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GOVERNOR'S MONTHLY LETTER

District Governor's Message

My dear fellow Rotarians,

I am thrilled to share that we are living in extraordinary times for Rotary. Our organization is continuously adapting technological advancements and new ways of doing things. We are seamlessly connected with Clubs in Africa, in Europe and in the US. There is very good understanding among the Rotarians to support the needs in various geographies and once we highlight the need assessment, we are getting spontaneous support from Rotarians Nationally and Internationally. The magic of our Rotary Foundation helps us do projects of large scale, benefiting a large section of the population.

Technology has revolutionized our interaction, enabling seamless communication and knowledge sharing. Paul Harris's visionary dream of building peace and friendship worldwide is unfolding before our eyes in a massive scale in this paradigm shift. We are witnessing Rotary's core values – friendship and service – take on new dimensions. We are learning about diverse cultures, exchanging flags and visiting clubs globally, experiencing Rotary's expansive reach.

India is a destination where maximum projects of Rotary happens worldwide. Rotarians in India are launching projects every day, either through Global Grant initiatives or CSR initiatives. RI District 3234 has big plans to leverage both the CSR channel and Global Grant channel. Today lot of corporates have good faith in Rotary and are willing to work with Rotary. Every Club and every Rotarian must take advantage of this situation.

My message to the Club Presidents is if you have a very good project idea, meet your DG and discuss the funding and implementation plan. Alternatively, if you have a corporate organization and many times our own



Rotarians are willing to bring forth the CSR. We have many projects which will fit into the criteria of the corporates, and we can work to convince them. Collectively all Rotarians of RI District 3234 must make it a mission to do more and achieve more impacting our society.

There were multiple activities in November engaging Rotarians and their families. We start off with Conference Curtain Raiser in Nov the 4th at Hotel Connemara. It was a classy event. All Presidents and Secretaries were present in full attendance. The Conference name was launched – UTSAV ,26. PDG SvRm Ramanathan announced special offer for 100% registration by clubs. we had spontaneous confirmation by 19 clubs. there was lot of excitement about the Conference with Chairman Balaraman and his team highlighting special inputs about the Conference.

Annettes Halloween Night on the 8th of Nov was a grand show with many Annettes participating. There were a fashion walk and performance and many prizes were given.

World Diabetic Day – To commemorate the World Commemorate Day we had a Walkathon on 9th of November at Besant Nagar Beach. Rotaractors came

in large numbers wearing special T-shirt and caps, multi placards highlighting the importance of good health and avoidable diabetics were highlighted. More than 1500 participants took part. It was a big Public Image event for Rotary. Multiple camps on diabetes were held at strategic location across the city.

Delhi Rotary Institute - The Rotary Zone Institute “Tejas” was wonderfully conducted on Nov 14, 15 & 16 with RI President Francesco Arezzo being the Chief Guest. Multiple Speakers and Awardees took part. Arrangements were wonderful.

Green Rotarian Orientation Seminar was held on 21st November at alumni Club attended by 200 participants. Very Interactive sessions, panel discussions, skit – highlighted the Green Rotarians, how they can benefit by active involvement.

We are grateful for these transformative times and the chance to leverage them for global impact.

Warm Rotary regards,
AKS. Rtn. VINOD SARAOGI
District Governor 2025-26
Rid 3234



District:

14th Dec - Happy Street at OMR
20th Dec -Christmas and New year celebrations
21st Dec -World Saree Day - All ladies Participation
4th Jan 26 - Pongal Vizha

Club Events:

RTTL Tournament 7th Dec

Rotary Designated Months

July	Maternal and Child Health Month	January	Vocational Service Month
August	Membership and New Club Development Month	February	Peace building and Conflict Prevention Month
September	Basic Education and Literacy Month	March	Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Month
October	Community Economic and Development Month	April	Environmental Month
November	Rotary Foundation Month	May	Youth Service Month
December	Disease Prevention and Treatment Month	June	Rotary Fellowships Month

Curtain Raiser Report – Utsav: District Conference 2025-26

- Rtn. Revathi Sanjeevkumar, RC Madras East

The curtain raiser for the much-awaited District Conference 2025–26 was an evening that beautifully captured the spirit of Rotary—service, fellowship, inspiration, and celebration. The event was graced by distinguished Rotarians, partners, leaders, and guests, all gathered to set the tone for what promises to be a landmark conference.

