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## From the President's Desk

Dear RCBW Members & Fellow Rotarians,  
November is Rotary Foundation Month — a time when we reflect on the extraordinary impact that ordinary contributions can make when channelled through The Rotary Foundation. The Foundation enables us to strengthen communities, support education, promote peace, and deliver sustainable, long-term change. It is the backbone of Rotary's global humanitarian spirit.

This month at RCBW has been marked by rich learning and meaningful engagement. On 12<sup>th</sup> November, we hosted an insightful session by PE Rtn. Tejas Sura on "Generative Artificial Intelligence in Project Management." He highlighted its practical applications, and encouraged members to embrace AI.

On 23<sup>rd</sup> November, our Club successfully organised a highly appreciated seminar on Timely Delivery of Government Services, Digital Compliance Tools & Redevelopment. Led by Rtn. Hiralal Suthar, Convener of the Layman's Education Lecture Series, the program provided practical clarity on public services, compliance platforms, and key redevelopment regulations such as conveyance, PMC roles, and frameworks like 79A, DA, and PAAA. The Lecture Series — now in its seventh year — continues to be a flagship knowledge initiative of RCBW, uplifting both members and the community through accessible education.

This month, the Board also reviewed the proposed updates to the Club's Membership Proposal Form, an important step towards ensuring robust due diligence, transparency, and alignment with Rotary's standards of integrity and diversity.

As we move ahead, let us carry forward the spirit of learning, integrity, and purposeful service that defines Rotary. The Foundation reminds us that when we give thoughtfully — whether through service, expertise, or contributions — we help build stronger, more resilient communities.

Yours in Rotary,  
Rtn. Jayant Sanghvi

## Pre-OCV and Club Assembly

26<sup>th</sup> November, 2025



Our Club's Pre-OCV meeting cum Club Assembly was held on the 26<sup>th</sup> November at our Sheela Raheja Hall in the presence of AG Ujjwal Andhari. It was open only to our Club members.

President Jayant Sanghvi started by welcoming all members present. Thereafter, presentations of directors started with President Elect Tejas Sura. He presented the composition of committees under his Avenue - Club Service 1 for Membership, Classification, Fellowship, Administrators, Attendance, Awards & Trophies.

He observed that the current membership is 117, up from 115 as on 01/07/2025. He plans to take it up to 120 by the end of the year. His target is also to keep member retention above 91% which has been achieved to date. He further observed that new ideas of musical fellowship, movie night, stand-up comedy, serving alcohol, etc. to increase attendance at Club fellowships, Diwali Fellowship etc. have been implemented. Further, Christmas fellowship, sports and games, hiking, shows at NMACC and Prithvi theatre, etc. are being planned. He also informed members that backup of all Club data on Microsoft OneDrive has been completed. To increase attendance, personal calls and messaging is being used.

Thereafter, Vice President Rtn. Dr. Usha Jayachandran presented her Avenue - Club Service II that includes Club Bulletin - Flying Carpet, Club's Public Image and Social Media Management, managing interface with Rotary India app, managing Club website and managing catering at our meetings. She confirmed that Flying Carpet is being published fortnightly and will continue to include articles on current affairs to increase engagement of members. It will carry articles on senior members as also new members, their profile, interests, etc. She proudly mentioned that the GML too has carried our friendship projects.

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## PROGRAMMES

10<sup>th</sup> December 2025 : Official Club visit by DG Rtn. Dr. Manish Motwani  
17<sup>th</sup> December 2025 : Annual General Meeting

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She further mentioned our active presence on all social media platforms such as Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, Linked-in, YouTube, blogs, etc which is helping us connect with not just District 3141 but also with other Rotary Clubs around the world. She added that the followers on Instagram and Facebook have touched 1100 and 2000 respectively. Many of our events have been shown on Facebook Live which has increased our reach and helped members' participation, if they cannot physically attend.

Thereafter, Director Programs Committee Rtn. Rajul Doshi presented her committee. She plans to continue having one speaker meeting and one fellowship meeting every month.

