



**Rotary**  
Club of Bombay Powai  
District 3141



# POWAI TARANG SEPTEMBER 2024

BASIC EDUCATION & LITERACY MONTH  
SANSKRITI THEME- GANESHOTSAV

Gajanan

Ekadanta

Vinayaka

Lambodara

Vakratunda

Bhalchandra

Vighnaharta

Krishnapingaksha



Contributed By: Dr Varsha Degwekar



## PRESIDENT Speaks



**Rtn. Dr. Susan Tripathi  
Club President (RY24-25)**

Dear RCBP Family,

It is said that education is a passport to the future, and that those who prepare today will belong to tomorrow. The theme for this month is Basic Education and Literacy. Education helps children develop skills that are useful in daily life, such as critical thinking, problem solving, discipline, and responsibility. It helps boost their confidence and self-esteem. Equitable access to learning opportunities is key to ensuring that every child is prepared for life, work and grow to be responsible citizens, contributing to Nation building.

Globally, countries and corporates have come together to make sure that every child gets access to basic education and is literate. Education leads to higher earnings, more job opportunities, and greater financial stability, thus bringing a rapid change in the society by bridging the gap of the haves and the have nots. RCBP has been working with many underprivileged schools, colleges to upgrade their infrastructure, set-up computer labs, run technical & certification programs for students, provide solar panels for green energy to ensure uninterrupted power, facilitate medical health check-up camps and vision screening, provide WASH and toilets, organize tree plantations for a greener environment and also provide scholarship programs for further education.



## PRESIDENT *Speaks*

We completed our August-24 projects & programs with lots of enthusiastic support of our members and spouses. We are grateful to everyone's contributions to the projects and for your donations. August month was as exciting for me and members of RCB Powai, and this month too was very fast paced with many projects undertaken. We completed 37 projects/programs in a span of 30 days.

We have planned many projects along with both internal & external speaker meetings (dinner), 02 Rotaract installations, distribution of IDEAL study application cards in 02 schools, flagging off Graphic Designing program batch at our Vocational Centre, District Vibrant TRF seminar and our mega fellowship event... the RCBP Vibrant Picnic which promises... fun galore

Our monthly Annapoorna service projects and medical camps scheduled will continue in this month too. We have planned few projects in late evening and also on weekends to give an option to our working members to join & participate.

Yours In Service,  
Rtn. Dr. Susan Tripathi  
Club President



## MESSAGE FROM RI PRESIDENT



**Stephanie A. Urchick**  
RI President 2024-25

The Magic of Rotary is belonging, and it's a feeling that can appear when you least expect it.

Earlier this year, I was in Slovakia serving as a president's representative during a six-week trip through Europe. When I wrote to Katarina Cechova, governor of District 2240 at the time, I mentioned that my grandmother Veronica Zilka grew up in a small village in the area before settling in the U.S.

It wasn't long before Cechova tracked down my grandmother's village, Jakubova Vol'a. She even organized a visit for me, where I received an unforgettable Slovakian welcome.

When I entered the community center of Jakubova Vol'a, a small crowd of people dressed in traditional Slovakian clothing greeted me. They sang with beautiful and powerful Central European voices that reminded me of my grandmother.

A lot of families play cards or games when they get together. When I was young, my father would pick up his accordion and lead my family in song. My grandmother would sing along with her impressive voice.



### MESSAGE FROM RI PRESIDENT-contd

When I walked into the community center and heard traditional music from my childhood — when I saw a woman play the accordion the way my dad played — I suddenly felt like a little girl sitting at my grandmother's house in Monessen, Pennsylvania. I burst into tears of joy at the memories.

But the magic didn't stop there. District Governor Cechova really outdid herself. A local genealogist worked with a videographer to make a short film about my grandmother. We watched the video together in the community center.

When the video ended, I turned around and saw a man standing in the back of the room. I quickly learned that this stranger, Frantisek Zilka, was my second cousin. His grandmother and mine had been sisters. I felt like I had been struck by lightning.

I visited my newfound cousin's home, which happens to be the home where my grandmother was born. There, he shared old photographs I had never seen of my dad, my uncle, and my grandmother.

Since then, I can't stop thinking about my family of Rotary. When I refer to you as my family, I'm not just being kind. I really think of everyone in Rotary as my family. But I never would have imagined that my Rotary family would introduce me to long-lost personal family.



### MESSAGE FROM RI PRESIDENT—contd

Sitting in that community center listening to traditional Slovakian music from my childhood filled me with joy and a profound sense of belonging. I am so grateful to District Governor Cechova and everyone who helped create that magical experience.

As members of Rotary, we have a unique opportunity to share the same magic with each other and with the world. I encourage you to consider how you can help spread that magic and ensure other members of your club — other members of our Rotary family — feel like they truly belong.

Stephanie A. Urchick  
RI President 2024-25



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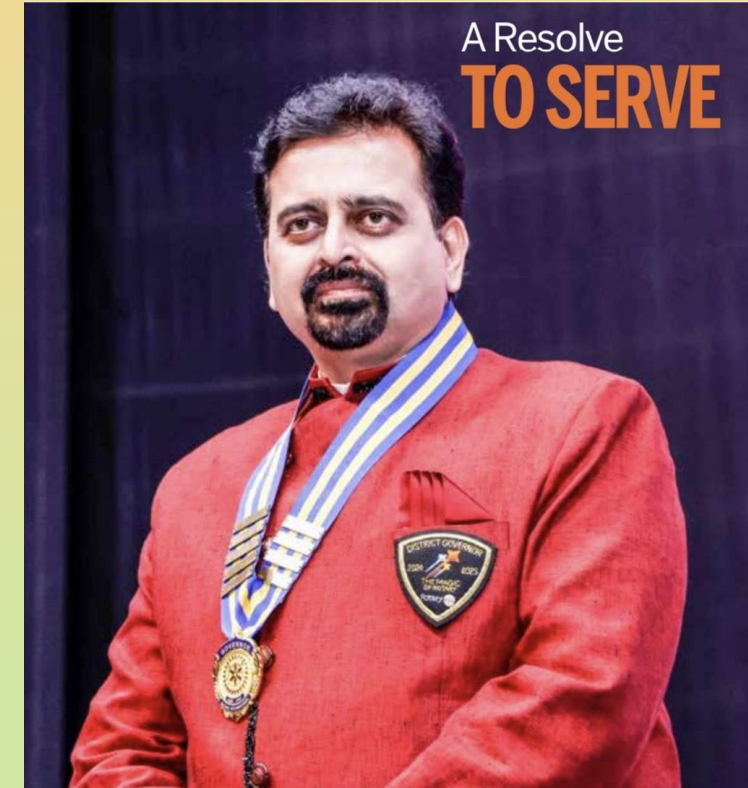


## MESSAGE FROM DISTRICT GOVERNOR RID 3141

As we enter September, Basic Education and Literacy Month, we find ourselves reflecting on the transformative power of education in building a strong, self-reliant India. The vision of a literate and empowered nation is a cornerstone for any thriving democracy, and Rotary District 3141 is proud to contribute significantly to this noble cause.