One of the most memorable moments of the evening came from the heartfelt anecdotes shared by **PDG SVRM Ramanathan, Chief District Counsellor & Vice Governor**. Speaking with remarkable warmth and sincerity, he reflected on what Rotary gives—both to society and to every individual who becomes part of its vast and compassionate network. His stories, drawn from lived experiences, moved the audience deeply. They brought both **laughter and tears**, reminding everyone of the transformative power of Rotary's service and the bonds it creates.

In a gesture that exemplifies his generosity and commitment to the Rotary cause, **PDG SVRM Ramanathan also announced his sponsorship of the lucky draw prizes**, further adding excitement and goodwill to the upcoming conference.

This year's conference carries a name that is both meaningful and symbolic—**Utsav**, a word that signifies *celebration, festivity, and coming together in joy*. It perfectly embodies the essence of Rotary camaraderie and the collective spirit of service.

The enthusiasm for Utsav is already evident, with **more than 15 clubs achieving 100% registration**, a remarkable milestone that reflects the eagerness of Rotarians to participate and contribute.

Adding to the uniqueness of this year is the fact that **for the first time, the district conference will be held as a single-day event**, making it power-packed, engaging, and unforgettable. Attendees can look forward to **an exciting lineup of speakers, vibrant stalls, enriching sessions, fun activities, and exceptional hospitality**, all curated to make Utsav a truly memorable celebration.

Aspecial highlight of the evening was the **exhilarating speech by Past RI Director Venkatesh**, whose presence added tremendous value. In a delightful coincidence—and perhaps destiny—he shares a deep affinity with the title *Utsav*. The conferences under his leadership, both when he served as Conference Chairman and later as District Governor, proudly carried the same name. His connection to *Utsav* added a sense of continuity, legacy, and pride to the theme.

We are also immensely grateful to **District Governor AKS Rtn. Vinod Saraogi**, whose leadership, energy, and vision continue to inspire every club in the district. His passion for service and ability to lead from the front have already made a significant impact, reaffirming his role as a true change maker.

Overall, the curtain raiser was a resounding success—**setting the perfect tone for the grand celebration that awaits us**. After all, what begins well ends well, and Utsav has begun on a note of enthusiasm, unity, and optimism.

A big shoutout to the **District Governor, Conference Chairman Rtn. Balaraman, and the entire organizing team** for their tireless efforts in crafting a fabulous start to the conference journey.

We take this opportunity to warmly invite you to **register for Utsav** if you haven't already. The success of any conference lies in the strength of its attendance—and your presence will make all the difference.

Let's come together to celebrate service, fellowship, and the joy that only Rotary can bring.

See you at Utsav!



Rotary International District 3234 Launches "Sa'iyam" - A Diabetes Awareness Campaign

-Rtn. Vrinda Deepak, Chair - Diabetes

To commemorate World Diabetes Day, Rotary International District 3234, under the leadership of District Governor AKS Rtn. Vinod Saraogi, First Lady Rtn. Usha Saraogi, Deputy Governor Rtn. Mohan Raghavan, and District Secretary Rtn. Sapthagiri, launched a large scale diabetes awareness campaign titled "Sa'iyam" in association with Rtn. Dr. M. C. Deepak, Senior Consultant, Madhav Diabetes Centre, Anna Nagar. The initiative is being spearheaded by District Health Chair Rtn. Suryanarayana Rao and District Diabetes Chair Rtn. Vrinda Deepak, with support from District Rotaract Representative Sathish Kumar.

Sa'iyam, meaning self-restraint or moderation, highlights the importance of balance in lifestyle choices as a key factor in preventing and managing metabolic disorders. The campaign commenced with a 1.8 km Walkathon held on November 9, 2025, at Elliotts Beach, Besant Nagar, where Rotarians, Rotaractors, and volunteers from the Madhav Diabetes Centre walked together to spread awareness on diabetes prevention and control. A demonstration of yoga asanas and surya namaskar was conducted by a team from Saurav Yog, emphasizing the role of regular physical activity and mindfulness in maintaining metabolic health. Over 650 Rotaractors from Anna Adarsh College, Loyola College, MGR Janaki College, M.O.P. Vaishnav College, New College, Stella Maris College, Ambattur College, and Madras Rhythms took part in the walkathon, along with Rotarians and representatives from the medical fraternity. As part of the continuing campaign, four days of diabetes screening camps are planned this week at Chennai MGR Railway Station, Egmore Railway Station, Tambaram Railway Station, Chennai Airport, and selected housing societies across the city.

