

# A Resolve **TO SERVE**

### Landmark Projects of Rotary Club of Borivli

### **CHEMOTHERAPY**



### MATUSHREE RANJANBEN SUDHINDRA GYANI ROTARY BORIVLI CHEMOTHERAPY RELIEF SCHEME

To support the treatment of chemotherapy for cancer patients, which is highly costly treatment, Rotary Club of Borivli started an ongoing project, "MATUSHREE RANJANBEN SUDHINDRA GYANI ROTARY BORIVLI CHEMOTHERAPY RELIEF SCHEME" wherein chemotherapy treatment to needy patients from economically weak background is given at a highly subsidized rates through 57 years old NGO, "Shree Borivali Gujarati Seva Mandal" at Borivali West.

Support to the needy patients for chemotherapy Contact for details Rtn. MANISH GYANI 98203 17774 | manishgyani@yahoo.co.in



# From the EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

# Eventful Beginning of a Vibrant Rotary Year

S we embark on this Vibrant Rotary year, I am elated to share the remarkable progress we have made together. In the first month, we have successfully completed the installations of 87 out of the 119 Rotary Clubs in RID 3141.

Throughout these installations, I have had the honour of addressing our Rotarians as the District Governor. It has been immensely gratifying to see that my words have inspired many of you. The energy and commitment displayed at each installation were truly heartening.

Our district's vibrancy is further highlighted by the commitment received for eight Arch Klumph Society (AKS) members, who continue to set a high standard for generosity and leadership. Their contributions, along with numerous impactful community service projects, underscore the magic of Rotary that we are all striving to enhance.

This year, our clarion call is: **"Together we can, Together we will build on the magic of Rotary to make our clubs Vibrant and Irresistible.**" We are already seeing this magic come to life, thanks to the superb efforts of our Vibrant District and Club teams. Their hard work is making a significant difference, and I am confident that we will continue to achieve great things together.

### **Celebrating Membership Month**

August is Membership Month in Rotary, a time to reflect on the importance of our membership and the role each Rotarian plays in our organization. Rotary's strength lies in its members and their unwavering commitment to service above self.

I extend my heartfelt compliments to DC Sandip Kedia and the Membership team for their stellar performance through various initiatives in this first month of RY 2024-25. Their innovative approaches and tireless efforts have been instrumental in enhancing our membership base and ensuring that our clubs remain vibrant and engaging.

As we celebrate Membership Month, let us remember that each new member brings fresh ideas, perspectives, and energy to our clubs. It's through our collective efforts that we can continue to grow and make a meaningful impact in our communities.

### Looking Ahead

The start of this Rotary year has been eventful and inspiring. As we move forward, let us carry the momentum we have built and continue to work together to create a lasting impact. The magic of Rotary is visible in everything we do, and I am confident that with our shared vision and dedication, we will make this a truly unforgettable year.

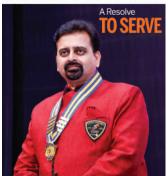
Together, we can and together, we will!

Yours in Rotary,

Chetan Desai District Governor, RID 3141







**On the Cover:** Vibrant DG Chetan Desai at his installation function on June 30

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# Counselor's

Let me congratulate all the Presidents and Clubs for carrying out many meaningful and large-scale projects in the very first month. You all have been absolutely magical. Thank you for the tremendous response and for sharing the details of your impressive projects. While we strive to include the majority of your submissions, but please understand that not all can be accommodated.

The installation of all the clubs is almost over, and now it's time to add new ideas, new energy, more resources, and more hands in the club. Rotary International has designated August as Membership Development Month.

If you know people who might be interested in joining Rotary, follow your club's process for proposing a new member or ask them to complete the Join Rotary form. Engage new members right away by having them take the member interest survey and pairing them with a mentor to help them feel more connected.

Many clubs face challenges in attracting new members, keeping members engaged, and finding meaningful ways to contribute to their communities. Use the Club Planning Assistant for tailored advice, and hold regular brainstorming sessions to gather fresh ideas.

Being able to articulate and share your stories with others can be personally fulfilling. Use the GML platform to highlight your club's achievements and the impact of Rotary's work. Innovation is critical for the growth and sustainability of our clubs. Treat your club as a platform for members to grow and find happiness together, emphasizing personal growth and happiness alongside increasing membership.

The August edition of GML focuses on Membership. Circulate this to not only Rotary members but also every prospective donor and member. Spread the word about how every member in Rotary creates the Magic of Rotary through innovative humanitarian service projects.

Let's create magic by being innovative in every club activity, especially membership. Innovation is the hope and The Magic of Rotary.

As we move forward, let's remember that our strength lies in our ability to adapt, innovate, and inspire. By welcoming new members, sharing our stories, and continuously seeking new ways to serve our communities, we can ensure that Rotary remains a dynamic and impactful organization.

Here's to a successful Membership Development Month and creating magic together!

Ashish Tapiawala, District Coordinator Publications





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# From the **MANAGING EDITOR'S**

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# **The Action Begins**

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has,"

And here, in D 3141, we have a cohesive, committed group of 6500 Rotarians whose collective expertise and synergy will steer every Vibrant endeavour. With a Day 1 as diverse as the 'Life Saving Express' collecting more than 1300 units of blood to the 'Baghbaan' evening towards senior citizen wellness, the Vibrant Focus Areas stand poised to impact every societal need.



But to create a ripple effect of service, it is not good enough that we go out there and change lives, it is equally important we tell our stories to the world. And what can be a more effective vehicle for chronicling our service to the community, than the Governor's Monthly Letter? VIBE-X will document all the action on the ground as it gains scale and momentum, month on month. And the fact that we have run out of pages while covering just the first month's projects, augurs well for the Vibrant chapter of the District that will pen new stories of human empathy and selflessness.

Sree Nandy Managing Editor **Rotary Club of Mumbai Kalakar** 

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# In **GRATITUDE**

S the First Lady of Rotary District 3141, I have had the distinct pleasure and privilege of accompanying our esteemed District Governor, Chetan Desai, on his visits to the various clubs within our district. These visits have been nothing short of extraordinary, offering me the opportunity to meet and connect with the remarkable Rotarians and their wonderful partners who form the heartbeat of our community.

From the very first visit, I have been struck by the warmth, hospitality, and enthusiasm that radiate from each club. The commitment and dedication of our Rotarians are truly inspiring, and I am deeply touched by the camaraderie and spirit of service that permeates every interaction. Each meeting has reinforced my belief in the magic of Rotary and the incredible potential we have to effect positive change in the world.

This vibrant Rotary year has begun with a surge of high energy and optimism. The various initiatives and projects that have already been set into motion speak volumes about our collective drive to make a difference. I feel blessed to witness firsthand the impact of our efforts and the joy it brings to those we serve.

I am immensely grateful for the support and friendship extended to me and Chetan during our visits. Your dedication to the Rotary cause and your unwavering commitment to service are what make our district truly exceptional. Together, we are building a future filled with hope, compassion, and lasting change.

As we move forward, let us continue to embrace the 'Magic of Rotary,' working hand in hand to create vibrant and irresistible clubs. Together, we can achieve greatness, and together, we will continue to make a profound impact on our communities.

With heartfelt gratitude and warmest regards,

Jwala Desai First Lady of Rotary District 3141







**#DG Installation** 

Sankalp

Rotary

Rtn. Chetan Desai he District Governor of R. I. Dist. 31 5 Dist. Core Team for 2024-25

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# BEGINNINGS

**Sankalp:** A Resolve towards a Vibrant and Progressive Rotary. A glittering investiture ceremony was held at the Mukesh Patel Auditorium in Mumbai on June 30th for the induction of District Governor Chetan Desai. A lowdown of the momentous function which I had the privilege to attend as the Master of Ceremony.

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REMONY

ROTARY CLUB OF BORIVL

"To improve is to change; to be perfect is to change often."

- Winston Churchill

Rotary, the world's foremost humanitarian organization, embraces change every year. On the 1st of July, 35,000 new leaders are inducted at the club level and thousands more at the District and international levels, fostering dynamism, responsiveness, and fresh ideas. Change brings about new hopes and new promises. So 'Sankalp' was not just about a ceremonial transition; it was a commemoration of new beginnings.

We look forward to a year that is bold and resilient, nimble and trustworthy, inclusive and vibrant—a year of unmatched passion, commitment, and resolve- the Vibrant Year with DG Chetan Desai.



### **RECOGNITION OF DIGNITARIES**

The proceedings began by honouring the esteemed dignitaries in the room, including the Chief Guest; the college of Governors and their spouses; the Chairs of Partners in Service; the Family of Vibrant DG Chetan Desai; and AKS members, dignitaries from NGOs, and partners in service.





### **CHANGE AND CONTINUITY: THE EXCHANGE OF COLLAR**

IPDG Arun Bhargava's projects have left an indelible impact among Rotarians and beyond. On the last day of the incredible year, he shared some remarkable insights on the legacy he leaves behind.

