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**PRESIDENT  
 RAJUL DOSHI**

My fellow Rotarians,

The Incredible year has started off on a very good note. We witnessed a grand installation with an attendance of more than 170. I am overwhelmed with the with the support of my Incredible board and all the members of RCBW who have put in great efforts to make it a very successful installation. I am grateful and thankful to all of you.

The year started with a bang - invited and attended 6 installations of co presidents and above all our DG Arun Bhargava

The year started with receiving blessings from Swami Devakantyananda from Ramkrishna Mission who enlightened us on teachings of Swami Vivekananda in today's times. It was a delight to listen to him.

I also had the pleasure of flag exchange with a third generation visiting Rotarian Dr. Anjana Maitra from Rotary Club of Rourkela at the first meeting itself!

There is a strong feeling of fulfillment of impacting lives of large number of students at the start of the year, when projects like Guru Pournima celebration at Zilla Parishad school with distribution of school bags, water bottle, stationary pouches and ladoos and umbrella to teachers.

This was mainly supported by Rtn. Dr. Pratima Kodkani.

As it is rightly said, "Charity begins at home". We distributed notebook, text books and yummy lunch at Rotary KDN Shruti School. This project was sponsored by Rtn. Sandeep Parikh.

We have a lot of projects and speakers lined up in the coming few weeks. Hope to see a good financial and personal support from all of you for these projects.

Let us all enjoy life and enjoy Rotary!

# INSTALLATION

Rotary Club of Bombay West witnessed the installation ceremony of Rtn. Rajul Doshi and her Incredible Board of Directors. Held on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2023 at Rotary Service Center, the installation ceremony witnessed the presence of District Governor Rtn. Arun Bhargava, First Lady Seema Bhargava and a host of district dignitaries and college of Past District Governors.

Alpha President in his outgoing speech, spoke about the achievements of the club in the year 2022-23. This was followed by installation of Rajul Doshi as the President who was adorned the Collar and pin of the President. She was also presented with the Club Charter and Gavel Gong by the outgoing President Dharmendra.



Rajul spoke about her dream projects that she aspires to organise and execute during her tenure. She also inducted 2 Honorary Rotarians into membership of RCBW namely, Padmashri Darshana Jhaveri & Padmashri D B Pathak. Both the Honorary Rotarians were felicitated in presence of the District Governor and Assistant Governor.

# INDUCTION OF BOD

The Board of Directors for 2023-24 was inducted by DG Arun Bhargava.



Rtn Dharmendra Sharma



Rtn Kamal D'Mello and Rtn Kinny Kaul



Rtn Rahul Goenka



Rtn Praveen Mehta



Rtn Shalin Divatia



Rtn Nishant Bafna



Rtn. Aslam Merchant



Rtn. Kunal Sehgal



Rtn Zoeb Kanorwalla



Rtn. Nandivardhan Jain



Rtn. Nilesh Samant



Rtn. Haituk Desai



Rtn. Tejas Sura

## ADDRESS BY DIGNITARIES

The gathering was addressed by Assistant Governor Rtn. Chitaranjan Gupta, who also introduced the Incredible District Governor Rtn. Arun Bhargava.

DG Arun Bhargava conveyed his best wishes to the new team of RCBW and spoke about the contribution of the club and its permanent projects. President Elect Rtn. Rahul Goenka gave a hearty vote of thanks and Secretary Rtn. Kinny Kaul made the Secretary's announcement.

The Flying Carpet with a new and fresh look was released. Rtn. Shefali Shah compered the programme flawlessly.

- Rtn Siddhant Bhide



*Congratulations*  
to the BOD 2023-24!

## BLESSINGS MEETING



On 12<sup>th</sup> July, 2023, Swami Devakantyananda from Ramakrishna Mission showered his blessings and spoke on The continued Relevance of Swami Vivekanand's teaching in today's times and world.