A healthy breakfast was served to all participants after the walkathon, reinforcing the importance of nutritious eating habits in leading a healthy life. Care was taken to ensure that participants did not litter and that the natural beauty of the beach was preserved.

RI District 3234 remains committed to promoting health and wellness across workplaces, schools, colleges, and the community at large. Indian Council of Medical Research studies indicate that for every one person diagnosed with diabetes, there is another who remains undetected. Early detection and good control from Day 1 can greatly improve quality of life. With initiatives like Sa'iyam, Rotary hopes that small, collective steps will lead to significant progress in the prevention of non-communicable diseases. If the world can stand on the brink of eradicating polio, we can surely aspire to overcome the growing challenge of diabetes.





Our District Governor @ Tejas – Rotary Institute 2025



Rotary District 3234 – First Quarter Awards

- Rtn. Rajagopal Geethu, Chair - Awards

On November 4th, 2025, Rotary District 3234 gathered at the Taj Connemara Hotel to celebrate the First Quarter Awards. This event was more than just giving out trophies—it was about recognizing the hard work, dedication, and teamwork of our clubs. The evening began with the National Anthem and Thamizh Thai Vazhthu, setting an inspiring tone. Awards Chairperson Rtn. Rajagopal Geethu welcomed everyone and reminded us that these awards are not just about winning, but about appreciating honest effort and encouraging good reporting and transparency.

District Governor Rtn. AKS Vinod Saraogi's keynote address highlighted:

- Awards are not a competition, but a reflection of the creativity and impact of our clubs.
- Participation, collaboration, and visibility are key to Rotary's success.
- The District stands with every club as they strive for excellence.

District leaders Deputy Governor Rtn. Mohan Raghavan, District Secretaries Rtn. J. Kumaravel and Rtn. R. Sapthagiri, and District Assistant Governor – Administration Rtn. R. Ravishankar and Avenue of Service Chairpersons Rtn. Sanjay Dhurka, Rtn. Sarada Ramani, Rtn. Dr M S Ravi & Rtn. George Cherian joined together on stage, showing unity and support for all clubs. This teamwork emphasized that Rotary's strength comes from working together.

Awards were given in several categories:

- Club Service
- Community Service

- Vocational Service
- International Service
- New Generation Service
- Membership Development
- Public Image

Each award celebrated the unique projects and enthusiasm of our clubs. The focus was on the variety and impact of service, not just rankings. A special moment was the Recognition of Promising Presidents, honoring those who showed outstanding leadership early in the year. This reminded everyone that Rotary values both results and the willingness to serve. Overall Performance Awards recognized clubs that excelled in all areas—administration, projects, youth engagement, leadership, and membership. Throughout the evening, there was a strong sense of fellowship. Clubs cheered for each other, leaders congratulated winners, and volunteers ensured everything ran smoothly. The event was a true team effort.

In summary:

The First Quarter Awards celebrated dedication, unity, and the power of recognition.

It reminded us that while service starts with individuals, its impact grows through collaboration. Congratulations to all awardees, thanks to our leaders, and appreciation to every Rotarian making a difference.

Let's look forward to more months of purposeful service and inspiring stories. Service above self!



District Annettes Council – Celebration of Talent and Culture

- Rtn. Ajitha Balan, District Annettes Council Chair

"Our vibrant Annettes and their proud families, our Rotarians and our distinguished District Governor AKS Vinod Saraogi, all our judges, all District officials, and all my dear Annettes and DAR Kovendan good evening all.

All coming together not just as a Rotary family but as the one big celebration of talent, culture and togetherness. Tonight is special, it is not just about costumes, music and the fun of Halloween, it is about expression, connection and celebration. It is about giving our Annettes the bright young hearts of Rotary a stage to shine, to be bold, to be themselves, and to remind us that services and joy can walk hand to hand.