### **EMPOWERING THROUGH EDUCATION**

Our flagship project, Vibrant Anganwadi, has been a beacon of hope for early childhood education. Under the exceptional leadership of DC AKS Nikunj Jhaveri and his dedicated team, we have revolutionized the learning environment for thousands of children. With renovated classrooms and the introduction of educational toys and other tools designed by QUEST, these Anganwadis have become vibrant centres of learning and growth. The result is a nurturing environment where children can explore, learn, and develop the foundational skills necessary for future success.



**Rtn. Chetan Desai**  
District Governor (24-25)



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Building on this momentum, the L.E.A.R.N. initiative (Life Skill Education for Adolescents through Rotary Network), led by Dr. Swaroop Sampat Rawal and AC Leena Shah, has provided life skills education to adolescents, which is crucial for holistic development. The first batch of 45 teachers who received this training has already reported remarkable feedback, showcasing the initiative's success in shaping responsible and skilled future citizens.

## **RECOGNITION OF EXCELLENCE IN CSR AND PHILANTHROPY**

September also marks two significant events for our district. The Vibrant TRF Seminar on September 13, 2024, at Jade Garden Banquets, Mumbai, will honour our big-hearted donors with recognition at the hands of TRF Trustee Dr. Bharat Pandya.

These generous contributions fuel our projects and ensure our vision of an educated, equitable society becomes a reality. Following this closely is the first-ever Vibrant Rotary CSR Conclave & Awards Night on September 27, 2024, at the National Stock Exchange, BKC. This event will reward clubs and corporates for their outstanding contributions to society. With the presence of the Commerce Minister of India, Piyush Goyal, and TRF Trustee Chair, Mark Maloney, the evening promises to be a remarkable celebration of corporate and social responsibility.





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MESSAGE FROM DISTRICT GOVERNOR RID 3141 contd-

**SAMAVESH: A TRIBUTE TO NATIONAL UNITY**

Our commitment to education extends beyond traditional boundaries. Through SAMAVESH - Project National Integration, we have fostered unity and understanding among diverse communities. The project's success is a testament to our belief in the power of education to unite and inspire. It is not just about learning in the classroom but understanding the shared values that make us all proud Indians.

**AWARD-WINNING AUTISM AWARENESS CAMPAIGN**

Lastly, I am delighted to share the phenomenal success of our Autism Awareness campaign, which was awarded the Best Cause-Based Campaign at the prestigious IAA Awards Night on August 22, 2024. This recognition is a testament to the hard work and dedication of our team and the incredible support we received from media giants like Meta, Hindustan Times, and Free Press Journal. The entire credit for this wonderful initiative goes to AC Ramesh Narayan and DC Dr Mona Shah. **TOGETHER, WE BUILD THE FUTURE.** The Rotary spirit of Service above Self drives us to make a lasting impact in our communities. I am confident that together, we will continue to create magic through our initiatives and build a vibrant, irresistible Rotary. Let us embrace this month with patriotism and a renewed commitment to education and inclusion. Together, we can. Together, we will.

Yours in Rotary,  
Chetan Desai  
District Governor, RID 3141



## IN LOVING MEMORY



**Rtn. Bharti Shenvi**  
**1967 - 2024**

It was a sad day for us to have lost our dear friend and very committed Rotarian Bharti Shenvi on 1<sup>st</sup> September, 2024. After fighting really hard to overcome her illness in last two years, she took critically ill in the last 20 days of her life and breathed her last. Bharti always looked at the positive side and made everyone feel very special and loved.

While some of us and she knew she was not operational due to health reasons, I urged her to take up the role of Director - Medical Services in my team, something which was very close to her heart for many years. We both discussed that with this she will wake up every day with new hope & enthusiasm to do medical projects with RCBP, off course with a large team backing her.

Bharti joined me for signing an MoU with L&T for our current medical camps, she attended our first day Club Speaker meeting and also attended my Installation ceremony. She was present for the flag off ceremony of the medical camps on 9<sup>th</sup> July, 2024. She read through one of our BoD minutes and that was the last which I spoke with her on 20<sup>th</sup> July, 24, after which she was admitted into the hospital.



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Bharti believed in bringing everyone together and used to celebrate her birthdays every year with all of us, her RCBP family. Her birthdays were a great occasion for us to be together, which we will continue to do so in her memory. We pray that her soul rests in peace.

### **Eulogy to Bharti (by Rtn. Latha Vanamali)**

I've had the privilege of knowing Bharti for almost two decades, and she took active part in all our activities. She was an integral part of our community, always willing to lend a hand. Bharti served as Secretary twice, and for many years, she was our Director of Medical Services, bringing invaluable expertise to the role. Her extensive knowledge in the medical field was a tremendous asset to our club.

What struck me most about Bharti was her kindness and friendship towards every single member of our club. She had a unique ability to connect with people from all walks of life without ever getting entangled in controversies or conflicts. Her passing leaves a gaping hole in our lives, and we will deeply miss her warmth, wisdom, and generosity of spirit. We have gathered here to give tribute to our dear friend Bharti.



## IN LOVING MEMORY

Though soft-spoken, her impact was immense. A self-made individual who rose through life's challenges with grace and determination. As a Rotarian, she embodied the spirit of service, always lending a helping hand. Her kindness and generosity inspired us all to be better versions of ourselves.

Through her prolonged illness, she showed us the true meaning of courage and resilience. Even in pain, she continued to care for others, a testament to her compassionate heart. We remember her gentle smile, and her unwavering optimism.

Though she may be gone, her legacy lives on through the countless lives she touched. Farewell, dear Bharti - your legacy will live on in our hearts. Rest in peace, dear friend. Your soft-spoken words and selfless actions will forever echo in our hearts.

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**We have lost a very dear family member and a great friend.**

Though Bharti has moved on her onward journey, we will remember her on all occasions and her memories will remain in our minds forever.



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**RI SPECIAL OBSERVANCE THEME-EDUCATION & LITERACY- Ekal Maps Global Grant Project**  
**-By Rtn. R Vanamali**

The Ekal Maps Global Grant Project was launched with the objective of promoting Functional Literacy of Children in Villages of India.

The project entailed providing 1 set of MAPS (Large size, Rugged, Graphical) of India and World to 19,397 village Aachals or Shaalas of Ekal Foundation across 9 States of India. It's estimated about 6 lakhs of rural children would benefit from this initiative every year after full implementation.

