

# ELEGANT EXPRESS

## VIBRANT TALES OF LEGACY OF SERVICE IN ACTION



### MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT NIDHIKA BAHL

Warm greetings to my dedicated and inspiring RCME Club members as we joyously embark on October! The positive energy and unwavering commitment that everyone has shown in the past months have been nothing short of extraordinary, and it fills my heart with boundless gratitude and pride. October marks yet another opportunity for us to unite under our enduring motto, 'Service Above Self', and I am excited to see the myriad of ways in which we will uplift our communities through our endeavors this month. The stories of our resilience and the impacts of our projects shared in this newsletter underscore the incredible journey we are undertaking together. Our club continues to be a beacon of hope and a hub of transformative actions, thanks to your diverse talents and relentless passion. I encourage each one of you to immerse yourselves fully in the upcoming projects and fellowship events, adding to the rich tapestry of our shared experiences and accomplishments. Let's continue to spread the Rotary spirit, cultivating a richer and more compassionate world!



### PROJECT ANEMIA DETECTION CAMP

As part of our commitment to community health, the Rotary Club of Mumbai Elegant successfully organized an Anemia Detection Camp at L.T. College of Nursing, SNDT Women's University. We were thrilled to see the enthusiastic participation of over 201 students and staff, identifying 23 eligible blood donors (Hb  $\geq$  12.5).

This initiative was complemented by a Pre-Blood Donation Nutrition Counseling session, featuring insights from esteemed Clinical Dietician DT. Kajal Sharma. The session, attended by 98 nursing students via Google Meet, provided valuable education on anemia and nutritional myths and truths.

Grateful for the collaboration with K.E.M Blood Bank and our dedicated team, especially Dr. Nilima Inamdar for recommending these impactful activities and Medical Director Sangeeta Jain for overseeing the execution. Together, we're advancing health awareness and making a real difference in our community!

### UPCOMING EVENTS

5 OCTOBER  
PROJECT ANNAPOORNA

13TH OCTOBER  
DISTRICT BADMINTON & TABLE TENNIS  
CHAMPIONSHIP

14 OCTOBER  
PROJECT COOL CARE

18 OCTOBER  
MELA ROUGE DIWALI PARTY  
(COUPLE EVENT)

20 OCTOBER  
RCME PLUS INSTALLATION

23 OCTOBER  
RCME SELF-HELP BOOK CLUB MEET-UP

24 OCTOBER  
PROJECT PROSTHETIC LIMBS DISTRIBUTION

### BIRTHDAYS

2 OCT: DR ARLENE GHOSH

2 OCT: AYUSHI CHATURVEDI

3 OCT: SWETA GOEL

4 OCT: NILIMA JHUNJHUNWALA

5 OCT: KOMAL SHAH

6 OCT: DISHA BATHIJA

9 OCT: ANJALI CHAPHEKAR

12 OCT: ANITA GUPTA

17 OCT: PALLAVI AGARWAL

17 OCT: ANJULI SARAWGI

20 OCT: BEEBA GHURA

21 OCT: DEEPIKA GUPTA

25 OCT: PRITI PAREKH

27 OCT: SARIKA SUREKA

31 OCT: SAVITA DALMIA

### ANNIVERSARIES

NONE THIS MONTH



# ECO VISARJAN SEVA RCME FLAGSHIP PROJECT



We are incredibly grateful for the success of our Eco Visarjan Seva project! Special thanks to our chief guests, DG Chetan Desai, MLA Ameet Satam Ji, and Mr. India World 2024 Gokul Ganesan, for making the event so memorable. A heartfelt thank you to our wonderful donors: Kavita Mungi, Sarita Jhunhunwala, Rajni Ganeriwal, Swapnil Tayal, Shweta Malpani, Shweta Murarka, Sapna Agarwal, and Archana Raniwala. Your generosity made all the difference! Big love to Swapnil, Prachi, Alka ji, Pres. Nidhika, Rachna, and Manjari for their incredible support. Special thanks to Bunty, Shama, and the Baywatch team for their invaluable help in making the event a success. And of course, a big thank you to Tehmina for starting this flagship project and to the Bhavans College Volunteers for their hard work behind the scenes. Together, we made it happen!





