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STEPHANIE URCHICK
 RI President 2024-25



RAHUL GOENKA
 Club President 2024-25



CHETAN DESAI
 Dist. Governor 2024-25

SPECIAL ISSUE TO MARK THE INSTALLATION OF
RAHUL GOENKA AS PRESIDENT
 & BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2024-25

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



RAHUL GOENKA
Club President



Charity, Faith and Hope - Karunaa, Vishwaas aur Aasha (Charity, Faith and Hope)... the fundamental emotions of all living beings... and actions for greater benevolence of all, guided by these emotions, has defined the development and growth of humanity. I write today as a continued result of confluence of these fundamental emotions.

Over the last twelve decades, Rotary has evolved into a leading organization for Charity, with Rotary Clubs being its Torch-Bearers. Charity is not just about monetary donations, but also the efforts, time, emotions and all other resources contributed by one and all, to elevate the quality of life of another. It is this continuous random acts of Charity, of the thousand plus who have crossed the doors of our Rotary Club of Bombay West over last seventy years, that has, and shall continue to, sustain our Rotary Club. Our Club history is but a un-ending string of Pearls-of-Charity, waiting for new to be added, each as meaningful, as Vibrant, as the one prior.

With this legacy, each year, the Rotarians of our Club, place their steadfast Faith in one, from amongst themselves, to Preside over the creation and stringing of Pearls-of-Charity of the Club, by the Club and for the Club. I am humbled and honoured to be elected to be bestowed with this responsibility of Faith, as President of Rotary Club of Bombay West, for Rotary Year 2024-25.

Each year brings new Hope to the Rotarians, with great expectations of upcoming Projects and Programmes, and to the potential Beneficiaries, of these Projects and Programmes, yet unaware of the relief the Universe is guiding their way. The Hopes of the Club is, from the new team, it will retain, imbibe and continue the good values and traditions, and introduce new good ones. It also carries the Hope of assimilating new members and growing the Club. The Vibrant Board and Committees of Rotary Club of Bombay West continue to plan and work with fervour to convert the Hope into smiles of joy, relief and fulfillment.

Building on the Charity of the past, keep the Faith of the present and meeting the Hope of the future,

with great humility, resolute grit and fervour performance, I look forward to serve Community and Club, with a focused unwavering attempt for us all to Enjoy Rotary.

Yours Fraternally

Rahul Goenka

In Service of Community & Club

DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE



CHETAN DESAI
Dist. Governor

Ignite the Magic of Rotary: Building Vibrant Clubs, Vibrant Communities!

Dear Vibrant President and Club Members,

As your District Governor, I'm thrilled to embark on this Rotary year together, fueled by the inspiring theme – **The Magic of Rotary**. This theme isn't just a slogan; it's a call to action to ignite the magic within each of us and create a lasting impact on our communities.

My vision for this year is to build on this magic and make our clubs truly **Vibrant**. Vibrant clubs are those where members are **engaged, enthusiastic, and empowered** to make a difference.

Rotary District 3141 boasts a rich tapestry of service projects -from **Vibrant Anganwadis** nurturing young minds to **Breast Cancer Detection** empowering women. We champion **CSR initiatives, sustainable tribal welfare**, and transform lives through "**disability to ability**" programs. We care for the **elderly** with compassion, and bring hope with **pediatric heart surgeries** and **eye surgeries**.

Let's not forget the importance of mental well-being - **mental health** initiatives are crucial. **Neonatal projects, water projects, railway projects**, and the fight against **anemia and thalassemia** - each project holds the potential to transform lives. **Samavesh**, our national integration project in Kashmir, reminds us of our duty to integrate kashmiri people with main stream of India.

The magic lies in YOU! Your participation and dedication breathe life into these projects. I urge you to **embrace these opportunities** - attend club meetings, participate in service projects, and share your ideas. Together, we can weave a vibrant tapestry of service that leaves a lasting impact.

Let's ignite the magic, build vibrant clubs, and create vibrant communities!

With Rotarian Spirit,

Chetan Desai

Chetan Desai

District Governor, Rotary International District 3141





STEPHANIE URCHICK
RI President

RI PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Club Presidents,

I congratulate you on your installation to the office of club Presidents of Rotary Clubs in District 3141.

Rotary needs your leadership now more than ever if we are to make every club and district an irresistible experience. By following Rotary's Action Plan and making sure all members feel a sense of belonging in your club, you have a special opportunity to inspire members to new heights of service.