This project was conceived by Ekal Foundation India and their US Head approached Rtn Ms Archana Uppal of Rotary Club of Trumbull (RD 7980),USA for funding support from Rotary. Rtn Archana undertook a field trip to India facilitated by Ekal Foundation for Need Based Analysis of the massive project, after which she shared her ideas with Rotarians Vanamali & Latha, requesting participation of RCBP.

After seeking respective Board approvals, a Global Grant Application was filed with District 3141.

Global Grant approval was received from RI in Oct 2016.

Total Grant Value approved was USD 30,454.80.

The project coordinators were: Rtn R Vanamali, Global Grant Coordinator, Host Club ,RCBP & Rtn Ms Archana Uppal, Global Grant Coordinator, Main Partner Club, Rotary Club of Trumbull (USA)



RI SPECIAL OBSERVANCE THEME-EDUCATION & LITERACY- Ekal Maps Global Grant Project  
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Our own Club's contribution was about 10%, rest was shared between, Rotary Club of Trumbull & a partner club, all the related Districts & matched by Rotary International ( the largest contributor). Hence, as Rotarians from India, we need to understand that when we contribute to TRF, our entire contribution comes back to us 3 years later for our Global Grant & District Grant projects.

Our MAP Supplier for the project is a well-known Printer from Delhi, M/S UNITED PUBLICATIONS. They had a rich past experience working with various Rotary Clubs & EKAL in the North.

There were many challenges faced by us during the execution of the project, especially for approvals & reporting. A key challenge which led to enormous delays was getting approvals from Rotary District Governors & TRF District Chairs from 9 Districts (across India). I had to seek help from various past DGs from our District to obtain the necessary cooperation from various Rotary Districts.

Within the Club, I received great support from current & Past Presidents as also from Club Treasurers, like Vivek Govilkar & Dilip Talreja. For our final 'Project Financial Closure, I received tremendous support from Rtn.Subodh Bohra, District Treasurer (known as the TRF & GG Guru as far as accounting matters are concerned). The greatest support came from, of course, Rtn Archana, Ekal Foundation India Team & United Publications.



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This was a team effort & completion of this Mega Global Grant project has enlightened the young minds of 600,000 children every year since implementation, making them better citizens for a better India. There is still miles to go to cover all rural kids in India!

I'm sure Ekal is still moving forward implementing such projects with support from other Rotary Clubs in India. It was our happiest day when we received intimation from RI South Asia Office in September 2023 that our Global Grant closure was successfully achieved & they thanked all Rotarians for their time, money & efforts!

I look forward to more opportunities in future for our Club to participate in large & meaningful Projects with CSR & Global Grant support.



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**Ekal-Map Distribution  
to various Shalaas &  
Students Learning**







FROM OUR CSR PARTNER – Electronic Payment and Services Pvt Ltd– Project National Integration

## Empowering Kashmiri Women: A Beacon of Hope and Unity

On March 8, 2024, 25 young women from Kashmir accomplished something extraordinary. They completed a nursing and midwifery training program that opened doors to brighter futures. Led by Electronic Payment and Services (EPS), the Rotary Club of Bombay Powai, and the Indian Army, this initiative brought vital healthcare skills to regions in desperate need.



The program wasn't just about medical training. It was about resilience, leadership, and the will to make a difference. Mentors stood by the young ladies, guiding them through every challenge. During training, as they stepped into communities, they connected deeply with the people they were serving and sought to understand their struggles and hopes.



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The impact is life-changing. These ladies will save lives, protect mothers, and nurture infants in the most remote corners of Kashmir. Hopefully, they will become symbols of strength, breaking barriers and defying expectations. Their success will inspire others to dream bigger and aim higher.

But the story goes beyond healthcare. It's about unity, about communities coming together with purpose and compassion. This initiative shows that when people unite for a cause, real change happens. And this is only the beginning.

**Contributed by: Ms. Pradnya Bagade, Vice President  
Electronic Payment and Services Pvt. Ltd. (EPS)**





SANSKRITI- Art, Culture, Heritage - Ganeshotsav -By Sadhna Bhave

Modak is Ganesha's favorite sweet and made in many Hindu homes during the first day of Ganesh Chaturthi Festival. Every year, as Ganesh festival approaches, I can't help but think of the kitchen air, which fills with the fragrance of freshly grated coconut, jaggery melting into it, with the aroma of crushed cardamom and nutmeg, the delicate scent of rice flour being worked into that perfectly thin, translucent layer that only my mother in law can master - soft, plump dumplings called Ukdiche Modak.

As a Sindhi married into a Maharashtrian family, I picked up many things from her - how to make the smoothest shrikhand, the yummiest peethla—there was something about her modaks that i couldn't quite master. She works her nimble fingers with precision - the rice flour coating has to be impossibly thin, just enough to encase the plump coconut and jaggery filling without overpowering it - just perfect. Maybe one day my version will be half as good!

There's a special way to eat these modaks too. You don't just pick them up and eat them. No, you carefully place two (or more if you're feeling indulgent!) on your plate, poke a hole in the top, and then the final touch: a fat dollop of ghee. It's an indulgence, yes, but Ganesh comes only once a year, and this is our way of celebrating together as a family.





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SANSKRITI- Art, Culture, Heritage - Ganeshotsav -By Sadhna Bhave



There is a story related to the Modaks. The Modak was gifted to Mata Parvati by Lord Vishnu, and he asked her to give to the one who truly deserved it. But Mata Parvati had two sons - Ganesha and Kartikeya, and how could she give it to one of them. Therefore, she organized a contest. She said that the one who would travel around the universe three times would get it.

Kartikeya began his journey on his peacock, but Ganesha did parikrama of his parents, as they meant the world to him. Moreover, he knew that they represented the universe. Thus, by winning Mata Parvati's heart with his wisdom, he grabbed the Modak.





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SANSKRITI- Art, Culture, Heritage - Ganeshotsav -By Sadhna Bhave

## **MODAK RECIPE**

Ingredients: For the Dough (Outer Rice Covering):- 1 cup rice flour (fine variety)- 1 cup water- 1 tsp ghee (clarified butter)- A pinch of salt.

