

# The DownTowner

Month 06 | December 2024

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**District Governors Desk**  
Rtn Dinesh Mehta, DG 2024-25



Dear Awesome President and Members of the Rotary Club of Thane Downtown,

As we are on the threshold of the sixth month of what has, indeed been an **Awesome Rotary Year**, thus far, we need to keep the momentum going. One way of keeping the momentum going is to have constantly greater goals.

Momentum is akin to riding a bicycle. You get to stay upright and move forward so long as you keep the momentum. Your Club has been doing yeoman service to the community service and you have been participating in District Projects and events with great enthusiasm and it is my humble request to you, to **keep the momentum going**.

I urge you to take up projects in all the areas of focus of Rotary International. **December** is designated "**Disease Prevention and Control**" month. If you haven't already, do take up a project in this sphere. I believe in encouraging Clubs to Think Big. You do not have to start by being an expert. Remember, the expert in anything was once a beginner. People with momentum can get so much done. Momentum begets momentum and the best way to start is to Make A Start. As a wise man, once said, "Success does not come to you, you've got to go to get it".

So, Jyoti joins me in urging all you Awesome Rotarians to keep up the momentum and create the **Magic of Rotary** for the community at large.

Yours In Rotary Service  
DG Dinesh Mehta.

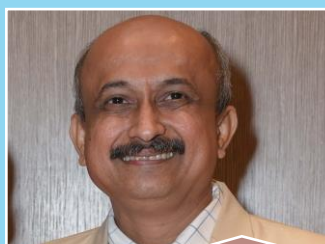
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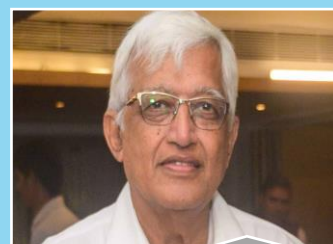
Rtn Manish Basle  
\$350 PHF Member



Rtn Amol Yeola  
\$350 PHF Member



PP Rtn Sunil D Joshi  
\$500 PHF Member



PP Rtn Arun Doshi  
\$1000 PHF Member

Thank you to all the donors for your Contributions towards TRF!

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## Rotary Event Calendar - December 2024 Disease Prevention & Treatment Month.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
District 3142 Felicitation DGND @ 7pm, Ramada Mahape.						Club Meeting 7.30am@Satkar Residency Speaker: Dr Pushkar Kulkarni, Topic - Treatments of Ayurveda.
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
BOD Meet Venue : President Shantaram Shet's Residence @ 10am.						1. Dattatreya Jayanti. 2. Club Meeting 7.30am@Satkar Residency Speaker : TBD. 3. Rotary Hamsafar Synergy Car Rally 14-21 Dec.
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
District Annapoorna Day						Club AGM & Election for Board of 25-26 at 7.30am @ Satkar Residency
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
			Christmas			Club Meeting 7.30am@Satkar Residency Speaker: TBD.
29	30	31				
		New Years Eve				

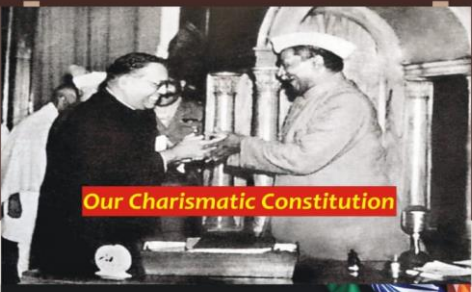
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## Club Meetings

**BOD Meeting, 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2024** – The BOD for the month of November was conducted online on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of November, Sunday from 9.30 am to 12.00 pm.

**Club Meeting, 9<sup>th</sup> November 2024** – Our esteemed Speaker on 9<sup>th</sup> Nov was **Dr. Lucky Kasat**, a well-known Consultant Pediatric Surgeon, a Tedx Speaker & an Author, who spoke on the Topic **“Our Charismatic Constitution”**. He discussed about the Vision of a Republic & how the Indian Constitution came into being.

**CLUB MEETING**



**Our Charismatic Constitution**

**THE VISION OF A REPUBLIC**  
How the Indian Constitution Came Into Being

Dr Lucky S Kasat  
Consultant Pediatric Surgeon  
TEDx Speaker | Author

THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA  
PREAMBLES

**9TH NOV 2024**  
**7.30 AM FELLOWSHIP & BREAKFAST**  
**8.00 AM - MEETING**  
**AT SATKAR RESIDENCY**

PLEASE COME ON TIME!