Later, Rtn. Mahesh Kokate made a presentation on his Avenue - Community Service I. He described various activities carried out in Shruti School such as eco-friendly Ganesh idol making, Ganesh Chaturthi celebrations, Alumni get-together on the World Deaf Day, Diwali dandiya nights, an Educational Trip to the Statue of Unity, etc. He also covered Laymen and Housing Societies Seminars, Bhavishya Yaan projects, and briefly listed forthcoming projects.

Then Rtn. Manish Mehta, Director - Community Service II covered medical projects such as Medical camp held on 21/09/2025, cervical cancer screening and cervical vaccination camps held in July 2025, Organ Donation Awareness Seminar held on 01/09/2025, Eye Check-up camp conducted by R/Ann Dr. Reshma Jhaveri on 09/10/2025 for Rotarians, and the two eye camps conducted, as a part of the District's Rotary Service Week, on 09/10/2025 at the Rotary Service Centre and DJ Sanghvi Medical Centre, Juhu. Another medical camp and blood donation camp are planned in December 2025. He also outlined other forthcoming projects in the medical field.



Assistant Governor Rtn Ujjwal Andhari

Rtn Nilesh Samant, Director - Community Service III then covered rural support programs, environment and sports activities. He talked on Tree Plantation in collaboration with Global Vikas Trust in Palghar. Projects in the near future involve a trek to Karnala, cycling at Sanjay Gandhi National Park, as also underarm cricket tournament and picket ball.

In absence of Director - Youth Service PP Rtn. Dr. Samapti Patel, her slides were presented. It listed our 6 Rotaract Clubs and 10 Interact Clubs. Major projects were RYLA, RED District Project, MIPS and MUNA. Pairing of Interact Clubs with Rotaract Clubs were also detailed. Additional Rotaract and Interact projects were also detailed.

In absence of Director - Vocational Service Rtn. Shelly Gupta, her slides were presented and plans mentioned.

Rs. 6.7 Lakhs to 7 students were disbursed this year so far towards our Vocational Loan Scholarships.

Director Paresch Dodhiwala presented his Avenue of International Service. So far, \$100 have been contributed by the Club towards TRF whereas our target is \$5,000. He also presented plans getting international speakers, applying for global grants and getting suitable candidates for the Rotary Peace Scholarships.

Thereafter, AG Ujjwal Andhari was introduced by PP Rtn. Shirish Rege. AG Ujjwal, in his feedback and guidance praised the work being carried out by RCBW.

After the conclusion of the Club Assembly, our regular Club meeting was held. It concluded with a Vote of Thanks by PE Rtn. Tejas Sura and Secretarial announcements by Club Secretary Rtn. Dr. Kamal D'Mello.

– PP Rtn. Shirish Rege

## Disease Prevention and Treatment Month: December

In Rotary we believe that good health care is everyone's right. Yet 400 million people in the world can't afford or don't have access to basic health care.

Disease results in misery, pain, and poverty for millions of people worldwide. That's why treating and preventing disease is so important to us. We lead efforts both large and small. We set up temporary clinics, blood donation centers, and training facilities in underserved communities struggling with outbreaks and health care access. We design and build infrastructure that allows doctors, patients, and governments to work together.

Our members combat diseases like malaria, HIV/AIDS, Alzheimer's, multiple sclerosis, diabetes, and polio. Prevention is important, which is why we also focus on health education and bringing people routine hearing, vision, and dental care. We educate and equip communities to stop the spread of life-threatening diseases. Rotary members have hundreds of health projects underway around the world at any given time.

**The Rotary Foundation** is changing the world by providing grants for projects and activities around the globe and in your own backyard.

*Rotary makes amazing things happen, like:*

**Providing clean water:** Rotary has worked with partners to provide more than 80 percent of Ghana's people with clean water to fight Guinea worm disease.

**Reducing HIV infection:** In Liberia, Rotary members are helping women get tested for HIV early in their pregnancies. They used prenatal care to reduce new HIV infections in children by 95 percent over two years.

**Ending polio:** Rotary members have played a key role in bringing the world to the brink of **polio eradication**. Their efforts have not only ended polio in 122 countries but also created a system for tackling myriad other health priorities, such as Ebola.

**Impacting the lives of mothers and children:** Rotary makes high-quality health care available to vulnerable mothers and children so they can live longer and grow stronger.