For the Filling:- 1 cup fresh grated coconut-  $\frac{3}{4}$  cup jaggery (adjust to taste)-  $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp cardamom powder- a pinch of nutmeg powder - 1 tbsp poppy seeds- 1 tbsp chopped dry fruits (like cashews and raisins, optional)- 1 tsp ghee

For Serving:- Ghee (for drizzling)

Instructions:

1. Prepare the Filling: - Heat 1 tsp ghee in a pan on medium heat.
  - Add the grated coconut and sauté for 2-3 minutes.
  - Add the jaggery and stir continuously until the jaggery melts and blends with the coconut. Don't overcook, as the filling should be moist, not dry.
  - Add cardamom powder, nutmeg, poppy seeds and dry fruits. Stir well.
  - Remove from heat and let it cool. The filling should be slightly sticky and moist.
2. Prepare the Dough: - Boil 1 cup of water with a pinch of salt and 1 tsp ghee.
  - Once the water comes to a rolling boil, lower the heat and add the rice flour slowly, stirring continuously to avoid lumps.
  - Turn off the heat, cover, and let it rest for 5-7 minutes. - After resting, transfer the mixture to a plate and knead the dough while it's still warm. Knead well to make a soft, smooth, and lump-free dough. If needed, grease your palms with ghee for easier handling.



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Assemble the Modaks:

- Grease your palms with a little ghee and take a small portion of the dough.
  - Roll it into a smooth ball and then flatten it into a disc. The edges should be thinner than the center.
  - Place about 1-2 teaspoons of the coconut-jaggery filling in the center.
  - Now, carefully start pleating the edges of the dough. Bring the pleats together to seal the modak at the top, forming a pointed shape.
  - Repeat for the remaining dough and filling.
4. Steam the Modaks:
- Grease a steamer plate or a banana leaf with ghee.
  - Place the modaks on it, leaving some space between them.
  - Steam the modaks in a steamer or pressure cooker (without the whistle) for about 10-12 minutes on medium heat.
  - Once done, let them rest for a few minutes before serving.
5. Serve:

Place the modaks on a plate, poke a generous hole on top, and drizzle warm ghee inside for that extra indulgence. Tips:-  
Dough texture: The dough should be soft and pliable, so kneading it well is key. If it feels too dry, sprinkle a little warm water.- Practice pleating: The pleating can be tricky, but with practice, you'll get better at it. You can also use a modak mold if available to make the process easier. Enjoy the modaks warm, and don't forget the generous dollop of ghee!



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ROTARY FAMILY- ZENTANGLE ART -By Noyona Chadha



**Noyona Chadha**  
Daughter of Rtn Anurag  
Chadha & Anindita Roy

### What is Zentangle art and how did it originate?

Zentangle is a form of meditative art that involves creating intricate designs with repeated patterns. It was developed by Rick Roberts and Maria Thomas in 2003 to help people focus, relax, and achieve inner peace through drawing.

The basic technique of Zentangle includes using a pen or pencil to draw abstract patterns on a small piece of paper or card, typically measuring 3.5 inches by 3.5 inches (8.9 cm by 8.9 cm). The patterns are usually black and white and often feature curved or organic shapes. Creating a Zentangle is meant to be a relaxing and meditative experience, focusing on the repetitive motion of drawing the patterns.

Many individuals find that practicing Zentangle helps alleviate stress and anxiety, improve concentration and focus, and promote a sense of calm and well-being.



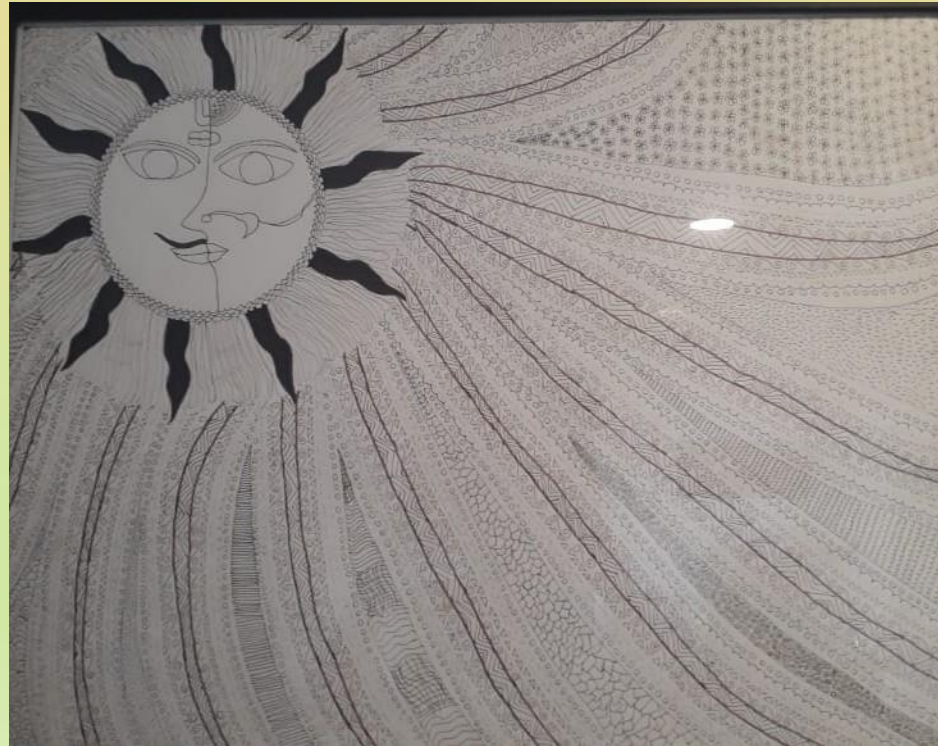
## ROTARY FAMILY- ZENTANGLE ART -Contd-

Why did I choose zentangle art as an art form in drawing?

I started zentangling when I was in 6th grade. I learned it at my school, Shikshantar.

We were learning this art form so we could present it at the Humara Mela function, and after that, this art just kind of stuck with me.

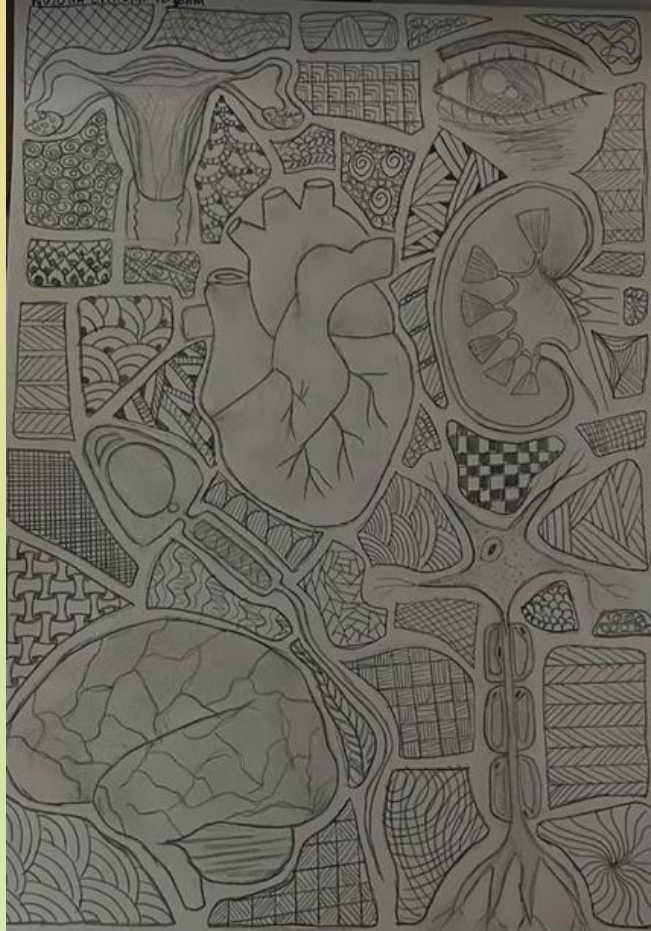
I found zentangle to be an intriguing art form because it contains different kinds of patterns and there are no limitations on the patterns; they can be drawn in any way, making it easier to express yourself.