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## Club Meetings

**Club Meeting, 16<sup>th</sup> November 2024** – Our esteemed Speaker on 16<sup>th</sup> Nov was **Rtn Murali Sundrani**, Club President of RC Thane Skyline, who spoke on the Topic **“Science of Safety”**. He discussed about mobile de-addiction and its effect while driving. He also provided valuable tips on safe driving & how to avoid fatal accidents.

**CLUB MEETING  
RC THANE DOWNTOWN**



**Rtn. Murali Sundrani**  
Club President of RC Thane Skyline

TOPIC: SUHANA SAFAR  
(SCIENCE OF SAFETY)

**16 NOV | 7.30 AM**  
VENUE: SATKAR RESIDENCY  
7.30AM TO 8AM - BREAKFAST & FELLOWSHIP  
8AM - MEETING




**Science  
Of  
Safety**

DRIVING TOWARDS GOAL ZERO

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## Club Meetings

**Club Meeting, 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2024** – We conducted our Club Meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov with the Topic “KYD – Know Your DownTowner” where we engaged in fellowship to discuss about our business, success stories, our aim in life and what we want to do in future etc.



### WEEKLY MEETING

### KYD – KNOW YOUR DOWNTOWNER

**SATURDAY**  
23 NOVEMBER 2024 Satkar Residency

**TIME**  
7:30 AM–8:00 AM Breakfast  
8:00 AM–9:00 AM KYD Fellowship

**Agenda** - Lets meet for fellowship & discuss about our business, success stories, our aim in life, what we want to do in future etc. Ann's and Annets can talk about their home grown businesses and how DownTowners can help.

**President – Shantaram Shet**

**Secretary – Biju Gopalan**



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DownTown Times - A Glimpse into Club Happening's

## 1 Nov Annapoorna Project - Divya Prabha Diwali celebration & Vidyaniketan Bal Snehalay vegetables donation

On the **1<sup>st</sup> Nov** Friday, our Club members PP Rtn Prashant Gujar, PP Rtn Sunil D Joshi, Rtn Prashant Karkhanis, Rtn Shantaram Shet, IPP Rtn Nilesh kadam, Ann Sonali Gujar, Ann Julie Kadam, Ann Pavana Karkhanis visited the **Divyaprabha** school for destitute girls to celebrate Diwali & distributed sweets/food to the **17** beneficiaries, towards the Annapoorna Project. A big thank you to Ann Sonali Gujar for sponsoring this. We also had a special guest Dr Sunil Gujar from Dapoli for this project.



This project was then followed by a visit to the **Vidyaniketan Bal Snehalay** at Thane. Vidyaniketan Bal Snehalay is a boys hostel and these inmates are kids rescued from the streets and who are orphans. We donated vegetables to these **33** beneficiaries.

This project idea was received from PP Rtn Prashant Gujar and supported by PP Sunil D Joshi. A big thank you for your support.

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### 17<sup>th</sup> Nov Ultimate Rota Cricket 3.0 – collaboration with Rotaract Club of Thane Downtown

On the **17<sup>th</sup> November** Sunday, our Club collaborated with Rotaract Club of Thane Downtown to bond together and show their sporting skills at the Ultimate Rota Cricket fellowship event @ 8.30 am PEST School & Jr College, Thane. From the Club this fellowship project was attended by President Shantaram Shet, PP Imshu Bansal, IPP Nilesh Kadam, Rtn Biju Gopalan, Rtn Pravin Patil, Rtn Amol Yeola and Annet Shaurya Shet.



### 25<sup>th</sup> Nov – Vocational Project , Good Touch/Bad Touch & Menstrual Hygiene Talks at ITI Thane

On the **25<sup>th</sup> Nov** Monday, our Club organized for a **Vocational Talk** at the **Rajmata Jijau Industrial Training Institute (Women) Thane**, which was delivered by **Dr Supriya Lad** and the Topic was **Good Touch/Bad Touch and Women Menstrual Hygiene**. This event benefitted around **200** Women Trainees of the Institute.