It was time to pass on the baton, and the event progressed with the formal installation and exchange of collars, with IPDG Arun Bhargava doing the honours. The galaxy of Governors joined on stage to capture this beautiful moment with a click.



### THE STAGE IS SET: ABOUT THE VIBRANT DG

It was time to move on to the man of the moment. The Vibrant DG is a leader who lives every moment with purpose and meaning. His leadership style is defined by trust, empathy, and deep bonds of friendship and his team functions like a close-knit family driven by a shared commitment. A powerhouse performer, he has excelled in every avenue of service, championed the cause of the Foundation, garnered record-breaking membership, and represents the dynamic and energetic young face of Rotary leadership. Exuding charisma,

### **TOGETHER WE CAN: ACCEPTANCE SPEECH**

DG Chetan Desai's enriching presentation set the mood for the upcoming Rotary Year, outlining his buoyant plans specially curated focus areas, fruitful collaborations, and diverse expertise and resources.



### **CORE TEAM**

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has."

Here we are talking about a cohesive, committed group of Rotarians at the heart of every Vibrant initiative, whose collective expertise and synergy will steer every Vibrant endeavour. The Executive, Functional, and Administrative wings of the Core Team were presented on stage.





### **TRF RECOGNITIONS**

It was time to salute the champions of giving in the special segment of Foundation recognitions. The donors were adorned with specially designed pins for their generosity.



### **RELEASE OF THE GOVERNOR'S MONTHLY LETTER**

The Governor's Monthly Letter is an effective vehicle for chronicling Rotary's service to humanity. The inaugural issue of the Vibrant GML, VIBE-X, was released by the Chief Guest PRID A S Venkatesh, in the presence of DG Chetan and Jwala Desai, IPDG Arun and Seema Bhargava and Counselor GML Ashish Tapiawala. It was a privilege to be part of this moment as the Managing Editor of the publication.



### **CHIEF GUEST ADDRESS**

There are leaders who shine in their place of work, and then there are some whom the spotlight follows, like PRID A S Venkatesh, the Chief Guest for the function, whose journey has ignited a spark in countless Rotarians. His engaging address, laced with anecdotes and humour, had the audience asking for more.



But all good things must come to an end, and with his pearls of wisdom, the investiture ceremony was drawn to a close, as we stood poised for Blood Donation drives and Disability to Ability programs seeing participation from 100 plus clubs on Day 1 itself.

With open hearts, we welcome new, A leader bright with vision true.

Together now, our paths align,

For service, growth, and goals to shine.



WRITTEN BY SREE NANDY



# New Leaders, New Horizons INSTALLATIONS OF VIBRANT PRESIDENTS





### **Rotary Club of Mumbai Sher-E-Punjab**

The Rotary Club of Mumbai Sher-E-Punjab proudly installed Rtn. Jotinder Singh Ahluwalia as the Vibrant President along with his Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 12/05/2024.



### Rotary Club of Bombay Mahakali Heights

The Rotary Club of Bombay Mahakali Heights proudly installed Rtn. Dr. Sunil Anand as the Vibrant President along with his Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 24/05/2024.

### #Installations



### **Rotary Club of Chandivali Mumbai**

The Rotary Club of Chandivali Mumbai proudly installed Rtn. Meena Bhasin as the Vibrant President along with her Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 26/05/2024.



### **Rotary Club of Mumbai Lakers**

The Rotary Club of Mumbai Lakers proudly installed Rtn. Palvi Agarwal as the Vibrant President along with her Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 31/05/2024.



### Rotary Club of Bombay Chembur West

The Rotary Club of Bombay Chembur West proudly installed Rtn. Deepa Mani as the Vibrant President along with his Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 01/06/2024.





### **Rotary Club of Dahanu**

The Rotary Club of Dahanu proudly installed Rtn. Dr. Aditya Ahire as the Vibrant President along with his Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 02/06/2024.



### **Rotary Club of Chembur (Mumbai)**

The Rotary Club of Chembur (Mumbai) proudly installed Rtn. Nanda Kulkarni as the Vibrant President along with her Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 05/06/2024.



### **Rotary Club of Bombay North-West Malad**

The Rotary Club of Bombay North-West Malad proudly installed Rtn. Dr. Mangla Joshi as the Vibrant President along with her Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 07/06/2024.

### #Installations



**Rotary Club of Wada** 

The Rotary Club of Wada proudly installed Rtn. Prafulla Bokand as the Vibrant President along with his Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 08/06/2024.



### **Rotary Club of Manor Highway**

The Rotary Club of Manor Highway proudly installed Rtn. Dr Shraddha Pawade as the Vibrant President along with her Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 09/06/2024.



### **Rotary Club of Virar**

The Rotary Club of Virar proudly installed Rtn. Er Nandkishor Kasat as the Vibrant President along with his Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 09/06/2024.





### **Rotary Club of Mumbai Ghatkopar**

The Rotary Club of Mumbai Ghatkopar proudly installed Rtn. Kamlesh Gandhi as the Vibrant President along with his Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 10/06/2024.



### **Rotary Club of Mumbai Goregaon West**

The Rotary Club of Mumbai Goregaon West proudly installed Rtn. Gauri Bhadkamkar as the Vibrant President along with her Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 12/06/2024.



The Rotary Club of Mumbai Sobo proudly installed Rtn. Rajeev Goenka as the Vibrant President along with his Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 16/06/2024.

### #Installations



Rotary Club of Mumbai Juhu The Rotary Club of Mumbai Juhu proudly installed Rtn. Subhashish Mazumdar as the Vibrant President along with his Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 17/06/2024.



### **Rotary Club of Mumbai Horizons**

The Rotary Club of Mumbai Horizons proudly installed Rtn. Vinod Goyal as the Vibrant President along with his Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 18/06/2024.



**Rotary Club of Addiction Prevention 3141** 

The Rotary Club of Addiction Prevention 3141 proudly installed Rtn. Dr Siddharth H Udeshi as the Vibrant President along with his Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 19/06/2024.





**Rotary Club of Boisar-Tarapur** The Rotary Club of Boisar-Tarapur proudly installed Rtn. Vilas Shahapure as the Vibrant President along with his Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 21/06/2024.



Rotary Club of Mumbai Nariman Point

The Rotary Club of Mumbai Nariman Point proudly installed Rtn. Aditya Nemani as the Vibrant President along with his Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 23/06/2024.



Rotary Club of Mulund Hill View The Rotary Club of Mulund Hill View proudly installed Rtn. G. Shankar as the Vibrant President along with his Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 23/06/2024.



### Rotary Club of Mira Road

The Rotary Club of Mira Road proudly installed Rtn. Vivek Damani as the Vibrant President along with his Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 25/06/2024.



### **Rotary Club of Mumbai Parleshwar**

The Rotary Club of Mumbai Parleshwar proudly installed Rtn. Avinash Mishra as the Vibrant President along with his Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 28/06/2024.



Rotary Club of Bombay Mid-Town The Rotary Club of Bombay Mid-Town proudly installed Rtn. Jagar Thakur as the Vibrant President along with his Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 29/06/2024.





**Rotary Club of Mulund Hills** 

The Rotary Club of Mulund Hills proudly installed Rtn. Rajnikant Parikh as the Vibrant President along with his Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 29/06/2024.



**Rotary Club of Bombay Film City** 

The Rotary Club of Bombay Film City proudly installed Rtn. Sharmendra Jain as the Vibrant President along with his Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 30/06/2024.



### **Rotary Club of Borivli**

The Rotary Club of Borivli proudly installed Rtn. Harish Chandarana as the Vibrant President along with his Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 30/06/2024.



Rotary Club of Bombay

The Rotary Club of Bombay proudly installed Rtn. Satyan Israni as the Vibrant President along with his Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 02/07/2024.



### **Rotary Club of Bombay Hanging Garden**

The Rotary Club of Bombay Hanging Garden proudly installed Rtn. Jayen Mehta as the Vibrant President along with his Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 02/07/2024.



Rotary Club of Mumbai Divas The Rotary Club of Mumbai Divas proudly installed Rtn. Sonali Chetan Desai as the Vibrant President along with her Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 03/07/2024.





**Rotary Club of Bombay Powai** 

The Rotary Club of Bombay Powai proudly installed Rtn. Dr. Susan Tripathi as the Vibrant President along with her Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 05/07/2024.



### **Rotary Club of Mumbai Green City**

The Rotary Club of Mumbai Green City proudly installed Rtn. S P Tiwari as the Vibrant President along with his Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 06/07/2024.



Rotary Club of Bombay North The Rotary Club of Bombay North proudly installed Rtn. Dr Dharam Popat as the Vibrant President along with his Board of Directors for the Vibrant Year 2024-25 on 07/07/2024.

COLLATED AND EDITED BY NARESH BAJPAI

# Vibrant

Dive into the Vibrant sea of compassion and collective action.