# PROJECT DIGNITY 3



On 4th September, Project Dignity made yet another significant impact at KJ Khilnani High School, Mahim, and Sadhu Vaswani High School, Chembur, where we distributed 10,000 sanitary pads to promote menstrual health and hygiene! A heartfelt thank you to Shweta Malpani for her generous donation to this project and for delivering an inspiring talk on menstrual awareness. Your support is invaluable in empowering women in our community. We are also deeply grateful to Sunita Goyal for organizing the beneficiaries through her school and ensuring a successful outreach. Your dedication truly made a difference! Special thanks to our Women Empowerment Director, Mala Kabra, for her exceptional coordination and facilitation, ensuring the smooth execution of this initiative. Our appreciation extends to Pres. Nidhika Bahl, Non-Medical Director Arlene Ghosh, and Chairperson Alka Doshi for their commitment and support. Together, we are making strides towards a healthier, more empowered future for all women!





# PROJECT - ANNAPOORNA

## SUPPORTING TRIBAL GIRLS KHO KHO TEAM

We are excited deliver second month of Project Annapoorna, an initiative by the Rotary Club of Mumbai Elegant to sponsor the monthly protein diet for 50 tribal girls from the Smt. Surekhatai Bhosale Nivasi Kho Kho Prabodhini in Nashik. These young athletes are training to compete at the national level in Kho Kho, and our support will provide them with the essential nutrition they need to excel. Through Project Annapoorna, we are not only fuelling their athletic journey but also contributing to their overall growth and success. Thank you Vocational Director for identifying the project, and its beneficiaries. Thank you Chhaya Parikh for sponsoring the September Food Grains.



## SEPTEMBER FIRESIDE HOSTED BY PRITI PAREKH

On 6th September 2024, a successful fireside chat was hosted at Priti Parekh's home for the RCME Plus potential club, with over 30 enthusiastic attendees. This was the third interest meeting aimed at forming the club, and we were privileged to have Mr. Unnikrishnan to guide us throughout the discussion. The meeting proved highly fruitful, as we identified key leadership roles, including the president, secretary, treasurer, membership director, and foundation chair, paving the way for the clubs formation. The discussions were robust and focused on aligning everyone's expectations while exploring how we can collaborate to execute impactful projects. The energy in the room was contagious, with even the younger attendees showing excitement and engagement. As we move towards the official launch, we are thrilled to witness the potential and passion that will undoubtedly drive this club to achieve meaningful and lasting contributions.



## VIBRANT LIFE SAVING EXPRESS

**BLOOD DONATION CAMP - 20th September 2024**  
We co-hosted the third BLOOD DONATION CAMP at Andheri West Station on 20th September 2024 with 13 other clubs. Club Secretary Priya Parikh, Medical Director Pankti Shah enthusiastically participated in the Blood Donation camp at Andheri on behalf of RCME. Several senior District officials visited the camp. We collected 115 bottles by closing time. Congratulations to the Vibrant Team.





# MASTERCLASS IN GLAMOUR & STYLE WITH CELEBRITY MAKEUP ARTIST OJAS RAJANI



Our 13th September 2024 Glamour & Style event with renowned makeup artist Ojas Rajani was a resounding success, blending beauty with powerful messages of self-love and authenticity. Ojas shared insights beyond makeup, encouraging us to embrace our unique stories and natural beauty. This inspiring session was made possible by our club founder, Tehmina Khandwala, and featured a stunning jewelry display from our sponsor NEH by Neha Parmar. Special thanks to Sarika Sureka and Poonam Tibrewal for perfecting every detail, including thoughtful birthday celebrations for Madhulika and Reena. Hosted graciously by Rani, the event was a heartwarming gathering, reconnecting members and leaving us eagerly awaiting future events.





# RCME SHINES BRIGHT AT DISTRICT TRF SEMINAR PLATINUM CO-HOSTS



On 13th September 2024, the Rotary Club of Mumbai Elegant (RCME) was celebrated with remarkable accolades at the TRF seminar, receiving warm recognition from the district governor for its outstanding contributions. This achievement reflects the incredible support and dedication of the RCME family. Special gratitude goes to Club Advisor for TRF & CSR, Nilima Jhunjunwala, TRF Director Rani Wankawalla, and Treasurer Pooja Jain for their tireless efforts. RCME proudly attained recognitions as an EREY Club, 100% Foundation Giving, Diamond TRF Club (commitment), and End Polio Club. Individual honors were awarded to members for their exceptional contributions: Sarita and Ravi Jhunjunwala as new AKS (Commitment), Nidhika Bahl as a Major Donor Level 2 (Named Endowment Fund), Pooja and Deepak Jain, Bela and Dinesh Jain, and Madhulika and Manoj Agarwal as new Major Donors Level 1 (Achieved), and Seema and Sunil Ganeriwal as Major Donor Level 1 (Commitment). Additionally, Nidhika Bahl and Madhulika Agarwal were celebrated as new Benefactors, and Madhulika was also recognized as a new End Polio Fellow. This momentous occasion was a testament to RCME's unwavering commitment to service, with members inspired to continue reaching new heights together in their mission to make a positive impact.