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## DownTown Times – A Glimpse into Club Happening's

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### 24<sup>th</sup> Nov - Matoshree Old Age Home

On the **24<sup>th</sup> November** Sunday, our Club Mentor CP Rtn Prakash Rao & PP Rtn Dr Govind Patkar visited the **Matoshree Old Age Home** and delivered medicines to the Old Age Home inmates at Padgha. There are around 90 Beneficiaries of this project.

### 28<sup>th</sup> Nov - Annapoorna Project Food Donation to Aasara Trust

On the 28<sup>th</sup> Nov Thursday, our Club Director Services, **Rtn Joy Dasan**, conducted a Food Donation drive at Aasara Trust. Aasara Trust is a shelter home for many kids of beggars, mainly girls. This initiative saw a total of 42 Beneficiaries.

### 28<sup>th</sup> Nov – STEM Project Inspection at villages around Kalyan Murbad

On the 28<sup>th</sup> Nov Thursday, our President Rtn Shantaram Shet along with PR/PI Director Rtn Bharti Shetty and Rtn Prashant Karkhanis visited the STEM Project to conduct an inspection in and around the Kalyan Murbad region.

They visited 4 schools through the day:

- school at Goveli village
- school at Manavali village
- school at Mhaskal village & finally
- the school at Ghotsai village.

*Please find the pics captured during this visit in the next page.....*

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## DownTown Times - A Glimpse into Club Happening's

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### Manivali village - Zilla Parishad school (PM Shree school)



### Mhaskal village - Zilla Parishad school



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## DownTown Times - A Glimpse into Club Happening's

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Galaxy A52s 5G



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### Ghotsai village - Zilla Parishad school (Certified ISO 9001 School)



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### Goveli village - Madhavrao Rokde school



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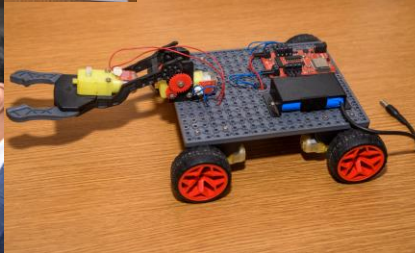
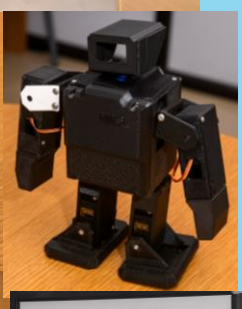
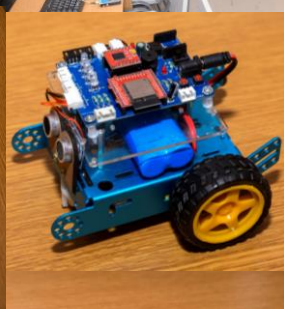
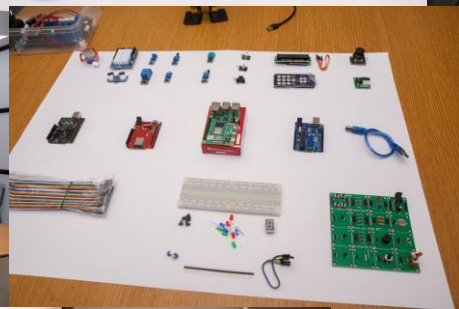
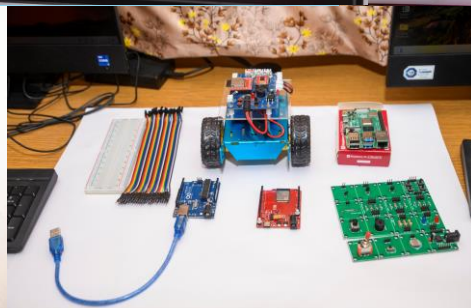
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30<sup>th</sup> Nov - Inauguration of IoRobotics Lab at ITI Thane [CSR]

On the 30<sup>th</sup> Nov Thursday, the IoRobotics Laboratory was inaugurated at the **Rajmata Jijau Industrial Training Institute (Women) Thane** by Mr Satish Suryawanshi, Hon Director DVET Maharashtra. This event was graced by our very own District Governor Dinesh Mehta, DGND Chandrahas Shetty, District Secretary Nilesh Likhite, Assistant Governor Nilesh Puranik, DGSC CSR Grants Prasad Tendulkar, District Secretary Sangram Joshi, and our Club members President Shantaram Shet, Secretary Biju Gopalan, PR/PI Director Bharti Shetty, Rtn Mahesh Gowande, PP Rtn Prashant Gujar, Rtn Pranav Bhosekar, Rtn Shirish Khanwalkar, Rtn Sunil S Joshi, Ann Aparna Shet & Annet Shaurya Shet. This project was executed under CSR donation from Spectrum Ethers Pvt Ltd.