Our ability to create lasting change begins with our family of Rotary. Together, it is within our power to bring healing in a divided world.

Join me in making Rotary a source of strength for those who need it most, within and beyond our membership. Let this be the year we harness The Magic of Rotary, and let Rotary be known as an organization that takes care of its members as well as the people we serve.

It is within your power to help make your club a beacon of goodwill and fellowship in your community.

I look forward to working beside you as we change the world with The Magic of Rotary.

Warm regards,

Stephanie A. Urchick

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Rotary International President, 2024-2025



RAJUL DOSHI
IPP

IPP'S MESSAGE

Dear Rahul Goenka

As I pass the baton, I reflect on the honor of leading our remarkable 70-year-old Rotary Club, rich in legacy projects that have made lasting impact. Your leadership marks a new chapter, and I have total confidence in your ability to guide us forward with vision and dedication.

Wishing you great success to continued service above self.

Warm regards,

Rajul Doshi



SUKETU JARIWALA
Asst. Governor

ASST. GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Rahul,

Heartiest congratulations on your appointment as the President of the Rotary Club of Bombay West! This prestigious role is a testament to your unwavering dedication, commitment, and leadership within the Rotary community. I am confident that your vision and determination will lead the club to new heights, fostering positive change and making a significant impact in our community.

Your journey as President is an exciting opportunity to inspire others, implement meaningful projects, and strengthen the bonds within our Rotary family. I have no doubt that your tenure will be marked by remarkable achievements, innovative initiatives, and an enduring legacy of service above self.

As you take on this new responsibility, please know that you have my full support and assistance. Whether it's collaborating on community projects, providing guidance, or simply sharing ideas, I am here to ensure your year is successful and fulfilling. Together, we can achieve great things and make a difference in the lives of those we serve.

Wishing you all the very best for a successful and impactful year ahead. I look forward to working closely with you and supporting you in every endeavor. May your presidency be filled with accomplishments, joy, and unforgettable moments.

Best regards,

Rtn Suketu Jariwala

INNERWHEEL CLUB PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



SWATI PATEL

President 2024-25 IWC of Bombay West

Congratulations Rotary President Mr. Rahul Goenka, & Team 2024-25 on this Momentous occasion. Rotary Club of Bombay West will continue to thrive under your leadership.

You & Your team will lead the Club with Dignity, Humility & Kindness, & will also continue to keep the clubs Motto " Service above self" With your efforts & Positive energy President, you will make this Significant year throughly remarkable.

I am confident that you will leave no stone unturned to carry forward the clubs traditions to continue to reach & inspire for a better world with your efforts & Dedication, you will bring a Significant change in society for betterment.

Best wishes for the Successful & Fruitful year ahead.

Swati Patel

President (2024-25) IWC of Bombay West

BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2024-25



Rtn. Rahul Goenka

Club President

Rahul is a Graduate in Computer Science from UK, with Diploma from Cambridge University and Advance Diploma from Oxford University. He has over 25 years of experience in Global Merchant Trading, Food Processing, Farm Mechanization and Apparel Retailing. He is also the President of Indo Myanmar Chamber of Commerce and Industry. Service to Society is part of

his family tradition and his natural trait, being grandson of Late Sayagi Shri S. N. Goenka, the founder and principal teacher of the Global Vipassana movement and the visionary behind the Global Vipassana Pagoda at Gorai, Mumbai. His wife Anuja is an entrepreneur curating gifts and presents, and passionately pursues fashion designing. She is an active member of Archana Trust, a women's only organisation into charitable activities. They have a daughter Anaggha and a son Riyaansh.

Rahul firmly believes that RCBW is phenomenal in providing Community Service. He hopes to channelize smooth communication between all stakeholders of RCBW. He strives to be prodigious in organising club fellowships, bringing more smiles to RCBW members.



Rtn. Rajul Doshi

Immediate Past President

Served as President of Bombay West

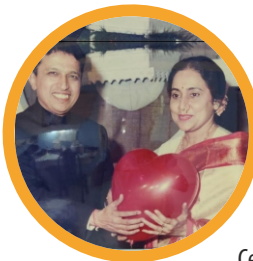
Rajul Doshi has completed M. Com and LLB from Sydenham and Govt Law college respectively. She is the Founder Director of Sampoorna Computer People, a family business, dabbling in IT and telecom verticals.

