some chambers underneath.

Riwa fort currently is a State Protected Fort under the Directorate of Archaeology and Museums (Govt. of Maharashtra)



- Rtn. Poonam Bijoor

“Churchgate”

- Rtn. Poonam Bijoor

Do you Know Mumbai (then Bombay) was always called a “Walled city” ?

During 18th and 19th century, Bombay was a walled city, protected by a huge fort built by the East India Company to protect their settlements. The fort opened at three main gates: The Apollo gate, The Bazaar gate, and The Church gate.

The Church gate was the entrance to the St. Cathedral Church, which exists even today. Soon after, the fortified walls were broken down and the gates demolished, but the name was one thing that managed to stick for centuries. Three centuries later, the area is still called “Churchgate”.



CHURCHGATE RAILWAY STATION BEFORE 1930
The single shed railway platform at Churchgate Station handled more than a 1000 commuters every day



CHURCHGATE RAILWAY STATION AFTER 1930



The Station Building of Churchgate Station, which was built in 1870, was not the last station on this route, which serviced long distance and suburban trains.

The Backbay Railway Station (near Cooperage, built in 1867) and the Colaba Railway Station (at Badhwar Park, built in 1873) were the last two stations.

The Churchgate Station became a Terminus Building in December 1930, when the train line between Churchgate and Colaba was removed and with the long distance trains stopping at Bombay Central .



The view taken in the Bombay Fort area in the centre of the business district of Bombay looks along a street lined with commercial premises, including Favre Brothers (jewellers and watch-makers) and the Bombay Times and Standard office in foreground.



Churchgate Railway Station Level Crossing Before 1930



View of Flora Fountain from Churchgate Street

बृहन्मुंबईचा इतिहास



भूमिज शैलीचे मंदिर

आपण ज्या भागाच्या इतिहासाचा मागोवा घेणार आहोत तो भाग ऐतिहासिक काळातील उत्तर कोंकण या प्रदेशात येतो. या प्रदेशाच्या सीमा कोणत्या? तर दक्षिणेस चौल बंदरापासून (रायगड जिल्ह्याचा उत्तर भाग) उत्तरेला दमणगंगा नदीपर्यंत, (जी आज गुजराथ मध्ये येते) व पूर्वेचा संपूर्ण ठाणे जिल्हा. या प्रदेशाचा सर्वात जुना उल्लेख इ.स.नाच्या १ ल्या शतकातील टॉलेमीच्या जॉग्रफिक्त येतो. याशिवाय एका ग्रीक प्रवाशाने लिहिलेल्या परिप्लस ऑफ एरिथ्रियन सी (तांबडा समुद्र) या इ.स. ६० च्या आसपास लिहिलेल्या प्रवास वर्णनात येतो. या दोन्ही कागदपत्रात चौल, सोपारा (शुर्पारक), संजाण व कल्याण या बंदरांचा उल्लेख येतो. या बंदरातून श्रीलंका, आफ्रिका व अरबस्तान इराण येथे व्यापारी वहातुक होत असल्यानेच हा उल्लेख आलेला आहे. इ.स ६३८ मध्ये अरबांनी पर्शियावर आक्रमण करून पर्शियन सम्राट 'याझदेगर्ड' याचा पराभव केल्यावर झोरेस्ट्रियन पारशी भारतातच का आले याचे उत्तर वरील व्यापारी संबंधात आहे. त्यावेळी भारतात आलेले पारशी मुळात व्यापारी वर्गातून आणि दस्तूर वर्गातून

म्हणजे त्यांच्यातील ब्राह्मण किंवा बुद्धीजीवी या वर्गातील असल्याने त्यांनी भारतात येऊन व्यापार केला किंवा डॉक्टर, वकील, सॉलिसिटर असा बुद्धीशी संबंधित व्यवसाय केला. त्यानंतर आलेले पारशी ज्यांना आपण सध्या इराणी म्हणतो ते शेतकरी असल्याने त्यांनी बिलीमोरा ते डहाणू, पालघर या भागात जमिनी घेऊन चिकूच्या वाड्या केल्या. माएग्रेसन किंवा स्थलांतरामागील कारणांचा शोध घेणे हा एक इंटरेस्टिंग विषय असून तो एका लेखाचा स्वतंत्र विषय असू शकतो, त्यामुळे थोडे विषयांतर झाले.

आपल्याला उत्तर कोंकणाच्या इतिहासाचा खोलात जाऊन विचार करायचा नाही. फक्त या प्रदेशावर कोणी कोणी राज्य केले ते थोडक्यात बघू या.

इ.स.पू. ३०० ते इ.स.२५०	सौर्य (सम्राट अशोक व त्याचे वंशज)
इ.स. २५० ते इ.स. ४००	सातवाहन, क्षत्रप, लिंकूट व कालचूरी
इ.स. ४०० ते इ.स. ६५०	कोंकणातील मौर्य
इ.स. ६५० ते इ.स. ७५०	बदामीचे चाळुक्य
इ.स. ७५० ते इ.स. ८००	राष्ट्रकूट
इ.स ८०० ते इ.स. १२५०	शिलाहार

उत्तर कोंकण हा प्रदेश खऱ्या अर्थाने वैभव संपन्न झाला तो शिलाहारांच्या राजवटीत, शिलाहारांच्या ४५० वर्षांच्या राजवटी पैकी पहिली ३५० वर्षे त्यांनी उनम कारभार केला. राज्याच्या विकासासाठी जमीन महसूला व्यतिरिक्त अनेक कर निर्माण केले. त्याकाळात महसूल कराला भूमिदेणक म्हणत, हाउस टॅक्सचे नाव होते गृहदेणक, याशिवाय राजपुत्रांच्या पालनपोषण व शिक्षणासाठी 'कुमार गद्याण' असा कर होता, असा कर भारतातल्या कोणत्याच राजाने लावलेला आढळत नाही. बंदरातील मालाची ने-आण व वनसंपत्ती यावरतीसुद्धा कर होता बाजारात विकण्यासाठी आणलेल्या प्रत्येक गोष्टीवर कर द्यावा लागत असे. हल्ली APMC मार्केटमध्ये दिला जातो तसा मंदिरातील दिव्यांसाठी तेल घाण्यांना ठराविक माप तेल, कर म्हणून द्यावा लागत असे, घाऊक बाजारात काय विकले आत होते याची यादी बघितली तर संपन्न शेतीचा अंदाज येतो. उदा, सुपाऱ्या, विड्याची पाने, कापड, तेल, तूप, अठराप्रकारची धान्ये, आले, हळद, लसूण जीरे, मोहरी, सुकीफळे, मीठ व फुले. आजसुद्धा या सगळ्या गोष्टींचे उत्पादन, वसई, पालघर, पेण, पनवेल या भागात होत आहे. ज्याअर्थी शिलाहारांचे छोटे राज्य ३५० वर्षे टिकले आणि प्रजा एकडे कर देत होती त्यावरून प्रजा संपन्न व सुखी होती असा

निष्कर्ष काढावा लागतो. शिलाहारांनी त्यांच्या छोट्या राज्यात उत्तम राजकीय, महसूली व सामाजिक व्यवस्था रूजवली होती. ह्या काळात अनेक अरबी, इराणी, हबशी प्रवासी व व्यापारी उत्तर कोकणाच्या किनारपट्टीवर उतरले. अरबांनी "हँजमान (अंजुमन) या व्यापारी पेठा संजाण व चिंचणी सहीत अनेक ठिकाणी वसवल्या होत्या. चिंचणी येथे सापडलेल्या ताम्रपटात अनेक अरबी व्यापाऱ्यांची नावे कोरली आहेत. पूर्वीच्या अँबिसिनिया म्हणजे हल्लीच्या इथोपिआतून जी निग्रो वंशाचीपण मुस्लीम धर्मीय मंडळी भारतात आली त्यांना ऐतिहासिक काळात सिद्दी किंवा हबशी म्हटले जात असे. शिवाजी महाराजांवर चालून आलेला सिद्दी जोहर किंवा मुरुड जंजिराचा सिद्दी हे हबशी होते. असो! शिलाहारांच्या वैभवाचे एक कारण म्हणजे परदेशाशी असलेला व्यापार व दुसरे कारण म्हणजे राजकीय व सामाजिक सुव्यवस्था आजही देशाच्या उन्नतीसाठी ही दोन्ही कारणे तेवढीच खरी आहेत. मोहेंजोदाडो व हडप्पा या काळातसुद्धा भारताचा एक्सपोर्ट मोठ्या प्रमाणात असल्याने भारत संपन्न होता.