We expand access to quality care, so mothers and children everywhere can have the same opportunities for a healthy future. In 2020, an estimated 5 million children under the age of 5 years died, mostly from preventable and treatable causes. Approximately half of those deaths, 2.4 million, occurred



among newborns (in the first 28 days of life). The leading causes of death in children under 5 years can all be prevented or treated with access to affordable interventions in health and sanitation.

Rotary members train community health workers, provide education, immunizations, birth kits, and mobile health clinics, and work with local ministries of health. Women are taught how to prevent mother-to-infant HIV transmission, how to breast-feed, and how to protect themselves and their children from disease.

The **Rotary Foundation** reaches mothers and children in need by giving communities the help and training they need to take control of their own maternal and infant health care.

**Community health worker capacity building:** Through the Rotary Healthy Communities Challenge, Rotary members are strengthening community health systems and increasing the capacity of community health workers in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Mozambique, Nigeria, and Zambia.

**Cervical cancer prevention:** In Sri Lanka, Rotary members collaborated with the ministry of health to support policy change to improve cervical cancer screening protocols. They advocated for HPV vaccination which is now part of the national immunization program.

**Preventing diseases with vaccines:** Rotary members are working to **immunize 100,000 children** across nine remote Pacific Islands by working with the local health system to create sustainable delivery of vaccines.

– Compiled by Rtn Dr Usha Jayachandran

Source: <https://www.rotary.org/en/our-causes/fighting-disease>  
<https://www.rotary.org/en/our-causes/improving-maternal-and-child-health>

# Pre-PELS 2025: Learning, Leadership & Fellowship at Its Best

25<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> October, 2025



Pre-PELS 2025, held from **25<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> October 2025** at the scenic **Long Beach Garden Resort & Pavilions, Naklua, Thailand**, was a transformative experience for Rotary leaders from District 3141. The programme blended structured learning, leadership development, networking, and fellowship in a beautifully curated environment.

Representing the Rotary Club of Bombay West were:

**PP Rtn. Dr. Manoj Patel & R/Ann Bhavna Patel,**

**PP Rtn. Rajul Doshi,** and

**PE Rtn. Tejas Sura,**

who fully immersed themselves in the workshops, sessions, and interactive breakout rooms.

## **Leadership Learning: A Strong Foundation for Presidents-Elect**

The three-day learning track featured:

- **Plenary sessions and workshops** covering topics such as effective meetings, membership development, Club bylaws, CSR frameworks, compliances, and collaboration with district teams.
- **Collaborative Learning Lounges**, where Presidents-Elect participated in focused breakout discussions on governance, roles & responsibilities, planning, and Club administration. The detailed agendas across Days 2 and 3 showcase the depth and breadth of these sessions .
- **Specialised Partners' Programmes**, offering meditation, fashion sessions, motivational workshops, and interactive activities, further enriching the overall learning environment.

For many attendees, including our RCBW representatives, Pre-PELS was more than training — it was a rare opportunity to meet peers in similar leadership roles, exchange ideas, and build lasting bonds. The fellowship that grew during discussions, meals, sessions, and shared activities fostered a deeper sense of camaraderie and collective purpose.

## **RCBW Makes Its Presence Felt at Nach Baliye Night**

One of the highlights of Pre-PELS was the vibrant **Nach Baliye Night** on Day 2. This energetic evening brought out the talent, creativity, and enthusiasm of Rotarians across the district.

RCBW attendees participated in **different performance teams**, each bringing their own flair to the stage. Their respective groups delivered lively, colourful, and well-coordinated performances that won **prizes**, earning appreciation from the entire gathering.

It was not just about dance; it was a celebration of teamwork, spontaneity, and the spirit of Rotary fellowship—perfectly capturing the joy and togetherness that Pre-PELS aims to promote.

## **Memories, Fellowship & a Strong Start to the Year Ahead**

From the engaging sessions and collaborative lounges to the **Gala Dinner, Sundowner Party**, and excursions to **Coral Island, Noong Nooch Village, Thai Floating Market**, and more, Pre-PELS 2025 offered a complete experience — one that blended learning with leisure, leadership with bonding, and purpose with fun.

The RCBW delegates returned enriched with new perspectives, stronger relationships, and cherished memories — ready to lead with confidence and inspiration.