When we think of Rotary we think of service above self. But our Annettes show another beautiful side of that. The joy of growing, learning and leading with compassion and creativity. You are the future torchbearers of Rotary ideas. Each one of you represents the power of youth, unity and purpose. Let's make tonight a reminder that life is meant to be celebrated with purpose, passion and smile," spoke Ajitha Balan.

The District Annette's Council RID 3234 conjured a frightfully fantastic night on November 8th, 2025, when they unleashed the Halloween-themed extravaganza: Annetra—the ultimate Annette's Mega Cultural Event. Shadows

danced and eerie delights filled the air as every Annette summoned their hidden talents, casting enchanting spells that bewitched the judges. The night was draped in cobwebs of creativity and haunted halls echoed with applause and gasps of awe. From spine-chilling performances to dazzling displays of skill, every moment was steeped in spooky splendor. Ghostly laughter and mysterious whispers floated through the venue, making the atmosphere buzz with thrilling excitement. Annetra was not just an event—it was a spellbinding celebration where fun and fright intertwined perfectly. Under the moonlit sky, the Annettes proved themselves masters of the supernatural arts of entertainment, leaving everyone spellbound in a night that was truly a scream-worthy delight.

Congratulations!

Annette Sai Samiksha Rotary club of Hallmark, daughter of Rtn. Gurmurthy and Revathy took part in the Silambam competition in Madagon, Goa. She bagged awards bringing laurels to her family, to her academy and to Rotary club. She got 2nd place in single stick, 1st place in Double stick, 1st place in surul vall, and 1st prize in Valvechu. She got selected for international silambam for Malaysia and scheduled to travel in December to compete internationally. We are all proud and wish Annette Sai Samiksha to shine at the international competition.





Membership Seminar – 21st October 2025

- Rtn. G. Gunavathy, Addl. Chair, Membership Retention

The Green Rotarian Seminar held on 21.11.2025 was a spectacular success with 189 participants from 37 clubs. It started with games and fun activities for all the participants setting an energetic tone to the seminar which was kept fueled by the various speakers starting from the welcome address by Chairman of Membership Devt. PP Rtn. George Cherian. followed by the DG AKS Rtn. Vinod Saraogi igniting curiosity on what to expect in Rotary. He was followed by PDG Rtn. Subramaniam who kept the audience wanting more by explaining the objectives of the green Rotarian seminar in his own humorous way. Subsequently came the popular and natural speaker PDG Rtn. Sridhar who explained the fundamentals, status and ranking of The Rotary Foundation in his own inimitable style along with the meticulous clarifications by DRFC Rtn. Purushottam on the 7 areas of focus as well as the purpose of the various types of contributions with captivated attention.

The hilarious play that was enacted predominantly green Rotarians portraying the woes of the new Rotarians had the audience in splits. The seminar then steered towards the profound relevance of the 4 way test in ones lives by the very articulate PP Rtn Ravishankar, leaving everyone seriously contemplating on the topic when the energy shifted to a new zenith with the District providing special recognition pins depicting stars according to performance to all the excited proposers of new members who eagerly took their pins with great pride and sense of achievement.

Before this euphoria could settle down the panel discussion with PDG Rtn. Nandakumar, PDG Rtn. J. Sridhar and DG AKS Rtn. Vinod Saraogi absolutely rocked the stage. Each panelist regaled the audience heartily about

how they transformed into Rotarians and about all the fellowships available in Rotary to look forward to. The audience thoroughly enjoyed the discussions appropriately moderated by Rtn. George Cherian.

Then came the very well-informed PP Rtn. Rajagopal, who fittingly kindled the interest of the audience on navigating the Rotary.org and enjoying the treasures therein. The event eloquently anchored by PP Rtn. Ramakrishnan and Rtn. Dr. Preethi came to a crescendo with the gushing green Rotarians excitedly vying to give their feedback about the seminar and their gratitude for having given the responsibility of introducing the various speakers.

They also appreciated the specially made feedback cards on which they wrote and presented their takeaway message to each of the speakers. The animated and expressive feedback appreciative of every aspect of the seminar surpassed all expectations of the organizing team. The audience stayed on till the vote of thanks by PP Rtn. Gunavathy.