शिलाहार राजे वृत्तीने परोपकारी, दानशूर व धार्मिक असल्याने विविध यज्ञयाग, अनुष्ठाने, अन्नछत्रे यांना उदार हस्ते दानधर्म करीत, त्यामुळे या काळातील दानांचे अनेक ताम्रपट सापडतात, या ताम्रपटाची दोन वैशिष्ट्ये आहेत १) हे ताम्रपट संस्कृत व मराठी अशा मिश्र भाषेतील (संस्कृतप्रचुर मराठी) आहेत. १२व्या शतकात मराठी ही बोलीभाषा व शासनाची भाषा म्हणून मान्यता पावली होती. २) या ताम्रपटात दान देणाऱ्या राजाचे नांव त्याची राजवंशावळ, ज्याला दान दिले त्याचे नाव, या समारंभास उपस्थित असलेले अमात्य, अधिकारी यांची नावे व दानपत्र कायान्वित झाला त्या दिवसाची तिथी व नक्षत्रे दिलेली असत. पौर्णिमा, अमावस्या, संक्रांत असे काही दिनविशेष असल्यास त्याचा उल्लेख असे. जमिनीचे दान असल्यास जमिनीचे क्षेत्र, चतुःसीमा आजूबाजूच्या भागातील झाडे, ओढे, नाले, सीमेचे दगड, राजमार्ग, पायवाटा असे सविस्तर वर्णने आढळून येते. त्यामुळे ऐतिहासिक पुरावा म्हणून हे ताम्रपट खूप उपयोगी पडतातच पण या ताम्रपटातून शिलाहार राजांची काम करण्याची पद्धतही दिसून येते. शिलाहार राजे शैवपंथीय होते. साहित्य, कला, स्थापत्याचे चहाते होते. त्यांनी अनेक शिवमंदिरे बांधली, अंबरनाथचे प्रसिद्ध शिवमंदिर हे भूमिज शैलीतील महाराष्ट्रातील पहिले मंदिर आहे. साधारणपणे मंदिराच्या शिखराच्या बांधणीवरून मंदिर कोणत्या शैलीतील आहे ठरविले जाते. भूमिज शैलीत शिखराच्या चार दिशांना प्रचंड कोरीवकाम केलेल्या पट्ट्या असता त्यांना लता म्हणतात. दोन लतांच्या मधल्या भागात मूळ शिखराच्या छोट्या प्रतिकृतीचे पाच

किंवा सात थर असतात. त्यांना अनुक्रमे पंचभूमा, सप्तभूमा असे म्हणतात. हे मंदिर बांधण्याची सुरुवात शिलाहार नरेश छिन्नराज याने केली. परंतु ते मंदिर इ.स. १०६० मध्ये शिलाहार राजा मुम्मुणी याच्या कारकिर्दीत ते पूर्ण झाले. शिलाहार राजा झंझ यांनी भिवंडी तालुक्यातील दहसगाव, कोनाड, मुरुड, ठाणे वगैरे ठिकाणी १२ शिवमंदिरे बांधली. याशिवाय इतर शिलाहार राजानी बालुकेश्वर (वाळकेश्वर) पेल्लार, कांदिवली, सातवली, आटगांव येथेही मंदिरे बांधली. शिलाहार राजांनी वाडे तालुक्यातील गुंजकटाई गावातील जैन मंदिरालासुद्धा मदत केल्याचे दिसून येते. आज या जैन मंदिराचे भग्नावशेष शिल्लक आहेत. पोर्तुगीज काळात यातील बरीच मंदिरे नष्ट केली असावीत. आज फक्त अंबरनाथ, लोनाड व वाळकेश्वर येथील मंदिरे बऱ्याच सुस्थितीत आहेत. येथे मला एक विशेष गोष्ट नमूद करावयाची आहे ती म्हणजे उत्तर कोकणात सातवाहन, चालुक्य, शिलाहार अशा अनेक राजवटी झाल्या परंतु त्यांनी बौद्ध व जैन धर्माला नेहमीच मदत केल्याचे दिसून येते. ८ व्या शतकात संजाण येथे पारशी व चौलच्या आसपास ज्यू लोक मुस्लीम अत्याचाराला कंटाळून येथे आले आणि आजपर्यंत सुखाने रहात आहेत. तव्हेन धार्मिक सहिष्णुता हा भारतीय संस्कृतीचा अविभाज्य भाग आहे हे समजून घेतले पाहिजे. हल्लीच्या भाषेतील सेक्युल्यारिझमचे धडे भारतीयांना शिकविण्याची मुळीच जरूरी नाही. पूर्वी राजे मंदिरे बांधत असत किंवा मंदिर बांधण्यासाठी अर्थसाहाय्य करीत असत, त्यामागे १) समाजात धार्मिकता रुजावी, २) स्वतःच्या राजवटीचे नाव व्हावे हे उद्देश होतेच परंतु याशिवाय रोजगार निर्मित हा देखील उद्देश असावा असे मला वाटते.

साधारणतः इ.स. १७३ ते ११३८ पर्यंतच्या १३५ वर्षात उत्तर कोकणात कल्याणी चालुक्य, शिलाहार व गोव्यातील कदंब यांची आपापसात भरपूर युद्धे झाल्याने हा प्रदेश अगदी उजाड झाला होता. व्यापार उद्दीम होत नव्हता वस्त्या उठून गेल्या होत्या अशावेळी अहिनलवाडपाटणच्या सोळंकी उर्फ चालुक्य राजाचे मांडलिक चंपानेर संस्थानचा राजा गोवर्धन बिंब याचा भाऊ प्रतापबिंब याने इ.स. ११३८ च्या सुमारास उत्तर कोकणावरती स्वारी करण्याचे ठरविले. प्रसिद्ध 'लगान' पिकचरची कथा या चंपानेर संस्थानातच घडते. चंपानेरचे हे बिंब घराने मुळाचे मराठी होते. त्यांचे पैठण येथील राजा विक्रमभौम याच्याशी नाते संबंध होते. त्यामुळे प्रतापबिंब चंपानेरहून लाट देशातून न जाता सातपुडा अजंठा मार्गे पैठणला गेला. ऐतिहासिक काळात नवसारी ते दमणगंगा नदी म्हणजे हल्लीच्या वापीपर्यंतच्या भागाला लाट प्रदेश म्हणतात. इ.स. ११४०



