

Dear Rotarian Friends,



It is with great joy and pride that I introduce the second edition of our club's news bulletin, Cuffelinks.

This bulletin not only reflects our accomplishments but also the vibrant spirit and commitment of our members who continue to strive for excellence and service above self. Since the transition of leadership, we have been steering the club towards growth with renewed energy and a collective vision.

From President Desk

The Rotary Club of Mumbai Cuffe Parade remains steadfast in its dedication to supporting meaningful causes that bring about positive change in our community. Our projects and initiatives are a testament to the diverse capabilities of our members, who tirelessly work together to make a difference. August has been a particularly vibrant month for us, filled with impactful activities that highlight the dynamic nature of our club.

From the heartfelt Annadaan at Lady Hirabai Jahagir Health Old Age Home to the patriotic celebration of Independence Day at Lady Engineer School, each project has left a lasting mark on those we serve. These initiatives are a true reflection of our commitment to community service and the broader goals of Rotary. This edition of Cuffelinks is a mosaic of the various projects undertaken in August, showcasing the breadth and depth of our work.

It is also a celebration of Membership Month in Rotary, during which we were delighted to welcome five new members into our club. Their fresh perspectives and enthusiasm are invaluable assets, and we look forward to their contributions as we continue to grow and evolve. Looking ahead, we are excited about the numerous projects and events planned for the coming months. With the guidance of our dedicated leadership and the unwavering support of our members, I am confident that we will continue to achieve great things together. As you read through this edition, I hope you feel the same sense of pride and inspiration that I do. Let us keep this momentum going and continue to make a positive impact on the lives of those around us. Happy reading, and thank you for your continued dedication to our shared mission. Warm regards, Rtn.

Errick Elavia

President

Rotary Club of Mumbai Cuffe Parade





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Installation Ceremony of President Rtn. Errick Elavia – A Night of Celebration and New Beginnings.

The Rotary Club of Mumbai Cuffe Parade proudly celebrated the installation of President Rtn. Errick Elavia on 29th July at CCI, C K Naydu Hall. The event, held from 7:00 pm onwards, was graced by several distinguished guests, including District Governor Rtn. Chetan Desai, First Lady Jawala, AG Rtn. Padma Kapoor, DS Rtn. Nirupama, and many other esteemed district dignitaries.

Immediate Past President Rtn. Tarun presented a comprehensive report of the club's achievements over the past year, highlighting the impactful projects and milestones reached under his leadership. Following this, President Rtn. Errick Elavia took the stage to outline his vision for the coming year, unveiling a series of ambitious projects and plans aimed at furthering the club's mission of service and community impact.

he event was a joyous occasion for all Cuffeparadians and their partners, as they joined in the celebration of the club's accomplishments and the promise of a vibrant future. The installation ceremony was made even more special by the induction of seven new members into the club, marking a remarkable expansion of the Rotary family.

District Governor Rtn. Chetan Desai extended his blessings to the newly installed President and his team, and also took the opportunity to announce several district-level projects and initiatives that align with the Rotary's broader goals.

The evening was not only a testament to the club's enduring spirit of fellowship and service but also a reminder of the collective effort and dedication of its members towards making a positive difference in the communication



















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Dr. Bankim Damani for an Enlightening Talk on

"Journey to Peace, Harmony, and Prosperity" by Bankim Vastu







Rotary Club of Mumbai Cuffe Parade Hosts Dr. Bankim Damani for an Enlightening Talk on "Journey to Peace, Harmony, and Prosperity"The Rotary Club of Mumbai Cuffe Parade recently had the pleasure of hosting Dr. Bankim Damani, a renowned expert in Vastu Shastra and a celebrated astrologer, for an engaging session titled "Journey to Peace, Harmony, and Prosperity by Bankim Vastu." The event took place at Samrat Hotel and saw enthusiastic participation from club members who were eager to gain insights into achieving a balanced and prosperous life. Dr.Damani captivated the audience with his deep knowledge of principles and astrology,



weaving a narrative that connected the ancient wisdom of these disciplines with contemporary challenges. His talk centered around the idea that true peace and harmony can be achieved through aligning our living spaces and lifestyles with the natural elements and cosmic energies. Throughout the session, Dr. Damani emphasized the importance of maintaining positive energy flow in our homes and workplaces. He shared practical tips on how small adjustments, like the placement of furniture or the use of specific colors, can significantly enhance one's overall well-being and success. The members were highly engaged, asking numerous questions that sparked an interactive and lively discussion. Dr. Damani also touched upon his experiences and personal journey, which resonated deeply with the audience. His approach of blending traditional Vastu Shastra with modern-day living was well received, and many members expressed their appreciation for the clarity and practical application of his advice. At the end of the talk, Dr. Damani was felicitated by President Erick Elavia, who presented him with a token of love and appreciation on behalf of the Rotary Club. President Elavia thanked Dr.