International Fellowship of Motorcycling Rotarians - K2K Bike rally

- Rtn. S Lakshmi Narayanan, Fellowship of Bike Riders Chairman

Friends, IFMR-India undertakes an annual awareness ride, and this year's focus is to promote 'Peace through Environment and Health'. The ride is supported by our RID Rtn. KP Nagesh, DG's, and Rotarians across India (43 Rotary Districts in Zones 4, 5, 6, and 7).

The aim of this awareness ride is to promote 'Peace through Environment and Health' by covering all 43 Rotary districts in India. This message will be conveyed by the 3 teams riding across India. All teams will start their journey from Kanyakumari and converge in Srinagar (Kashmir), from where they'll ride to Aattari (Indo-Pak border), carrying the message of 'Peace through Environment and Health'.

27 Rotarians, covering 14,000+ kms, 50+ cities, 15 states, 2 UTs, and 43 Rotary Districts in Zones 4, 5, 6, and 7, will undertake this mammoth task. The total cumulative distance covered will be 1,30,000+ kms.

This ride provides an opportunity for Public Image, Public Relations, and Branding. Each rider will dedicate 21+ days of their personal time to this endeavor. A physically and mentally challenging ride is what these riders are undertaking, all for spreading awareness of 'Peace through Environment and Health' – this is what Rotary is all about!

The East team, headed by Rtn. Naveen S. Kumar, has reached Chennai. The crew details are:

1. Naveen S. Kumar - Captain
2. Jayaprakash
3. Karate Shanmugham
4. Prashanth Babu S J
5. Raju TV. Rajan
6. Ranganath Kuntumalla
7. Shashidhara M

8. Srinivas Raju

9. Adiba M Kazi (Car)

10. Lakshmi Naveen (Car)

They reached Chennai on 5th Nov 2025 at The Presidency Club, Egmore, Chennai, and were overwhelmingly received by the Chennai Dist 3234 host team, including DG Rtn. Vinod Sarogi, Dy. Governor Rtn. Mohan Raghavan, Dist Secretaries Rtn. Sapthagiri and Rtn. Kumaravel, and Dist Chief Coordinators Rtn. Sriram Seshadri and Rtn. Kannan Azhagirswamy, along with Chennai 3234 Fellowship of Bike Riders Chairman Rtn. S Lakshmi Narayanan and Secretary Rtn. Prasanna.

Rtn. Naveen (Captain) presented the importance of the ride and the legacy of IFMR (International Fellowship of Motorcycling Rotarians). DG Rtn. Vinod Sarogi felicitated the riders and wished them a safe and successful ride. The session was followed by lunch, and the riders dispersed with great memories and a mission to continue their journey.



A Night of Unity and Spirit: The Gladiators' Presidents Meet

- Rtn. Capt. Raghu Achat, RC Madras

Industrial City

The Gladiators successfully hosted the 2nd "Unite For Good" Presidents Meet on November 23rd at the esteemed Madras Cricket Club (MCC) in Chennai. Appropriately themed around the spirit of sports—a perfect nod to the historic venue—the event was a resounding success, drawing nearly 90 distinguished attendees, including Presidents, District Officials, and Anns/Annettes.

The atmosphere of unity began immediately: attendees were assigned to five competitive teams based on custom badges they picked, each badge aptly colored to represent one of the five rings of the Olympic movement.

The evening commenced dramatically, setting the tone with a ceremonial Olympic torch relay leading to the digital lighting of the

Olympic Cauldron, performed jointly by the District Governor (DG) and District First Lady (DFL). Following this high-energy start, the DG officially declared the event open in classic Olympic style.

The Master of Ceremonies (MC) then launched into a series of engaging, sports-themed activities, which were met with active and enthusiastic participation from every team. The vibrant energy and sense of friendly competition truly embodied the "Unite For Good" spirit.

A significant highlight was the lucky draw, which generated excitement before the official program concluded.

The night transitioned into a period of warm fellowship and networking over a sumptuous dinner, perfectly capping a memorable and inspiring event.





Rotary Job Fair for the Visually Impaired

On 8th Nov, a special Rotary Job Fair was organized for persons with Visual impairment at Karna Vidhya Foundation, Guindy.