मध्ये प्रताप बिंब पैठणहून डांगच्या जंगलातून चिखली-दमण-तारापूर- या मार्गे केळव्या जवळील महिकावती उर्फ माहीम येथे पोहचला व त्याने केळवे-माहीम हे राजधानीचे ठिकाण केले. दमण ते के. माहीम या प्रदेशातील पावरी, घोडेल, कोळी या स्थानिक अंमलदारांचा पराभव केला. प्रताप बिंबाने आपला मुख्य प्रधान बाळकृष्णराव सोमवंशी यास वसई खाडीच्या पलिकडील मुलुख घेण्यास पाठविले. त्याप्रमाणे बाळकृष्णराव सोमवंशी मढ़-जुहू-बहिनळे (वांदरे) या किनारी मार्गाने बाळकेश्वर येथे आला. सध्या जेथे राजभवन आहे तेथील उघड्या माळावरती बाणगंगेच्या काठी बाळकृष्ण रावाने आपला तळ ठोकला व प्रताप बिंबाला केळवे-माहीम येथून वाळकेश्वरला बोलावून घेतले. आता प्रतापबिंबाच्या अधिपत्याखाली दमण ते वाळकेश्वर एवढा प्रदेश आला, या प्रदेशाचा उत्तम कारभार करण्यासाठी चंपानेर व पैठण येथून ब्राह्मण, क्षत्रिय, वैश्य व इतर कुळांना या भागात बोलवून घेतले. प्रताप बिंबाचा मुलगा महीबिंब या कुळांना घेऊन या भागात आला, या कुळांची साधारण यादी पुढील प्रमाणे २७ सोमवंशी क्षत्रिय कुळे, १२ सूर्यवंशीय क्षत्रिय कुळे, ९ शेषवंशीय क्षत्रिय कुळे, ५ देवेज्ञ कुळे, ५ पांचाळ कुळे, ६ गुर्जर वैश्य कुळे, पैठणहून यजुर्वेदी माध्यंदिन शाखेची ब्राह्मण कुळे. आजसुद्धा ही सर्व कुळे आपल्या भागात अस्तित्वात आहेत. या कुळांना राज्यात ठिकठिकाणी वसवले. गुर्जर वैश्यांना व्यापार वाढविण्यासाठी दुकानांवरील उद्दीम कर व जकात तीन वर्षासाठी माफ केली. हल्लीच्या भाषेत लोककल्याणकारी राज्य स्थापन केले. परंतु नंतरच्या काळात शिलाहार राजा अपरादित्य याने वसई खाडीच्या उत्तरेकडील भाग जिंकला त्यामुळे बिंबराजांची के. माहीम येथील १ ली राजधानी त्यांच्या हातून गेली त्यामुळे त्यांनी वांद्रेच्या दक्षिण माहीम नावाचीच नवीन राजधानी बसवली. केळवे- माहीम येथे शितळादेवीचे स्थान आहे त्याची आठवण म्हणून मुंबईच्या माहीमला शितळादेवीची स्थापना केली, गमंत अशी की, केळवे माहीम येथील शितळादेवीच्या बाजूलाच महादेवाचे मंदिर आहे. तसेच मुंबई माहीमच्या शितळादेवीच्या बाजूलाही आहे. प्रतापबिंबाची कुळदेवता प्रभावती देवी. तीच्याच नावाचे रुपांतर प्रभादेवीत झाले, प्रताप बिंबाने आपल्या प्रभावती देवी या कुलदेवतेचे मंदिर माहीम येथील कोटवाडी येथे बांधले. परंतु मुस्लीम व पोर्तुगीज राजवटीत ते नष्ट केले गेले. (साधारण इ.स. १५१० च्या आसपास) या मंदिरातील मूर्ती २०० वर्षे विहिरीत दडवून ठेवली होती. इ.स. १७१५ साठी पाठारे प्रभु समाजाने या देवीची स्थापना आजच्या स्थानी केली. वरील सर्व इतिहासावरून चंपानेरहून आलेला प्रतापबिंब हा मुंबईचा पहिला राजा ठरतो.

इ.स. १२९४ मध्ये देवगिरीचा राजा रामदेवराव यादव (ज्याचा अलाउद्दीन खिलजीने पराभव केला.) त्याचा एक मुलगा बिंबदेव किंवा भिमदेव यादव हा उत्तर कोकणात आला व त्याने मुंबईवर काही वर्षे राज्य केले. त्याच्याबरोब पैठणहून पाठारे प्रभु समाज मुंबईत आला. येथे एक लक्षात घेतले पाहिजे की, सोमवंशी क्षत्रिय पाठारे समाज व पाठारे प्रभु समाज हे पूर्णतः वेगळे समाज आहेत. सोमवंशी क्षत्रिय पाठारे हे इ.स. ११४० मध्ये प्रतापबिंब याच्याबरोबर मुंबईत आले तर पाठारे प्रभु हे बिंबदेव यादवा बरोबर इ.स. १२९४ मध्ये मुंबईत आले.

इ.स. १३०० ते इ.स. १५०० या दोनशे वर्षात उत्तर कोंकणावरती चौल (रायगड जिल्हा) येथील हिंदू राजा नागरशा, गुजराथचे सुलतान, बहामनी सुलतान, अहमदनगरची निजामशाही, बिजापूरची आदिलशाही यांनी राज्य केले. परंतु त्या सगळ्या इतिहासात जाण्याची जरूरी नाही. या काळात अंधेरीच्या "रानात" मुंबई, माहीम, भायकळा, ठाण्याजवळचे कळवा येथे अगदी तुंबळ युद्धे झाली. हा सर्व इतिहास फंदफितुरीने भरलेला आहे. याकाळातील महत्वाची गोष्ट म्हणजे इ.स. १३९४ ते इ.स. १४१० या दरम्यान मुंबई माहीम येथे शेख अली पारू उर्फ मकदूम फकीर अली या अरबी मुसलमान सुफी संताचा उदय झाला त्याची समाधी म्हणजे हलीचा "माहीमचा दर्गा" होय.

वरील इतिहासात आजच्या बृहन्मुंबईच्या इतिहास सांगणाऱ्या महिकावतीच्या बखरीत आलेल्या काही गावांची नावे-म्हाळजापूर (मालाड), वरोळी (वरळी), कानझुरे (कांजूर), गोरखगाव (गोरेगाव), कांधवळी (कांदिवली), बोरवळी (बोरीवली), दहीसापूर (दहिसर), धारदिनी (धारावी) वगैरे. प्रताप बिंब (इ.स. ११४०) ह्याच्याबरोबर जी सोमवंशी, सूर्यवंशी व शेषवंशी कुळे आली त्या कुळातील काही आडनावे देऊन हा लेख संपवितो - १) म्हाले, २) वर्तक, ३) देसाई, ४) चौगुले, ५) देसले, ६) चौधरी, ८) कडू, ९) राणे, १०) कवळी पोर्तुगीज सेनापती डॉम जी आवड मोनॉय याने इ.स. १५१६ मध्ये माहीम व वांद्रे जिंकले व तेव्हांपासून मुंबईवरती पोर्तुगीजांचा अंमल चालू झाला. पोर्तुगीजांच्या इतिहासाची माहिती पुढील लेखात घेऊ.

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भारत एक आदर्श देश है-अन्य देश की तुलना में। यह तो मैं बचपन से पढ़ता व सुनता आ रहा हूँ, "मेरा भारत महान"। यह शब्द मुझे बारंबार खटकता भी रहा है- 'मेरा' ही क्यों? सबका क्यों नहीं। कितना अच्छा होता यदि लिखा रहता, "सबका भारत महान"। पूरा विश्व यदि एक ही देश होता तो कितना अच्छा होता। राजनीतिक गणित के हिसाब से यह भले ही गलत होता पर जनता के लिए तो यह हकीकत 'सोने पर सुहागा' जैसी होती। न वीजा की टेंशन-न पासपोर्ट की आवश्यकता। जहाँ मर्जी-विचरण करो।

सामान्य ज्ञान की दृष्टि से भी यह किरफायती रहता। कितना प्रेशर है आजकल के नौनिहालों पर। रात-दिन बिचारे तोते की तरह रटते हैं-फलां देश का प्रेसिडेंट यह हो-फलां देश का वह। अमुक देश का प्रधानमंत्री यह है-अमुक का वह। रात भर सो नहीं पाता और पूरा दिन कन्फ्यूजन में निकल जाता है। विडंबना देखिए, देश का भविष्य कन्फ्यूजन की लपेट में है। हमारी भावी पीढ़ी ही असमंजस में है। सब एक होता तो मजे में जीवन कटता। हकीकत में न तो ऐसा है और न होने की उम्मीद है। हम चाहें भी तो विश्व के राजनीतिज्ञ ऐसा होने नहीं देंगे।

प्रश्न है-भारत को ही एक आदर्श देश क्यों माना गया? आदर्श जैसा विशेषण भारत के ही आगे क्यों? और भी तो देश हैं दुनिया में। एक से एक देश हैं जिनका अनुसरण आज हम खुद गर्व के साथ कर रहे हैं। जिनके साथ चलने में आज हमें फक्र हो रहा है। उच्च शिक्षा हेतु कर्ज लेकर भी हम अपने दुहितों को विदेश भेज रहे हैं। फिर भी यह आदर्शिता का विशेषण सिर्फ हमारे लिए ही क्यों?