### VIBRANT LIFE SAVING EXPRESS

BY DR NILIMA INAMDAR

On 1st July, the Vibrant Life Saving Express was rolled out. This was a groundbreaking initiative with 106 clubs Rotary participating in a mega blood donation camp. In association with Indian Railways, blood donation camps were conducted at 12 railway stations- Churchgate, Dadar, Bandra, Andheri, Goregaon, Borivali, CST, Ghatkopar, Mulund, Thane, Chembur, Mauli and institutions like TechnoPolis Park, Tarapur MIDC, Sanjeevani hospital and Government hospital. This effort set a record of collecting 1028 bottles of blood in a single day. Extensive PR efforts, with banners at each station, significantly boosted visibility and footfall, showcasing the power of Rotary's community impact.





### AVENUE BAGHBAAN AND DISABILITY TO ABILITY: INAUGURAL INITIATIVES ON 1ST JULY 2024

Inaugurated by DG Chetan Desai, led by DC Mona Shah and Avenue Chairs Savita Govilkar and Kala Sridhar

**Vibrant Ability:** In collaboration with Ratnanidhi Trust, RC Mumbai Mahim & RC Worli, launched the Prosthetic Fitting Camp to transform Disability into Ability. 68 prosthetic limbs were fitted, costing approximately 7 lakhs.

Vibrant Vachak: 76 libraries were established in old age homes across Mumbai, Thane, Raigad, New Mumbai, and Palghar. This initiative, under Avenue Baghbaan and Ratnanidhi Charitable Trust, aims to foster social and economic transformation. Clubs will organize periodic reading sessions to motivate and develop reading habits among senior citizens. The project, benefiting over 3000 individuals, required 315 Rotarian hours and had a project value of INR 6,00,000.

Vibrant Anand: Celebrating inclusivity, the first event of VIBRANT ANAND, led by Rotary Club of Mumbai Brave Hearts, 27 clubs as co-hosts and zonal chair Pushpa Suryamurthy, was held at Balgandharva Natya Mandir, Bandra. This cultural event featured over 300 participants, including individuals with disabilities and senior citizens, with an audience of more than 600 people. The event underscored the neglect faced by children, youth with disabilities, and the elderly, emphasizing the need for love, care, and active engagement in their lives. These initiatives collectively highlight the commitment to creating an inclusive society, supporting both individuals with disabilities and senior citizens, and fostering active participation and engagement across all age groups.



### SUPER 50- MICRO BUSINESS LAUNCH BY ROTARY CLUB OF QUEEN'S NECKLACE

Club President: Rtn Shilpa Mehta Area of Focus: Vocational Service- Women Empowerment Location of Project: Oasis Centre, Kamathipura Date of Execution: 11th July 2024

### **Project Description**

On 11th July 2024, the Miracles Team visited the Oasis Centre at Kamathipura to launch a microfinancing facility for women, in collaboration with Kshamata Foundation under the Super 50 program. The event, graced by Chief Guest Rtn Nimish Shah, saw four women receiving self-help kits for starting small businesses. Emotions ran high as attendees felt compassion, sadness, surprise, and awe at the women's resilience. Karishma Parekh donated salwar suits for the new entrepreneurs, highlighting the community's support. This initiative aims to rescue, rehabilitate, and empower women to become self-respecting and selfreliant.

Number of Beneficiaries: 50 (over a period of one year) victims of human trafficking and sex trade Rotarian-Hours Spent: 42 hours Value of the Project: INR 17,49,200/-Names of Sponsors/Partners: Rotary Club of Queen's Necklace and Kshamata Foundation



### FIT AND FUN- DONATION OF PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT BY ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY BAYVIEW

Club President: Rtn Rajni Barasia

**Area of Focus:** Enhance the physical fitness and recreational opportunities for the underprivileged tribal students

**Location of Project:** 15 Zilla Parishad schools in the remote areas of Dahanu and Talasari Talukas in Palghar District

Date of Execution: 14th July 2024

### **Project Description**

This project aims to enhance physical fitness and recreational opportunities for students in 15 Zilla Parishad Schools in Palghar District by donating playground equipment. By providing modern, high quality and safe play structures, the initiative seeks to promote outdoor activities, support physical well-being, and foster holistic development among underprivileged tribal children. The project also aims to create a conducive environment for physical education, encouraging children to engage in active play, develop essential motor skills, and improve overall health, contributing to their academic and personal growth.

Number of Beneficiaries: 2060 students Rotarian-Hours Spent: 250 hours Value of Project: INR 9,46,240/-





### ROBO SUMO COMPETITION (BUILD, BATTLE, WIN) BY ROTARY CLUB OF MUMBAI WEST COAST

Club President: Dr Seemaa Negi

Area of Focus: Education and Youth Development Location of Project: Sanjeevani World School, Mumbai Date of Execution: 10th July 2024

### **Project Description**

The Robo Sumo competition provided a dynamic platform for students in grades 6 to 9 to design, build, and showcase their robots, fostering creativity, problemsolving, and teamwork. Eleven teams participated, sparking a passion for STEM education among students. The top three teams were awarded trophies, with President Dr Seemaa Negi and Youth Director Rtn Meghalaya Kushte, inspiring young innovators to pursue their technological dreams. This event highlighted the importance of technological education and innovation in shaping the future.

Number of Beneficiaries: 387 students (including participants and other students Rotarian-Hours Spent: 15 hours

Value of the Project: INR 25,000/-

Names of Sponsors/Partners: OLL and Navneet



### VOCATIONAL CENTRE BY ROTARY CLUB OF MUMBAI LAKERS

Club President: Rtn Palvi N. Aggarwal Area of Focus: Women, Healthcare and Children Location of Project: RCML Vocational Centre, Vikhroli West

Date of Execution: 1st July 2024

### **Project Description**

The project aims to empower women and enhance community well-being through three key initiatives: providing tailoring classes to equip women with valuable skills for self-employment; offering basic English classes to adults and children from non-Englishspeaking backgrounds to improve communication and opportunities; and establishing a medical center with an in-house doctor to ensure accessible healthcare for the community.

### Number of Beneficiaries: 60

Rotarian-Hours Spent: 5 to 6 hours a week Value of Project: INR 1,00,000/- (ongoing project) Names of Sponsors/Partners: Ainiti, Lubaina Colombowala and Sunil Gambani

### **#Service Projects**



### TREE PLANTATION BY ROTARY CLUB OF MUMBAI LAKERS

Club President: Rtn Palvi N. Aggarwal Area of Focus: Environment Location of Project: Madh Island Date of Execution: 1st July 2024

### **Project Description**

The Mumbai Lakers planted 100 trees at the Air Force Base in Madh Island with the enthusiastic participation of Rotaractors and Laker children. This engaging event provided a memorable experience for all involved. Across District 3141, a total of 10,000 trees were planted in a coordinated effort to promote environmental sustainability.

Number of Beneficiaries: In thousands Rotarian-Hours Spent: 36 hours Value of Project: INR 1,50,000/-



### WELLNESS SE WEALTH TAK- SEMINAR ON CA AND DOCTOR'S DAY BY ROTARY CLUB OF BORIVLI

Club President: Rtn Harish Chandarana Area of Focus: Health and Professional Development Location of Project: Prabodhankar Thackeray Main Auditorium, Borivali West Date of Execution: 1st July 2024

### **Project Description**

The seminar celebrated CA and Doctor's Day with impactful sessions. Dr Rtn Bharat Pandya discussed lifestyle diseases and preventive health measures. CA J. K. Shah highlighted the vital role of CAs in national development, while young CA Kushal Lodha shared expert insights on startup analysis. The event, anchored by CA Hasmukh Jobanputra, also featured spiritual reflections by Pujya Dr Gyan Vatsal Swami. Designed to educate and inspire, the seminar emphasized the importance of health and professional excellence, leaving attendees motivated and informed. Number of Beneficiaries: 918 professionals and community members Rotarian-Hours Spent: 592 hours Value of Project: INR 2,00,000/-Names of Sponsors/Partners: Bank of India, Rtn Dr Satish Shetty





### SCHOOL FEES AND STUDY MATERIALS PROVIDED BY ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY QUEEN CITY

Club President: Rtn Ajay Agrawal Area of Focus: Basic Education and Literacy Location of Project: Banyan Tree English High School, Matunga

Date of Execution: 11th July 2024

### **Project Description**

The Rotary Club of Bombay Queen City has taken a commendable initiative by providing an entire year's school fees and study materials to six deserving students of the Banyan Tree English High School in Matunga. This effort ensures that these students have the necessary resources to continue their education without financial burdens, fostering their academic growth and future opportunities. Number of Beneficiaries: 6 Rotarian-Hours Spent: 5 hours Value of Project: INR 1,25,000/-



### TWENTY SIX SMART CLASSROOMS BY ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY BAYVIEW

### Club President: Rtn Rajni Barasia

**Area of Focus:** Technological Literacy/E-learning **Location of Project:** 21 Zilla Parishad schools and one community library in the remote area of Dahanu, Talasari and Vikramgadh Talukas in Palghar District **Date of Execution:** 14th July 2024

### **Project Description**

This project introduces 26 digital classrooms to 21 Zilla Parishad schools and a Community Library, featuring 50" Smart TVs, E-Learning Software Kits, and stabilizers. It addresses teacher-student ratio imbalances, boosts teaching effectiveness, and enhances student engagement. By integrating audio-visual education and facilitating online classes, the initiative accelerates learning and broadens educational content access. It creates interactive learning environments that empower students in underserved communities, promoting equitable education and preparing them for future challenges in a connected world.