A total of 20 candidates participated in the event, and 3 individuals successfully secured job placements.

The event was very well organised by Rtn. Dhanasekar and Rtn. Ramesh. Technical and HR interviews were conducted by Rtn. Hemanth, President RCCR, and Rtn Chandru. Participation from RC Chennai Renaissance included Vocational Service Director Rtn. Arpit and Rtn. Shanmugam and President R C Coramandal Club.

At the end of the program, feedback was provided to all participants, highlighting areas for improvement specific to their roles and fundamental skills.



Empowering Rural Women through Vocational Skills

- Rtn. Dr. Jayashree Kadambi, Chair - District Women Empowerment

November 19, 2025, marked a significant milestone for District Women's Empowerment, RI District 3234. Rtn. Danashekar, World Community Chair, joined with the District Vocational Service and District Women's Empowerment teams to lead and organize a vocational skill orientation session for rural women at Danirasa Foundation in Pattachiram.

Multiple Rotary Clubs collaborated on the event, including RC Chennai Suncity, RC Chennai Legacy, RC Madras Pallava, RC Chennai Mambalam, RC Chennai Titans, RC Chennai Thiruvannamiyur, RC Chennai Sapphire, RC Chennai Sea View, RC Chennai Bharathi, RC Chennai Gems, RC Chennai GreenCity, RC Chennai Portcity, RC Chennai Renaissance, and RC Madras Gold Coast.

Mr. Babu, Proprietor of Ecogreen Unit, Coimbatore, delivered an inspiring presentation on eco-friendly products made from banana stem fiber, vetiver, and more. The event was

attended by key dignitaries, including Rtn. Danashekar (World Community Chair), Rtn. Sarada Ramani (District Vocational Chairperson), and Rtn. Dr. Jayashree Kadambi (District Women's Empowerment Chairperson). Ms. Indumathi, founder of Danirasa Foundation, honored the guests with products made by Danirasa trainees.



Club Projects



RC Madras Besant Nagar successfully completed a service project with the handover of an artificial limb to Mr. Muthukumar (52 years) at Andhra Mahila Sabha, Adyar. The project, valued at ₹30,000, was a moment filled with hope, dignity, and compassion, truly reflecting the spirit of Rotary in action, we continue to serve to change lives!

Based on the request from Rtn. P. Nandakumar, President, Rotary Club of Annanagar Madras, RI District 3234, on an appeal from Rtn Dr. A. Aravind, Dean, and Dr. M. Edwin Fernando, Professor & Head, Department of Nephrology, Aptus Value Housing Finance India Ltd under its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiatives, dedicated a Continuous Renal Replacement Therapy (CRRT) Dialysis Unit to Stanley Government Medical College & Hospital, Chennai.

This project, valued at ₹20 lakhs, has been generously funded by Shri M. Anandan, Founder & Executive Chairman, Aptus Value Housing Finance Ltd. This device will provide lifesaving renal therapy for critically ill patients who are in the ICU and will be benefited for more than 1000 patients a year.

Distinguished Guests :

Chief Guest: Shri M. Anandan, Founder & Executive Chairman, Aptus Value Housing Finance Ltd.

Guests of Honour: Rtn. AKS. Vinod Saraogi, District Governor, Rotary International District 3234

Dr. A. Aravind, MD (Gen. Med.), DM (Nephrology), FRCP (Edinburgh), Dean, Government Stanley Medical College & Hospital



Rotary Club of Chennai Bharathi - A unique awareness initiative for teens - ENABLING YOUNG MINDS – Session 1. Rotary Club of Chennai Bharathi with *You Are Loved Organisation* got started with our

series *Enabling Young Minds* - the aim of which is to break silence, have age- appropriate conversations and support teens to navigate their adolescence.

We had our first session at *St George's Anglo Indian Higher Secondary School, Kilpauk.* We opened with conversations about *self-image, body image* - which are the need of the hour. They then beautifully broke down sensitive topics like *physical changes of adolescence, attraction, relationships, feelings* highlighting how normal/ natural they are and how to navigate them in a healthy way. Knowing how our bodies work is undoubtedly key for teens to make good decisions for their own lives. We strongly believe these conversations are extremely important to foresee a future filled with well informed, responsible young adults in our society.

