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RI Dist. 3141



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Club President

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Inspire !

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District Governor

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Secretary

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## Installation 25 - 2026 : An Evening of Celebration, Recognition, & New Beginnings



Inspire President Rtn. Vishal Thakkar and his enthusiastic team were installed at a grand function held at Thane Club on the 5th of July, 2025. The evening was graced by Chief Guest Mr. Manish Shah, Managing Director of Manba Finance Ltd., and Guest of Honor PRID Rtn. Ashok Mahajanji, who brought prestige and warmth to the occasion.

The event began sharp at 7:30 PM, with PP Rtn. Deepak Lala taking over as the Master of Ceremonies. With his trademark wit and effortless humor, he kept the audience engaged and entertained throughout.

### The Year in Review -

IPP Rtn. Seema Joshi gave a heartfelt presentation, covering the wide range of projects and activities undertaken by the club during the past year. Her talk was both reflective and inspiring. She also took this opportunity to recognize and appreciate the contributions of several Rotarians with well-deserved awards.

### - President's Special Awards:

Treasurer : **Rtn. Dipti Gosrani**

Youth Director : **Rtn. Pradeep Rane**

Club Advisor : **PP Rtn. Rajesh Gupta**

Bulletin Editor : **PP Rtn. Dr. Rajesh Agarwal**

### - District Awards:

International Service : **PRID Rtn. Ashok Mahajanji**

Community Service : **Rtn. Hanskumarji Shah**

Youth Service : **PP Rtn. Sudhir Joshi**

Vocational Service : **PP Rtn. Viren Gandhi**

Club Service : **Rtn. Tara Malde**

### - Club Awards :

Most Involved New Member : **Rtn. Anupama Thakkar**

Best Rotary Ann Trophy : **Rtn. Ann Bharti Shah**

Best Chairman Trophy : **PP Rtn. Deepak Shah** (for Bhushan Awards)

Best Project Trophy : **PRID Rtn. Ashok Mahajanji**

Most Involved Senior Rotarian (Honorary) :

**Rtn. Anusayaben Shah**

Most Involved Senior Rotarian : **PP Rtn. Sharadbhai Shah**

Best Fellowship Trophy : **PP Rtn. Dollar Shah**

**The Installation** - The ceremonial part began with IPP Rtn. Seema Joshi presenting the President's collar to Rtn. Vishal Thakkar, symbolizing the formal handover of responsibility. Secretary Rtn. Priya Agarwal was then installed by Immediate Past Secretary Rtn. Tara Malde. Other board members were introduced and presented with Rotary pins.

PP Rtn. Dollar Shah then led the gathering in taking the Rotary Oath, reminding all present of the values and responsibilities that bind us as Rotarians.

**Welcoming New Members** - Three new members were inducted into our Rotary family. They were warmly introduced by Secretary Rtn. Priya Agarwal and Rtn. Schonel Thakkar, marking the beginning of their Rotary journey.

**Words of Wisdom** - PRID Rtn. Ashok Mahajanji addressed the gathering with grace and purpose. He reminded President Vishal of his responsibilities and emphasized the role of Rotary in meaningful community service. He also shared some wonderful news - Shrimati Rajashree Birla, our esteemed honorary member, had announced generous donations towards the club's VLS Project, Pediatric Heart Surgeries, and Cervical Cancer initiatives.

A proud moment followed as Rtn. Puneet Thakkar was felicitated by PRID Mahajanji for becoming an AKS (Arch Klumph Society) member—our club's first and only one so far!

**A Chief Guest to Remember** - Mr. Manish Shah, our Chief Guest, then took to the stage. He spoke fondly about how both Lions and Rotary Clubs in Mulund began in 1964, and reflected on the power of collaboration. He proposed joint projects between the two clubs and even offered to sponsor them—a gesture met with a thunderous round of applause and admiration.



**Celebrations to Conclude** - The evening concluded on a high note with music, dancing & delicious food. It was truly a memorable event - celebrating the spirit of Rotary, acknowledging sincere contributions & embracing a promising new Rotary year.