Number of Beneficiaries: 5000 students Rotarian-Hours Spent: 250 hours Value of Project: INR 14,25,000/-



### URBAN RAINWATER HARVESTING BY ROTARY CLUB OF MUMBAI JUHU ELITE

**Club President:** Rtn Jayesh B. Khemka **Area of Focus:** Water and wash, environmental sustainability, recharging of ground water **Location of Project:** Sai Pooja Building, Next to Jankalyan Bank, Jain Mandir Road, J.B. Nagar, Andheri West

Date of Execution: 1st July 2024

### **Project Description**

We are thrilled to inaugurate our new water harvesting system, a vital step towards water conservation and sustainability in our community. This system captures and stores rainwater efficiently, ensuring a reliable supply and reducing dependency on external sources. It addresses water scarcity, enhances groundwater recharge, and supports sustainable practices. This initiative underscores our commitment to environmental stewardship, paving the way for a greener and more sustainable future.

Number of Beneficiaries: 150 residents and local area Rotarian-Hours Spent: 2 hours Value of Project: INR 25,000/-

Names of Sponsors/Partners: Sai Pooja Apartments



### MICROFINANCE THROUGH REFUND BY ROTARY CLUB OF MULUND

Club President: Rtn Seema S. Joshi Area of Focus: Community Economic Development Location of Project: Club Meeting Date of Execution: 9th July 2024

### **Project Description**

The RC Mulund's microfinance initiative, ongoing for three years, provides interest-free financial support to small business owners, starting with a INR 2 lakh donation. Beneficiaries repay in monthly instalments, creating a self-sustaining cycle. In the Incredible Year, INR 2.65 lakhs was disbursed to nine beneficiaries without new donations, relying entirely on recirculated funds. This year, INR 85,000 has supported three businesses in selling ornaments, sewing and fall beading, and cloth trading. The project fosters entrepreneurship and economic independence, ensuring continuous support and growth within the community. **Number of Beneficiaries:** 3 **Value of Project:** INR 85,000





### INAUGURATION OF SPORTS COMPLEX BY ROTARY CLUB OF QUEEN'S NECKLACE

**Club President:** Rtn Shilpa Mehta **Area of Focus:** Sports Facility for Underprivileged Students

Location of Project: SMES College, Matunga Date of Execution: 6th July 2024

### **Project Description**

RC of Queen's Necklace inaugurated the Udaan – Sports Complex at Seva Mandal Education Society, Matunga, in collaboration with the Parikh Foundation. This facility will benefit 6000 graduate and undergraduate girls from economically weaker sections of SMES College, as well as women enrolled in skilling courses under the Unnati Global Grant Project. The event saw enthusiastic participation from 11 club members, marking a significant step towards empowering these students and women through sports.

Number of Beneficiaries: 6000 students, ongoing Rotarian-Hours Spent: 44 hours

Value of the Project: INR 20,00,000/-

Names of Sponsors: Rotary Club of Queen's Necklace and the Parikh Foundation



### INAUGURATION OF PET BOTTLE SHREDDER BY ROTARY CLUB OF BORIVLI

Club President: Rtn Harish Chandarana Area of Focus: Environment Location of Project: Metro Station, Andheri West Date of Execution: 1st July 2024

### **Project Description**

The Rotary Club of Borivli inaugurated a Pet Bottle Shredder at Andheri West Metro Station. It was inaugurated by DG Chetan Desai along with PP Prakash Desai. This initiative underscores the importance of responsible waste management, showcasing the shredder's efficiency in converting plastic bottles into reusable materials. Attendees discussed plastic pollution, pledging to support sustainability. Rtn Kamlesh Pipaliya highlighted the shredder's ongoing maintenance and promotion. Inner Wheel IPP Bhavna Kapadia coordinated the project. This collaboration demonstrates a strong commitment to environmental conservation and community engagement.

Number of Beneficiaries: Metro commuters and local community

Value of Project: INR 1,25,000/-Names of Sponsors/Partners- Mumbai Metro

### **#Service Projects**



### MY CLUB, GREEN CLUB- TREE PLANTATION BY ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY KANDIVLI

Club President: Rtn Dr Sadhna Edvankar Area of Focus: Environment Location of Project: Manav Seva Vriddhashram, Sakhwar Date of Execution: 1st July 2024

### **Project Description**

On 1st July, Rotarians and guests kicked off a plantation project, planting saplings despite heavy rains. This first phase will be followed by additional plantings, depending on weather conditions. The event included Gau Seva, with special meals for cows, and interactions with Manav Seva Old Age Home residents, where goodies were distributed. The success of the initiative is attributed to the unwavering spirit of the Rotarians and the generous support of donors and members. **Number of Beneficiaries:** 50 **Rotarian-Hours Spent:** 280 hours

Value of the Project: INR 35,000/-Names of Sponsors/Partners: Self-funded



### INAUGURATION OF FIRST ROTARY PEACE POLE BY ROTARY CLUB OF MUMBAI SOUTH

**Club President:** Padma Shri Rtn Dr Keiki Mehta **Area of Focus:** Global Peace and Understanding **Location:** Mehta International Eye Institute, Sea Side Building, 147 Shahid Bhagat Singh Road, Colaba, Mumbai 400005

Date of Execution: 2nd July 2024

### **Project Description**

In a ceremony promoting global peace and understanding, DG Rtn Chetan Desai inaugurated the first Peace Pole at the Mehta International Eye Institute. The Peace Pole, a globally recognized symbol of peace, stands tall with the message "May Peace Prevail on Earth" inscribed in multiple languages. DG Rtn Chetan Desai and Jwala Desai graced the event, joined by Chief Coordinator Rtn Radhika Mehta, President Rtn Dr Keiki Mehta, Rtn Dushyant Vora, Rtn PP Sonu Chowdhry, and Rtn PP Nargis Gaur, marking a significant step towards fostering peace in the community.

Number of Beneficiaries: 1000 – ongoing daily Rotarian-Hours Spent: 5 Hours

Value of the Project: INR 45,000/-Name of the Sponsors/Partners: Padma Shri Rtn Dr Keiki Mehta and Rotary Club of Mumbai South





### SMART CLASSROOM DONATION BY ROTARY CLUB OF MUMBAI DAHISAR

Club President: Rtn Avinash Naimpally Area of Focus: Basic Education and Literacy Location of Project: Vidya Mandir School, Dahisar Date of Execution: 4th July 2024

### **Project Description**

RCMD donated Smart Classroom equipment to Vidya Mandir School, Dahisar. This was sponsored by Broker ki Pathshala through the Squarefeet Foundation of PP Rtn Vinod Thakkar. This latest addition makes the school 100% smart classroom equipped, with a total of 12 smart classrooms provided by RCMD, enhancing the learning environment and educational opportunities for the students.

Number of Beneficiaries: 2160 students Rotarian-Hours Spent: 55 hours Name of Sponsors/Partners: Broker ki Pathshala





UTTAN- SEED DONATION BY ROTARY CLUB OF MUMBAI BRAVE HEARTS

Club President: Rtn Tasneem Mun Area of Focus: Environment Location of Project: Uttan- Keshav Srushti Date of Execution: 4th July 2024

### **Project Description**

The Brave Hearts have initiated an environmental project by donating grafted mango seeds planted at Keshav Srushti. They have also donated plastic bottles filled with empty wrappers, which are then crushed to create eco-friendly pavement bricks and benches. This dual effort promotes sustainable practices and contributes to both greening and recycling initiatives, showcasing the club's commitment to environmental stewardship and innovation.

Number of Beneficiaries: Environment friendly projectbenefits the community at large Rotarian-Hours Spent: 6 hours Value of Project: Recycled material put to use

**Magic of Rotary :** Charter President of Rotary Club of Mumbai Green City, Abani Das has created a Historic Moment when he along with wife Daksha Das announced donating of his two acres of prime land situated at his farmhouse at Taluka Vikramgad, District Palghar to Rotary Club of Mumbai Green City.

DG Chetan accepted this Donation with grace. Golden Money Plant was presented to him by DG Chetan and First Lady Jwala Desai as a token of appreciation.