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## DownTown Times - A Glimpse into Club Happenings's

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## Happy Announcements - Birthdays

<b>1<sup>st</sup> December</b>	Ann Julie Kadam w/o IPP Rtn Nilesh Kadam
<b>1<sup>st</sup> December</b>	Annet Sammiya d/o Rtn Prakash & Ann Dolon Guha
<b>1<sup>st</sup> December</b>	Annet Shivani d/o Rtn Col Praveen & Ann Jayshree Kumar
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> December</b>	Annet Sushmit s/o PP Rtn Prashant & Ann Sonali Gujar
<b>5<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Rtn Sujit Deshpande
<b>6<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Rtn Col Praveen Kumar
<b>10<sup>th</sup> December</b>	CP Rtn Prakash Rao
<b>12<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Rtn Sandeep Bachhuka
<b>14<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Annet Dhaval s/o PP Rtn Arun & Ann Aartj Doshi
<b>15<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Annet Anvit s/o PP Rtn Imshu & Rtn Aaruni Bansal
<b>17<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Annet Shrutika d/o Rtn Sujit & Ann Sneha Deshpande
<b>20<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Ann Anita Mittal w/o PP Rtn Rajesh Mittal
<b>21<sup>st</sup> December</b>	Annet Dr Rohit s/o PP Dr. B K & Ann Gayatri Mahavarkar
<b>24<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Annet Martand s/o Rtn Mahesh & Ann Mita Gowande
<b>30<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Annet Suhana d/o Rtn Prakash & Ann Dolon Guha

## Happy Announcements - Anniversary

<b>1<sup>st</sup> December</b>	Rtn Pranav & Ann Manjiri Bhosekar PP Prashant & Ann Sonali Gujar
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> December</b>	PP Dr B K & Ann Gayatri Mahavarkar
<b>10<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Rtn Prashant & Ann Pavana Karkhanis PP Rtn Jayanta & Ann Bansari Dey
<b>12<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Rtn Saurabh & Ann Sayali Joshi
<b>21<sup>st</sup> December</b>	DGND PP Chandahas and Rtn Bharti Shetty
<b>28<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Rtn Sujit & Ann Sneha Deshpande
<b>29<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Rtn Mahesh & Ann Mita Gowande

**Best Wishes from Rotary Club of Thane  
DownTown.  
Many Happy Returns of the day!**



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## Participation in District Events

### 15<sup>th</sup> Nov - RI District 3142 Pre PELS 2024

On 15<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> Nov 2024, The District 3142 conducted the **Pre PELS 2024** at the Lagoona Resort Lonavala. **President Elect Rtn Sunil S Joshi** for the **Rotary year 2025-26** attended this event along with Ann Harshada. This event was also attended by DGND Rtn Chandrahas Shetty and PR/PI Director Rtn Bharti Shetty. This event was Hosted by Rotary Club of Hiranandani Estate. Rotary Year 2025-26 will be known as the **TITEN** Year that stands for **Transparency - Integrity - Teamwork - Empowerment - Networking**.



### 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov - 2<sup>nd</sup> District 3142 TRF Seminar "Spandan"

On 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov 2024, The District 3142 conducted the **2<sup>nd</sup> The Rotary Foundation Seminar "Spandan"** at the Ramada by Wyndham, Mahape, which was hosted by the Rotary Club of Navi Mumbai Samaritans. The **Chief Guest** for the event was **RIDE Flt. Lt. K.P Nagesh**.



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## Participation in District Events

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### 24<sup>th</sup> Nov ROTAL 2024

This year the **District ROTAL 2024** event was hosted by Rotary Club of Thane. It was conducted as a 4-day event with **Eliminations** on the **9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> Nov**, **Semi-Finals** on **17<sup>th</sup> Nov** and **Finals** on **24<sup>th</sup> Nov 2024**. Our Club members Ann Manjiri Bhoekar, Rtn Biju Gopalan, IPP Nilesh Kadam participated in this event and delivered a smashing performance. Congratulations to the Winners & all the Participants!  
**IPP Rtn Nilesh Kadam** Won the 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize for Marathi Duet & **Secretary Rtn Biju Gopalan** Won 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize in Dance Solo Categories.