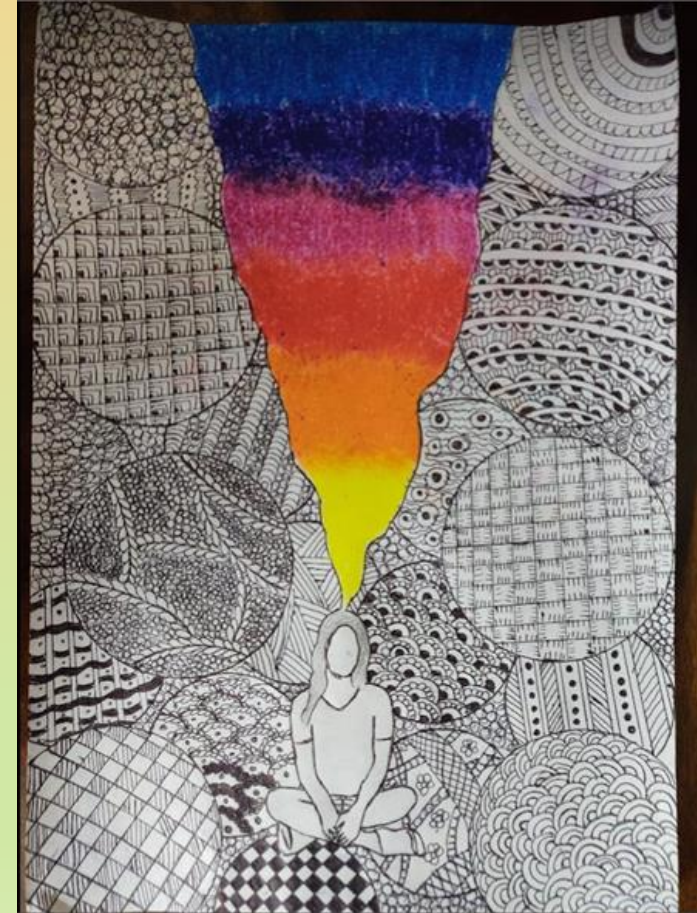


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Second, just as nature has its different aspects like trees, rivers, sky, etc., but is viewed as one whole beauty, zentangle art is also a merger of different patterns that represent different ideas, emotions, or thoughts of the artist, but you still view it as a whole.

You see it as a whole personality portrayed by the artist, which completes the motive of the artist - bringing forth their emotions and ideas. Due to a combination of all these reasons, I think zentangle art has been the best way for me to express my feelings and thoughts through art.





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## ROTARY IN ACTION- Knowledge Quest Finals



The District Vibrant Knowledge Quest got completed on August 04 in a very grand manner. We conducted both the finals of Group B & A and thereon moved to the school auditorium for the Awards Ceremony. We are grateful to Rtn Dr. Seema Negi, Vibrant President of RC Mumbai West Coast and the Founder Principal of Sanjeevani World School for having given us permission to use their hall (for running the contests) and the auditorium to organize the Awards ceremony. We had an audience of 125+ members. There were many Vibrant Presidents who joined us as co-hosts for the VKQ present along with the teams of venue partners and many District officials along with District Governor Rtn. Chetan Desai with First Lady, Jwala Desai. In our Vibrant journey of District Knowledge Quest we were supported by: 87 schools | 255 students | 6 Venue Partners | 25 Co-hosting Clubs | One Lead Sponsor VEGA | Trophy Sponsor Spell Quest | Gift Sponsors EPS and Vikas Labs | Our gratitude to all of them. A big thank you to Rtn Pradip Mittra (our quiz master) who worked very hard to bring out the quiz. DG Chetan in his address thanked RCBP for accommodating his request and coming to Dahisar for organizing the Awards ceremony. He congratulated all present saying that RCBP team has done extremely well by organizing this event and it is one of the largest one in youth that he has attended. There were many gift hampers, prizes, trophies and certificates which were presented to the students.



## ROTARY IN ACTION- Annapoorna Services

Rotary Club of Bombay Powai is committed to support 8 Homes (4 elder homes and 4 children homes) through the Vibrant Year by sponsoring one day meal / providing snacks to the beneficiaries. RCB Powai member families come forward and sponsor these Annapoorna services on monthly basis sharing their birthday/anniversary joys with the beneficiaries. Few homes are visited by the members too. We are happy to recognize the families who have sponsored Annapoorna services in Aug 2024. May God bless them and all our member families abundantly.



Little Sisters of the Poor - Home for the Aged, Mahakali: RCBP sponsored a meal (milk, chapati, veggies, rice, dal and pudding) for the residents of Little Sisters of the poor, Home for the aged at Mahakali on 1st Aug, 2024 (1st Thurs). We thank Rtn. Dhananjay Mande for being the sponsor and contributing Rs.3,000/- for this service

Sneha Sadan - Home for Destitute children, Chakala: RCBP sponsored a meal for the children of Sneha Sadan at Chakala on 7th Aug, 2024 (1st Wed). Meal were prepared at their center's central kitchen in Chakala and sent to 7 centers of their home for destitute children. We thank Rtn. Jyoti Shiralee for being the sponsor and contributing Rs.3,000/- for this service. President Dr. Susan and Jyoti visited their Mahakali girls home and served food to the children.



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Rathod Home for the Aged, Bhayander: RCBP sponsored a meal for the residents of Rathod home for the aged on 8th Aug, 2024 (2nd Thurs). Meal of dal, mixed veg, steam rice, banana, jalebi, roti, pickle were prepared at the home and served to the residents along with coconut water. We thank Anindita Roy and Rtn. Anurag Chadha for being the sponsors and contributing Rs.3,000/- for this service.

ASHA NGO, IIT Powai: RCBP sponsored a meal for the children of ASHA NGO on 14th Aug, 2024 (2nd Wed). Meals of Rajma-chawal and halwa were prepared at their kitchen in the center and served by our team of Archana ji, Tripathiji, Ruchi S. and Pres. Dr. Susan. We thank Rtns. Hanuman & Dr. Susan Tripathi for being the sponsors and contributing Rs.3,000/- for this service.