जिस 'मेरा भारत महान' के नारे को चिल्लाते हम थकते नहीं-जरा विचार कीजिए-जरा अपने अंतर्मन में झांककर देखिए कि हम स्वयं उसके हैं कितने। बात कड़वी लग सकती है पर इस सत्य से इंकार नहीं किया जा सकता। हम आज अपने नहीं हैं तो भारत के क्या खाक होंगे। हम इस नारे की खोल में खुद को झूठला रहे हैं-खुद को तसल्ली दे रहे हैं। कानून का डर न हो तो आज भारत का हर आदमी भारत को ही लूटकर खा जाए। बस! यह डर हमें और कितने दिन रोके रखता है-यही देखना शेष है। लगभग आधी आबादी के हृदय से यह डर विदा हो

ही गया है और जिनके अंदर शेष है उनमें भी कानून की वजह से कम और भगवान की वजह से ज्यादा है।

निःसंदेह! भारत एक महान देश है। मेरी नजर में इसकी महानता के अपने कारण हैं। भारत के अंदर-बाहर चारों ओर आध्यात्मिकता का एक ऐसा वातावरण है जिससे हमें एक सकारात्मक ऊर्जा, पाजिटिव एनर्जी सदा ही मिलती रहती है। एक अजीब जोश व ऊर्जा देखने को मिलती है भारत के लोगों में आध्यात्म के प्रति। भारत सदा से ही आध्यात्मिक क्रांति का अग्रदूत रहा है। यहाँ का लगभग हर व्यक्ति किसी न किसी रूप से आध्यात्म में संलग्न है। तरीके अपने-अपने हो सकते हैं पर भाव एक है और वह है मोक्ष की प्राप्ति-विराट का सानिध्य।

भारत को ऋषि-मुनियों का देश माना गया है। अनेक विलक्षण ऋषियों की जन्मस्थली है भारत जिन्होंने अपनी वाणी से प्रकृति का मन मोहा। ऋषि भी ऐसे-वैसे नहीं-त्रिकालदर्शी। शांत से शांत-क्रोधी से क्रोधी। हम साधारण मानवों की उनके आगे बिसात ही क्या। विराट को भी वे बेझिझक चैलेंज कर डालते थे। हमारे इन ऋषियों ने अपने देश में इतने यज्ञ एवं कर्मकांड कराए कि उसकी ऊर्जा आज तक इन फिजाओं में उनके होने का अहसास कराती रहती है। ऋषियों ने एक स्वर में बड़े ही गर्व से कहा है, "दुर्लभ भारते जन्म"।

भारत की आबोहवा इतनी निराली है कि स्वर्ग लोक के प्राणी भी अपने व्यस्त शेड्यूल से थोड़ा समय निकाल नरावतार में यहाँ आते रहते हैं और यहाँ के लोगों को भी वहाँ आने का निमंत्रण दे जाते हैं। आप कहीं गए हों और आपको वहाँ सम्मान आदि मिला है तो आपका भी फर्ज बनता है कि वहाँ के लोगों को कम से कम अपने यहाँ आने का निमंत्रण दें। अब वहाँ जाने के लिए हमें ट्रेन वगैरह तो हमें मिलेगी नहीं सो व्रत-उपवास, पूजा-पाठ, दान-दक्षिणा आदि मार्गों का अनुसरण करना पड़ता है। आखिर शिष्टाचार भी कोई चीज होती है। अवतारों को इसका विशेष ध्यान रखना पड़ता है। आदर्शिता के लिए यह एक आवश्यक शर्त है।

संस्कृत में एक वाक्य है, 'यथा राजा-तथा प्रजा'। हमारे यहाँ अवतार तो शिष्टाचार की एक जीती-जागती मिसाल हैं। भारत ईश्वरीय अवतारों

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की एक पसंदीदा भूमि है। इसकी महानता का यह भी एक मुख्य कारण है। **अथर्ववेद भी कहता है,**

"मधुमन्मे निक्रमणं मधुमन्मे परायणम् ।

वाचा वदामि मधुमद् भूयासं मधुसंदृशः" ॥ अर्थात् जिनके व्यवहार, क्रिया और संभाषण में मधुरता होती है-उन्हें सभी प्यार करते हैं। संसार में शुभकर्म एवं उपकार वही करते हैं जिनका स्वभाव मधुर होता है। अतः शिष्टता धारण करो। **ऋग्वेद भी कहता है,**

"मधुमतीरोषधीर्द्याव आपो मधुमन्त्रो भवत्वन्तरिक्षम् ।

क्षेत्रस्य पतिर्मधुमान्नो अस्त्वरिष्यन्तो अन्वेन चरेम" ॥

अर्थात् दुसरो के साथ हम वैसा ही उत्तम व्यवहार करें-जैसी हम स्वयं औरों से अपेक्षा करते हैं। उत्तम पदार्थों का विनिमय ही सच्ची नीति है।

निःसंदेह! लगन से किया कोई भी कार्य अपना प्रभाव अनंत काल के लिए छोड़ जाता है। हमारे ऋषियों ने भगवद्भक्ति का जो दीप प्रज्वलित किया वह अपने सतत प्रवाह से आज भी घर-घर में प्रवाहमान है। जब वातावरण ही भक्तिमय हो तो आनंद दूर कहाँ। "सर्वेषामविरोधेन ब्रह्मकर्म समारंभे"- सबके साथ अविरोध-कितनी पवित्रता है इस एक सूत्र में। "संस्कारोज्ज्वलनार्थं हितं च पथं च पुनः। पुनरुपदिश्यमानं न दोषाय भवतीति"। अर्थात् संस्कारों को उद्भूत करने के उद्देश्य से हित तथा पथ की बात का बार-बार उपदेश करने में कोई दोष नहीं है।

युधिष्ठिर पाण्डवों में सबसे बड़े थे। वह सदा अपनों से बड़ों का सम्मान किया करते थे। यहाँ तक कि महाभारत का युद्ध प्रारंभ होने से पूर्व भी वे युद्धस्थल में पितामह भीष्म व गुरु द्रोण को प्रणाम करने व युद्ध हेतु उनकी आज्ञा लेने के लिए गए। उनके इस आचरण का प्रभाव पाण्डवों पर यह पड़ा कि उन्होंने कभी स्वप्न में भी अपने अग्रज युधिष्ठिर की आज्ञा भंग नहीं की। एकलव्य आज किसी परिचय का मोहताज नहीं है। गुरु द्रोण का अपना आदर्श मानने वाला उनका यह शिष्य एक झटके में बिना विचार किए अपने दाहिने हाथ का अंगूठा काटकर गुरु को अर्पित कर देता है और इतिहास में अमर हो जाता है।

मान का हनन करने वाले हनुमान ने राम को ही अपना आदर्श माना और सदैव उनकी सेवा में संलग्न रहे। तुलसी के शब्दों में, "राम काजु पूरण बिना, मोहिं कहाँ विश्राम" की गर्जना करने वाले हनुमान आज इतिहास में अमर हैं तो जनमानस के आदर्श भी। धन्य है ऐसे जीवन जो अपने आदर्श की सेवा करते-करते खुद औरों के आदर्श बन