Damani for his time and for sharing such valuable insights that will undoubtedly help the members in their personal and professional lives. The session concluded with a warm round of applause, and members left feeling inspired and equipped with new tools to bring more harmony and prosperity into their lives. The Rotary Club of Mumbai Cuffe Parade extends its gratitude to Dr. Bankim Damani for his enlightening talk and looks forward to more such enriching sessions that contribute to the growth and well-being of its members. Feel free to adjust any details or add any specifics

Rotary Club of Mumbai Cuffe Parade Celebrates 15th August

at Lady Engineering School, Tardeo





The Rotary Club of Mumbai Cuffe Parade celebrated India's 77th Independence Day with great enthusiasm at the Lady Engineer School, Tardeo, under the leadership of President Rtn. Errick Elavia, who is an alumnus of the school. The event was marked by a strong sense of patriotism and community spirit, bringing together Rotarians, students, and staff to honor this significant day in India's history. The celebration began with the hoisting of the national flag by President Rtn. Errick Elavia, accompanied by the singing of the national anthem. The vibrant tricolor fluttered proudly, symbolizing the nation's unity and resilience. This was followed by a series of cultural performances by the students of Lady Engineer School, who showcased their talents through patriotic songs, dances, and skits that reflected the spirit of freedom and the rich cultural heritage of India. President Elavia addressed the gathering, reminiscing about his own school days at Lady Engineer School and highlighting the importance of education in shaping the future of the nation. He emphasized the role of Rotary in supporting education and community development, and encouraged the students to strive for excellence and contribute positively to society. The event also included an inspiring





speech by a guest speaker [insert name if available], who spoke about the values of independence, courage, and responsibility. The message resonated deeply with everyone present, reinforcing the importance of upholding these values in everyday life. The celebrations concluded with a distribution of sweets and refreshments, adding to the joy of the occasion. The students were thrilled to receive small tokens of appreciation from the club, which were handed out as a gesture of encouragement and support. The Rotary Club of Mumbai Cuffe Parade extends its gratitude to the management and staff of Lady Engineer School for their warm hospitality and cooperation in making this event a success. The club remains committed to fostering a sense of community and patriotism, and looks forward to continuing its engagement with educational institutions in the spirit of service above self. This Independence Day celebration was not just a tribute to our nation's past but also a pledge to work towards a brighter and more inclusive future.

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Rotary Club of Mumbai Cuffe Parade Organizes Annadaan at Lady Hirabai Jahagir Health Old Age Home

On 26th August at 12:30 pm, the Rotary Club of Mumbai Cuffe Parade held a heartwarming Annadaan event at the Lady Hirabai Jahagir Health Old Age Home, bringing smiles and comfort to the elderly residents. This initiative was a testament to the club's ongoing commitment to serving the community and supporting those in need, especially the elderly who often require extra care and attention. The event was marked by the presence of several Rotarians, including President Rtn. Errick Elavia, who led the club's efforts in organizing the Annadaan. The members, with the

support of the home's staff, ensured that the distribution of meals was conducted smoothly and with great respect for the residents. The Annadaan began with a brief interaction between the Rotarians and the residents, allowing for a warm and personal connection to be established. The elderly residents shared stories and experiences from their past, and the Rotarians were all ears, cherishing the opportunity to learn from the wisdom and insights of the older generation. A wholesome and nutritious meal was served, carefully prepared to cater to the dietary needs of the residents. The smiles on their faces were a true reflection of the joy and gratitude they felt, and it was a touching moment for everyone involved. For many of the residents, this event was not just about the food, but also about the companionship and care that the Rotary Club members brought with them. President Elavia expressed his gratitude to the staff of Lady Hirabai Jahagir Health Old Age Home for their cooperation and dedication to



the residents' welfare. He also highlighted the importance of such initiatives in reinforcing the values of compassion and service, which are at the core of Rotary's mission. The event concluded with a sense of fulfillment and renewed commitment to continue such acts of kindness in the future. The Rotary Club of Mumbai Cuffe Parade remains dedicated to making a positive impact in the lives of the less fortunate, and this Annadaan was a step forward in that journey. A special thank you to all the Rotarians and volunteers who contributed to the success of this event. Together, we continue to embody the Rotary motto of "Service Above"

Self," bringing light and hope to our communities.