Huge shoutout to the facilitators – Rtn Johannah Preethika, Prasaad R, and Lincy AJ who handled the children so gracefully. If this interests you and would like to conduct similar sessions with your Interact Clubs, do get in touch with our club.

Rotary Club of Centennial Madras - Free Eyewear Distribution to School Children. The Rotary Club of Centennial Madras organized an Eye Awareness and Screening Camp in October 2025 at DAVE Baba Vidyalaya, reaching 433 students. Following the screenings, 32 children were identified as requiring prescription spectacles. On November 5, 2025, these spectacles were distributed to the children with the generous support and joint contribution of the Rotary Club of Centennial Madras and the Rotary Club of Madras Chenna Patna. This initiative reflects Rotary's commitment to child health, education, and community service—ensuring that every child has the vision to learn, grow, and thrive.



19.11.2025 "Say No to Pollution" Cycle Rally Say No to Pollution – Cycle Rally at Sri Ramakrishna Mission Sarada Vidyalaya Model Higher Secondary School for Girls, Burkit Road in association with Rotary Club of Chennai Port City and R1 Mambalam Police Station – Traffic Wing "Say No to Pollution" Cycle Rally. Venue: Burkit Road Junction taking the Pledge Let's pedal together for a cleaner, greener, and healthier Chennai! Young minds and strengthen our collective commitment to environmental responsibility. Rotary Club of Chennai PortCity Presents Yousuf Imm with Members, Students, Teachers, Police Officials, participated in large numbers creating awareness.



CHILDREN'S DAY CELEBRATION AT NKT BOYS SCHOOL, TRIPPLICANE - ORGANISED BY THE ROTARY CLUB OF MEENAMBAKKAM IN COLLABORATION WITH THE ROTARACT CLUB OF SRM KTR

The program began on 6th November 2025, when a series of competitions were organized for the students. The school campus transformed into a lively arena filled with excitement and cheerful energy. Children enthusiastically participated in singing, dancing, drawing, and elocution competitions in both Tamil and English. Each competition was designed to encourage creativity, confidence, expression, and holistic literacy. These activities allowed students

to explore their talents and build courage to express themselves before an audience.

A notable highlight of this initiative was the exemplary service rendered by the Rotaract Club of SRM KTR. The Rotaractors meticulously planned the competitions, prepared the rounds, guided participants, managed time slots, and even took up the role of judges for various events. The celebrations continued on 14th November 2025, when the Children's Day programme and prize distribution ceremony were held. The event was graced by PDG Rtn. K. Chari, who attended as the Chief Guest and presented certificates and gifts to the winners. His encouraging words were a source of inspiration for the young achievers. PDG Rtn. C.R. Raju, Rtn. Mohan Ragavan, and Rtn. D. Parthasarathy honoured the event as Guests of Honour and extended their warm wishes to the students.



On the occasion of World Diabetes Day, the Rotary Club of Chennai Mitra, in collaboration with the Rotary Community Corps of Bluewaves and MGM Malar Hospital, organized a Free Diabetes Screening and Awareness Camp at Thiruvalluvar Nagar, Besant Nagar.

The initiative aimed to create greater awareness about diabetes, support early detection, and encourage healthier lifestyle practices within the community. Residents from the neighbourhood actively participated and benefitted from free blood sugar testing and medical consultations & health guidance provided by expert Doctors from MGM Malar Hospital.

This impactful service project reflects Rotary's commitment to improving community health and well-being through meaningful partnerships and responsible action.

RC Of Madras Industrial City conducted the next round of livelihood support activities for the narikorava community under our RCC of Melpakkam on 16th Nov. During this event we distributed 10 Goats, sewing machines, tailoring kits, farming equipment etc to 15 beneficiaries from that community.

We were also happy to note that the families we had supported last year had immensely benefited. Some of the goats given last year have had offsprings. The ladies who were provided tailoring kits had a steady income of around 500/- per day. Likewise, the lady who had been given cooking equipment has opened a second idli kadai.



Rotary Club of Madras Heritage proudly presents Rotary Natyanjali 2025, a grand fund-raising cultural festival dedicated to supporting the education of children from the families of our brave Army men who sacrificed their lives for the nation. Rooted in the rich heritage of Bharatanatyam, this event is designed not only to celebrate our classical arts but also to channel its purpose toward a cause that touches every patriotic heart — ensuring that the children of our fallen soldiers receive uninterrupted education, opportunity, and hope for a brighter future.