गए। किसी ने सच ही कहा है, "मालिक अपने अधीनस्थों-मातहतों को नौकर ही बनाकर रखना चाहता है पर, आदर्श तो अपनों के लिए अपना आसन तक छोड़ने में गर्व का अनुभव करते हैं"।

"रघुकुल रीति सदा चलि आई, प्राण जाई पर वचन न जाई", रामचरित मानस की ये पंक्तियाँ स्पष्ट करती हैं कि भगवान राम ने स्वयं आगे बढ़कर रघुकुल की रीति को ही अपना आदर्श मान लिया था वरना वचनवद्धता के जाल में तो महाराज दशरथ थे और इस उहापोह में थे कि राम को वन जाने के लिए कहीं यि कैकेयी को दिया अपना वचन ही तोड़ दूँ। किंतु, धन्य हैं राम-जिन्होंने अपने पिता के वचन को ही अपना सर्वस्व मान लिया।

"सत्यं तपो जपो ज्ञानं सर्वा विद्याः कलाऽपि ।

नरस्य निस्फलाः संति यस्य शीलं न विद्यते ॥"

संस्कृत की इस सुभाषित का बड़ा ही प्यारा अर्थ है-शील यानि आचरण। शील के न होने पर मनुष्य द्वारा अर्जित सत्य, जप, तप व ज्ञान आदि सभी कला व विद्या नष्ट हो जाती है। **ज्ञानेश्वरी में भी लिखा है,**

"युक्ताहारविहारस्य, युक्तचेष्टस्य कर्मसु ।

युक्तस्वप्नावबोधस्य योगो भवति दुःखहा" ॥

आचरण का ज्ञान मिला तो समझो भगवत्ता को उपलब्ध हो गए। आचरण ही समाज में हमारा आँकलन कराता है। आचरण का अर्थ होता है, 'ब्रह्म की ओर चलना'। आचरणयुक्त आत्मा पूजनीय होती है। "शठे शाठ्यम् समाचरेत या जैसी करनी वैसी भरनी" जैसी युक्तियाँ समाज में हमारे आचरण की सत्यता को ही प्रमाणित करती हैं। "अति का भला न बोलना, अति की भली न चुप" दोहा हमें आचरण का पाठ पढ़ाते ही दिखता है।

हमारा आचरण न सिर्फ हमारे व्यक्तित्व को निखारता है वरन् समाज में हमें स्थापित भी करता है। आचरण हमें जनमानस में प्रिय और प्रतिष्ठा का पात्र तो बनाता ही है साथ ही हमारे लिए मुक्ति का द्वार भी खोल देता है। भारतीय संस्कृति भी कहती है, "दृष्टिपूतं न्यसेत्पादं, वस्त्रपूतं पिवेज्जलम्"-अपना प्रत्येक कदम बुद्धपूर्वक रखना ही आचरण है। विवेकानुसार आदर्शयुक्त आचरण करें और स्वजीवन को उसका मान दें।

अमित शिवकुमार दुबे

Incredible Installations



ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY UP-TOWN



Date of Installation: **24/05/2023, evening** | Chief Guest: **Incredible DG Rtn Arun Bhargava**
 Incredible President: **Rtn Malvika Sukhani** | Chief Coordinator: **Rtn Devang Goradia**
 District Secretary: **Rtn Anand Ramnani** | Assistant Governor: **Rtn Punit Vakil**
 New members Inducted: **4**

ROTARY CLUB OF MUMBAI MAHIM



Date of Installation: **03/06/2023, morning** | Chief Guest: **Incredible DG Rtn Arun Bhargava**
 Incredible President: **Rtn Pradnya Sabnis** | Chief Coordinator: **Rtn Devang Goradia**
 District Secretary: **Rtn Sandip Kedia** | Assistant Governor: **Rtn Rohan Dalmia**
 New members Inducted: **4**

ROTARY CLUB OF MUMBAI MALABAR HILL



Date of Installation: **11/06/2023, morning**
 Chief Guest: **Incredible DG Rtn Arun Bhargava**
 Incredible President: **Rtn Suresh Dongre** | Chief Coordinator: **Rtn Devang Goradia**
 District Secretary: **Rtn Anand Ramnani** | Assistant Governor: **Rtn Sanjiv Kulkarni**

ROTARY CLUB OF MUMBAI JUHU



Date of Installation: **15/06/2023, evening**
 Chief Guest: **Incredible DG Rtn Arun Bhargava**
 Incredible President: **Rtn Arun Wadhwa** | Chief Coordinator: **Rtn Dr Krishna Kumar**
 District Secretary: **Rtn Harish Choksi** | Assistant Governor: **Rtn Rohini Parab**

ROTARY CLUB OF MUMBAI ICONIC



Date of Installation: **21/06/2023, evening**
 Chief Guest: **Incredible DG Rtn Arun Bhargava**
 Incredible President: **Rtn Shamsunder Rupani** | Chief Coordinator: **Rtn Dr Krishna Kumar**
 District Secretary: **Rtn Deepa Goenka** | Assistant Governor: **Rtn Jyoti Bablani**

ROTARY CLUB OF MUMBAI KHAR



Date of Installation: **28/06/2023**
 Chief Guest: **Incredible DG Rtn Arun Bhargava**
 Incredible President: **Rtn Vijay Udani** | Chief Coordinator: **Rtn Dr Krishna Kumar**
 District Secretary: **Rtn Harish Choksi** | Assistant Governor: **Rtn Rohini Parab**



ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY QUEEN CITY



Date of Installation: **29/06/2023, morning** | Chief Guest: **Incredible DG Rtn Arun Bhargava**
 Incredible President: **Rtn Anupama Jalan** | Chief Coordinator: **Rtn Devang Goradia**
 District Secretary: **Rtn Nitin Doshi** | Assistant Governor: **Rtn Sandeep Reshamwala**
 New members Inducted: **2**

ROTARY CLUB OF MUMBAI ANDHERI



Date of Installation: **02/07/2023, morning** | Chief Guest: **Incredible DG Rtn Arun Bhargava**
 Incredible President: **Rtn Jay Prakash Goel** | Chief Coordinator: **Rtn Dr Krishna Kumar**
 District Secretary: **Rtn Abani Das** | Assistant Governor: **Rtn Gurpreet Bhamra**
 New members Inducted: **1**

RC MUMBAI MULUND EAST



Date of Installation: **08/07/2023** | Chief Guest: **DGE Rtn Chetan Desai**
 Incredible President: **Rtn Sangita Lad** | Chief Coordinator: **Rtn Dr. PP Radhakrishnan**
 District Secretary: **Rtn Sneha Malhotra** | Assistant Governor: **Rtn Dhananjay Patwardhan**
 New members Inducted: **3**

ROTARY CLUB OF MUMBAI NORTH END



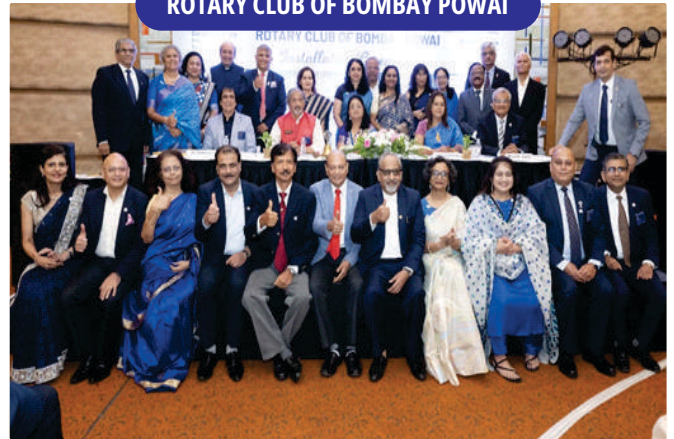
Date of Installation: **10/07/2023, evening** | Chief Guest: **Incredible DG Rtn Arun Bhargava**
 Incredible President: **Rtn Arun Bagaria** | Chief Coordinator: **Rtn Dr. PP Radhakrishnan**
 District Secretary: **Rtn Deepa Goenka** | Assistant Governor: **Rtn Jyoti Babladi**
 New members Inducted: **1**

ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY PENINSULA



Date of Installation: **12/07/2023**
 Chief Guest: **Incredible DG Rtn Arun Bhargava**
 Incredible President: **Rtn Prita Shah** | Chief Coordinator: **Rtn Devang Goradia**
 District Secretary: **Rtn Jayanth Nairi** | Assistant Governor: **Rtn Sanjay Jain**

ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY POWAI



Date of Installation: **15/07/2023, evening** | Chief Guest: **Incredible DG Rtn Arun Bhargava**
 Incredible President: **Rtn Dr. Kamalini Pathak** | Chief Coordinator: **Rtn Dr. PP Radhakrishnan**
 District Secretary: **Rtn Sneha Malhotra** | Assistant Governor: **Rtn Dayasagar Iddya**
 New members Inducted: **5**



ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY CENTRAL



Date of Installation: **16/07/2023, morning**
 Chief Guest: **Incredible DG Rtn Arun Bhargava**
 Incredible President: **Rtn Pia Bhagi** | Chief Coordinator: **Rtn Devang Goradia**
 District Secretary: **Rtn Nitin Doshi** | Assistant Governor: **Rtn Sandeep Reshamwala**

ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY HARBOUR



Date of Installation: **16/07/2023, afternoon**
 Chief Guest: **PDG Rtn Bal Inamdar**
 Incredible President: **Rtn Dr. Nidhi Sharma Chauhan** | Chief Coordinator: **Rtn Devang Goradia**
 District Secretary: **Rtn Jayanth Nairi** | Assistant Governor: **Rtn Yogesh Malhotra**

RC MUMBAI DOWNTOWN SEA LAND



Date of Installation: **16/07/2023, evening**
 Chief Guest: **Incredible DG Rtn Arun Bhargava**
 Incredible President: **Rtn Dr. Bimal Malhotra** | Chief Coordinator: **Rtn Devang Goradia**
 District Secretary: **Rtn Anand Ramnani** | Assistant Governor: **Rtn Punit Vakil**

ROTARY CLUB OF MUMBAI CUFFE PARADE



Date of Installation: **18/07/2023, evening** | Chief Guest: **Incredible DG Rtn Arun Bhargava**
 Incredible President: **Rtn Tarun Gadia** | Chief Coordinator: **Rtn Devang Goradia**
 District Secretary: **Rtn Aanand Ramnani** | Assistant Governor: **Rtn Sanjiv Kulkarni**
 New members Inducted: **1**

ROTARY CLUB OF MULUND HILL VIEW



Date of Installation: **22/07/2023**
 Chief Guest: **Incredible DG Rtn Arun Bhargava**
 Incredible President: **Rtn Shilpa Goel** | Chief Coordinator: **Rtn Dr. PP Radhakrishnan**
 District Secretary: **Rtn Hanuman Tripathi** | Assistant Governor: **Rtn B. K. Ahluwalia**

ROTARY CLUB OF MAKABO



Date of Installation: **22/07/2023, evening**
 Chief Guest: **PDG Rtn Rajendra Agarwala**
 Incredible President: **Rtn Sanjay Agrawal** | Chief Coordinator: **Rtn Dr. PP Radhakrishnan**
 District Secretary: **Rtn Ajit Dubey** | Assistant Governor: **Rtn Pramod Puri**

ROTARY CLUB OF UPPER KANDIVALI



Date of Installation: **23/07/2023, morning** | Chief Guest: **DLF Rtn Dilip Mulay**
Incredible President: **Rtn Hanisha Gaba** | Chief Coordinator: **Rtn Dr. Krishna Kumar**
District Secretary: **Rtn Himanshu Agashiwala** | Assistant Governor: **Rtn Rajeev Shah**
New members Inducted: **5**

ROTARY CLUB OF BORIVALI



Date of Installation: **25/07/2023, evening** | Chief Guest: **Incredible DG Rtn Arun Bhargava**
Incredible President: **Rtn Rahmikant Sanghavi** | Chief Coordinator: **Rtn Dr P P Radhakrishnan**
District Secretary: **Rtn Ajit Dubey** | Assistant Governor: **Rtn Pramod Puri**
New members Inducted: **19**

ROTARY CLUB OF BORIVALI WONDERS



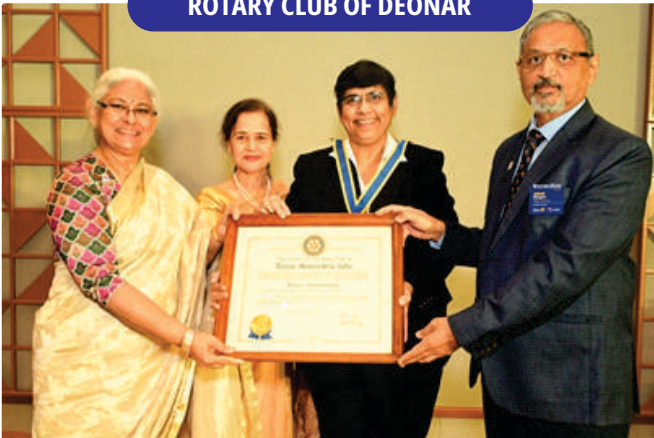
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Incredible President: **Rtn Anurag Jain** | Chief Coordinator: **Rtn Dr. PP Radhakrishnan**
District Secretary: **Rtn Ajit Dubey** | Assistant Governor: **Rtn Pramod Puri**
New members Inducted: **3**

ROTARY CLUB OF JVPD MUMBAI



Date of Installation: **28/07/2023** | Chief Guest: **Incredible DG Rtn Arun Bhargava**
Incredible President: **Rtn Anurag Jain** | Chief Coordinator: **Rtn Dr. Krishna Kumar**
District Secretary: **Rtn Harish Choksi** | Assistant Governor: **Rtn Harminder Singh**
New members Inducted: **14**

ROTARY CLUB OF DEONAR



Date of Installation: **30/07/2023, evening**
Chief Guest: **Incredible DG Rtn Arun Bhargava**
Incredible President: **Rtn Sangeeta Sahani** | Chief Coordinator: **Rtn Dr. PP Radhakrishnan**
District Secretary: **Rtn Hanuman Tripathi** | Assistant Governor: **Rtn Bijendra Ahluwalia**

ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY AIRPORT



Date of Installation: **03/07/2023, evening**
Chief Guest: **Incredible DG Rtn Arun Bhargava**
Incredible President: **Rtn Akshay K Mehta** | Chief Coordinator: **Rtn Dr. Krishna Kumar**
District Secretary: **Rtn Harish Choksi** | Assistant Governor: **Rtn Harminder Patheja**



Rotary Club Central

HAS YOUR CLUB SELECTED GOALS ON ROTARY CLUB CENTRAL?

The Rotary Citation is an award that recognizes the hard work clubs do throughout the year. Taking action toward achieving the citation goals helps clubs engage their members, stay relevant in their communities, and run more efficiently. A welcoming and engaging club also reflects the values of Rotary. When clubs work to achieve these goals, they also contribute to the overall health and culture of Rotary for generations to come.

To be eligible for the Rotary Citation, clubs need to begin the year as active clubs in good standing – or having paid each invoice balance in full upon receipt. To verify that your club is in good standing, check your daily club balance report under Club Administration > Club Finances. You should have an outstanding balance of \$0.00. Invoices are due when they are posted, in mid-January and mid-July.

Rotary club leaders can go into Rotary Club Central and select at least half of the goals they wish to apply toward citation achievement. This flexibility allows clubs to choose the goals that are most relevant and achievable. In addition, many goals will be self-reported by marking “achieved” in Rotary Club Central.