## 2nd Presidents Meet



On 15th June 2025 at "The Club" Andheri, our Club hosted the District's Second Presidents meet for all President Elect of District 3141 for the year 2026-27 under the able leadership of our DGE Rajan Dua. Rajan Dua is the son of our Club member and veteran Rotarian Somraj ji Dua. Mr. Rajesh Gupta was the Convenor and was fully supported by Club members ,Sudhir Joshi, Dollar Shah, Rajendra Dhulla, Nutan Dhulla, Vishal Thakkar, Pradeep Rane, Chander Golani, Komal Gupta and Nirmal Ganatra. R/ann Bharati Shah was a great support handling the registration department.

The program was marked by launching the Regal Logo and all President Elect Group name. The main purpose of the program was to introduce the new presidents with their co-presidents, Assistant Governors and District Secretary and the Core team. This target was more than fully achieved.

Regal DG Rajan and first Lady Preeti Dua and his Core team kept all fully motivated and gave the perfect guidance to all presidents. DRR Shri. Hari crafted the Beautiful Regal year logo. AG Avinash Sonawane composed a powerful Regal Anthem that kept everyone in the audience motivated. A personalized Gift to all added the right touch of perfection. Over and all it was a memorable evening. Total attendance was 215.

- PP Rtn Rajesh Gupta

### Charter Day & Sukriya Function – A Memorable Evening of Celebration and Gratitude

On June 10th, 2025, Rotary Club celebrated a significant milestone - our 61st Charter Day, commemorating the club's founding on June 10th, 1964. This year, the celebration was made even more special by combining it with the Sukriya Function, our annual thanksgiving event to acknowledge the contributions of members and supporters who have been instrumental in the club's journey over the past Rotary year.



The evening was graced by Chief Guest DGN Rtn. Deepak Jiandani, whose presence elevated the occasion and added meaning to the celebration.

The highlight of the event was a heartfelt moment when President Rtn. Seema presented mementos to all Rotary members present, as a token of appreciation for their unwavering support, commitment, and service throughout the year. It was a proud moment for the club, reflecting the strong spirit of fellowship and teamwork.

Several members spoke during the function, praising President Seema for her visionary leadership, relentless energy, and the impactful projects executed across all avenues of service under her



guidance. Their words were filled with admiration and gratitude, underscoring the difference she made during her term.

The evening concluded on a joyful note with Happy Hours and a delicious spread of sumptuous food, giving members the opportunity to unwind, connect, and celebrate the successes of the Rotary year together.

This combined celebration not only honored our club's legacy but also strengthened the bonds that keep us moving forward—united in service and fellowship.





## ROTARY MULUND BHUSHAN AWARD FUNCTION 2025



### Rotary Club of Mulund

Rotary Mulund Bhushan Award - 2025

**Mrs. DEEPA LI DESHPANDE**

(International Shooter and Coach)

Vocational Excellence Award

**MR. MANIKANT DHULLA**



The third edition of the Rotary Mulund Bhushan Award 2025 (RMB Award 2025), held on 29th June 2025 at Maharashtra Seva Sangh Hall, Mulund, was a grand success. The event felicitated distinguished individuals for their exemplary contributions in their respective fields. Gracing the occasion as Chief Guest was Shri. Vivek Phansalkar, IPS (Retd.), former Commissioner of Police, Mumbai — a distinguished officer known for his leadership and integrity.

The programme was anchored seamlessly by Project Chairman PP Rtn. Deepak Shah and Project Coordinator PP Rtn. Sudhir Joshi. President Rtn. Seema Joshi formally called the meeting to order and extended a warm welcome to all dignitaries and guests.

PP Rtn. Nirmal Ganatra and PP Rtn. Aswin Malde delivered an impactful presentation on the Rotary Club of Mulund, built around the theme "United in Purpose, Unstoppable in Progress, Full of Life."

Rtn. Pradeep Rane presented the Club's flagship VLS Project, highlighting its purpose, mission, vision, journey, sustainability model, and most importantly, the inspiring success stories of its student beneficiaries. PP Rtn. Deepak Shah elaborated on the origins, objectives, and growth of the Rotary Mulund Bhushan Award, offering thoughtful reflections on its journey so far.



