

ELEGANT EXPRESS

VIBRANT TALES OF LEGACY OF SERVICE IN ACTION



MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT NIDHIKA BAHL

Dear RCME Club Members, as we reach the midpoint of our Rotary year this December, it's a moment to reflect on the progress we've made and the journey still ahead. Your unwavering dedication to 'Service Above Self' continues to drive our club's impactful work in the community. This festive season, let's celebrate our collective achievements while also looking forward with anticipation to the opportunities and challenges the next half of our Rotary year will bring. Our commitment to making a meaningful difference remains at the heart of all we do, and I am immensely thankful for each of you who contributes to our mission. During this month of joy and giving, let's uphold the spirit of Rotary by extending our service and fellowship with even greater fervor. This newsletter not only shares our accomplishments but also binds us in our shared goals and aspirations. As we close out the calendar year and embrace the holiday season, I am inspired by the potential of what we can accomplish together in the coming months. Thank you for your continued support and enthusiasm. Wishing you all a wonderful December and a season filled with peace, joy, and purposeful service.



ROTARY CLUB OF MUMBAI ELEGANT SHINES AT DISTRICT BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIP!

The District Badminton Competition held on October 13, 2024, witnessed an outstanding performance by members of Rotary Club of Mumbai Elegant. Representing the club with passion and determination were Poonam Agarwal, Ashoo Sharma, Dr. Arlene Ghosh, and Aditya Ghosh (Dr. Arlene's son).

In a remarkable display of teamwork and skill, Dr. Arlene Ghosh and her team secured the prestigious Team Championship title. Adding to the pride, our club was honored to serve as Platinum Co-Hosts for this prestigious district event, further exemplifying our commitment to supporting such dynamic initiatives.

Congratulations to our champions for this well-deserved victory!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 4 DECEMBER
MEGA BLOOD DONATION DRIVE
- 7 DECEMBER
PROJECT RYPEN
- 8 DECEMBER
RCME MOVIE CLUB OUTING
- 17 DECEMBER
CSR PROJECT
RCME BOOK CLUB MEET-UP
- 18 DECEMBER
RCME MOVIE CLUB OUTING
- 20 DECEMBER
AGM + MYSTIC MELODIES WITH
SMITA RAO BELLUR

BIRTHDAYS

- 07 DEC: POOJA JAIN
- 10 DEC: YOGITA JAIN
- 11 DEC: DR NIDHIKA BAHL
- 12 DEC: NEHA BAJAJ
- 12 DEC: SHILPY BANSAL
- 13 DEC: ANJU BAFNA
- 20 DEC: SEJAL SHAH
- 21 DEC: SEEMA GANERIWAL
- 21 DEC: NINA J
- 23 DEC: MINU AGARWAL
- 25 DEC: ADITI VASHI
- 26 DEC: KAJAL KUMAR
- 29 DEC: PRACHI AJMERA
- 29 DEC: MADHUBALA VIJAN
- 31 DEC: PRATIMA SHAH

ANNIVERSARIES

- 02 DEC: PRACHI AJMERA
- 02 DEC: SUNITA GOYAL
- 03 DEC: DIPTI KOTHARI
- 03 DEC: ANITA PANSARI
- 03 DEC: RANI WANKAWALA
- 04 DEC: MINU AGARWAL
- 04 DEC: SHWETA MALPANI
- 04 DEC: SEJAL SHAH
- 08 DEC: DISHA BATHIJA
- 09 DEC: POOJA RAISURANA
- 09 DEC: SANGEETA RATHOD
- 10 DEC: ANITA KHANDELWAL
- 12 DEC: SHILPY BANSAL
- 13 DEC: MADHU GUPTA
- 14 DEC: ROCHNA AGARWAL
- 14 DEC: HARSHA SETH
- 15 DEC: ANJALI CHAPHEKAR
- 15 DEC: SANGITA RATHOD
- 17 DEC: NEETA PAREKH
- 20 DEC: RIPPY DHINGRA
- 29 DEC: INES GUPTA

MELA ROUGE DIWALI PARTY @ LUUMA HOUSE



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INSTALLATION OF RCME PLUS



The Rotary Club of Mumbai Elegant Plus (RCME Plus) was officially installed on October 20, 2024, marking a momentous occasion in the club's journey. The installation ceremony was graced by DG Chetan Desai, following the receipt of the club's charter on September 17, 2024. The inaugural team of office bearers includes President Karan Gupta, President-Elect Karan Gupta, Secretary Ayush Jain, Treasurer Vanya Tayal, Membership Chair Shreya Bafna, and Rotary Foundation Chair Vidhi Pansari. With a robust strength of 30+ charter members, RCME Plus is poised to bring impactful change and serve the community with dedication. Wishing the team great success on their new journey!