A member of Bombay West as a R/Ann since 2001 and as a

Rotarian since 2012, Rajul through Rotary has been

instrumental in many activities including building of permanent structure for a village school, building toilets, trees plantation, educational loans, scholarships etc. She is an avid traveller and takes keen interest in learning the history of the places. She is a connoisseur of fine arts. She is blessed with a son Samir and daughter Poorna

My vision is to make a positive impact in our society through Rotary projects as humanity is Rotary's business. I would like to ensure our Rotary family bonds well and enjoys Rotary through fellowship. Above all I would like to 'die empty' of all my Rotary dreams and try to fulfill all mine and my late husband Satish Doshi's Rotary dreams!!



Rtn. Jayant Sanghvi

President Elect

An engineer graduate joined family business of production of writing instrument. Joined Rotary in the year 1977. Became board member in 1979 and next for four years in raw. In 2009 -10 became medical centre in charge. Arranging medical camp at Rotary Center and Jamnabai Narsee School regularly which is very useful to local residents. Attended Carona vaccination

drive during Covid Time with help of BMC. Arranging blood donation drive regularly for last 8 years. Trustee of rotary charitable trust since last two years and become president elect in last election. Donated 50 lacs for starting New Medical Center at Shruti School



Rtn. Tejas Sura

Club Vice President

Tejas is an entrepreneur with over 25 years of construction project experience with multinational organisations. He is engaged in Project Management & Redevelopment, Structural Audits, Repairs & Strengthening Consulting, and Turnkey Construction & Contracting.

He holds a Diploma from the Institute of Directors, UK, an MBA in Finance and an MS in Civil (Structural) Engineering from the University of Texas at Austin, USA. Tejas joined Rotary in 2013 and has been on the board of RCBW since July 2016. Tejas loves reading, travelling, and music.

His better half, Keyuri, is an accomplished architect with a flair for Interior Design and Architecture and currently designs for the hospital and healthcare industry. Elder daughter Nidhi is pursuing a career in Computer Science, whereas younger daughter Haley is pursuing the medical profession.

Tejas's vision for the Vibrant Year of Rotary is to appoint capable vendors for the Rotary Service Centre, publicise and promote our club through social media platforms, and innovate and publish the Flying Carpet publication.



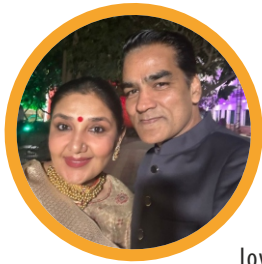
Rtn. Haituk Desai
Club Secretary

Rtn CA Haituk Desai joined RCBW in 2002-03. He's held Club Directorships in Rotary Year 2009-10 and 2010-11. He's also been the editor of our Flying Carpet, twice. Haituk is a chartered accountant engaged in the profession of insurance loss adjusting since 1982. His firm was started in 1955 by his father who was also, a CA. Haituk specializes in investigation of losses due to white collar crimes. He's happily married to Shruti a stock broker. He has two children Rohan who is an Actuary from UK and Poonam who is an MSc in Finance & Economics also, from UK, is an investment banker specializing in Aquisitions & Mergers. Poonam is now, studying law.



Rtn. Nishant Bafna
Club Treasurer

Nishant is a post graduate in Business Administration (Finance & Marketing) from Syracuse University, NY, and a graduate in B.E. Industrial Engineering. He has number of awards including award for character and leadership and scholarships in the MBA program. He has worked in his family business of suspension springs for railways and automobiles and healthcare disinfectant business and also for companies like Cisco Systems, Nokia and Orix. Moving back to India he started his company Antrix Financial Engineers Pvt Ltd, and it is ranked among one of the best companies in the waterproofing and structural repair industry. He has recently started a new firm Westchem Technologies Pvt Ltd. In speciality chemical industry. His wife Sonali is a practicing lawyer, in corporate law, with over 20 years of practice. Her firm Nas Legal is on retainer of a number of companies. They have daughter Ahana and son Nikit.



Rtn. Praveen Mehta
Director Club Service

Praveen Mehta, an engineering drop out, one exam shy of the degree. Reason is that, he went to see a movie with my girlfriend then and wife now. Dil hai ke maanta nahi. Such was the state of his heart then and continues to remain now. Like love, life has been kind. He is able to meet expectations of a demanding wife and a dreamer child. A child and wife who reciprocate his love in equal measure. So he is a lover, father, biker, hiker, marathoner, blogger, world traveler, tree hugger and a story teller. He has been in Rotary since 2018 and this is the third time in board.