President-Elect Rtn. Vishal Thakkar introduced the Rotary Mulund Youth Icon Awardee 2025, Mrs. Mihira A. R. Khopkar — a former national-level swimmer and now an acclaimed Sports Nutritionist. With her groundbreaking work in sports science and nutrition, Mihira has authored the book "Faster, Stronger, Higher" and served as the official Nutritionist for the Indian Olympic Team at the Paris 2024 Olympics. She now contributes at the international level, supporting athletes preparing for the upcoming Los Angeles Olympics. Her journey exemplifies determination, transformation, and global impact. She was felicitated with the Rotary Mulund Youth Icon Award 2025 and a cheque of Rs. 50,000/- by the Chief Guest, amidst enthusiastic applause.

PP Rtn. Dollar Shah introduced the Vocational Excellence Awardee 2025, Mr. Manikant Dhulla — popularly known as Manikant Sheth — a veteran entrepreneur and the visionary founder of Pratap Caterers. Celebrated for over six decades of excellence in the catering industry, Mr. Dhulla's story is a testament to perseverance, innovation, and customer commitment. Beyond his business achievements, he is a passionate supporter of charitable causes and community service. His journey teaches that entrepreneurship, when combined with social responsibility, becomes a powerful force for good. Mr. Dhulla was honoured with the Rotary Mulund Vocational Excellence Award 2025 by the Chief Guest with thundering applause.



President Rtn. Seema Joshi then introduced the Rotary Mulund Bhushan Awardee 2025, Mrs. Deepali Deshpande - an international rifle shooter and one of India's most respected shooting coaches. A decorated Sportsperson, Mrs. Deshpande has represented India at the Olympics, Asian Games, and Commonwealth Games, earning the prestigious Arjuna Award for her athletic achievements. As a coach, she has nurtured the next generation of champions and was honoured with the Dronacharya Award, India's highest recognition for coaching. Her transition from athlete to mentor symbolizes discipline, growth, and purpose. She was presented the Rotary Mulund Bhushan Award 2025 along with a cheque of Rs. 1,00,000/- by the Chief Guest, to a standing ovation.

PP Rtn. Sudhir Joshi introduced the Chief Guest, Shri Vivek Phansalkar, IPS (Retd.), who was then felicitated by Project Chairman PP Rtn. Deepak Shah and event sponsors AG Rtn. Rajesh Gupta and Rtn. Chandan Golani.

Shri Phansalkar, a 1989 batch IPS officer with a distinguished 35-year career, served in several critical roles, including as Commissioner of Police, Mumbai. He is known for his contributions to crime control, counter-terrorism, cyber security, traffic management, and community policing. Recipient of two UN Medals for Peacekeeping and the President's Police Medal in 2015, his career exemplifies ethical leadership and impactful governance.



Mr. Vivek Phansalkar keynote address was nothing short of inspiring, insightful and enlightening. Delivered with simplicity and sincerity with humorous touch, it held the audience deeply engrossed. He concluded with eight profound life lessons for happiness, success, and prosperity:

The event concluded with a formal Vote of Thanks delivered by Rtn. Nutan Dhulla, expressing gratitude to all participants, organizers, and supporters who made the event a memorable success.