### DISTRIBUTION OF EDUCATIONAL MATERIAL BY ROTARY CLUB OF MUMBAI GHATKOPAR WEST

Host Club: Rotary Club of Mumbai Ghatkopar West Co-host Club: Rotary Club of Wada Club President: Rtn Shruti Dharamsi (Host Club) Rtn Prafulla Bokand (Co-host Club) Area of Focus: Basic Education and Literacy Location of Project: Madhyamik Vidyalaya Tuse, Taluka Wada, District Palghar Date of Execution: 8th July 2024

### **Project Description**

A project under the basic education area was conducted at Madhyamik Vidyalaya Tuse, Taluka Wada, District Palghar. The club distributed 155 long books, pens, chocolates, and biscuits to 450 students. The session was led by President Rtn Shruti Dharamsi, with educational materials sponsored by Nexgen Care Foundation and Vivotek, and chocolates and biscuits sponsored under Annapoorna by Vice President Rtn Shaline Serpes. Mrs. Manisha Kamble and Ms. Sanika Kamble (NGO Trustees) participated, along with Rtn Tejawini Rane, Rtn Shaline Serpes, Rtn Jayesh Badani, and Ann Jayshree Badani.

Number of Beneficiaries: 450 students of secondary section and 12 adults

Rotarian-Hours Spent: 60 hours

Value of Project: INR 70,000/-

Names of Sponsors/Partners: Nexgen Care Foundation and Vivotek and Annapoorna AC RtnHemang Jangla



### PERIOD AWARENESS UNDER PROJECT MASIK CHAKRA BY ROTARY CLUB OF MUMBAI GHATKOPAR WEST

Club President: Rtn Shruti Dharamsi

**Area of Focus:** Menstrual Awareness, Health and Hygiene

### Location of Project:

1. Madhyamik Vidyalaya Tuse, Taluka Wada, District Palghar

- 2. Shamanand School, Bhatwadi
- 3. Gyan Prakash School, Bhatwadi
- 4. Vivek Vidyalaya, Parkside
- 5. Vidhyadeep, Parkside
- 6. Saraswati Vidhyaniketan, Amrut Nagar
- 7. North Bombay School, Jagdusa Nagar

**Date of Execution:** Started on 8th July 2024 and it will be an ongoing project in the Vibrant Year

### **Project Description**

The session educated 5th to 10th-grade girls on menstrual health using informative videos from Menstrupedia, followed by an engaging Q &A round and distribution of Menstrupedia comic books. The girls participated enthusiastically, showing great curiosity. Led by President Rtn Shruti Dharamsi, the session included Manisha Kamble (NGO-Nexgen Care Foundation), fellow Rotarians from the club and R/Ann Jayshree Badani. This initiative was a crucial step in fostering menstrual health awareness and empowering young girls with essential knowledge.

**Number of Beneficiaries:** 1233 girls from secondary section and 12 adults

Rotarian-Hours Spent: 101 hours Value of Project: INR 18, 500/-Names of Sponsors/Partners: Menstrupedia





### CPR TRAINING AND AED MACHINE DONATION BY ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY SEACOAST

Club President: Rtn Nitin Shah Area of Focus: Community health and safety Location of Project: Siddhi Vinayak Temple Date of Execution: 12th July 2024

### **Project Description**

The Rotary Club of Bombay Seacoast conducted a CPR training session and donated an AED machine at Siddhi Vinayak Temple under the guidance of Rtn Dr Surendra Soneji. Attended by District Avenue Chair Krishna Kumar and Chief Guest District Governor Chetan Desai, the event aimed to equip the community with essential life-saving skills and resources, underscoring our commitment to enhancing public health and safety. **Number of Beneficiaries:** 150 + staff members **Rotarian-Hours Spent:** 50 + **Value of Project:** INR 1,00,000 **Names of Sponsors/Partners:** The Bombay Seacoast Rotary Foundation



### ROTARY ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AWARDS HOSTED FOR 29 SCHOOLS BY ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY POWAI

Club President: Rtn Susan Tripathi Area of Focus: Youth Services, Education Location of Project: Powai Date of Execution: 13th July 2024

### **Project Description**

The Rotary Club of Bombay Powai hosted the Academic Excellence Awards, honouring 70 students for outstanding board exam results and 30 dedicated teachers. Co-hosted by Hiranandani Foundation School, the event saw over 175 attendees, including students, parents, teachers, and Rotarians. Chief Guest Mr Vithal Suryavanshi, Partner, Kotak Real Estate Fund and Guest of Honour Dr Kalyani Patnaik, Principal HIRANANDANI FOUNDATION SCHOOL graced the occasion. President Rtn Dr Susan Tripathi compared students hard work to a butterfly's metamorphosis, symbolizing transformation and success. Rtn Tejal Sheth highlighted RCBP impactful youth services, and Rtn Anju Ahluwalia concluded with a heartfelt thanksgiving speech.

Number of Beneficiaries: 70 students, 30 teachers and outreach in 29 schools

Rotarian-Hours Spent: 100 + Hours Value of Project: INR 75,000/-

### **#Service Projects**



### GRAIN DISTRIBUTION BY ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY QUEEN CITY

Club President: Rtn Ajay Agrawal Area of Focus: Annapoorna Location of Project: Cuffe Parade, Mumbai Date of Execution: 7th July 2024

### **Project Description**

The Rotary Club of Bombay Queen City, in association with Rtn Vinod Bhimrajka and his family, organized a compassionate initiative where they distributed food grains and served a hearty breakfast to 150 differently abled. This effort was a heartfelt gesture of support and care for the differently abled community.

Number of Beneficiaries: 500

Rotarian-Hours Spent: 5 hours

Value of Project: INR 2,25,000/-

**Names of Sponsors/Partners:** PP Rtn Vinod Bhimrajka of the Rotary Club of Bombay Queen City and family.



# PROJECT BREAST CANCER SCREENING & DETECTION OF ANAEMIA BY ROTARY CLUB OF MUMBAI NORTH END

Club President: Rtn Arunkumar Khetan Club: Rotary Club of Mumbai North End Area of Focus: Cancer screening and Anaemia detection Location of Project: Mumbai Date of execution: July 3-5

**Project description:** This project was inaugurated by DG Rtn Chetan Desai and First Lady Jwala Desai. It ran for three days.

Of the 1075 beneficiaries who underwent Anaemia detection, 62 had haemoglobin deficiencies (7 being severely affected). Each were given free strips of Folir-SR tablets.

In the 1071 cancer screenings done, 32 were detected with abnormalities.

Each of the beneficiaries were given free umbrella, packet of vada paav, banana and juice

Number of beneficiaries: 1071 cancer screening. 1075 Anaemia detection

Rotarian hours spent: 80 members attended Partners in the Project: Asim Kotak & Ram Kotak of Rotary Club of Mumbai Nova Nova

EDITED BY ANU SRRIVASTAVA WITH INPUTS FROM HAIMA DESHPANDE AND K.V PREMRAJ

### Note for Presidents:

The Editorial team has prioritised covering projects that have been submitted to the dedicated email address and with supporting photographs. Based on subsequent availability of space, few of the projects received on WhatsApp have been accommodated. The same procedure will be followed for future issues. Hence Presidents are requested to send project reports in the format circulated in the Vibrant Presidents group and to the dedicated email address only by the 15th of the month. Thank you for your understanding.

Email id for project submissions: vibrantgml2425@gmail.com



# Join the **ROTARY FAMILY**

#### Make a Difference in Your Community this August

#### SANDIP KEDIA DISTRICT COORDINATOR, MEMBERSHIP

Are you looking for a way to give back to your community and connect with like-minded individuals? Look no further than Rotary! As a global network of leaders and change-makers, Rotary offers a platform for individuals to come together and make a positive impact. Rotary International is a global humanitarian organization that brings together business and professional leaders to provide community service, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace. Membership in

Rotary offers numerous benefits, responsibilities, and opportunities.

#### BENEFITS OF ROTARY MEMBERSHIP:

- Make new friends and connections
- Develop leadership skills
- Be part of a global community
- Participate in meaningful service projects
- Enhance your professional network
- Access to exclusive events and training

#### BE THE CHANGE YOU WANT TO SEE

Membership in Rotary offers a unique blend of personal growth, professional development, and community service. It provides individuals with the platform to make a significant impact locally and globally, embodying the Rotary motto of "Service Above Self."

#### TAKE THE FIRST STEP:

Join us this August and become a part of the Rotary family. Together, let's make a difference in our communities and the world.

We have seen a significant increase in members since the beginning of the Vibrant Year. The membership count is increasing daily, and we are pleased to announce the top 5 clubs that have inducted the maximum number of members in July 2024. The Membership Team has had several interest meetings with different clubs for the formation of new clubs. Hopefully, by the end of August, we will welcome Five new Rotary Clubs in our District 3141 with enthusiastic and dedicated members.

#### TOP 5 CLUBS TO INDUCT MAXIMUM NEW MEMBERS FOR JULY 2024.



Contact Us: To learn more about Rotary membership and how to get involved, please reach out to DC Membership Sandip Kedia - +91 93246 11931

### Celebrating GENEROSITY

The Vibrant Year started with new commitments for the coveted Arch Klumph Society. We take great honour in introducing our AKS members, the champions of philanthropy in D3141.