# NEW AKS

Rotary Club of Mumbai  
**ELEGANT**  
Rotary District 3141  
Vibrant

*Thank You!*

**Sarita & Ravi Jhunjhunwala**

**GRATEFUL FOR YOUR COMMITMENT TO DONATE  
USD 250,000 AND BECOME AN AKS  
IN THE VIBRANT YEAR**

**PRES. NIDHIKA BAHL**

With Immense Gratitude to Sarita & Ravi Jhunjhunwala. Words fall short in expressing the depth of our gratitude for your extraordinary commitment of USD 250,000 and for becoming the first official AKS members of Rotary Club of Mumbai Elegant in the Vibrant Year! Your remarkable generosity sets a new standard of compassion and service, inspiring us all to dream bigger and strive harder in our mission to create a better world. Your legacy of giving will forever be etched in the heart of our club and the communities we serve. Thank you for your profound act of generosity, for leading with compassion, and for showing us all the incredible power of a single, purposeful act of love. A special thank you to Club Advisor - TRF & CSR Nilima Jhunjhunwala for all the wonderful facilitation that made this moment possible.



# PROJECT RAY OF HOPE



## Project Ray of Hope Brings Change to Taricha Pada Village In Collaboration With Mr. India, Gokul Ganesan

Between 12th and 22nd September 2024, the Rotary Club of Mumbai Elegant (RCME), in collaboration with Mr. India, Gokul Ganesan, executed Project Ray of Hope to uplift the tribal village of Taricha Pada, near Virar. Despite being just two hours from Mumbai, this village faces challenges such as unreliable electricity, leaving residents vulnerable to snake and scorpion bites at night. To address these hardships and improve living conditions, RCME provided essential supplies, including dustbins to promote hygiene, water barrels, toilet cleaners, nightgowns for women, and stationery kits with school bags for children. The success of this initiative was made possible through the generous contributions of dedicated sponsors: President Nidhika, who donated dustbins, toilet cleaners, and tadpatri; Reshma Patel, who provided water barrels; Sonia Kapoor, who gifted solar street lamps; Shweta Malpani, who contributed 40 sets of stationery and school bags; and Neha Bajaj, who donated 80 nightgowns. Together, these contributions are helping light up lives and fostering hope for a brighter tomorrow in Taricha Pada.



# MOVIE CLUB *HUMARE RAM*



## **RCME Movie Club Experiences Humare Ram: A Captivating Theatrical Journey**

The RCME Movie Club had an enriching experience watching the play Humare Ram starring Ashutosh Rana on 14th September 2024. The powerful performances and thought-provoking narrative left everyone deeply moved. It was a memorable cultural outing, sparking great conversations and reflections!

### **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!



# OASIS OF THE SEAS DAY 1





# OASIS OF THE SEAS DAY 2





# OASIS OF THE SEAS DAY 3





# OASIS OF THE SEAS DAY 4



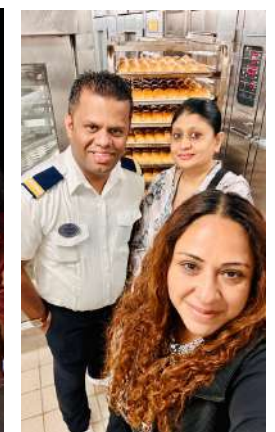


# OASIS OF THE SEAS *DAY 5*





# OASIS OF THE SEAS DAY 6 & 7





# Thank YOU!

**VIBRANT BOD IS GRATEFUL FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTION IN SEPTEMBER**

*In Alabetic Order*

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

ALKA DOSHI  
ARCHANA RANIWALA  
KAVITA MUNGI  
MANJARI THANAWALA  
RAJNI GANERIWAL  
SAPNA AGARWAL  
SARITA JHUNJHUNWALA  
SHWETA MALPANI  
SHWETA MURARKA  
SUNITA GOYAL



## SEPTEMBER PROJECT DONORS

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RAJNI GANERIWAL  
RESHMA PATEL  
SAPNA AGARWAL  
SARITA JHUNJHUNWALA  
SHWETA MALPANI  
SHWETA MURARKA  
SONIA KAPOOR  
SWAPNIL TAYAL

### PRIMARY DONORS

KAVITA MUNGI - ECO VISARJAN SEVA  
SHWETA MALPANI - PROJECT DIGNITY + PROJECT RAY OF HOPE  
SONIA KAPOOR - PROJECT RAY OF HOPE  
NEHA BAJAJ - PROJECT RAY OF HOPE

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