- Rtn. Pradeep Rane

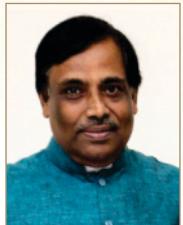
## The Board Members For Year 2025 - 26



**Vishal Thakkar**  
President



**Priya Agarwal**  
Secretary



**Deepak Shah**  
Treasurer



**Rajesh Ghandhi**  
Vice President



**Komal Gupta**  
Joint Secretary



**Seema Joshi**  
IPP



**Nutun Dhulla**  
President Elect.



**Chandar Golani**  
Sergeant at Arms



**Ramesh Motwani**  
Chairman Tree Plantation  
and Cataract Surgery



**Rajendra Dhulla**  
Director Dist.  
Trust Area



**Dr. Kirti Bothra**  
Director Community  
Medical Service



**Hanskumar Shah**  
Director Non- Medical  
Community Service



**Nitin Kabbin**  
Director  
Rotary Foundation



**Nirmal Ganatra**  
Director  
Youth



**Arihant Lodha**  
Director  
International Service



**Parul Shah**  
Director  
Vocational Services



**Ashwin Malde**  
Director CSR



**Tara Malde**  
Director E - Admin



**Sharad Shah**  
Trustee



**Sudhir Joshi**  
Trustee



**Dollar Shah**  
Club Trainer



**Rajesh Gupta**  
Club Advisor



**Deepak Lala**  
Chairman  
Program Committee



**Rajesh Adarwal**  
Bulletin Editor



**Shonell Thakkar**  
Chairman Membership

### Our Members in District team

#### **PRID ASHOK MAHAJAN**

- a) Advisory Board
- b) In Core team College of Governors
- c) Advisor District Conference team
- d) Advisor Cancer Screening & vaccinations

#### **PP DEEPAK LALA**

- a) District Secretary (Central)

#### **PP SHARADBHAU SHAH**

- a) Counselor Rotary Hospitals

#### **IPP SEEMA JOSHI**

- a) Women Empowerment - Zonal Avenue Chair
- b) Medical III - Dental - Zonal District Chair

#### **PP PREM KEVAL RAMANI**

- a) Counselor Youth Service

#### **PP ARIHANT LODHA**

- a) Youth Service 1 - Zonal District Chair
- b) Rotract - Zonal District Chair

#### **PDG JAYANT KULKARNI**

- a) Advisor International Service

#### **PP ASHWIN P MALDE**

- a) Basic education and Literacy - Zonal Co-chair

#### **RTN . CHANDER GOLANI**

- a) Pediatric Heart Surgery - Zonal District Chair (Central)

## A Dazzling Celebration of International Dance Day by Interact Club – Dode World School

The Interact Club of Dode World School set the stage for a truly mesmerizing and impactful celebration of International Dance Day, 29 Apr. 25, executing their first task with remarkable grace, professionalism, and maturity. Their efforts exemplified the club's true spirit, purpose, and values, bringing to life their dedication to service, leadership, and international understanding.

The event was a stunning showcase of talent and exceptional event management skills. The passionate performances, meticulous execution, and seamless coordination proved that these young Interactors are not only change makers of today but also budding leaders of tomorrow. With each move and every rhythm, they demonstrated a commendable level of enthusiasm, energy, and purposefulness, embodying the values that will shape them into future Global Leaders and valuable Rotarians in the making.



What made the program truly unique was that it was conceptualized, scripted, and structured entirely by the Interact Club members themselves, under the guidance of the Club's Teacher Coordinators. The program committee, led by the Interact Club board, ensured maximum participation by forming multiple teams for Anchoring, Dance Performances, Compering, and behind-the-scenes responsibilities. With new anchor pairs for each performance and a wide range of dancers involved, the event showcased collaboration at its finest.

A special highlight of the event was the heartfelt tribute and felicitation of their visiting dance teacher and choreographer, Mr. Vrajesh Anand, founder of Vrajesh Anand Dance Studio. His dedication and artistic guidance were acknowledged with deep appreciation, making the moment both emotional and inspiring.

A few photographs captured on my mobile are appended below - each frame speaking volumes, the vibrance and exhilarating spirit of the celebration, the energy and passion witnessed on stage.

In all, the event was a commendable display of enthusiasm, energy, purposefulness, and passion - a proud moment for the Interact Club of Dode World School.

I trust you all would agree and applaud that the leaders of tomorrow are already making their mark today. In recognition of their spirit, passion, enthusiasm, and efforts, a pat on the back of these Interactors will go a long way in shaping them into future Global Leaders and valuable Rotarians...

## A Memorable OCV Experience with DG Chetan Desai

On the day of the Official Club Visit, DG Rtn. Chetan Desai and First Lady Rtn. Jwala Desai arrived at Tarun Utkarsh Mandal School promptly at 4:30 PM. They were warmly welcomed and shown the multi-purpose road constructed by our club on the school premises.

The DG and First Lady then visited the Virangula Senior Citizens' Club to view the water cooler and chairs donated by our club, followed by visits to VPM School and Sambhaji Maidan, where they appreciated the installation of water coolers funded by our Rotary family.