PRE-PELS IN JAIPUR HOSTED BY RCME



A HISTORIC MOMENT FOR ROTARY CLUB MUMBAI ELEGANT

November 8-10, 2024, our club proudly hosted the Pre-Presidential Elect Learning Seminar (Pre-PELS) for DGE Manish Motwani in Jaipur. This milestone event, a first for our club, showcased the unwavering dedication and teamwork of our members.

The event was led by Club Founder and Learning Facilitator Tehmina Khandwala, the brilliant Convenor for Inspired Pre-PELS, with contributions from Charter President Anita Pansari, Past Presidents Prachi Ajmera, Nilima Jhunjunwala, and Vinita Pratap, Club Secretary Priya Parikh, Treasurer Pooja Jain, and Vice President Rachna Agarwal. Every elegant member, from past and present BOD members to chairpersons, played a key role in this success.

With over 400 attendees, this event was a celebration of our club's spirit of service, fellowship, and excellence. Together, we made history!

PRE-PELS IN JAIPUR HOSTED BY RCME



GRAZING TABLE WORKSHOP WITH CHEF MANPREET DHODY

ZOYA X I'M WHOLESOME X RCME



The Grazing Table Workshop held on November 19, 2024, was a feast for the senses, seamlessly blending beauty and flavor. Zoya's ALIVE collection, inspired by wildflowers and featuring the innovative Bloom Cut™, set the tone for the event, adding a touch of elegance and vibrancy. The culinary magic was crafted by Chef Manpreet Dhody and the talented I'm Wholesome team, who curated an exquisite spread that delighted every guest. Special appreciation goes to Honorary Member Jahnvi Sinha for her invaluable efforts in making this collaboration possible. Together, the elegance of Zoya and the passion of Chef Dhody created an unforgettable experience, celebrating art, taste, and community.



JOURNEY TO WELLNESS SOUND BATH WITH SHRUTIKA RAO



🎵 SERENITY THROUGH NADA YOGA WITH SHRUTIKA RAO 🎵

On November 29, 2024, Rotary Club Mumbai Elegant embarked on a soul-soothing journey with the incredible Shrutika Rao, a renowned Nada Yoga Therapist. Her harmonious ragas and empowering mantras transported attendees to a state of deep peace and self-discovery. This transformative session was beautifully curated by Fellowship Director Poonam Tibrewal, with seamless support from Club Secretary Priya Parikh. Kudos to Joint Secretary Disha Bathija for hosting with elegance, and to Club Admins Poonam Agarwal and Swapnil Tayal and Chairpersons Alka Modi and Sapna Agarwal for ensuring smooth execution. A special thanks to Treasurer Pooja Jain for her promptness in all arrangements. An afternoon of healing, spirituality, and gratitude, this session truly brought serenity and fulfillment to all present.

PROJECT - ANNAPOORNA OCT & NOV

SUPPORTING TRIBAL GIRLS KHO KHO TEAM

We are thrilled to continue Project Annapoorna, a heartfelt initiative by the Rotary Club of Mumbai Elegant to sponsor a monthly protein diet for 50 tribal girls from the Smt. Surekhatai Bhosale Nivasi Kho Kho Prabodhini in Nashik. These talented young athletes are training to compete at the national level in Kho Kho, and our support will ensure they receive the essential nutrition needed to thrive and excel. Through Project Annapoorna, we aim to empower these girls not just in their athletic journey but also in their overall growth and success. A special thank you to Vocational Director for identifying this impactful project, as well as the generous donors for October: Fellowship Director Sarika Sureka, and November: PE Pooja Soni, and International Director Nina J. Together, we are making a real difference in shaping their futures!



INSTALLATION CEREMONY OF THE ROTARACT CLUB OF MUMBAI ELEGANT (RVG)

The 4th Installation Ceremony of the Rotaract Club of Mumbai Elegant, titled "AMORE," was successfully held on Saturday, November 23, 2024, at the RVG Educational Foundation, Andheri West. The event marked a momentous transition as the outgoing team led by Rtr. Kirti Chordiya was appreciated for their contributions and achievements during their tenure. Simultaneously, the incoming team, under the leadership of Rtr. Riya Lata, was formally installed and entrusted with the responsibility of steering the club toward greater heights in the coming year. Club Secretary Priya Parikh and Fellowship Director Poonam Tibrewal attended the installation on behalf of the club.