MANISH GYANI, DISTRICT COORDINATOR TRF SUPPORT



Nirav & Devina Shah -RC of Bombay: AKS - Chair's Circle (Cumulative contribution of USD 500,000 and above)



Nikunj & Kanan Jhaveri -RC of Queen's Necklace, Mumbai: AKS - Chair's Circle (Cumulative contribution of USD 500,000 and above)



Sunil & Saroj Siraslewala -RC of Bombay Worli: AKS - Chair's Circle (Cumulative contribution of USD 500,000 and above)



PDG Vijay & Kiran Jalan -RC of Bombay North: AKS -Trustee's Circle (Cumulative contribution of USD 250,000 and above)



Lalit Kumar & Richa Chadha -RC of Deonar: AKS - Chair's Circle (Cumulative contribution of USD 500,000 and above)



Meena & Vijay Khetan -RC of Mumbai Divas: AKS -Trustee's Circle (Cumulative contribution of USD 250,000 and above)

#### COUNTDOWN TO HISTORY

#### POLIO CHAMPION CLUB

Contribute INR 1,000 per capita to PolioPlus Fund and get this Zonal level recognition certificate for club.

#### POLIOPLUS SOCIETY MEMBER

Commit to contribute USD 100 each year to PolioPlus Fund of TRF till the world is certified Polio-Free.



#### END POLIO FELLOW Contribute INR1,00,000/- to PolioPlus Fund of TRF and get recognized with this national level recognition.





# CSR India Grants THE JOURNEY SO FAR

Rotary's CSR India Grants are only three years old and are now fairly mainstream. What started as an experimental collaboration with Corporates, has now become the path of choice for Rotary Clubs to fund their Service Projects.

AKKSHAY MEHTA DISTRICT COORDINATOR, CSR

#### OUR DISTRICT DATA FOR CSR INDIA GRANTS OVER THE LAST THREE YEARS TELL A STORY:

RY	Total Grants	No of Clubs	CSR Contribution USD	CASH Contribution USD	Total Contribution USD
2021-22	13	9	626,367.90	99,088.92	725,456.82
2022-23	43	20	1,957,101.44	1,389,462.14	3,346,563.59
2023-24	29	15	1,567,736.21	388,130.70	1,913,719.90
Total	85		4,151,205.55	1,876,681.76	5,985,740.30

#### THE SAME DATA FOR INDIA FOR RY 2023-24:

Total Grants	No of AKSs	CSR Contribution USD mln	CASH Contribution USD mln	Total Contribution USD mln
168	13	8.1	2.2	10.3



CSR India Grants now account for approximately 32.4% of our total giving, higher than any other form of TRF contributions from India! The 168 CSR India Grants with Private companies, Listed companies and PSUs have not only made impactful service projects possible but also helped increase the AKS count by 13! In our District, almost every club after experiencing a CSR India Grant, has continued to apply for one every following year!

In other words, the CSR India Grant experience has so far been extremely positive from the Rotary as well as from the Corporate perspective. Many Districts are holding/planning to hold CSR



Conclaves to spread awareness amongst Corporates about working with Rotary Clubs for their CSR. RISAO is very optimistic that there will be a surge in CSR India Grants from this RY onwards; to manage this anticipated rush, two extra resources have already been added to the CSR Team in the RISAO office!

As someone engaged with the process since inception, I am willing to bet this is only the beginning of the CSR story in Rotary!

With the enthusiasm seen among the Vibrant Presidents, I am expecting at least one CSR India Grant application from each club – making a minimum total of 120 CSR India Grants from our District!

Our CSR Support Team is available 24/7 to support this endeavour. So march ahead and benefit from CSR India Grants - for your projects and your Donor and Club recognitions.

EDITED BY SREE NANDY

**#CSR** 

### One Year TO INSPIRE!

Let us get to know the Movers and Shakers of 24-25, the Vibrant Presidents who are all set to lead with passion and resolve.

#### ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY METROPOLITAN: RTN. KETKI NISER

- 1. Why did you choose to become the Vibrant President: Experience in implementing many Projects as IWC President enthused me.
- 2. The most beautiful moment of your Rotary journey so far: The joy arising out of unstinted support assured by fellow Rotarians when I assumed the role as President of our Club.
- What will be the signature project of your Presidential tenure : Paediatric heart surgeries.
- Which is the Vibrant Year attribute that you, as a Club, most relate to and why : Trustworthy, as it is in line with our Club's ethos.
- What are the Vibrant Focus Areas that you would like to work on ? Paediatric heart surgeries, donation of corneas for eye grafting, development of Anganwadis



Profession: Home maker. Membership Strength: 38

**Key Projects:** Medical projects such as Paediatric heart surgeries, donation of corneas for eye grafting, and promoting education among the underprivileged.

FAMILY: Kanti Niser – Spouse

**Favourite Cuisine:** Jain food, especially Ragda Patties. **Favourite Holiday Destination:** London, and European countries.

Favourite Books / Music : Spiritual books and religious songs.

Quote I live by: Nothing is impossible.



#### **ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY PIER: RTN. KAMLESH SHROFF**

- Why did you choose to become the Vibrant President? To unite our members, innovate our projects, and elevate our community impact.
- 2. The most beautiful moment of your Rotary journey so far. Witnessing the smiles and gratitude of the community members we helped during our large service projects.
- 3. What will be the signature project of your *Presidential tenure:* Comprehensive community development programmes focused on education and healthcare. We seek collaborations to maximize the impact.
- Which is the Vibrant Year attribute that you, as a club, most relate to and why? Visionary because it inspires us to set ambitious goals and create a lasting positive impact on our community.
- What are the Vibrant Focus Areas that you would like to work on? Education, healthcare, environmental sustainability, and economic development.

Profession: Stock Broking . MD - The Omniscient Securities (P) Ltd;
Membership strength: 102.
Key projects: These include, among others :

Bhakti Vedanta Eye Hospital – Barsana.
Paediatric Heart Surgery.
Veer Naari Homes.
Cervical Cancer Vaccine Campaign & Breast Cancer Detection Camps.
Paediatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU) and Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU)

Family :Priti Shroff - Spouse – IWC.
Favourite Cuisine: Indian - Gujarati & South Indian. Favourite Holiday destination: Seychelles , New Zealand & Canada.
Favourite Book: The Bhagavad Gita.

**Favourite Music**: Songs from Bollywood films. **Quote I live by:** Be grateful, work hard, and be kind.

#### **ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY AIRPORT: RTN. APURVA PATEL**

- Why did you choose to become the Vibrant President: Give back to society by executing bigger Projects.
- The most beautiful moment of your Rotary journey so far: Receiving a standing ovation from our Club members after having worked as a Director – Youth, in my first year.
- 3. What will be the signature project of your Presidential tenure: Paediatric heart surgery.
- Which is the Vibrant Year attribute that you, as a Club, most relate to and why: Nimble, because of the limited time available to execute our planned Projects.
- What are the Vibrant Focus Areas that you would like to work on? CSR related Projects.



Profession: Entrepreneur engaged in the manufacture of high-tension electric lamps and connectors.
Membership Strength: 137
Key Projects: Paediatric heart surgery, Juhu Half Marathon, and Projects for Ashramshala
Family: Mona (Rotarian) – Spouse. Daughters : Niti and Dhwani

Favourite Cuisine: Mediterranean. Favourite Holiday Destination: Northeast India. Favourite Music: Bollywood Songs . Quote I live by: The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.

#### ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY KANDIVLI: RTN. DR. SADHANA EDVANKAR

- Why did you choose to become the Vibrant President: Bold and decisive actions are the key to accomplishments. This factored my decision to become the Vibrant President of our Club.
- The most beautiful moment of your Rotary journey so far : Receiving blessings from all my senior Past Presidents on my installation on 18.05.2024, as the 24th President of our Club.
- What will be the signature project of your Presidential tenure: Facilitating the spread of education to the needy, as well as skill development for creation of jobs, adopting Anganwadis, and Improvement of Water Resources.
- 4. Which is the Vibrant Year attribute that you, as a Club, most relate to and why: Visionary and Trustworthy, as they are in line with our Club's ethos.
- What are the Vibrant Focus Areas that you would like to work on? Eliminating needless blindness through Vision screening camps, Detection of breast cancer, adopting Anganwadis, Annapoorna projects and plantation of trees.

**Profession:** Entrepreneur engaged in textile exports and fashion apparel.

#### Membership Strength: 96

**Key Projects :** Medical projects such as Vision screening camps, Health check-up camps, Cancer screening camps; support to Old Age homes and Orphanages, Plantation of Fruit Trees, Empowering youth through skill development for creating jobs, and other related Projects.

**Family:** Family: Manish Edvankar – Spouse. **Favourite Cuisine:** Italian.

Favourite Holiday Destination: Switzerland . Favourite Music: Songs rendered by Kishore Kumar . Quote I live by: I do not know what one's destiny will be, but I do know that happiest are those who seek to, and find, avenues to serve. Be the reason for someone's smiles.

