



## TEAM-2024-25

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## AN EVENING OF LOVE, LAUGHTER & TOGETHERNESS

Date : Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025 Time : 07.30 pm  
Venue : Dr. Sarosh Bhacca Memorial Rotary Hall, Nanpura, Surat

The Rotary Club Surat celebrated the spirit of love with a heartwarming Valentine's Day Celebration, making it an evening to cherish. The event began with the National Anthem, followed by a warm welcome speech by **PE Kundan Shah**. **Rtn. Nilesh Jariwala** then led the members through the Rotary Four-Way Test.

Adding charm to the celebration, **Rtn. Vineet Panchal** curated a delightful segment, bringing members closer through engaging activities. To begin, **PP Nikhilbhai** led a fun-filled interaction where members formed a circle and exchanged warm Valentine's Day wishes with one another, setting the mood for love and togetherness.

The evening's highlight was the romantic proposal segment, where couples expressed their love in a unique and heartfelt manner, offering roses as a symbol of their affection. Following their special moments, each couple gracefully exited hand-in-hand, taking a beautiful couple's walk, symbolising love and lifelong companionship. The tables then turned as wives took the lead, proposing to their husbands in their own special way. To add a touch of fun, members were engaged in an entertaining Q&A session, playfully testing how well they knew their partners.

To make the celebration even sweeter, all members were gifted chocolates as a token of love and appreciation. The evening concluded with secretarial announcements by **Rtn. Vineet Panchal** and a heartfelt Vote of Thanks by **PE Kundan Shah**.



## CONGRATULATIONS, DR. SUNAINA MAHAJAN !



Wishing you success on becoming a **Certified Art of Living teacher!**

Your journey of leading Breath & Meditation sessions and the Happiness Program for adults and youth will surely inspire many.

May you find immense joy as you guide others towards a life of peace, happiness, and purpose!

## EMPOWERING LEADERSHIP : BOARD MEMBER TRAINING FOR 2025-26 SUCCESSFULLY CONDUCTED



The training of Board Members for Rotary Year 2025-26 was successfully conducted on Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup> February 2025, at the Rotary Office, Jivan Bharti Annexe, Nanpura, Surat.

All 15 Board Members attended the session, actively engaging in discussions as they geared up for their term starting in July 2025. The session began with **PE Kundan Shah** outlining his roadmap and vision for the year ahead. Club Learning Facilitator **PDG Himanshubhai Thacker** provided invaluable insights into Rotary's leadership structure and the roles and responsibilities of office bearers, equipping the team with the necessary knowledge to lead effectively. Practical guidance was also shared on conducting Board and Club meetings with efficiency and decorum.

The interactive training has strengthened the Board's preparedness for the upcoming Rotary year. A special thanks to **PDG Himanshubhai Thacker** for sharing his expertise, **PE Kundan Shah** for sharing his vision, and **PN Harshad Kinkhabwala** for delivering the vote of thanks.

With this session, the Board is now well-prepared and enthusiastic to take on its responsibilities from July 2025, ensuring another impactful year of service!

## RESTORING SOUND, ENRICHING LIVES!

A hearing aid was provided to **Mr. Virendra Veragiwala** on Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> February 2025, coordinated by **PP Tejas Gandhi** and **PP Dr. Ajay Mahajan**. The payment cheque was handed over to the audiologist by **President Jai Mistry**.

Filled with gratitude, the patient shared a heartfelt video message, expressing his appreciation for the Rotary Club of Surat and its members for their support.



## PAL BAL AANGANWADI : PEOPLE OF ACTION

On **Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> February 2025**, healthy meals were distributed to **31** children at Pal Bal Aanganwadi, sponsored & volunteered by **Rtn. Jagruti Kamal Gandhi**



## UPCOMING PROGRAMMES

DATE	PROGRAMME / ACTIVITY
<b>21<sup>st</sup> Feb.</b>	<b>Fellowship Meeting</b>
<b>22<sup>nd</sup> Feb.</b>	<b>Bal Aanganwadi Sponsored by Rtn. Deepak Gandhi</b>
<b>23<sup>rd</sup> Feb.</b>	<b>Dhamal Gali</b>
<b>28<sup>th</sup> Feb.</b>	<b>9<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting of RC Surat (2024-25)</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> March</b>	<b>Bal Aanganwadi Sponsored by Rtn. Raj Jariwala</b>

## BIRTHDAY / ANNIVERSARY


### BIRTHDAY

<b>08<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Rtn. Nainesh Master</b>	<b>19<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Rotary Partner Sheetal Jalan</b>
<b>09<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Rotary Partner Sonal Halvawala</b>		


### ANNIVERSARY

<b>29<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Rtn. Dr. Purushottam &amp; Chandraben Mistry</b>
<b>11<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Rotary Partner Kirti and Rtn. Tejas Merchant</b>

## NEW DELHI IN CONTENTION FOR RI CONVENTION !



**India Bid for 2029/2031/2032  
Convention**

**Rotary** 

2029: Proposed Dates: Friday, May 25 – Wednesday, May 30, 2029  
2031: Proposed Dates: Friday, May 23 – Wednesday, May 28, 2031  
2032: Proposed Dates: Friday, May 28 – Wednesday, June 02, 2032

New Delhi has been shortlisted as a potential venue for the Rotary International Convention in 2029, 2031 or 2032. This remarkable achievement is a testament to the collective efforts of **IPDG Jeetender Gupta (D-3011)** and **IPDG Priyatosh Gupta (D-3012)**, guided by the invaluable leadership of **PRIP Shekhar Mehta**. Their well-structured bid has brought them one step closer to the possibility of hosting the first-ever RI Convention in Delhi, marking a significant milestone for the region.

## HOW DO YOU DESCRIBE THE ORGANIZATION CALLED “ROTARY”?

There are so many characteristics of a Rotary club as well as the activities of a million Rotarians. There are the features of service, internationality, fellowship, classifications of each vocation, development of goodwill and world understanding, the emphasis of high ethical standards, concern for other people and many more descriptive qualities.

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Source : From the ABC's of Rotary  
By Cliff Dochterman, 1992-93 President,  
Rotary International

# ROTARY FUN - A MORNING OF FUN WITH PURPOSE

# LAUGHS FROM THE HEADLINES: THE LIGHT SIDE !

### Apple's New 'Made in India' iPhones



Apple has shifted some iPhone production to India. Now, when you say 'Made in India,' it could very well mean your iPhone, too! Let's hope they also “Make in India” prices. Maybe now Siri will greet us with a “Namaste” instead of a “Hello” – and even take chai breaks!



### Kashmir's Winter Games Postponed

The national winter games in Kashmir have been postponed due to a snow shortage. Looks like the snowflakes decided to take a break! Athletes might want to start practising extreme puddle diving—or even launch a new event, the "No-Snow Marathon"!

### Crypto Conundrum



Why did the crypto investor go to therapy ?  
Because they were having a “rollercoaster” of feelings... ups and downs, but mostly frowns

# FOUR-WAY TEST

# IMPORTANT LINKS