VIBRANT LIFE SAVING EXPRESS OCT & NOV



BLOOD DONATION CAMP - 18th Oct & 14th Nov
 We co-hosted the BLOOD DONATION CAMP at Andheri West station on 18th October & 14th November with 18 clubs, IWC and rotract club. Pres. Nidhika Bahl, Club Secretary Priya Parikh, Medical Director Sangeeta Jain and Non Medical Director Dr. Arlene Ghosh enthusiastically participated in the Blood Donation camp at Andheri on behalf of RCME. Several senior District officials visited the camp. We collected total 167 bottles across the two camps. Congratulations to the Vibrant Team.



PROJECT - COOL CARE

PRESERVING MEDICINES, SAVING LIVES.

The Cool Care Initiative by Rotary Club of Mumbai Elegant focused on providing critical support to Lion Kartar Singh Hospital by donating a refrigerator for storing essential medicines. This timely contribution ensures that life-saving drugs are kept at optimal temperatures, improving the hospital's capacity to deliver quality healthcare and enhancing patient outcomes in the community.



DIWALI MELA FUNDRAISER BY ROTARACT CLUB OF SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

The Rotaract Club of Singapore International School, led by President Ruvee Shah, hosted a vibrant Diwali Mela today. Their Bake and Shake stall, featuring treats like brownies, cake pops, mojitos, and boba tea, raised an impressive 35K in revenue—all of which will go towards a meaningful donation! Hats off to these young changemakers for their dedication and hard work. Here's to a brighter future fueled by compassion and community!



PROJECT - PROSTHETIC LIMBS DISTRIBUTION

Through Rotary Club of Mumbai Elegant and Rtn. Ruchika Suri's efforts, along with the generous support of the Zarna and Anil Somaia Family Foundation, we've donated six prosthetic arms to Inali Foundation, Pune, worth ₹90,000 in total. These arms have given six individuals a renewed sense of independence—like a father of two who can now ride his bike again and a farmer who, after seven years, can finally drive his tractor. A heartfelt thank you to everyone involved. Together, we're changing lives!



PROJECT - ANNADANA : MEAL WITH LEPROSY PATIENTS



Rotary Club Mumbai Elegant had the honor of serving healthy, happy meals to 110 leprosy patients, including both adults and children, at Vimala Dermatological Centre/Hospital, Yari Road, Versova, Mumbai. A heartfelt thank you to our generous sponsor, Sonia Kapoor, for making this initiative possible, and our sincere gratitude to Director Mala Kabra for personally overseeing this meaningful project. Together, we strive to bring hope, care, and happiness to those in need.



PROJECT - JOY OF GIVING : DIWALI EDIT 1 & EDIT 2

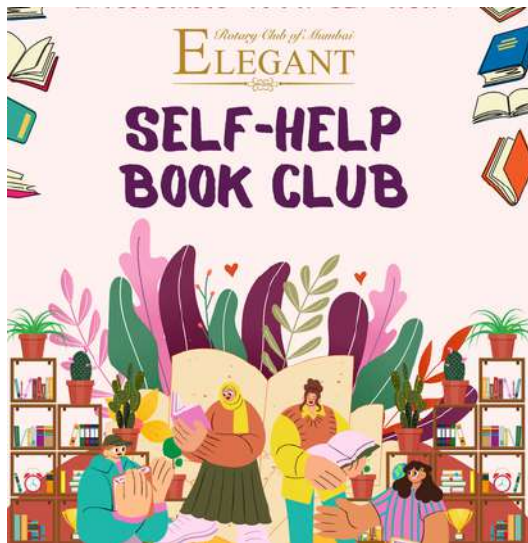


This Diwali, Rotary Club of Mumbai Elegant (RCME) and RCME Plus joined hands to bring warmth, happiness, and festive cheer to young hearts at St. Catherine's Home and the Mera Sapna Foundation. At St. Catherine's Home, we celebrated with 100 sets of new clothes and chocolate boxes, lighting up the smiles of young girls. At Mera Sapna Foundation, we distributed 150 stationery kits and 100 new sets of festive clothes to boys and girls, spreading the true spirit of the season. Our heartfelt gratitude to Non-Medical Directors Ruchika Suri and Dr. Arlene Ghosh for sponsoring the clothes and stationery and executing these impactful projects. A special thank you to Nitika Arora for sponsoring the sweet treats, and to AG Ruma Desai for helping source the garments. We were honored to have President Nidhika Bahl actively participate in both initiatives, inspiring us with her unwavering commitment to service. We also extend our appreciation to Yuvika Gera from RCME Plus for joining us in both initiatives and TRF Director Rani Wankawala for identifying the beneficiaries at Mera Sapna Foundation. A note of thanks to Women Empowerment Director Mala Kabra for her presence and support in this meaningful celebration. Together, we lit up smiles, shared love, and made this Diwali truly unforgettable!



