



# NUMERO UNO

Monthly Newsletter of Rotary Club of Thane Angels



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FAB President

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- Rotary Club of Thane Angels was chartered on **28th June 2016** in “Thane, the beautiful city of lakes”
- Our parent club” Rotary Club of Ambarnath:
- **Mission:** "To serve the community and bring like-minded people together to create a positive, lasting change in our communities and the world around."
- The members of club come from different occupations, cultures and regions which give unique perspective to passion for service and remarkable accomplishment.
- In span of 4 years RCT Angels have shown squirrels part for various **community service projects**
  - Medical camps,
  - Health awareness,
  - Literacy projects,
  - Sports and Cultural events
- RCT Angels have come up with unique **signature projects** such as:
  - Community awareness program: "Saving lives- Life in dangerous buildings"
  - Singing talent hunt for Thanekars: “ Voice of Thane” (VOT)
  - Carrom Tournament “ Striker of Thane” (SOT)

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# Message from RI President

**Dear fellow Rotary Readers:**

## **RI President Jennifer Jones' Address @ Global Citizen Festival**

Jennifer Jones, who spoke in front of 60,000 people in New York City and tens of thousands more online and on TV, noted the state of emergency that the governor of New York state recently declared to combat a resurgence of polio in the region.



Rotary International President Jennifer Jones appeared on the main stage at the star-studded Global Citizen Festival on 24 September to highlight Rotary's commitment to eradicating polio and **announce an additional US\$150 million pledge** toward that end. Jones stressed that polio is preventable through vaccines and that wild poliovirus is endemic in only two countries, Afghanistan and Pakistan. Jones talked about the effect of polio vaccinations in some countries being disrupted by COVID-19. She pointed out that in 2021, about 25 million children went without critical immunizations. "The world has beaten back this disease significantly, but we must redouble efforts," Jones said.

The additional funding Jones announced will go to the **Global Polio Eradication Initiative**, which said in August that it was seeking new funding commitments for its 2022-26 polio eradication strategy. "We want this to be the start of a massive effort to reach the initiative's US\$4.8 billion funding goal," Jones said.

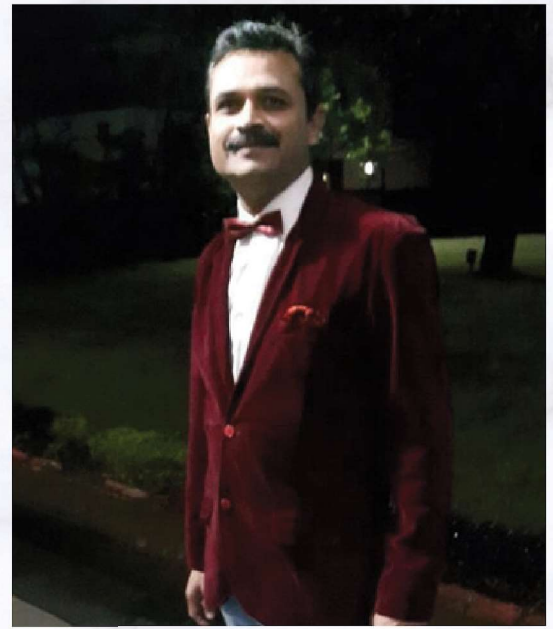
Rotary members have been at the center of the worldwide effort to eradicate polio for more than three decades. Rotary launched PolioPlus in 1985 and helped found the GPEI in 1988, when there were an estimated 350,000 polio cases across more than 125 countries in one year. Since then, cases have plummeted more than 99.9%, sparing more than 20 million people from paralysis. **Rotary has helped immunize nearly 3 billion children** against polio, contributed more than US\$2.6 billion to global polio eradication efforts, and helped secure more than US\$10 billion from donor governments.

The New York component, hosted by actor and Global Citizen ambassador **Priyanka Chopra Jonas**, included performances from Metallica, Charlie Puth, Jonas Brothers, Måneskin, Mariah Carey, Mickey Guyton, Rosalía, Angélique Kidjo, and Billy Porter. Presenters included celebrities Amber Ruffin, Bill Nye, Connie Britton, Katie Couric, Tamron Hall, Katie Holmes, and more.