Click here to download [Citation Goals and Instructions for Rotary Year 2023-24](#)

An Important Announcement made by Rotary International on 29th July, 2023:

As a club leader, you know the benefits of using [Rotary Club Central](#), which is designed to be the place where you set your goals and track your progress.

[Rotary Showcase](#), however, is the best place for you to plan your service projects, share the outcomes, and show the impact in ways that can attract more partners or inspire other clubs. In the coming months, both online tools will be updated. This includes phasing out the Service Activities section in Rotary Club Central – a change that will simplify how you track projects and allow you to focus your efforts in one place.

- If you have projects listed in the Service Activities section of Rotary Club Central, export them to Rotary Showcase as soon as you can.
- If you have projects from a prior year, work with your past club officers to export them to Showcase.
- Once your project is exported, go to Rotary Showcase where you can add more details about your service project, such as project location.

We encourage you to continue entering your annual goals in Rotary Club Central and to use Rotary Showcase to update and manage your service activities. After you record a completed project in Rotary Showcase, it will be reflected as a completed project and achieved goal in Rotary Club Central.

Membership: Strength, Opportunities, Challenges & the Silver Lining

We are so proud to belong to an organization that empowers ordinary people to work together to make a difference in other people's lives. Through the Rotary network, we come together to use our skills and knowledge to support each other and build up our communities.

Below document and tools will help you understand your current strengths and areas where your Club needs improvement. Just by clicking on the hyperlinks, you will get all the required and relevant information about the particular topic. You will find each and every detail and planning guide for every aspect related to Club & membership. Please involve your membership team and take maximum benefit of these tools / data.

Rotary clubs continue to demonstrate their value by staying connected to members and responding to changing needs in the community. [Read](#) about clubs around the world who are finding ways to adapt to new challenges and [meeting online](#).

Use these resources to increase your club's value:

- [Assess and adapt](#)
- [Engage current members](#)
- [Connect with prospective members](#)
- [Make new members feel welcome](#)
- [Create an inclusive club culture](#)
- [Strengthen your club](#)
- [Start a new club](#)
- [Stay current](#)

Not sure where to start? Our [Club Planning Assistant can help](#).

ASSESS AND ADAPT

Use these resources to see if your club is meeting members' needs and reflecting the community:

- [Club Planning Assistant](#) — Answer questions about your club to get specific advice to address your club's challenges. Then build the suggested strategies into your club's membership plan.
- [Club Health Check](#) — Identify your club's problem areas and make changes to help it stay relevant for members and the community.
- [Is Your Club Healthy?](#) — Take this Learning Center course to help your club improve its member experience, service and social events, public image, and club operations.

- [Understanding Membership Reports: Getting Started](#) — Learn how to use membership data to determine where to focus your membership efforts.
- [Membership Assessment Tools](#) — Be intentional about improving your club experience. Use these tools and their results to make changes.
- [Getting to Know Prospective and New Members](#) (member interest survey)
- [Understanding How Your Club Represents Your Community](#) (diversity assessment)
- [Finding People to Invite](#) (prospective member exercise)
- [Engaging and Keeping Members](#) (retention assessment and analysis)
- [Enhancing the Club Experience](#) (member satisfaction survey) ([online version](#))
- [Understanding Why Members Leave](#) (exit survey)

ENGAGE CURRENT MEMBERS

Use these resources to learn strategies that will keep members involved:

- [Best Practices for Engaging Members](#) — Take this Learning Center course to develop strategies for engaging people at all stages of membership.
- [Engaging and Keeping Members](#) — Learn when and why members leave your club and generate strategies to keep them engaged.
- [Connect for Good](#) — Encourage members to get involved in their club, community, and the Rotary world for a more meaningful experience.
- [Understanding Why Members Leave](#) — Use this exit survey to address the reasons that members may be leaving your club.
- [Club Innovation Stories](#) (audio recordings) — A series of recorded stories highlighting the innovative work being done by clubs all around the world.
- [Recognize](#) members for their dedication and service to the club, community and to our organization.
- [Connect](#) members with opportunities to develop their [professional skills](#) and expand their networks.
- [Club Programming Vimeo Channel](#) — Use these videos

from recent Rotary events to supplement your club meetings. Videos range from 10-25 minutes.

CONNECT WITH PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

Use the strategies and ideas in these resources to connect with potential members:

- [Prospective member flyer](#) — Take this easy-to-print flyer to events in your community and distribute to members of the community so they can learn more about Rotary and benefits of getting involved with our programs and activities
- [What's Rotary? wallet card](#) — Print these cards and keep them in your wallet to share with people you meet who want to learn more about Rotary.
- [Hosting a prospective member event](#) — Use these tips when planning an event for prospective members at the club or district level.
- [Engaging Younger Professionals](#) — Welcoming younger professionals into Rotary is essential for us. Our digital kit will help you rethink membership and bring emerging leaders into your club.
- [Strategies for Attracting New Members](#) — Take this Learning Center course to help draw prospective members, update your club's experience, and better highlight what it does well.
- [Customizable club brochure](#) — Design your own club brochure using the template on Rotary's Brand Center. Choose images and wording to best represent your club.
- [Finding People to Invite: A Prospective Member Exercise](#) — Try these strategies to attract qualified members for your club.
- [Creating a Positive Experience for Prospective Members](#) — Learn what you can do to ensure that prospects have a positive experience, regardless of whether they join. Find tips and ideas to determine whether membership would match their needs as well as your club's.
- [Guide to Corporate Membership](#) — Learn how to engage your local businesses and offer a new membership type to a few of the business employees.
- [Online Membership Leads course](#) — This Learning Center course will show how a prospect experiences the membership leads process, and how club and district leaders can create a consistent, positive experience for prospective members.
- Use these guides to find best practices and detailed screenshots for managing your online membership leads:
 - [Grow Your Club Membership Using Membership](#)

Leads

- [Grow Your District Membership Using Membership Leads](#)
- Prospective member outreach templates for [clubs](#) and [districts](#) — Use these customizable scripts to communicate with prospective members assigned to you through the Manage Membership Leads page in My Rotary.
- [Leveraging Local Events to Grow Rotary: A Membership and Marketing Guide](#) — Use this guide to raise awareness about Rotary and attract new members before a large event in your area.

MAKE NEW MEMBERS FEEL WELCOME

Use these resources to celebrate new members, develop an orientation program, and get them involved early and often.

- [Welcome to Rotary](#) — Share this inspiring video with new members when they join.
- [Introducing New Members to Rotary: An Orientation Guide](#) — Find ideas for engaging new members, getting them involved, and giving them a meaningful Rotary experience.
- [Rotary Basics](#) — Give this comprehensive overview of Rotary to new members or order it for club reference. Alternatively, send new members a link to the [Rotary Basics online course](#).
- [Connect for Good](#) — Encourage members to get involved in their club, community, and the Rotary world for a more meaningful experience.

New Member Welcome Kit — Order a welcome kit from your local, licensed Rotary vendor or put one together using the resources in this section.

CREATE AN INCLUSIVE CLUB CULTURE

- [Creating an Inclusive Club Culture](#) — Take this Learning Center course to learn about actions your club can take to become more inclusive, diverse, and equitable.
- [What makes up the club experience](#) — When clubs offer their members a club experience based on their members' ideas, interests, and input, they will be happier, stay longer, and get more involved. Learn more about it with this one-page flyer.
- [Microaggressions](#) — Take this course to understand the impact of microaggressions and how to respond to them in ways that uphold Rotary's commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion.
- [Practice Responding to Microaggressions](#) — Use this resource for different techniques that can be used when experiencing a microaggression.

- [Microaggressions: Offering a Meaningful Apology](#) — This resource offers things to consider, do, and avoid when apologizing for a microaggression.
- [Diversify your club](#) — Take this Learning Center course to learn strategies for expanding your reach and building relationships with new groups.
- [Committing to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion](#) — This Learning Center course will help you learn more about Rotary's DEI statement, what DEI means, and how you can put it into practice to create positive experiences.