Praveen dream as a Vice President for Incredible year is to have an enhanced engagement with the Rotary.



Rtn. Mahesh Kokate
Director Community Service I

TWorking in LIC OF INDIA AS A Senior Business Associate & Development Officer last 30 Years . having 75 Insurance Advisors Team.

Graduate in Arts from Sathaye College. Western Zone Secretary LIC Employees Trade Union.

Family background Wife Vrushali Kokate M.Com, As a Professional Income Tax Consultant. Son Vedant Kokate pursuing HSC study as well as Integrated Course for Engineering Study. Daughter Mihira Kokate studying in 9th Std . Parle Tilak Vidyalaya (ICSE).

Hobbis: Listening Music, Playing Table Tennis, Pickle Ball, Swimming.

Join Rotary in 2018.

Board Director Community Service 2 (Medical) in 2022.

Vision : Giving Basic Education to underprivileged Community.



Rtn. Dr. Kamal D'Mello
Director Community Service II

Dr. Kamal D'Mello is a consultant dental surgeon practising since 19 years. She has graduated from Pad. Dr. D. Patil dental college and hospital. She has specialised in Aesthetic and cosmetic dentistry from university of Bufflao in NY. Dr. Kamal D'Mello has been a honorary dental surgeon at the rotary medical centre at RCBW Juhu since 2004. She specialised in dental Implants and Digital smile designing. She runs a very successful dental practise in Bandra west. Her Husband Mr. Joshua D'Mello has a successful business "Russell Airflow Systems" they have 2 lovely daughters Carolyn and Chantelle.

Kamal dreams to have a year in Rotary of conquering new heights of service above self and contribute in youth and medical services with full enthusiasm.



Rtn. Kinny Kaul
Director Community Service III

Kinny Kaul, with a degree in graphic arts, provides advertising and design services, under the name mind's eye. She is successfully continuing her late husband's business of manufacturing power supplies.

She juggled life creating a fine balance between her work, two young children, parents and in-laws. Kinny's late husband Ashwani, himself an entrepreneur, was an innovative

thinker. Her daughter, Ashita, is pursuing PhD in Education at the University of Auckland, New Zealand. Her son, Karan, is a senior software engineer at Google, New York. Kinny has been a member of the Inner Wheel Club of Bombay West since 2015. She took up the Presidentship in 2017-18 and after co-ordinating various projects at District level, she was Zonal Co-ordinator for Zone 2 in the year 2021-22. She is experienced at communicating and partnering with executives at all levels. She is the daughter of Rotarian Mohan Lal Gupta and Late Madhu Gupta.

To make a difference in the community and connect with diverse people from different walks of life.



Rtn. Nandivardhan Jain

Director Vocational Service

Nandivardhan, Founder & CEO of Noesis Capital Advisors, India's leading hospitality investment advisory firm. He is responsible for the overall direction, strategic development and growth of the company. He has an experience of over a decade in multi-disciplinary advisory and transactions ranging from hospitality to social development projects. He is an alumni of Narsee Monjee Institute of Management Studies, Mumbai from where he did his Master's in Business Administration from Narsee Monjee Institute of Management Studies, Mumbai. He was awarded with the title of Student of the year, by NMIMS University for his extraordinary performance in academics and extra curricular activities. He is happily married to Deepali Jain, she is an entrepreneur, owns & operates a private fashion label. They are blessed with a six years old Son named Krishiv & one year old daughter Ojasvi.

Rtn. Nandivardhan Jain strongly believes giving back to society is our duty and this gives internal peace and sense of contentment. He finds Rotary as one such platform where you get ample such opportunities to serve the society.



Rtn. Dr. Pareshe Dodhiwala

Director Youth Service

Dr Pareshe Dodhiwala is a consultant dental surgeon with a practice of over 27 years. He is a periodontist and specializes in implantology. He has completed his Bachelors from Nair and his Masters from Government Dental College, Ahmedabad. He runs a successful dental practice at Andheri West under the name Dodhiwala's Dental Studio. His wife Swati Dodhiwala is a calligraphy artist.

His elder son Deep has completed his Masters in Computer Science from the USC in LA. His younger son Kush has completed his BSc Finance from NMIMS.

His vision as Youth Director is to inspire and empower youth to take on leadership role and engage in community service. He also aims to expand and enhance the clubs youth program ensuring they are inclusive and impactful.