Jones urged people to get involved: "Global citizens, use your voice — help us call on governments, businesses, and other leaders to join us in pledging ambitiously at the World Health Summit in October to end polio forever." Rotary has worked with Global Citizen for a more than decade, primarily regarding the effort to eradicate polio worldwide. At last year's event in Paris, France, Jones announced \$97 million pledge for sustainable project. At the 2012 concert in New York City, Rotary General Secretary and CEO John Hewko announced Rotary's \$75 million commitment to polio eradication. Rotary and Global Citizen have also connected at Rotary International Conventions, the Commonwealth Heads of Governments Meetings, polio advocacy events, and polio funding announcements.

**Jennifer Jones**  
**President, Rotary International 2022-23**

# Direct Dil Se !! Charter President Rtn Mahesh Dongaonkar



*From last month we have started this section for one of the members to talk about Rotary, Our club and individual's thought process about rotary under the banner of "Direct Dil Se!!"*

**1. When have you joined rotary?**

I joined this organization in 2016.

**2. Who inducted you in rotary?**

Mr Laxman who was the President of Rotary Club of Ambernath and Past President of Ambernath Club Mr Vinayak introduced me to rotary world.

**3. What was your first impression about rotary?**

Rotary is an international organization works with clubs at national level to improve living of the people by the people of noble interest.

**4. What was in your mind when you joined club?**

It is an amazing organisation works for social cause and most importantly members contribute partially or fully for the same.

**5. How do you see your journey during these years?**

Fantastic journey in last 6 years.

**6. What was your contribution to rotary and our club?**

I am being charter president of Rotary Club of Thane Angels, my primary responsibility was to build the club which can sustain in long run with same thought of the people who had zeal to serve to society.

**7. How do you see future of Rotary?**

It's a organisation which will create an strong impression in society in terms of its kindness and service for others.

**8. What are your future plans for club?**

To continue in sustainable environment.

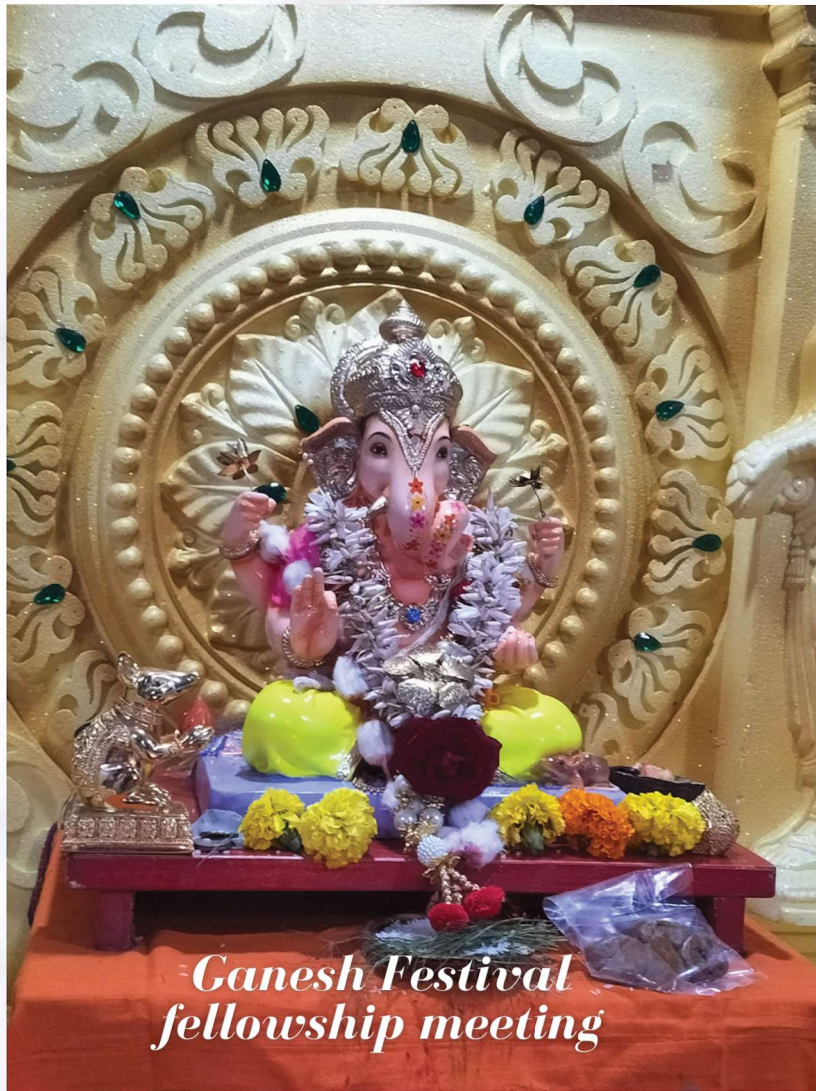
**9. Why people should join rotary and our club?**