Also **Rtr Sourysh Biju** from Rotaract Club of Thane Downtown also participated & Won 1<sup>st</sup> Prize in Marathi Solo & 2<sup>nd</sup> in Hindi Solo Category. A Big Congratulations to Rtr Sourysh Biju.





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## Participation in District Events

### 26<sup>th</sup> Nov – District Samvidhan Diwas

On **26<sup>th</sup> Nov 2024**, the District 3142 **Samvidhan Diwas (Constitution Day)** was organized & celebrated at Kashinath Ghanekar Hall, Thane, to take us through the fascinating history of our Constitution and its key elements including the path it took to become a reality.

This was presented by Dr Lucky Kasat in an extremely interesting and engaging way. This presentation of around 50 mins shared the rare and unknown aspects and highlights of our Constitution,



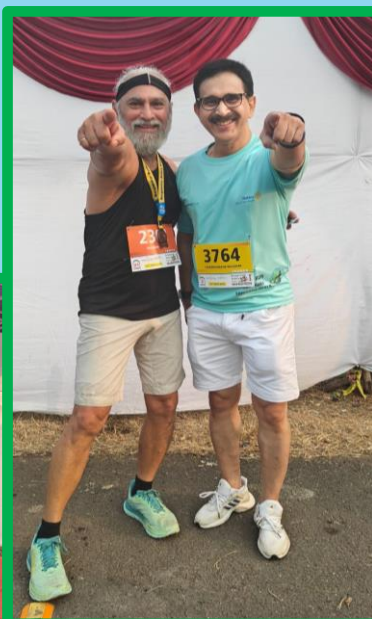
making along with key contributors for creating our Constitution. It was a great way of story telling by Dr Lucky Kasat which kept the audience engaged and interested. Our **President Shantaram Shet** attended this event & this event was graced by PDG Dr Ashes Ganguly & PDG Dr Mohan Chandavarkar.



## "Spotlight on our Families".

### PP Rtn Rajendra Shinde - Conquering Marathons, One Race at a Time!"

**PP Rtn Rajendra Shinde** participated in the **Rotary Kalyan** (hosted by Rotary Club of New Kalyan) **Half Marathon [21 Kms]** on **24<sup>th</sup> Nov** & the Half Marathon by Lokmat initiative **Maha Mumbai Maha Marathon Thane** on **30<sup>th</sup> Nov** and successfully completed it within a record time of **2 hrs: 37 mins**. Kudos & Best Wishes for many more such Runs!



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"Spotlight on our Families".

## Rtn Dr Rajesh Bhutala & Ann Bandana Butala's Success!

**Ilifeline Diagnostics Pvt Ltd** (Lab & Imaging services) owned by **Rtn Dr Rajesh & Ann Dr Bandana Butala**, has achieved NABL accreditation & also become first in Maharashtra to be certified for imaging. Congratulations for achieving this milestone to the Butala's!



## Rtn Rajat Passi's Travel Diaries!

**Rtn Rajat Passi** attended the worlds largest energy event 4-7 Nov 2024 ADIPEC in Abu Dhabi, UAE.

About ADIPEC = Under the patronage of H.H. Sheikh Mohamed Bin Zayed Al Nahyan, President of the United Arab Emirates, and hosted by ADNOC in Abu Dhabi, UAE, on 4-7 November 2024, ADIPEC is the world's largest energy conference and exhibition.



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"Spotlight on our Families".

## Ann Dr Sneha Kokate's success event MASTACON 2024

**Ann Dr Sneha Kokate** Organized the Ramp Walk for **MASTACON 2024**, Maharashtra state IMA conference on the **8-10 November** at Dr Kashinath Ghanekar Auditorium, Thane. She also participated in this as "Actress Helen". It was a roaring success so much so that they are planning to have repeat performance in near future. Congratulations to Ann Dr. Sneha on her remarkable success! Wishing her many more achievements to add to her growing list of accomplishments!



## 20<sup>th</sup> Nov Voting - 2024 Maharashtra Legislative Assembly Elections



Some pics shared by RCTDT family