## ROTARY IN ACTION- Annapoorna Services



Saidham home for the aged, Khidkali, Thane: RCBP sponsored a meal for the residents of Saidham on 15th Aug, 2024 (3rd Thurs). Meals - Tea & pohe for breakfast and masale rice, chapati, potatoes with sprouts, fryums were prepared at the home + boondi ladoo and apple were served for lunch to the residents. We thank Rtns. Vanamali & Latha for being the sponsors and contributing Rs.3,000/- for this service.

An additional Annapoorna service was done at ASHA NGO, IIT Powai: RCBP sponsored a meal for the children of the center on Mon, 22nd July, 2024. Meals of Aaloo-puri and sheera were prepared in their center's kitchen and were served by our team of Ruchi Agarwal and her mom (in memory of her father's birthday). We thank Rtn. Rakesh & Ruchi Agarwal for being the sponsors and contributing Rs.3,000/- for this service.



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RCBP sponsored snacks (Croissant and bananas) to the children being coached by Ekta Mahila Samitee Vikas Sanstha at Vikhroli Parksite on 21st Aug, 2024 (3rd Wed). We thank Rtn. Vithal & Manisha Suryavanshi for being the sponsor and contributing Rs.4,500/- for this Annapoorna service.



RCBP sponsored a meal for the elders of Nityanand Home for the Aged, Mira Road scheduled on 22nd Aug, 2024 (4th Thurs). Breakfast of Sabudana Khichdi and tea were prepared by the home and served to the residents. We thank Rtn. Alpana & Ashok Mansukhani for being the sponsor and contributing Rs.3,000/- for this service.



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## ROTARY IN ACTION- Annapoorna Services



RCBP sponsored snacks for the students of SEED Foundation, Chandivali, Powai on 28th Aug, 2024 (4th Wed). Cooked Sprouts and boiled eggs prepared by their internal caterer was served to the students after class at 8.30 pm. We thank Rtn. Udayan & Shubhashree Dasgupta for being the sponsors and contributing Rs.3,000/- for this service. RCBP team comprising of Ruchi, Dr. Manoj, Chavi, Kortiji, Udayan ji and Shushashree participated in this Annapoorna service.



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## ROTARY IN ACTION- Free Financial Education Camp for EWS



With the super efforts of our Rtn. Punit and Meenakshi Jain, along with Rotary District 3141 and implementation team of Suryoday, it was heartening to see many beneficiaries attending the FREE Financial Education Camp, led by RCB Powai, in Raheja Vistas today, Fri 9th & 10th Aug, 24, 10.00 am onwards. It was heartening to see the energies put in by Ms. Meenakshi of Suryoday team explaining the various Govt. schemes, on why and how to save, banks and different bank products, insurance and pension schemes etc. For every product she gave info about its benefits as well to the beneficiaries.





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## ROTARY IN ACTION- District Sanskar



President Dr Susan Tripathi and Rtn. Tejal Sheth, Youth Services Director participated in the District Youth Assembly named Sanskar at Rajhan's school auditorium, Andheri West on August 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>. This training was held for all the Interact Clubs of the District. 13 interactors from our four interact schools... Hiranandani Foundation School International and ICSE, Pawar Public school and Gopal Sharma Group of schools participated in this program. DG Chetan Desai was the Chief Guest and District Youth Services Avenue team were all present at the venue. We were silver Co-hosts at Rs.5,000/- with RCM Juhu, the Lead Host of the program and we also sponsored the registration fees of Rs.1,300/- for the 13 students. It was well attended by upwards of 300 students and teachers in total.



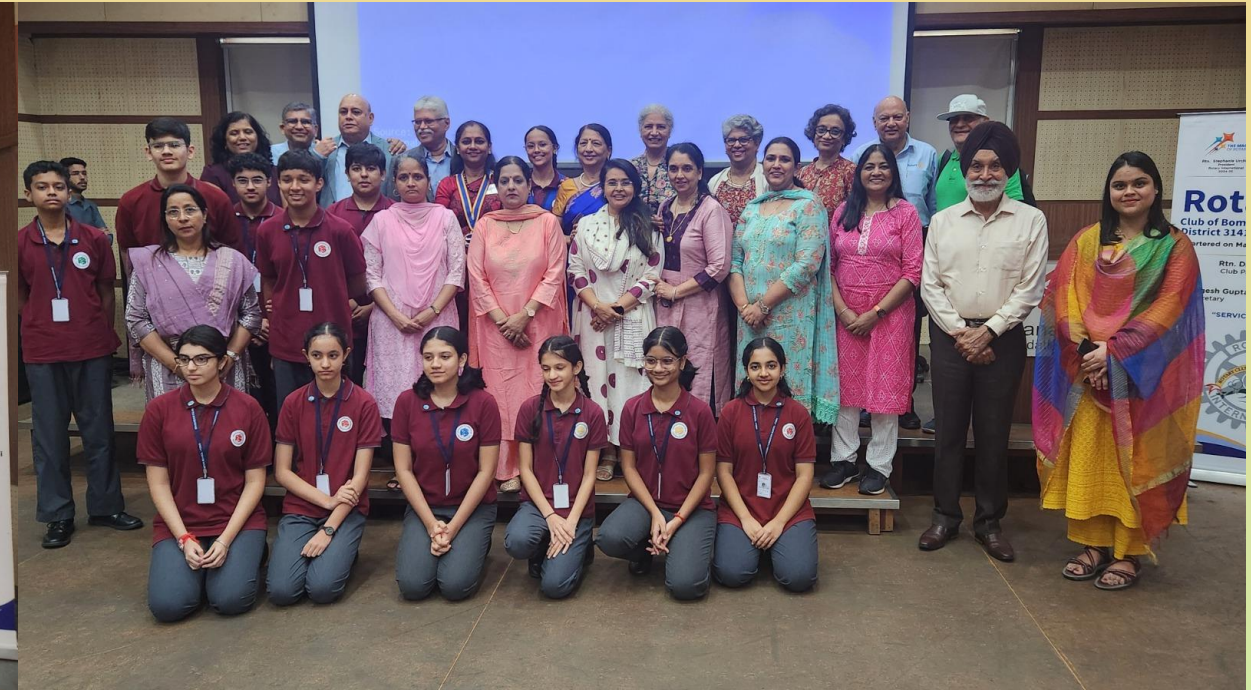
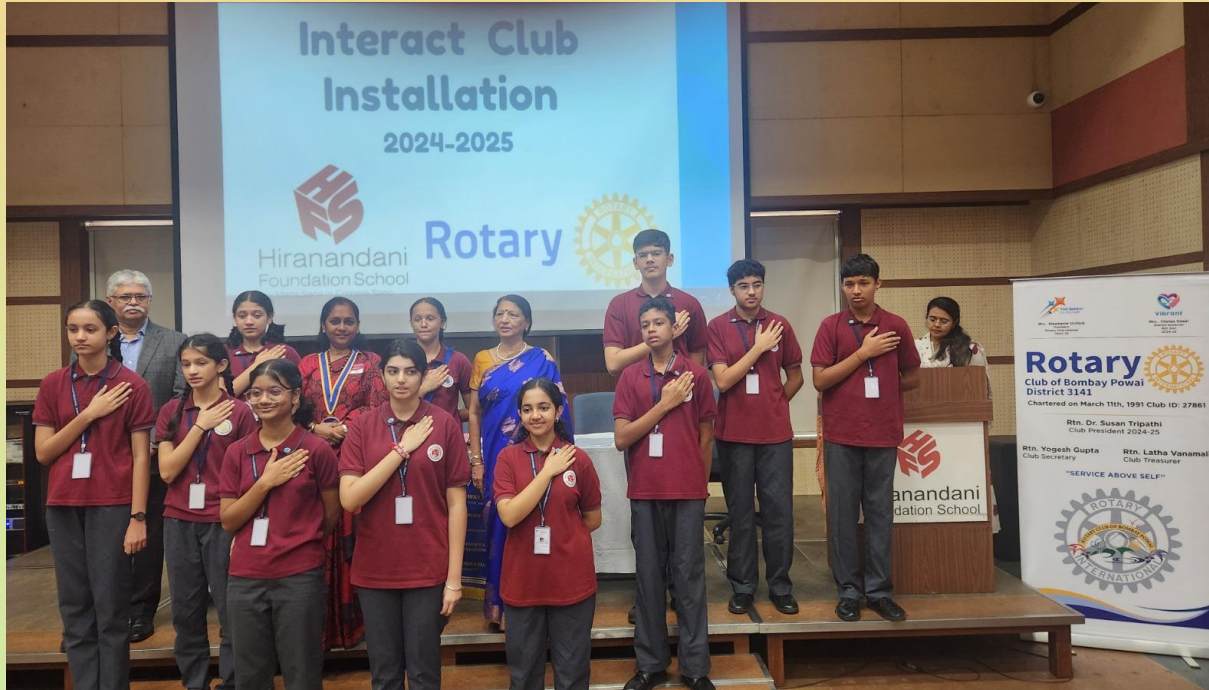
## ROTARY IN ACTION- Installation of President and Board of Interact Club Pawar Public School