**– President Elect Rtn. Tejas Sura**

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**“ The true measure of success is not just in what you achieve,  
but in also how you impact others positively.**

**- Ratan Tata**



# Timely Delivery of Government Services & Redevelopment

23<sup>rd</sup> November, 2025

On Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2025, Rotary Club Bombay West successfully hosted an insightful seminar at the Rotary Centre, Juhu, addressing crucial topics such as timely delivery of government / public services, digital compliance tools, and redevelopment laws.

President Rtn. Jayant Sanghvi warmly welcomed all participants and speakers, delivering an opening that set the tone for a highly beneficial session. His leadership in organizing this event reflects Rotary's ongoing commitment to community education.

A keynote presentation by Rtn. Hiralal Suthar, Convener of the Layman's Education Lecture Series, was particularly valuable. His detailed analysis on "Timely Delivery of Government Services and Digital Tools for Compliance" offered practical insights that resonated deeply with all attendees. This Lecture Series, now in its seventh year since its inception during the presidency of PP Rtn. Anand Gupta in 2018-19, continues to be a cornerstone of our Club's commitment to education and empowerment. It is strongly desired that all Rotarians take full advantage of these enlightening programs organized by our own Club, as they provide essential knowledge and skills that greatly assist in our day-to-day work as well as in community service. Active participation in such seminars not only enriches individual members but also strengthens Rotary's collective impact.

Other esteemed speakers shed light on important redevelopment topics such as conveyance, PMC roles, and regulatory frameworks including 79A, DA, and PAAA, broadening the attendees' understanding of redevelopment challenges and solutions.

The seminar was a testament to Rotary Club of Bombay West's dedication to fostering informed citizenry and enhancing governance through education and collaboration.

– Rtn. Hiralal Suthar



## RCBW NEWS ROOM

PP Rtn. Rajendra Ruia and R/Ann Sarita Ruia's daughter Pooja was blessed with a baby boy on 24<sup>th</sup> November 2025. God bless the newly born and heartiest congratulations to the proud parents, grandparents and family!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

14<sup>th</sup> Dec. 2025 : Medical Checkup Camp at Rotary KDN Shruti School



## Birthdays & Anniversaries

### Rotarian Birthdays

|         |                       |
|---------|-----------------------|
| 14-Dec. | Rtn. Dr. Ashok Mehta  |
| 14-Dec. | Rtn. Praveen Mehta    |
| 15-Dec. | Rtn. Sajjan Goenka    |
| 16-Dec. | Rtn. Kalpana Sarangi  |
| 16-Dec. | Rtn. Ranjan Bhatnagar |

### R/Ann Birthdays

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|---------|----------------------------------|
| 04-Dec. | R/Ann Meenal Milind Sambhare     |
| 11-Dec. | R/Ann Manjula Hiralal Suthar     |
| 14-Dec. | R/Ann Shenaz Zobe Kanorwalla     |
| 15-Dec. | Mr. Anuj Kuthiala (Shelly Gupta) |

### Anniversaries

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| 05-Dec. | Rtn. Dr. Himanshu Mehta & Amita | 12-Dec. | Rtn. Sajjan Goenka & Chanda       |
| 06-Dec. | Rtn. Pranav Raval & Nilima      | 13-Dec. | Rtn. Shirish Rege & Kavita Dr     |
| 06-Dec. | PP Rtn. Rajendra Ruia & Sarita  | 13-Dec. | Rtn. Dr. Rajan Saxena & Dr. Priti |
| 07-Dec. | Rtn. Ajay Kapoor & Smita        | 14-Dec. | Rtn. Patanjali Amin & Ronak       |
| 08-Dec. | Rtn. Sandeep Parikh & Tejal     | 14-Dec. | Rtn. Vasant Zarpkar & Saroj       |
| 09-Dec. | Rtn. Ranjan Bhatnagar & Punam   | 15-Dec. | Rtn. Sanjay Mody & Varsha         |
| 09-Dec. | Rtn. Manish Mehta & Dr. Julie   |         |                                   |
| 11-Dec. | PP Rtn. Prakash Shah & Vandana  |         |                                   |
| 11-Dec. | Rtn. Gautam Chande & Sonia      |         |                                   |