STRENGTHEN YOUR CLUB

Find ideas for planning and strengthening your club in these resources:

- [Strengthening Your Membership: Creating Your Membership Plan](#) — Develop a long-term strategy for boosting membership.
- [Club flexibility](#) — Learn about flexible membership and meeting options; view [frequently asked questions](#), [governance documents](#) and start guides for [alternative membership types](#) and [flexible meeting formats](#).
- [Club Membership Committee Basics](#) Enroll in this learning plan to learn more about your responsibilities in developing a strategic plan to engage and attract members.
- [Club Membership Committee Checklist](#) — Follow these steps to identify prospective members, introduce them to your club and Rotary, invite them in a meaningful way, and be sure to engage them and get them involved.
- [Leadership Development](#) — Help your members develop their leadership skills by taking professional development courses in the [Learning Center](#).

START A NEW CLUB

Find ideas for starting a club in these resources:

- [Starting a Rotary Club](#) — Learn what you need to do to form a club.
- [Starting a club](#) — This Learning Center course walks you through the process of starting a new club, whether it's a Rotary, Rotaract, or satellite club.
- [Rotary Club Models](#) — All clubs share similar values and a passion for service, but no two clubs are the same because each community has its own unique needs. Learn about different club models that will attract new audiences in your region.
- [Guide to Satellite Clubs](#) — Understand the benefits a satellite club can have and the steps for starting one.

- [Guide to Passport Clubs](#) — Learn how clubs can operate in a way that gives their members freedom to attend other club meetings and events and fulfill their own club obligations through service efforts.
- [Nurturing new clubs](#) — This Learning Center course is for new club supporters and covers ways each role can help a new club grow and thrive.

Learn more about [starting a club](#).

STAY CURRENT

Stay up-to-date by:

- Understanding the current state of Rotary's Membership: how we got here, who is joining, who is leaving — and the opportunities we all have to make membership a top priority.
 - [State of Rotary's membership as of 1 January 2023](#) (PPT)
 - [State of Rotary's membership as of 1 July 2022](#) (PPT)
- Taking courses in the [Learning Center](#)
- Sharing resources and best practices in [Learning Topics](#) in the Learning Center
- [Watching recordings of past webinars](#)
- Subscribing to our [Membership Minute newsletter](#)
- Swapping ideas on the [Membership Development Best Practices Discussion group](#)
- Learning about best practices for hosting [online meetings](#)

TOOLS

Keep track of your prospective member candidates:

- [Club leaders](#)
- [District leaders](#)

View your membership lead reports:

- [Club leaders](#)
- [District leaders](#)
- [Zone leaders](#)

Track your club's progress in [Rotary Club Central](#).

For any further details OR clarifications, please get in touch with District membership team.

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पिछले आर्टिकल में हमने बच्चों और महिलाओं से संबंधित आर्टिकल पढ़ा था आइए अब हम कुछ मौज मस्ती की बात करते हैं जिसे रोटरी की भाषा में फैलोशिप के नाम से जाना जाता है।

मुझे आज भी रोटरी क्लब में अपना पहला दिन याद है। मैं चुपचाप सा बिलकुल खामोश और बेहद ही संजीदा सूरत लेकर एक कोने में खड़ा था। मुझे ऐसी हालत में देखकर मेरे क्लब के एक मेम्बर किशोर पारिख मेरे पास आये और बोले की विशाल अगर ऐसे ही रहोगे तो हमेशा ऐसे ही रह जाओगे। रोटरी में आये हो तो सबसे बात करो, ज़रा खुलो और मौज करो।

वो दिन है और आज का दिन है। शायद मैं पार्टीज़ में इतना डांस और मौज करता हूँ की पार्टी से घर जाने वाले कुछ आखिरी लोगों में मेरा नाम शुमार है।

**इक रात वो गया था जहाँ बात रोक के
अब तक रुका हुआ हूँ वहीं रात रोक के**

...फ़रहत एहसास

तो जनाब देखा आपने ये है रोटरी की फैलोशिप। फैलोशिप और प्रोजेक्ट्स एक गाड़ी के दो पहिये हैं। एक चलेगा तो दूसरा भी चलेगा। जब तक क्लब के मेंबर्स खुद खुश नहीं रहेंगे तब तक वो पूरे जोशों खरोश से दूसरों को खुशियाँ नहीं बाँट सकते।

चलिए आपको एक किस्सा और सुनाता हूँ। मेरे क्लब में सिंगर्स का अलग ग्रुप भी बना हुआ है। एक बार मैं भी गया उस ग्रुप में और जनाब मैंने एक गाना भी गा दिया और बहुत शायरी भी करी। प्रोग्राम खत्म होने के बाद क्लब के एक मेंबर राज खोसला मेरे पास आये और बोले विशाल तुम शायरी बहुत अच्छी करते हो। मैं आज भी उनसे मज़ाक में कहता हूँ की शायद आप ये कहना चाहते थे कि मैं गाता बहुत बुरा हूँ। आज भी इस बात को लेकर हम बहुत हँसते हैं। ये बताता है कि फैलोशिप के ज़रिये कितने अच्छे दोस्त मिल जाते हैं।

**सुना है ऐसे भी होते हैं लोग दुनिया में
कि जिन से मिलिए तो तन्हाई खत्म होती है**

...इफ्तिखार शफ़ी

लेकिन यहाँ एक बात ध्यान देने लायक है की फैलोशिप के दौरान ही मेंबर्स को अपना हुनर चमकाने का मौक़ा मिलता है। किसी को गाने का मौक़ा मिलता है, किसी को शायरी का तो किसी को एक्टिंग का भी मौक़ा मिलता है।

**हम भी दरिया हैं हमें अपना हुनर मालूम है
जिस तरफ़ भी चल पड़ेंगे रास्ता हो जाएगा**

...बशीर बद्र

अब आप सोच रहे होंगे की मेंबर्स तो मौज करेंगे पर बच्चों का क्या, वो कहाँ जायें। तो इसका जवाब ये है की बच्चे भी फैलोशिप का हिस्सा होते हैं। कई बार बच्चों को एंकरिंग का भी मौक़ा मिलता है। ज़रा सोचिए की अगर आपके बच्चे को स्टेज फियर है या पब्लिक एंक्सायटी है तो ये समस्या फैलोशिप के ज़रिये चुटकियों में दूर कि जा सकती है।

मेरी बात याद रखियेगा की अच्छी फैलोशिप एक क्लब को आगे बढ़ाता है और ज़्यादा नये मेंबर्स को आकर्षित करता है।

तो जनाब सोच क्या रहे हैं। अपना मोबाइल देखिए शायद कोई फैलोशिप पार्टी का मेसेज आया होगा। तो शुरू कीजिए शॉपिंग शायद कोई ड्रेस कोड भी हो। आईना आपका इंतज़ार कर रहा है।

**वो लगा रहे थे आँखों में काजल आईना देख कर
आज पता चला आईने को किसी कि नज़र क्यों नहीं
लगती...**

विशाल सक्सेना

तो जनाब खुश रहिए मौज कीजिए, अगके आर्टिकल में फिर एक नये टॉपिक के साथ मुलाक़ात होगी।

विशाल सक्सेना

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Landmark Project of Rotary Club of Borivali

Dialysis Treatment



MATUSHREE MANGALABEN NATVARLAL THAKKAR ROTARY BORIVLI DIALYSIS RELIEF SCHEME

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***Rtn. Mukesh Thakkar** gave a donation of Rs. 11,00,000/- in 2017 and started an ongoing project, “**MATUSHREE MANGALABEN NATVARLAL THAKKAR ROTARY BORIVLI DIALYSIS RELIEF SCHEME**” wherein dialysis treatment to needy patients is given at a highly subsidized rates through 56 years old NGO, “Shree Borivali Gujarati Seva Mandal”.*

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