This year's Natyanjali showcases 100+ classical dance participants across age categories, celebrating the theme "Navarasa", symbolizing the nine emotions of life. Each performance is an offering, a tribute, and an expression of gratitude to the heroes who protected our borders with unwavering courage. The event is graced by respected chief guests, distinguished judges from the world of classical arts, and generous sponsors who share the vision of uplifting our armed forces families. It will be a full-day celebration of culture, compassion, and community service.

Governor's Official Visit (GOV) on 2/11/2025 (SUNDAY) @ JFN Paradise, Gummidipoondi which is 1st GOV for 2025-2026 of RID-3234. Rotary Club of Gummidipoondi Industrial City was pleased to welcome District Governor, Rtn. Vinod Saraogi as well as District Secretary, Rtn. J. Kumaravel & AG-Administration, Rtn. Ravi Shankar along with Assistant Governor, Rtn. D. Ravi & Regional Secretary, Rtn. Saravanan.



1000+ BLANKETS were provided under CSR INITIATIVES by KTV Health Food, Gummidipoondi for "PUYALUKKU PORVAI" to 8 NGOs representatives for onward distribution during the next week.

75+ women beneficiaries were provided Course Completion Certificate on Vocational Skills Training-EDP for completion of 90 days training @ Amoor & Thanipoondi under CSR INITIATIVES by KTV Health Food, Gummidipoondi. 10000+ Boys & Girls Students were provided Study Materials under CSR INITIATIVES by KTV Health Food, Gummidipoondi worth Rs.100 Lakhs from 1/7/2025 to 7/10/2025. 25+ students from various Government Higher Secondary Schools gave their feedback & assured 100% results.



In observance of World Diabetes Day, the Rotary Club of Nanganallur Elite, in collaboration with Hindu Mission Hospital, Nanganallur, organized an Awareness and Free Medical Camp for the residents of the community.

Participants received a comprehensive set of free medical screenings and consultations, including: Blood Pressure Check, Blood Sugar Screening, BMI Assessment, X-Ray, ECG, Dental Checkup and Eye Checkup. Doctor Consultations across specialties were conducted. The camp saw an encouraging response, with 118 beneficiaries availing the free services.

The event was inaugurated by Mr. Chandran, Chairman, Zone 12 – Greater Chennai Corporation, in the presence of Dr. Vikram Vasagan Diabetologist from Hindu Mission Health Services. This initiative reflects the club's ongoing commitment to promoting preventive healthcare and community well-being. We express our sincere gratitude to the doctors, volunteers, and partners from Hindu Mission Hospital whose dedication made this event a remarkable success.

Mega Medical Camp @ Kilambakkam / 11th Nov 25

- Rtn. Suryanarayana, District Chair - Health

We, the Rotarians, were pleasantly surprised to see the Spacious Modern design, excellent facilities @ Kilambakkam Bus stand. Spread over 85 acres, it has 215 Bus platforms. IMPRESSIVE !!!

Rotary Dist 3234 with Apollo Medical Team conducted a Medical camp – Eye, Dental, General Health with Sugar – for the staff of State Express Transport Corporation (SETC).

The camp was Inaugurated by our DG AKS Rtn Vinod Saraogi along with the SETC General Manager – Mr Jaroline.

This was the first time that SETC has conducted a medical camp for their staff. This was possible thanks to the persistent efforts of our Chairman – Mega Medical Camps - Rtn Santosh Kumar.

The camp was put together by Presidents – Rtn Senthilkumar, Rtn Jagjit, Rtn Sudha, Rtn Antony. They were actively involved and brought in some of their members to support and participate.

169 Staff including contract workers availed the opportunity. The presence of a General Consultant Doctor helped many enquire on their regular issues – which otherwise was left untreated. Quite a few became aware of the necessity to take care of health issues for the first time. Thank you, Apollo team.

The Host clubs were RC Mambalam, RC Upscale, RC Thiruvamiyur, RC Madras Central, RC Chenna Patna & RC Ashok Nagar.



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