#### **ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY MULUND VALLEY: RTN. S. RAMNATH**

- 1. Why did you choose to become the Vibrant President: It provides me an opportunity and platform to create meaningful impact in the community.
- 2. The most beautiful moment of your Rotary journey so far: Seeing the happiness on the faces of orphans when they got new clothes, stitched as per their measurements, for the first time in their lives.
- 3. What will be the signature project of your *Presidential tenure*: A Hospice centre for terminally ill cancer patients. Collaborations sought. The Project Report is ready.
- Which is the Vibrant Year attribute that you, as a Club, most relate to and why: Nimble. In a fast-changing world, time is of the essence in our activities.
- 5. What are the Vibrant Focus Areas that you would like to work on? Thalassemia, Anaemia, Blood Donation Camps, and Vibrant Anganwadis.



**Profession :** Business Advisor. **Membership Strength :** 30 **Key Projects :** Blood Donation Camps, Treatment of Club Foot, and Tree Plantation.

Family: Seetha Ramnath – Spouse
Favourite Cuisine : Indian Vegetarian.
Favourite Holiday Destination : USA.
Favourite Music : Classical.
Quote I live by : Success is never ending; failure is never final.



#### ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY NORTH WEST MALAD: RTN. DR. MANGLA JOSHI

- 1. Why did you choose to become the Vibrant President: As an oven fresh Rotarian, I accepted this challenge to make an impact on Society.
- 2. The most beautiful moment of your Rotary journey so far: My son's venture to Brazil as an RYE Student.
- 3. What will be the signature project of your **Presidential tenure:** Eye care. Our Eye care Hospital is our pride.
- Which is the Vibrant Year attribute that you, as a Club, most relate to and why: Inclusive since it is a part of our philosophy. Our Baghban outreach is an example.
- 5. What are the Vibrant Focus Areas that you would like to work on? Sanskriti, Art, Culture and Heritage, besides focus on Senior Citizens.

**Profession:** Freelance Journalist. **Membership Strength :** 100



**Key Projects :** Eye Care including free of cost cataract operations (more than one lakh such operations done thus far). Our own five storied building houses a state-of-the-art eye care hospital. We are also executing a high value project for a tribal school near Bhiwandi.

Family: CA – PP Mahendra Joshi – Spouse.
Favourite Cuisine : Indian – Daal Chaaval.
Favourite Holiday Destination : My native place – Alirajpur (MP).

**Favourite Book :** Autobiography of a Yogi. **Quote I live by :** I live by righteousness ( an impartial approach ).

#### **ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY NORTH: RTN. DR. DHARAM POPAT**

- Why did you choose to become the Vibrant President: As a Secretary of my Club, I had a good knowledge of its workings. Hence, it was a natural transition for me.
- 2. The most beautiful moment of your Rotary journey so far: The transformation in the lives of the villagers in Palghar area, resulting from a three-fold increase in their crop yield due to the implementation of our Club's Integrated Rural Village Development programme addressing the water issues for agricultural usage.
- What will be the signature project of your Presidential tenure: Development of rural villages in Palghar area by Projects related to Water through solar panels, distribution of solar lamps to the needy villagers, promoting the health care of children and women folk etc.
- Which is the Vibrant Year attribute that you, as a Club, most relate to and why : Inclusive since it is in our Club's DNA.
- What are the Vibrant Focus Areas that you would like to work on ? Mental Health, and Breast Scan for detection and prevention of cancer, promoting awareness of Cancer etc.



Profession: Dental Surgeon. Membership Strength: 105

**Key Projects:** Integrated Rural Village Development Project, Cataract & Glaucoma surgeries at Vivekananda Netralaya – Dehradun, Paediatric Heart Surgeries at SRCC and Sri Sathya Sai Sanjeevani Hospital, building of the Army Goodwill School at Kupwara, Kashmir.

FAMILY: Amisha – Spouse, Dhvaj - Son
Pradip & Rekha - Parents
Favourite Cuisine: Desserts of all kinds.
Favourite Holiday Destination: Any of the beautiful Himalayan Mountain hill stations.
Favourite Book: Not a Penny More, Not a Penny Less (Jeffrey Archer)
Quote I live by: Go with the flow.

#### **ROTARY CLUB OF MID CITY RTN. AJAY MISHRA**

- Why did you choose to become the Vibrant President: Thrilled to do more for the community.
- 2. The most beautiful moment of your Rotary journey so far : Plenty of such moments in meeting new people, making new friends, and listening to their stories.
- 3. What will be the signature project of your Presidential tenure: Donating MRI Anaesthesia Workstation through Global Grant and promoting recycling awareness campaign in the gardens in Mumbai. Collaboration sought for the first.
- 4. Which is the Vibrant Year attribute that you, as a Club, mostrelate to and why: Inclusive. Reason : Inclusivity ( with collaboration ) is impactful.
- 5. What are the Vibrant Focus Areas that you would like to work on? Health and promoting happiness through our efforts.



**Profession:** Entrepreneur engaged in the manufacture of technology enabled equipment for waste management. **Membership Strength:** 30

**Key Projects:** Donating MRI Anaesthesia Workstation through Global Grant, promoting recycling awareness campaigns, sponsoring mid-day meals throughout the year for a school in Talasari, and promoting empowerment of women through various schemes.

Family: Sonali Mishra (IWC) – Spouse
Favourite Cuisine : Dal Rice
Favourite Holiday Destination : Interested in exploring newer places.
Favourite Book : The Ramayana and The Mahabharata

Favourite Music : Songs rendered by Lata Mangeshkar and Kishore Kumar

Quote I live by : Let us move on.

#### ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY MID TOWN: RTN. JAGAR THAKUR

- 1. Why did you choose to become the Vibrant President: For rendering Community Service.
- The most beautiful moment of your Rotary journey so far : When I hosted 15 German Doctors on their return from Jalna after performing 100 plastic surgeries, free of cost, for poor patients.
- What will be the signature project of your *Presidential tenure*: Cataract Surgeries – Gift of Eyesight.
- Which is the Vibrant Year attribute that you, as a Club, most relate to and why: Inclusive, since it is in our Club's DNA.
- What are the Vibrant Focus Areas that you would like to work on ? Education via E-learning, and development of Anganwadis.



Profession: Hotelier. Membership Strength: 104. Key Projects: Cataract surgeries, Educational, and Projects for Little Hearts.

FAMILY : Simit Thakur – Spouse. Favourite Cuisine : Indian / Continental. Favourite Holiday Destination : Bali. Favourite Music : Songs rendered by Mohd. Rafi and Mukesh.

**Quote I live by :** The world around you is a product of your own thinking.

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Interact

### Because KNOWLEDGE IS POWER

#### Empowering initiatives for Interactors in the District

CONTRIBUTED BY: PANKAJ PHATARPHOD AVENUE CHAIR FOR YOUTH SERVICES I AND DISTRICT INTERACT CHAIR

#### District Vibrant Knowledge Quest '24

It was a great beginning of our District Vibrant Knowledge Quest which was flagged off on Sunday, 7th July, 24; with three batches of quizzes being rolled out for 14 schools of North Zone and with 40 students participating.

The main objective of this Knowledge Quest by the Rotary Club of Bombay Powai is to collaborate and create an inclusive space for a diverse range of schools and to help students gain exposure.

It is now in its 8th year for schools across all four zones of Mumbai namely, North, South, West and Central, with large numbers of students from 7th, 8th and 9th standards participating from both English and Vernacular mediums. The Grand Finale will be on the 4th of August with the distribution of awards at the hands of District Governor Rtn. Chetan Desai.

#### Sanskar: District Interact Training Assembly

Sanskar - the 14th District Interact Training Assembly is scheduled



at Rajhans Vidyalaya HMPS Campus, Andheri West, on Friday, 9th August 2024. Every District is required to conduct an Interact Training Assembly. Rotary Club of Mumbai Juhu has had the honour of conducting this Assembly for the then-District 3140 and now for District 3141, for 14 consecutive years.

Interact Club Core Teams, Board of Directors, Moderators and Club Advisors will be trained to handle their respective responsibilities in this Assembly. An eminent panel of learned Rotarians will cover topics such as planning and execution of projects, awareness of RI programs for the Youth, participation in various Interact competitions and RI Presidential Citation. The sessions will be interactive, making the learning process effective and long-lasting.

We appeal to all Vibrant Presidents and Youth Directors of the clubs to join hands with us and send this information to all their Interact Clubs, to ensure maximum participation. Together, we can tap the potential of the budding leaders of tomorrow.

EDITED BY SREE NANDY

# Changing Lives!

Exciting Updates from an Action-Packed Month

CONTRIBUTED BY DRR NIKHITA SUNIL



#### INVICTA - THE 9TH DISTRICT ASSEMBLY AND AARA NIGHT

The 9th District Assembly and AARA Night were held on July 7, 2024, at Birla Matoshri Auditorium, Marine Lines. This event marked the commencement of the 2024-25 term under DRR PHF Rtn. Rtr. Adv. Nikhita Sunil. The event celebrated the achievements of 2023-24 and heralded the beginning of an unstoppable era with the new team for 2024-25. Chief Guest DG Rtn. Chetan Desai graced the occasion. With over 1200 participants and more than 100 Rotarians in attendance, the event was a resounding success.