For better opportunities to serve the people and making good friends whom you can enjoy the fellowship

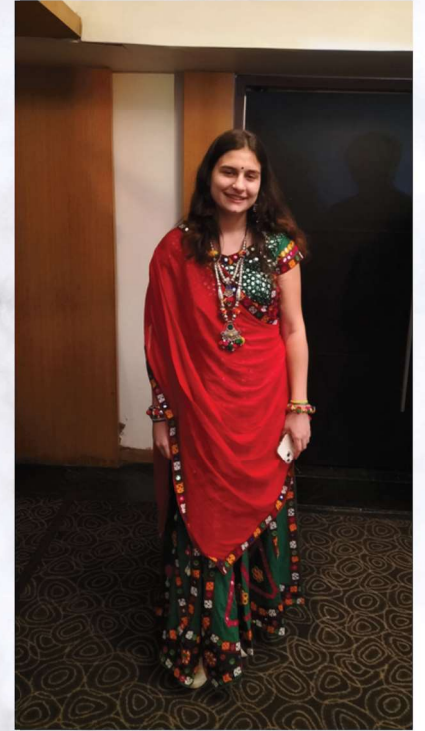
**10. Message you want to give our fellow Rotarian and members of Rotary club of Thane Angels:**

Let us walk together with positive mindset.

# Glimpses of Ganapati festival



# Garba celebration with RYE Inbound



# Arpan: 1st TRF Seminar @ Ramada, Navi Mumbai



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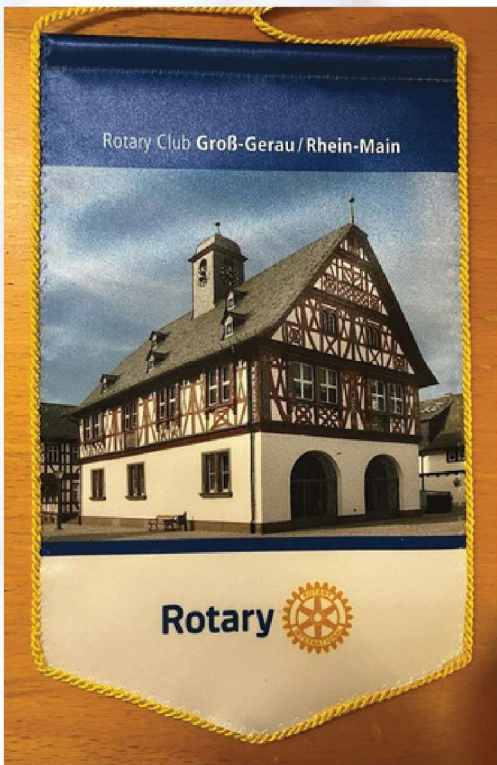
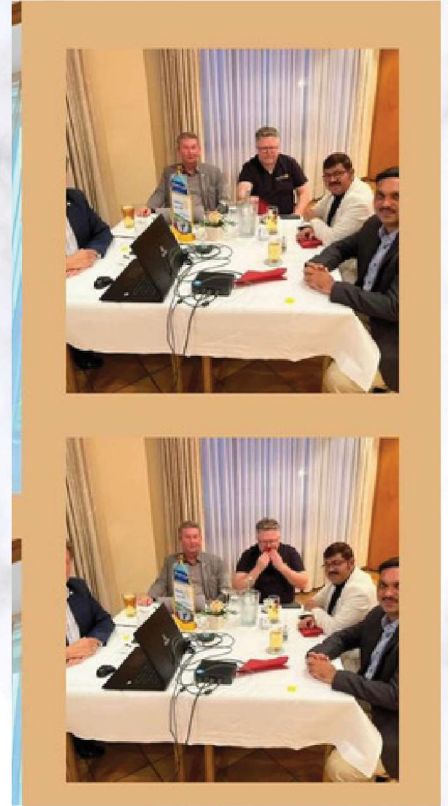
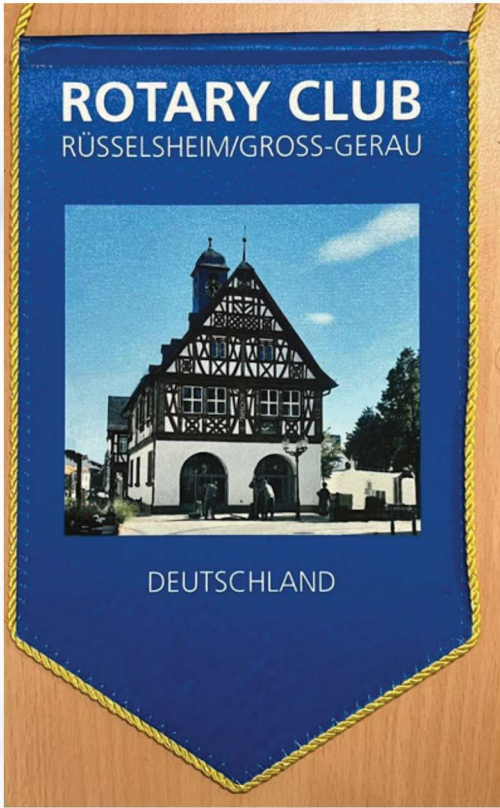
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# International Flag exchange by PP Rtn Aniruddha Nakhawa