We completed the Interact Installation of new President Vidhi Kaushal & her BoD at Pawar Public school today, Thursday, 1st Aug, 24 - 10.00 am onwards. This ceremony was organized in the school auditorium with around 100+ students and teachers present. The school's invocation song, stage performance and national anthem is made with tremendous creativity & passion. PPS teachers are very committed and skilled too, including Interact Incharge Pooja Ghube and Principal Vijay Mirgan, who is a true leader by the standards of how he has built the school. Thank you Amit Sheth for being the Chief Guest.



## ROTARY IN ACTION- Installation of President and Board of Interact Club Hiranandani Foundation School



RCBP completed its 3rd Interact Installation ceremony of the new President Lara Bhatt & her BoD at Hiranandani Foundation School ICSE on Wednesday, 7th Aug, 24 - 10.00 am onwards. This ceremony was organized in the school auditorium with around 100+ students and teachers present. The outgoing president Devansh Bhagat read his report and shared details of the projects completed by the team as part of the Interact club like no honking drive, beach cleaning program etc. Rtn Nikhil Madgavkar was the Chief Guest.



## ROTARY IN ACTION- Installation of President and Board of Interact Club Gopal Sharma Group of Schools



RCBP completed its 4th Interact Installation ceremony of the new President Gargi Mestry & her BoD at Gopal Sharma Group of Schools on Thursday, 8th Aug, 24 - 10.15 am onwards. This ceremony was organized in the school auditorium with around 280+ students and teachers present. The outgoing president Tanzila Sheikh read her report and shared details of the projects completed by the team as part of the Interact club like no honking drive, plastic free drive, tree plantation, donation drive for homeless children etc. Rtn. Kishore Degwekar was the Chief Guest. Principal Ms. Sudha Sharan thanked RCB Powai for all the support given to their students.



## ROTARY IN ACTION- Installation of President and Board of Interact Club Powai English High School



RCBP completed its 5th Interact Installation ceremony of the new President Sagar Sharma & his BoD at Powai English High School on Wednesday, 14th Aug, 24 - 10.00 am onwards. This ceremony was organized in the school auditorium with around 100+ students and teachers present. The outgoing president Nidha Khan read her report and shared details of the projects completed by the team as part of the Interact club. Rtn. Anurag Chadha was the Chief Guest. This Interact Installation function was superbly organized by Principal Shirley and her school teachers complete with a skit highlighting - NO to plastics, end to child labour, education for all, real actors are our Jawans etc.



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## ROTARY IN ACTION- Medical Camps

Vibrant Year Medical Camps titled Aarogya supported by the CSR Initiative of L&T Realty and Larsen & Toubro Public Charitable Trust (LTPCT) are being conducted for the unorganized sector. 11 camps were conducted in August benefitting over a 1100 beneficiaries.





## ROTARY IN ACTION- Baaghbaan

Project - Musical Moments at Saidham Home for the Aged on 23rd August 2024

RCBP members had some wonderful musical moments with the residents of Saidham Old Age Home at Khadkali, Dombivali yesterday. This was an in-premise entertainment program planned with the help of our Director - Community Services, Rtn. Savita Govilkar who is also the Chair - District Avenue: Bagbaan and Ability to Disability. The program was attended by Savita, Vivek, Archanaji and Pres. Dr. Susan. Rtn. Archana Bagaria was the Chief Guest of this program. We distributed Tea, Biscuits, Snacks and Sweets to the residents. Both singers Dharendra Singh and Ria Chaddha were fantastic and sang like the original singers some wonderful numbers. We thank RCB Neo Club, Goregaon as Rtn. Kala Sridhar (Avenue Chair) organized the singers from ARK Events.