#### **SEVA MAHOTSAV**

Seva Mahotsav, organized by the district and participated in by over 55 clubs of RID 3141, was a weeklong community service initiative. Throughout the week, over 850

activities were conducted, including CPR training for Rotaractors, medical check-up camps, the planting of over 500 trees, and the collection of more than 1,128 units of blood. Additionally, over 5.000 food boxes were donated. impacting more than 7,500 people. Events like blood donation drives. visits to old age homes, medical check-up camps, menstrual hygiene workshops, good touchbad touch awareness sessions, and environmental sustainability projects were among the initiatives conducted under Seva Mahotsav, impacting 14,000 lives.

#### UNSTOPPABLES KI UDAAN

The opening ceremony of the unstoppable era, "Unstoppables ki Udaan," held at KC College, was an evening filled with fun, laughter, and entertainment, featuring performances by talented Rotaractors of District 3141. The event was attended by over 300 people. DRR Rtn. Rtr. Adv. Nikhita Sunil welcomed and congratulated everyone on the start of the new Rotary year.

#### **PR FOR THE YEAR**

A hoarding was put up on the first day of the year outside Andheri station, marking the start of the new Rotary year. This prominent display aimed to increase visibility and awareness of the district's activities and goals for the upcoming year.

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# Starting on a **GREEN NOTE**





The Inner Wheel fosters initiatives, services, and exemplary practices, to enhance the lives of women and children worldwide.

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#### STARTING ON A GREEN NOTE

On the first day of the 101st year of the Inner Wheel, a tree plantation drive was carried out at the 'Inner Wheel Forest' at Kandivali. On the occasion, District Chairman, Prerana Raichur, inaugurating the project, sponsored 54 trees honouring the Past Chairs of IW District 314. The District Executive Committee, PDCs, and members attended the event. Environment Chairman PDC Himadri Nanavati has done amazing work in developing and maintaining this forest for the last 10 years. This forest is now blooming in all its splendour with more than 17,000 trees. The Inner Wheel effort will continue year-onyear to sustain this forest amid the urban jungle.

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Inner Wheel Club of Hanging Garden donated two Dialysis Machines at Pushpa Chandra Dialysis Centre Trust, Ghatkopar.



Integrated Village Development in the areas of water, health, and education: installation of solar panels and borewells and the opening of a medical centre by Inner Wheel Club of Bombay North.



The Toy and Book Library at Micheal School, Kurla. More than 2500 educational toys and books were placed by the Inner Wheel Club of Bombay Bayview for children from Nursery to Grade 2



### Empowering EARLY DETECTION

#### Rotary District 3141's Breast Cancer Screening Initiative

RTN RAM KOTAK- DISTRICT COORDINATOR - BREAST CANCER SCREENING.

#### **STATUS OF BREAST CANCER DETECTION IN INDIA**

Breast cancer remains a significant health challenge in India, with detection rates often hindered by a lack of awareness and access to appropriate screening tools. Early detection is crucial for improving survival rates, but many women still face barriers to timely diagnosis.

#### **ROTARY DISTRICT 3141 INITIATIVE**

Rotary District 3141 has partnered with UE Life Sciences USA to conduct breast and cervical cancer screening camps using advanced technologies like iBreastExam and CervAlcal to combat this. These innovative scans are noninvasive, radiation-free, and capable of detecting cancer at an early stage, significantly enhancing survival rates. Unlike traditional mammography, iBreastExam is portable and suitable for women above 25 years of age, making it accessible as a first screening tool to a broader demographic.



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#### **CAMPAIGN GOALS AND IMPLEMENTATION**

The district aims to perform over 100,000 scans, urging clubs to organise camps in their respective areas. While iBreastExam provides the equipment and trained personnel, clubs are responsible for arranging venues and funds, fostering a collaborative approach to widespread cancer screening.

#### **SCREENING CAMP 1**

The initiative kicked off with great enthusiasm. RC Mumbai Northend organised a three-day camp at Tarapore Gardens Lokhandwala, facilitated by RC Mumbai Nova and iBreastExam. DG Chetan Desai and First Lady Jwala inaugurated the camp, with District Avenue Chair Ram Kotak and Zonal Chair Asim Shah also in attendance. Over the three days, 1071 women were screened, and 32 reported abnormalities, demonstrating the critical need for such initiatives.







#### **SCREENING CAMP 2**

In another impressive effort, RC Mumbai Western Elite hosted a Mega Medical Camp at Nesco Banquets, with RC Mumbai Nova facilitating iBreastExam scans. The camp saw 114 women undergo screenings, with 5 reporting abnormalities and advised for a second level of screening. The hard work and dedication of Team RC Mumbai Western Elite were evident, making this event a resounding success.

The Rotary Breast Cancer Initiative continues to make significant strides in early cancer detection, exemplifying the power of community action and innovative technology in saving lives.





WRITTEN BY MAHERA GOEL

### Preserving Legacy: TEAM SANSKRITI'S VIBRANT PLANS

JHANKAR GADKARI AVENUE CHAIR, SANSKRITI

Team Sanskriti has crafted and ambitious journey for the Rotarians of D3141 towards discovering Indian Heritage, Art, and Culture

#### **Speaker Meeting: Resources shared below**

Sr	Member	Contact	Topics
1	PDG Bansi Dhurandhar	09821022917	
2	Jhankar	09820023899	Indian History and Culture
3	Anupama	09930714008	Resonance with Sanskriti (talk series)
4	Premraj	09820313494	Arrange external expert resources
5	Girish	09930093534	Arrange external expert resources
6	Smita	09820002416	Temple economy
7	Kalpana	09820035968	Heritage walks
8	Kamlesh	09820008114	Arrange external expert resources
9	Nakul Chatterjee	09769441740	Archaeology, Indian Culture and Civilization
10	External resources		Tie-ups in process.

#### HERITAGE WALKS IN MUMBAI

In association with RACONTEUR and KHAKI TOURS, Team Sanskriti will conduct Heritage Walks zone-wise for clubs. Details will be shared with CCs and AGs.

#### **CULTURAL FESTIVALS**

One Mega Festival is planned. Suggested events include:

**Vesave Visawa:** Enjoy in Versova with the Koli community's delicacies and visit the Madh Fort.

**Bandore Baithak:** Planned in Bandra with the East Indian community, featuring heritage walks of old Portuguese villages and the Bandra Fort.



#### VISITS TO ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES IN INDIA

A study tour and district picnic to understand excavation and visit tourist attractions.

#### **ZONAL COMPETITIONS**

**Preserve Your Local Heritage:** Clubs will take up preservation and maintenance efforts on dilapidated heritage sites, serving as a visibility exercise for Rotary.

#### **Display YOUR Heritage:**

Encouraging every Rotarian to display their personal items with heritage value, which have been kept in attics or lofts. Various levels of assessments will be conducted, with the best creative display and imploring story winning a prize. Zonal coordinators or DS need to be reached out to.

#### **INTERNATIONAL PICNIC**

A seven-day international picnic to Ayutthaya (Thailand) and Angkor Wat (Cambodia). Details to follow.



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#### VIBRANT BROADCAST

#### **Dear Vibrant Presidents**

As per article 9.010.2 of the District bylaws, the District Governor shall constitute the District Election Committee by 31st July. In accordance with this article, I have constituted the District Election Committee and the members of the DEC are as follows

- 1. DG Chetan Desai Chairman
- 2. IPDG Arun Bhargava
- 3. PDG Sandip Agarwalla
- 4. DGE Manish Motwani
- 5. DGN Rajan Dua

As required in the bylaws, the names of the members of DEC is being announced to all clubs and the same shall also be published in the GML

Thanks and Regards,

Chetan Desai District Governor

Excellent GML RID Raju Subramanian

First issue of GML VIBE-X is truly superb. Well designed, well balanced all requisite matters pertaining to your duties as Governor. Appreciate your quest for excellence. **PDG Shrirang Prabhu** 

The GML is fabulous! PDG Sandip and Malini Agarwalla

Compliments to you and your team members for doing such a wonderful work putting tireless efforts. **Avenue Chair Manish Gyani** 

VIBE-X : Superb design, content and most importantly great reading.

Congratulations DG Chetan, Sree Nandy, Ashish and entire GML Team **CC Mayank Desai** 

Design and content is superb! AG Bhavna Bhadreshwara

Amazing creativity and detailing! AG Ranjit Bijoor

Congratulations. It's covered everything beautifully. **Prez Shruti Dharamsi** 

Brilliant, professional and absolutely artistic with elegance. Congratulations to the District team handling this. **Prez Subhashish Mazumdar** 



## EACH ONE, BRING ONE

Each member contributes to the bigger picture of Rotary International. Each of us plays a part in growing our club's membership.