Rtn. Shraavan Punjabi

Director International Service

Shraavan has completed his Bachelors of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering from Purdue University, USA and his Masters Degree from Illinois Institute of Technology, USA. He is the Managing Director at Better Services Pvt Ltd; setup in 1975 in the business space of Emblem Merchandise. By keeping a keen focus on quality and by providing a diverse portfolio of products the company continues to flourish in this space. The company is an Official Licensee of Rotary International since 48 years and is a major supplier of Rotary Merchandise to Districts, Clubs, Members in India and rest of the world.

As International Services Director, Shraavan is keen on serving with the Board, Club Members to enhance knowledge/ initiate projects of international understanding, goodwill and peace through the world fellowship of Rotary.

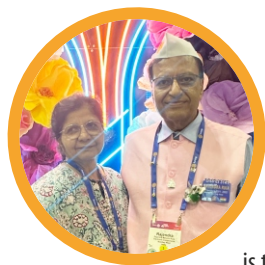


PP Rtn. Dr. Tushar Shah

Sergeant-at-Arms

Tushar A. Shah, Past President & Past Trustee Consulting Obstetrician & Gynaecologist, son of charter member of our club, Dr. Arvind Shah. Joined Rotary in '83. Tushar is always bubbling with enthusiasm. Ably supported by Dr. Pallavi who is pediatrician & professional in her own right. Was the first International Inner Wheel President from our District in 2010-2011 They have 3 charming daughters: Sejal who was Exchange student in South Carolina, USA & the enchanting twins Payal and Priyanka were Exchange Students in Japan & USA.

Tushar as the president of our club in 1993-94 was Awarded RI Presidential Award for 4 Avenue of service. Was Assistant Governor 2004-05 is 5 Times Paul Harris Fellow. Full family is PHF Was District Director- Short Term Exchange Program Twice. Started Our Club Director Training Program. Was Instrumental in getting Permission for Rotary Chowk. And D. G. Goenka Blood Bank. Raised over Rs.15,00,000/- for the club . Hosted many Stag Picnics at his Lonavala house. Started Medical polyclinic and Tuberculous Amulyan centre in Rotary Medical Centre. Won 7 District Trophies and 11 Certificates of Merits for the Club in 1993-94.



PP Rtn. Rajendra Ruia

Club Learning Facilitator

Rajendra Ruia served as the President in the year 2001-02. He has been awarded The Service above Self which is the highest award for a Rotarian By Rotary International. With his dedication and work he has also been awarded the Citation for Meritorious Service, which is the second highest award by The Rotary foundation. Yes, served in all avenues of service and has completed 6 to 7 global grant projects. He was instrumental in setting up the Rotary DG Goenka Blood Bank at BSES MG Hospital, which is still in operation after more than 15 years. He is the Pillar of Rotary's Peace program and is serving on the TRF committee for Peace. He served as The Club trainer for many years. Rajendra is running his own businesses in the field of electro mechanical devices, et cetera. He is ably supported by spouse Sarita.



HONORARY ROTARIAN



Mayank Gandhi

Mayank Gandhi was an international urban planner who turned into a social activist. He has worked on many reforms including the Maharashtra RTI and many other laws. In 2011, along with Anna Hazare and Kejriwal, he started India against Corruption(IAC) movement and later on became part of the National Executive of the AAP party. But in 2016, he quit politics completely and started his own NGO, Global Vikas Trust to work in some of the worst areas of India for farmer welfare.

Since then, GVT has been instrumental in multiplying farmer annual incomes from Rs. 38,600 to over Rs 3,90,000 per acre (10 times increase as per TISS assessment report). With his model of changing cropping pattern, he has been successful in removing over 22000 farmer families from the poverty trap in over 4000 villages of Maharashtra and MP. This has been achieved by planting over 4.5 crore fruit trees, training and supporting farmers to increase their incomes.

A new, state-of-the-art Krishikul farmer training centre is being constructed to train farmers from all over the country to multiply their incomes by 4 to 10 times.

MEMBERS OF RCBW IN DISTRICT 3141

Rajendra Ruia
Counsellor,
Rotary Peace Scholarship



Tejas Sura
Co-chair TRF



Aslam Merchant
Avenue Chair, Club Service 2,
Rotary Awards & Citations



Kinny Kaul
Director, Public Image 2,
Optimus Studio



Sampti Patel
Zonal Chair West, Youth Service 1,
Interact & Entrepreneurship



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Avenue Chair,
Youth Service 2, RYE