### Warm Reception at Dwarka Hotel:

The main event was held at Hotel Dwarka, where members were already present to greet DG Chetan with a heartfelt floral welcome. The schedule began with a close-door meeting, followed by interactions with partners in service and the Club Assembly.

After a short break, the formal OCV program began with:

- National Anthem by Medical Director Rtn. Priya Agarwal**
- Four - Way Test by Youth Director Rtn. Pradeep Rane**
- Welcome Address by Club Trainer Rtn. Dollar Shah**

Our club bulletin was released by Dr. Rajesh Agarwal, followed by President Rtn. Seema's detailed presentation of the club's impactful work over the year. DG Chetan Desai was introduced by AG Rtn. Shripal Daftary and then shared his insights and feedback.

Secretary Tara made the secretarial announcements, and President-Elect Rtn. Vishal Thakkar delivered the vote of thanks.

Meanwhile, our dedicated lady volunteers managed registrations and guest hospitality with grace and efficiency.

Happy Hours were generously sponsored by Rtn. Pradeep & Rtn. Aparna Rane, and Rtn. Priya & Dr. Rajesh Agarwal.

### Words of Encouragement from the DG :

DG Chetan Desai was truly impressed by the club's social projects, teamwork, member involvement and overall energy. He expressed his appreciation warmly and even asked the members to give a standing ovation for the club's outstanding efforts.



He beautifully summed up the spirit of leadership with the words :

*“नेता वह होता है, जो रास्ता जानता है,  
खुद चलता है, और दूसरों को भी चलना सिखाता है।”*

### A Poetic Tribute by President Seema

President Seema encapsulated the experience of the day with a heartfelt poem, which was later published in the GML :

*हसतमुख, दिलखुलास, Vibrant –  
DG चेतन देसाई की बात ही अलग।  
संग में आई First Lady ज्वाला,  
शांत, ममतालू, सहयोगी — जैसे मंद पवन।  
समय के पाबंद, उत्साह से देखे चार प्रोजेक्ट,  
पीठ थपथाई, दी हौसले की छाया,  
सुधार के सूत्र भी, प्रेम से बताया,  
प्रेरणा से भर गया हर एक Rotarian, सबने लिया OCV का आनंद।*

It was indeed a proud and inspiring day for our club — one that will be remembered fondly for the appreciation received and the motivation it sparked.

## Community Service Projects & Meetings Done In July 2025



**1st July 2025 : Blood Collection Drive at Mulund railway station drive. It was a joint project with other.**



**2nd July 2025 : Charitable Cataract Surgery camp done at Aastha Hospital, Joint project with other clubs. Project Chairman PP Rtn. Ramesh Motwani**



**Paediatric Heart Surgery Project is going on in Full stream under Chairmanship of PRID Ashok Mahajan. This year the target is for 300 children to be sponsored for this surgery at various hospitals.**



**Budget Meeting on 15th July 25 at Guruprasad Hall, Mulund**



**Sponsorship of Jerseys and T - shirts for the athletes of the Wheelchair Basketball association for Women for their forthcoming Tournament. Sponsored by PP Rtn. Sharad bhai Shah.**



**Distribution of Umbrellas and raincoats to Students of SMPR Gujarati Medium School, Mulund. About 250 students benefitted from this donation. Rtn. Punit Thakkar sponsored the raincoats and Umbrellas.**



**A Mega Project – “Save Her” was launched at Lokmanya Hospital and Training Centre , Thane. Here screening for all kinds of Gynecological Problems of ladies will be done. The Project was inaugurated by Deputy Chief Minister of Maharashtra Shree Eknathji Shinde. This Project has been funded by the Aditya Birla capital Foundation. The project Chairman is PP Rtn. Sudhir Joshi under the able guidance of PRID Ashokji Mahajan.**



**23rd July 2025 Distribution of Umbrellas and Raincoats to Students of Navbharat School. Again Rtn Punit Thakkar was the Donor for this project.**



**25th July 2025 Second Cervical Screening camp was held at TMC Health Centre, Rosa Gardenia, Thane. Thane Municipal Commissioner Shri. Saurabh Raoji inaugurated the camp.**



**25th July 2025 A function was organized at The Rotary Mulund School for Deaf . An Advanced Science lab was inaugurated and SSC students who passed were felicitated. Chief Guest was DG Manish Motwani and Guest of Honor Pres. Vishal Thakkar.**



**Microfinance of Rs 42000/- given to Supriya Kansara. Total Rs 82000/- of Microfinance given this month. Chairman IPP Rtn. Seema Joshi.**

## Editorial :



As we welcome the New Year and say goodbye to the year gone by, we look at all the achievements under the leadership of IPP Rtn. Seema Joshi. It was a year full of Projects in all avenues of Service. Ladies evenings, Picnic and other social activities.