## PROJECTS

First project of Incredible year, on Guru Purnima day, 3rd July 2023 at Zilla Parishad Prathmik Shala, Shankarpada, Taluka Dahanu, District Palghar.

Following items were given to about 197 students  
1) Steel thali for lunch 2) School bag with schools name 3) Water bottle 4) Stationary pouch. Umbrellas were provided to school teachers Rotarians who attended the project : President Rajul Doshi, Club Secretary Kinny Kaul, PE Rahul Goenka, VP Praveen Mehta, Director CS III Nilesh Samant and Pratima Kodkani who sponsored the gifts provided to children. President Rajul Doshi sponsored sweets and stationery pouch for the children.

-Rtn Nilesh Samant



On 12<sup>th</sup> July, 2023, Rtn. Sandeep Parikh donated notebooks, etc. worth Rs. 80,000/- to all 103 students of KDN Shruti School which was followed by lunch for all the students.

# PROJECTS



## Supa Farm Rotary Excellence Awards Recognizes Meritorious Students in Palghar District

On 15<sup>th</sup> July 2023, Rotary Club of Bombay West, successfully organized the annual Supa Farm Rotary Excellence Awards supported by the philanthropic support of past president and ex-Sheriff of Bombay, Shri Mohanbhai Patel, The event, held at K J Somaiya Madhyamic Vidhyalaya, Nareshwadi, Dahanu, aimed to honor and encourage academic achievement among the SSC students in Palghar schools. This year, a total of 264 students were acknowledged for their exceptional performance. The top three meritorious students were awarded cash prizes of Rs. 5,000, Rs. 3,000 and Rs. 2,000, respectively along with certificates of excellence.



The esteemed event was graced by the presence of IAS Sanjita Mahapatra, Assistant Collector, as the Chief Guest. Shri Rajiv Patil, the former Mayor of Vasi-Virar, honored the event as the Guest of Honour. The President Rtn Rajul Doshi chaired the event and IPP Rtn. Dharmendra Sharma, expertly hosted the event. Past President Mohanbhai Patel and his daughter Nisha Sagar, President-Elect Rahul Goenka, Club Secretary Kinny Kaul, and R/ann Arti Sharma, were also present at the occasion. Mohanbhai Patel delivered an inspiring speech on the essence of excellence, Chief Guest Assistant Collector Sanjita Mahapatra shared her remarkable life journey, the first Mayor of Vasai-Virar, Shri Rajiv Patil, blessed the students with his words of motivation and wisdom. The special Kabbadi Player and Swimming Champion and gold medalist Shri Sachin Harishchandra Tandel talked about his exceptional performance and achievements despite his disabilities. PE Rahul Goenka concluded the event with a heartfelt vote of thanks. The Rotary Club of Bombay West continues its commitment to nurturing academic excellence and supporting the aspirations of the youth. Through initiatives like the Supa Farm Rotary Excellence Awards, the club aims to inspire and empower the future leaders of society.



- Rtn Dharmendra Sharma

## Installation of Rotaract Club of Bombay West



## Installation of Rotaract Club of Andheri



### Attended by

President Rtn. Rajul Doshi  
 Secretary Rtn. Kinny Kaul  
 Rtn. Nandivardhan Jain  
 Rtn. Samapti Patel  
 Rtn. Deepal Mody  
 Rtn. Siddhant Bhide  
 IWCBW Secretary Kavita Rege

### My Aspiration From my Life

**“ To dream, across horizons. To hope, beyond infinity.  
 In every dream, holds manifestation; to fulfill throughout, eternity.  
 Those feeble to high aspirations, that that lay low intertwined...  
 By Rotary-Rotaract's benevolent grace, it soars high and unwind! ”**



Born in India, Asia and brought up at Nigeria, Africa; I have been exposed to a plethora of cultural, social, economic, racial as well as traditional diversities. Having my roots set in Africa, to have interacted with the “Skin of Black yet Heart of Gold” has truly enlightened me and given me a purpose; to ignite the altruistic side of mine. My driving force has always revolved around “giving”, “helping”, “facilitating” and contributing as and when, wherever my skills, abilities as well as will power enables me to; be it in the social sphere, my academics/career, personal or community front etc. (My parents, friends, professors and fellow Rotaractors can attest to it indeed!).