Rotary Club of Mumbai Cuffe Parade Hosts Insightful Club Assembly

with Assistant Governor Rtn. Padma Kapoor

On 28th August, the Rotary Club of Mumbai Cuffe Parade held its highly anticipated Club Assembly, an important gathering focused on the club's internal workings, strategic planning, and future initiatives. The assembly was honored by the presence of Assistant Governor Rtn. Padma Kapoor, whose participation and guidance were invaluable to the club's leadership and members. Purpose of the Club Assembly The

Club Assembly is a unique and integral part of the Rotary calendar, dedicated to the business of the club without the usual scheduled programming. It serves as an open forum where the club president and board members discuss ongoing and upcoming projects, operational challenges, and opportunities for growth. The assembly also allows members to voice their opinions, ask questions, and contribute ideas, ensuring that everyone is aligned and actively involved in the club's direction.

Reports from Club DirectorsPresident Rtn. Errick Elavia opened the assembly with a welcome address, setting the tone for a productive session. He emphasized the importance of the assembly in setting clear goals and ensuring the club's continued success. Each Club Director presented comprehensive reports on their respective areas of responsibility: Community Service Director's Report: The Community Service Director highlighted recent successful projects, including the Annadaan at Lady Hirabai Jahagir Health Old Age Home and the Independence Day celebration at Lady Engineer School.

Plans for future community outreach initiatives were also discussed, including health camps, educational support for underprivileged children, and environmental sustainability projects. Fundraising Director's Report: The Fundraising Director detailed the financial health of the club, presenting updates on past fundraising activities and their outcomes. The discussion then moved to upcoming fundraisers, where ideas for innovative fundraising approaches were put forth, including a charity auction, a cultural event, and corporate sponsorships. Members were encouraged to contribute ideas and commit to supporting these initiatives. Membership Director's Report: The Membership Director provided insights into the club's current membership status, including new member inductions and retention strategies. Emphasis was placed on attracting younger members and diversifying the club's membership to bring in fresh perspectives and energy. Youth Service Director's Report: The Youth Service Director shared updates on the club's interaction with Rotaract and Interact clubs, focusing on mentorship programs, youth leadership development, and collaborative service projects. Guidance from Assistant Governor Rtn. Padma Kapoor

Assistant Governor Rtn. Padma Kapoor offered her experienced perspective on the club's plans and provided constructive feedback on each director's report. She praised the club for its dedication and impact, particularly in community service and fundraising. Rtn. Kapoor encouraged the club to continue building on its strengths while also exploring new avenues for growth. Her guidance included: Project Alignment and Sustainability: Rtn. Kapoor emphasized the importance of aligning projects with Rotary's broader goals, such as literacy, disease prevention, and economic development. She encouraged the club to think long-term and consider the sustainability of each project, ensuring that the impact extends beyond immediate results. Innovative Fundraising: Recognizing the challenges in fundraising,

Rtn. Kapoor suggested innovative approaches, such as leveraging digital platforms for online fundraising, engaging with corporate partners, and organizing community-



centric events that also serve as awareness campaigns. Membership Engagement and Growth: Rtn. Kapoor highlighted the need for continuous member engagement, recommending regular training, leadership development opportunities, and more interactive meetings to keep members motivated and involved. She also stressed the importance of outreach to potential new members, particularly younger professionals who can bring new energy and ideas to the club. Enhancing Public Image: To increase the club's visibility and attract support, Rtn. Kapoor advised focusing on enhancing the club's public image through social media, local media coverage, and strategic partnerships with other community organizations. Conclusion and Future Outlook President Elavia thanked Assistant Governor Rtn. Padma Kapoor for her valuable insights and expressed confidence in the club's ability to execute the discussed strategies effectively. The assembly concluded with a renewed commitment from all members to work collaboratively towards achieving the club's goals for the year.

The Rotary Club of Mumbai Cuffe Parade is poised for a year of impactful projects, successful fundraisers, and strengthened community ties, guided by the principles of service and fellowship that define Rotary. Members left the assembly feeling energized and optimistic about the future, ready to embrace the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead. Together, with the support of leadership and the active participation of all members, the club is dedicated to making a meaningful difference in the lives of those they serve.

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