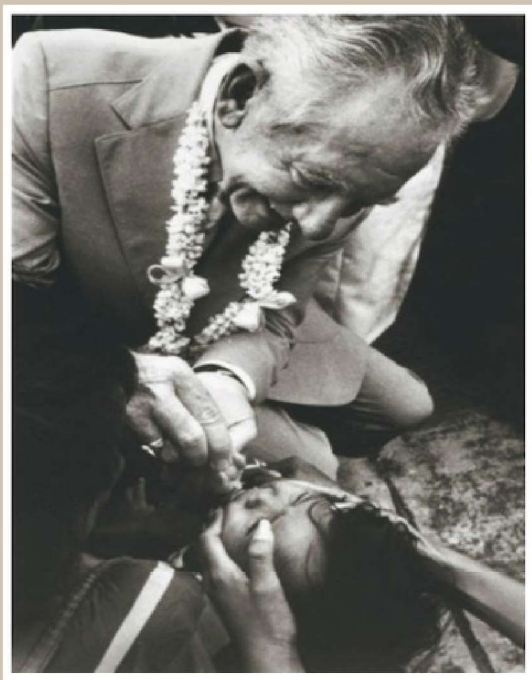
# Birthday This month: Dr Sweta Nakhawa



# Rotary History

## The roots of Rotary's polio eradication efforts

On 29 September 1979, volunteers administered drops of oral polio vaccine to children at a health center in Guadalupe Viejo, Makati, Philippines. The event in metropolitan Manila was arranged and attended by Rotarians and delegates from the Philippine Ministry of Health.



When James L. Bomar Jr., then RI president, put the first drops of vaccine into a child's mouth, he ceremonially launched the Philippine poliomyelitis immunization effort. Rotary's first Health, Hunger and Humanity (3-H) Grant project was underway.

*Photo: James L. Bomar Jr., then RI president, put the first drops of vaccine into a child's mouth.*

Bomar and Enrique M. Garcia, the country's minister of health, had earlier signed an agreement committing Rotary International and the government of the Philippines to a joint multiyear effort to immunize about 6 million children against polio, at a cost of about \$760,000.

In a 1993 interview, Bomar reminisced about the trip. He recalled how the brother of one of the children he had immunized tugged on his pant leg to get his attention and said, "Thank you, thank you, Rotary."



The project's success led Rotary to make polio eradication a top priority. Rotary launched Polio-Plus in 1985 and was a founding member of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative in 1988. Through decades of commitment and work by Rotary and our partners, more than 2.5 billion children have received the oral polio vaccine.