Hailing from a land, Africa, that has fallen prey to numerous calamities, racial discrimination, social and economic setbacks and yet seeing the people being ever so sunshine engulfed, motivated, hardworking and welcoming; it truly inspired me and drove me towards working for the community, starting right from my people. A personal anecdote that I still carry forward with me- Aunty Glory, my caretaker/house-help at Lagos, Nigeria has selflessly served us for about 15 whole years; always with a smile said “Neha don't worry O! It de all be fine eh.” It is safe to say she is akin to my parents! And her charismatic, persevering nature and utmost devotion to us has always left me in awe, and inspired to be the benevolent person I, we all can be! Yet, it torments my heart seeing/hearing people casually cussing, bullying, discriminating with the Africans in India, who're here to study, work, or merely pursue their dreams and aspirations; as we all do!

I am very fortunate to have a platform and the privilege to always voice myself, use my resources to a good cause and be able to manifest all that I strive for; which thoroughly involves my aspiration of “Bridging the Gap”- THIS. Is what I aspire to achieve; both in my personal, professional as well as social circle. Bridging the academic gap; i.e breaking stereotypes and motivating more females to pursue “Mechanical Engineering”- a male dominating field as I am currently. Bridging the social gap; between us upper class and the weaker sections of the community whose lives we could touch! And the list goes on...

Through all of it, I express my heartfelt gratitude to the Rotary-Rotaract body; whose vision and resources as well as strength has led me to embark on my journey to succeed the aspirations set. For the constant guidance and altruistic enthusiasm, that fires up youth to dream, aspire, hope and also accomplish it all! Truly, an INCREDIBLE team, with INCREDIBLE opportunities put forth...

Yours-In-Rotaract  
 Rtn. Neha Parab  
 Secretary Rotaract Club of Bombay West

# PYAAR KA MAUSAM

## IFRM Musical Event

On Sunday, 16th July 2023, the International Foundation of Rotarian Musicians (IFRM) District 3141 Chapter had a musical extra-vaganza called "Pyaar ka Mausam" at the Veer Savarkar Auditorium. RCBW was represented at the event by Rtn Dr Usha Jayachandran and Rtn Tejas Sura who sang two famous Bollywood melodies and enthralled the audience with their singing. Rtn Usha also compered the show and her compering was much appreciated.

Pres Rajul Doshi, PP Samapti Patel and R/Ann Keyuri Sura attended the function and lent their support to the RCBW singers. Three cheers to the participating Rotarians for making RCBW proud!

-Rtn Dr Usha Jayachandran



## BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY GREETINGS



### Rotarian Birthdays

**07-July :** Rtn. Shardul Kulkarni

**10-July :** Rtn. Advait Suresh Chaturvedi

**11-July :** Rtn. Prakash Trivedi Dr.

### R/Ann. Birthdays

**06-July:** R/Ann. Deepali Shardul Kulkarni

**11-July:** R/Ann. Rita Balkrishna Shroff

**12-July:** R/Ann. Swati Prashant Patel

### Anniversaries

**07-July:** Rtn. Dr. Praksh Trivedi & Varsha

**09-July:** Rtn. Ravi Makhija & Jhanvi

**12-July:** Rtn. Jasraj Goyal & Uma



## UPCOMING EVENTS

26<sup>th</sup> July, 2023  
**CLUB ASSEMBLY**  
07.30 pm, Rotary Service Centre

29<sup>th</sup> July, 2023 | **MOTIVATIONAL TALK**  
**By B.K. SHIVANI**  
07.00 pm, ISKCON Auditorium