The New Year has brought in our New Dynamic Young President Rtn. Vishal Thakkar. He has decided to give a new direction to our club. His focus will be more on fellowship and to develop bonding in between members so that the club works in a more cohesive manner. It is our duty to support the President in all his efforts and see that our club achieves new heights.

Already in the month of July our club has done some remarkable projects. The Gynecological camp along with the Thane Municipal

Corporation is a mega project which will benefit a lot of women. Also our Pediatric Heart Surgery project is going on in full stream with a target of 300 surgeries or more by the end of the year. The "Spark" is our club's bulletin, and I would like all club members to give their articles for the bulletin. Please contribute your articles to the bulletin it can be a personal story, a travel monologue, an interesting story, something about your hobbies, or even a joke. Even your children can contribute something. You can also write to us about some achievements of yours or of your children and we can publish it here. I would love to add them to the bulletin. I don't want it to be only a news and happenings bulletin but something which we would enjoy reading, and your contributions would certainty Help...

- Rtn. Dr. Rajesh Agarwal

## Note on COL 2025 :



Dear Rotarians,

As you may be aware, as required under the RI Bylaws, RI's Council On Legislation (COL) — **"Rotary's Parliament"** - met in Chicago for its triennial session from April 13 to 17, 2025, to consider 86 items of legislation. Our district's representative, PDG Ajay Gupta, had to opt out due to family reasons. Though I was the alternate, in the short time available for completing formalities, I could also not have reached in time. Consequently, proposals from our district were presented by the representative for District 3142, PDG Dr. Chandrashekhar Kolvekar. Here are some of the important enactments adopted:

- The number of members required to charter a new club has been reduced from 20 to 15.
- In club BOD elections, when balloting takes place, ballot papers must now be retained for 30 days instead of the earlier 15 days.
- Past TRF Trustees (who have served in the past 10 years) will be eligible to serve on the Nominating Committee for RI President.
- The RI Board is now authorized to instruct a club to terminate the membership of a Rotarian or Rotaractor whose conduct harms Rotary's reputation.
- At least three and no more than four Trustees of TRF must be past RI Presidents. Currently, the RI Bylaws require four of the 15 Foundation Trustees to be PRIPs.
- Single-gender Rotary and Rotaract clubs are not permitted.
- Clubs must exhaust internal remedies before filing a lawsuit against RI. Failure to do so may result in the club's termination.
- The Board is authorized to suspend or terminate a club if it breaches the Foundation's stewardship policies or retains an individual who violates those policies.
- The election of the COL representative shall take place by June 30 in the year of the Council on Legislation.
- Holding an annual District Conference will now be optional.
- Name changes:  
"President-Elect Training Seminar" is now "President-Elect Learning Seminar"  
"District Training Assembly" is now "Club Leadership Learning Seminar"
- RI Dues:
  - US\$41.00 per half-year in 2025 - 26
  - US\$42.75 per half-year in 2026 - 27
  - US\$44.63 per half-year in 2027 - 28
  - US\$46.50 per half-year in 2028 - 29 and thereafter