RCME BOOK CLUB FIRESIDE (OCTOBER)

HOSTED BY MANISHA SARAF



The RCME Self-Help Book Club had an insightful discussion on **The Slight Edge by Jeff Olson!** Over coffee and conversation, members shared personal growth stories and real-life applications of the book's principles. It was an inspiring session, fueling our journey toward success and mastery! Thank you so much dearest Manisha Saraf for hosting us!

NOVEMBER FIRESIDE HOSTED BY RANI WANKAWALLA

On 22nd November 2024, an enchanting Fireside Meet was hosted by TRF Director Rtn Rani Wankawalla, offering a wonderful platform for meaningful discussions. The evening was enriched by President Nidhika Bahl's valuable insights on TRF giving, recognitions, and CSR, leaving everyone inspired. A heartfelt thank you to all who attended and made this gathering truly memorable. Together, we continue to make a difference and create lasting impact!



RCME MOVIE CLUB



RCME Movie Club Experiences Singham Again: A Thrilling Cinematic Adventure

On 4th November 2024, the RCME Movie Club enjoyed a high-octane outing with the action-packed film *Singham Again*. The gripping storyline, intense action sequences, and powerful performances left members thoroughly entertained. This thrilling experience sparked lively discussions and strengthened the camaraderie among members, making it a memorable cinematic adventure!

JOIN THE CLUB

The Movie Club is all about creating memorable moments and deepening fellowship within RCME. Whether it's movies, theatre, or even a bit of dancing after a show, the club offers an opportunity to unwind and bond over shared entertainment. We invite all members to join the Movie Club, as we look forward to enjoying more films, plays, and, of course, creating lifelong memories together. Stay tuned for more exciting announcements and join us for an enriching cultural experience! Let's watch, laugh, and grow together!

MAJOR DONORS – TRF



Heartiest congratulations to Major Donors Seema and Sunil Ganeriwal on achieving Major Donor Level 1 status with a generous contribution of USD 10,000 to The Rotary Foundation! Your magnanimous support profoundly impacts our mission and inspires us all. Thank you for your unwavering commitment to making a difference. Your dedication exemplifies the true spirit of Rotary, and we are incredibly grateful for your kindness and generosity. Keep shining and inspiring us with your unwavering support and compassion! Together, we continue to make the world a better place.

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TRANSFORMING LIVES THROUGH GENEROSITY AND SERVICE

On 13th November, Rotary Club of Mumbai Elegant proudly presented medical equipment worth ₹47 Lakhs, made possible by the generous CSR initiative of Euro Pratik Sales Pvt. Ltd. A heartfelt thank you to donors Pratik and Dipty Singhvi for their unwavering support, and to our Club's CSR Advisor, Rtn. Nilima Jhunjhunwala, for her dedication in bringing this impactful project to life. The event was graced by President Nidhika Bahl, Medical Director Dr. Sangeeta Jain, and Non-Medical Directors Ruchika Suri and Dr. Arlene Ghosh, symbolizing unity in service and community impact. Together, we are creating a brighter future and bringing hope to countless lives!

Thank YOU!

VIBRANT BOD IS GRATEFUL FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTION IN OCTOBER & NOVEMBER

In Alphabetic Order

The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.

ALKA MODI

ANIKA SHAH

BABITA RATHOD

BELA JAIN

KOMAL SHAH

MADHU GUPTA

MANISHA SARAF

MANJARI THANAWALA

NAINA PAREKH

PUSPA JAIN

REENA AGARWAL

RESHMA PATEL

SANGITA RATHOD

SAPNA AGARWAL

SEEMA GANERIWAL

SEJAL SHAH

SHRADDHA AGARWAL

SHWETA MALPANI

SONIA KAPOOR

SUNITA GOYAL



OCTOBER & NOVEMBER PROJECT DONORS

In Alphabetic Order

DR. ARLENE GHOSH

DR. NIDHIKA BAHL

NINA J

NITIKA ARORA

POOJA SONI

RANI WANKAWALLA

RUCHIKA SURI

SARIKA SUREKA

SONIA KAPOOR

PRIMARY DONORS FOR OCTOBER & NOVEMBER

RUCHIKA SURI : PROJECT PROSTHETIC LIMBS & JOY OF GIVING

DR. ARLENE GHOSH: PROJECT JOY OF GIVING

SONIA KAPOOR : PROJECT ANNADANA

The joy of giving is unmatched; it touches lives and spreads happiness.