## ROTARY IN ACTION- Tree Plantation at Sanjeevandeep Special School Airoli



On Tues, 6th August, 2024 | 11.30 am onwards under the 'My Club Green Club' initiative, we completed the project of Tree plantation at Sanjeevandeep Special School at Airoli for paraplegics, mentally challenged and hearing impaired children. The school caters to around 110 students who study in the day care school. We completed the tree plantation with 45 children participating with us. We later distributed apples to all the students, teachers and the didis of the school. We were fortunate to even buy some gift items made by the hands of the children in their vocation centre. Project Leaders: Rtn. Ameeta Vohra and Rtn. Ruchi Aggarwal Rotarians participated: President Rtn. Dr. Susan Tripathi, Club Secretary Rtn. Yogesh Gupta, PL Rtn. Ruchi Aggarwal, Rtn. Manjit Bali Rtn. Sashi Patharia, Rtn. Sudha Ajit, Rtn. Deepti Shah, Manisha Suryavanshi We planted Mango, papaya, drumstick, banana, anjeer and few flowering plants such as rose, krishnakamal, hibiscus.





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**SUSH'S SURPRISE- QUIRKY TRAVEL PICS -By Sushmita Chandra**

Dear Readers,  
We invited you to send in that quirky picture you couldn't stop yourself from clicking and chuckling over.  
Here are the best entries!!!



Himalaya from the flight to Bhutan by Vivek Govilkar



@North Pole, Alaska : But Where's Santa ?

**WINNER !!!**

Hawaon main Bhenge Ghataon main  
Rahenge -- Agar Tum Saath ho ❤️  
Poonam & Sheshadri @ Blues-  
Between Sky n Earth

Pradip Mittra @  
Hotel Trident with  
Farooq Engineer!

Davina Bali @ a cafe in  
Carmel-by-sea, California



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FUN QUIZ- Select the odd man out

-By Vivek Govilkar

### Powai Tarang Quiz 2

There are 10 questions, each with 5 options. You have to identify the odd-man in each of these questions.

1. Dumbledore, Gryffindor, Slytherin, Hufflepuff, Ravenclaw
2. Vishnu Diganbar Paluskar, DV Paluskar, Bhimsen Joshi, Amir Khan (Classical Singer), Bade Gulam Ali Khan
3. Ingrid Bergman, Greta Garbo, Charlie Chaplin, Russell Crowe, Paul Newman
4. Winston Churchill, Charles De Gaulle, FD Roosevelt, Adolf Hitler, Joseph Stalin
5. Bjorn Borg, Roger Federer, Boris Becker, John McEnroe, Rafael Nadal
6. Rajinder Singh Bedi, Prem Chand, RK Narayan, Ali Sardar Jafri, Saadat Hasan Manto
7. Firoz Shah Mehta, Vallabha Bhai Patel, Jawaharlal Nehru, Bal Gangadhar Tilak, Subhash Chandra Bose
8. Great Garbo, John Wayne, Gregory Peck, Clark Gable, Spencer Tracey
9. Jupiter, Saturn, Mars, Uranus, Neptune
10. Omkara, QSQT, Haider, Parichay, Maqbool

**WINNERS**  
**R Vanamali**  
**Savita Govilkar**

Answers on next page



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**FUN QUIZ- Select the odd man out**  
**Answers to Powai Tarang Quiz 2**

*-By Vivek Govilkar*

1. Dumbledore. All others are houses at Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry in the Harry Potter Series.
2. Vishnu Diganbar Paluskar is the only one who was never a playback singer in Hindi films.
3. Paul Newman is the only US born actor.
4. Charles De Gaulle was the only one who was NOT the Head of State during WW-II.
5. Boris Becker was the only unseeded player to win the Wimbledon.
6. RK Narayan was the only writer not writing in Urdu. It is also correct to say he was the only one to write in English.
7. Bal Gangadhar Tilak was the only one who was never a mayor of any city. (Mehta-Bombay, Patel-Ahmedabad, Nehru-Allahabad, Bose-Calcutta.) Nehru was the only PM among the lot, is also a correct answer though it was very obvious and not the expected answer.
8. Greta Garbo is the only one who never acted in colour films. She was the only one who was not born American is also correct. I am not considering the 'only woman' logic as that is too obvious.
9. Mars is the only one without rings. It is also correct to say that others are gaseous giants.
10. Parichay is the only one that does not have Shakespearian theme. (Omkara-Othello, QSQT-Romeo Juliet, Haider-Hamlet, Maqbool-Macbeth)



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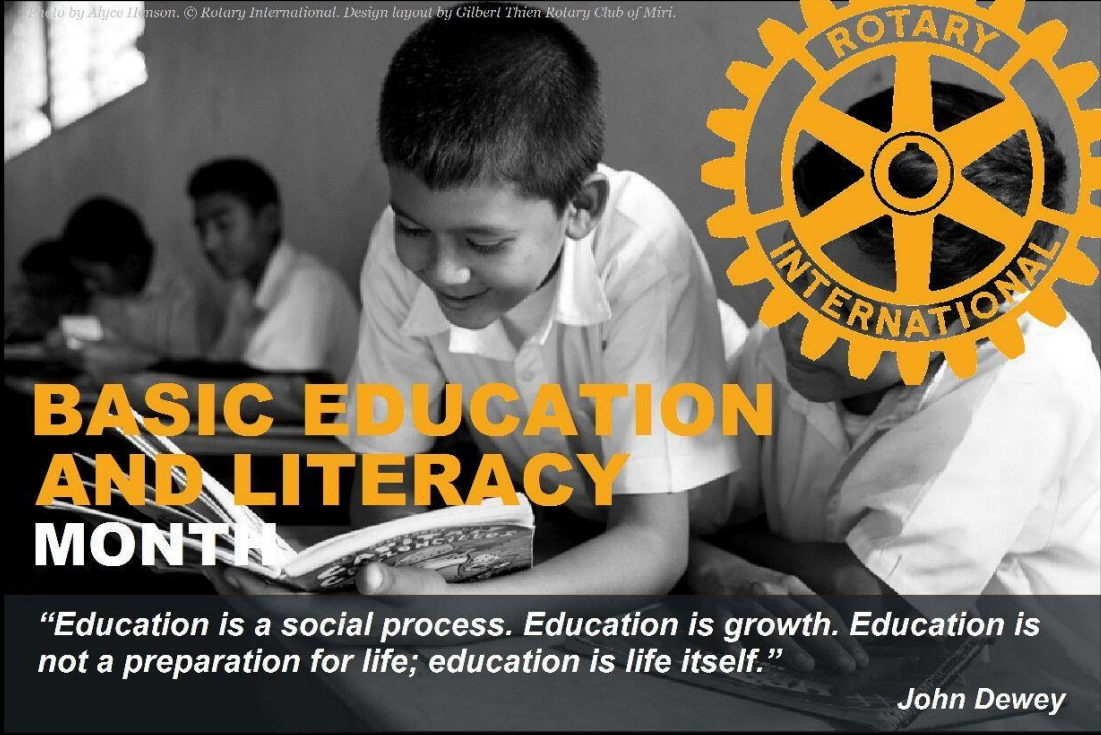




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