- PDG Dr. Jayant Kulkarni

## Birthdays

	Birthdays
PALLAV S/O. KIRTI JAIN	01-Aug
RTN. PREM KEWALRAMANI	01-Aug
GUNJAN D/O. DEVENDRA JAIN	02-Aug
PRITI D/O. RAVJI PATEL	04-Aug
NITIN SON IN LAW of ASHOK M. MAHAJAN	05-Aug
R/ANN. TARA ASWIN MALDE	09-Aug
KINJAL D/O. JITENDRA MAVANI	10-Aug
RTN. DR. KIRTI BOTHRA	11-Aug
R/ANN. PRIYA RAJESH AGARWAL	12 Aug
KUSHAL S/O. ARVIND TIBREWALA	18-Aug
RAHUL S/O. VIJOSH AMMAYATH	18-Aug
R/ANN. RAVINDER GULJITSINGH LUGGANI	22-Aug
NAVNEET KAUR D/O. GULJIT SINGH LUGGANINI	22-Aug
RAJ S/O. ASHOK AGGARWAL	23-Aug
SAMEEKSHA D/O. SOMRAJ DUA	24-Aug
R/ANN. ANUPAMA VISHAL THAKKER	28-Aug
YUGMA D/O. RTN ASHWIN MALDE	31-Aug
ADITYA S/O. ASHOK GUPTA	01-Sep
R/ANN. ANJU ASHOK GUPTA	03-Sep
R/ANN. BHARTI DOLLAR SHAH	04-Sep
CHELSEA D/O. VISHAL THAKKER	06-Sep
GARGI D/O. CHETAN RAMNIKBHAI SHAH	09-Sep
RTN. DR. SHANTESH KAUSHIK	10-Sep
KANISHKA D/O. DR. NAVIN DAWDA	11-Sep
R/ANN MEGHAL ASHISH DOSHI	12-Sep
RTN. BHAVIK CHEDDA	15-Sep
RTN. RAJENDRA DHULLA	15-Sep
RTN. SOMRAJ DUA	19-Sep
SUPRIYA W/O. ATUL UMESH PRABHU	19-Sep
RTN. DEEPAK LALA	20 Sep
R/ANN APARNAPRADEEP RANE	21-Sep
KAUSTUBH S/O ABHILASHA KANORIA	21-Sep
AYESHA D/O. DEEPAK RAMESH MOTWANI	24-Sep
RTN. DR. JAYANT KULKARNI	26-Sep
NIKHIL S/O. ASHOK MAHAJAN	27-Sep
CHINMAY S/O. KAMAL THAKKAR	30-Sep
RUCHIKA D/O. RAJESH GUPTA	30-Sep

# GLOBAL FLIGHT PLAN



## RI President's Message

Cari amici,

Two weeks ago, I was in my living room playing with my grandchildren. A few days later, I was on a plane to Calgary, suddenly carrying the responsibility of leading this incredible organization. Life come fast, but so often, it brings us exactly where we're meant to be.

We begin this year with a clear message; Unite for Good. It is a simple phrase, but a powerful one. Because behind every successful Rotary effort, every act of service, every new member welcomed, every global challenge met, there are two things that matter most: friendship and trust.

This is how we build strong clubs. It is how we create meaningful partnerships and transform global problems into local solutions. It is also how we lead, not through titles or applause, but with humility, humanity, and heart. But let me be honest with you, this kind of leadership is not always easy. We're human and yes, we make mistakes. We sometimes disagree, but in Rotary, we are called to something greater. Let us reflect on the full vision of Rotary:

Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change, across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

The last part is essential, because transformation doesn't start with strategy. It starts with character and the way we treat one another. It starts with how we listen, how we support, and how we serve.

This year, I ask you to lead with that spirit. To grow Rotary through relationships. To make your clubs more welcoming, more flexible, more open to new ideas. To think big, but also to think beyond one year. Our term is short, but our impact can be lasting if we plan and act with continuity and vision.

Let us remember our key priorities: membership, polio and peace. We are closer than ever to ending polio. We cannot stop now. We must keep the promise we made to the children of the world. And as for peace, Rotary has been building it for over a century. Every clean water system, every youth exchange, every maternal health project is a step toward peace. I joined Rotary as a young

professional, eager to help but terrified of public speaking. My fellow Rotarians believed in me and encouraged me to take on new roles, and in doing so, Rotary changed my life. It gave me courage and purpose, but above all, it gave me you: my friends, my team, my family around the world.

So now, my friends...take out your dreams tucked away in a drawer, especially those you thought were too big or bold to achieve. Let us bring them into the light. Let us Unite for Good, for our clubs, our communities, and our world. And let us make this a year not only of service, but of joy, of connection, and of love.

**Francesco Arezzo**  
President, Rotary International

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