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From the Desk of the District Governor



Rtn. Harsh Makol
District Governor 2025–26
Rotary International District 3142
Dear Rotarians of Rotary Club of Ambarnath

Greetings and Rotary Namaskar!

It fills me with great pride and happiness to connect with you through this edition of your Club Magazine — a vibrant showcase of your club's dedication, energy, and excellence in service. My heartfelt congratulations to Rtn. Dr. Pallavi Dharmadhikari the Editor, for launching this meaningful initiative.

Your efforts in presenting your club's journey through thoughtful design and powerful content are truly appreciated.

As we step into the milestone TITEN Year — celebrating 10 impactful years of District 3142 — we are guided by the powerful call of our Rotary International President: "Unite for Good." Together, let us raise the bar and create a legacy of service and leadership.

This Rotary year, I urge each club to focus on these vital goals:

- ◆ 100% TRF Giving: Let us make District 3142 a 100% TRF Giving District by 30th October 2025. Every Rotarian, every contribution, makes a difference.
- ◆ Membership Growth: Invite your friends, family, and professional circles to be part of Rotary. More hands, more hearts, more help.
- ◆ Impactful Projects: Think big and plan bold. Design initiatives that truly uplift lives and communities.
- ◆ Use of Grants: Apply for District and Global Grants — our team is here to assist you in every stage of planning and execution.
- ◆ CSR Collaborations: Reach out to corporates and partners — together, we can scale up our projects and deepen our impact.
- ◆ Thrust Area Commitment: Make sure to complete at least 4 projects from the 10 District Thrust Areas — targeting key areas where change is most needed. And remember, Public Image is Public Impact

Plan to showcase Rotary.

If you can truly see Rotary, then others will surely see it through you — through your actions, your stories, and your presence in the community. Use the power of PR and PI to highlight your work, celebrate your members, and invite the world to witness what Rotary truly stands for.

You are the leaders of this historic TITEN year. Let your work speak, let your story inspire, and let your legacy echo for years to come.

Wishing the editorial team continued creative success, and to the Rotary Club of Ambarnath a year of strength, unity, and service that shines brightly.

With warm regards,
Rtn. Harsh Makol
District Governor 2025–26
Rotary International District 3142



Message from the President Mukesh Vispute



Dear Fellow Rotarians,
It gives me immense pleasure to connect with you all through the very first bulletin of the TITEN Year.

At the outset, I extend my heartfelt **congratulations to Immediate Past President Rtn. Parag Patil and his dynamic team** for successfully completing the 'Awesome Year', delivering several meaningful and impactful projects. A special word of appreciation for achieving a **record-breaking TRF collection of over \$17,000**, a remarkable feat that has made us all proud.

I sincerely thank each and every member of our club for placing their trust in me and giving me this wonderful opportunity to lead this **prestigious 66-year-old Rotary Club of Ambarnath**. Under the able guidance of **DG Rtn. Harsh Makol**, the District Team, and with the wholehearted support of our members, I

promise to do my best to uphold the proud legacy of our club and take it forward with renewed enthusiasm.

It also gives me great pleasure to **release our first club bulletin of the TITEN Year**. My heartfelt congratulations to our dedicated Bulletin Editor **Rtn. Dr. Pallavi Dharmadhikari** for curating and releasing this beautiful and timely edition.

Friends, our club has always been a pioneer in conducting projects that truly create a positive and lasting impact on society. This year too, we aim to continue that tradition. While our focus will not be on the *number of projects*, it will firmly be on conducting **impactful, meaningful, and sustainable projects** that address genuine community needs.

While our initiatives will cover all the **District Thrust Areas**, I am happy to highlight a few key projects planned for the year:

- ◆ **Musculoskeletal Surgery Camps**, a flagship project under the guidance of our very own PDG Dr. **Mayuresh Warke**, offering life-changing surgeries to underprivileged patients.
- ◆ **Distribution of IDEAL Mobile App coupons to over 1900 SSC students** from Ambarnath, Murbad, and Chiplun to support digital learning.
- ◆ **Renovation and upliftment of Zilla Parishad schools under the 'Happy School' project.**
- ◆ **Thalassemia awareness drives, free check-up camps, and blood donation camps** dedicated to children suffering from Thalassemia.
- ◆ Focused projects in the areas of **Health, Women Empowerment, and Youth Development.**

This year, our focus will also be on **collaboration and networking**. I strongly believe in the power of working together and will actively encourage our **Partners-in-Service — Rotaract Clubs, Interact Clubs, Inner Wheel Clubs, and other NGOs and service organizations of Ambarnath** to join hands with us for meaningful and impactful community projects.

I am delighted to share that we have committed to carrying out one 'Anna Daan' project every month, providing free, nutritious meals to underprivileged sections of our community. We inaugurated this initiative for the TITEN year on **1st July, 2025** by providing meals to around **100 beneficiaries**, sponsored generously by **Rtn. Rajesh Chalwadi**.

Furthermore, in the very first week of July, we successfully conducted a **Blood Donation Camp in association with the Inner Wheel Club of Ambarnath Hills and the Interact Club of Bhagini Mandal High School**, collecting **42 units of blood**, which will bring hope and life to children affected by Thalassemia.

As far as membership and TRF is concern, we will continue to focus on **increasing our membership strength** and maintaining our club's proud tradition of **generous contributions to The Rotary Foundation (TRF)**.

Friends, let us remember that **Rotary is not about one individual — it's about collective effort and team spirit**. As the saying goes: "Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much."

Let's walk this journey together, hand in hand, to make this TITEN Year a memorable one, guided always by our cherished Rotary motto — "Service Above Self".

Warm regards,
Rtn. Mukesh Vispute
President, Rotary Club of Ambarnath (2025-26)



Rotary



The Four Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do?

☞ Is it the TRUTH?

☞ Is it FAIR to all concerned?

☞ Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

☞ Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

We Meet Every Wednesday at 20.30 Hours at Rotary Community Centre Vadavli Ambarnath (E)

Message from the Secretary Rtn. Dr Shrikant Garje



Unity is the Heartbeat of Humanity !

In a world that often highlights what sets us apart, let us be the ones who celebrate what brings us together. Unity is not just a word—it is the quiet strength that binds hearts, the invisible thread that weaves diverse lives into a shared story of hope and humanity.

Rotary is more than an organization—it is a way of life. It is where compassion meets action, where service meets purpose, and where strangers become family.

Rotary teaches us that when we give more, we grow more. When we serve more, we unite more.

As proud members of Rotary, we are part of a global network of 1.4 million people who believe in doing more—for our communities, for our country, and for our world. We come from different walks of life, speak different languages, and hold different beliefs. Yet, we are united by a common purpose: **Service Above Self**.

Through Rotary, we:

- ◆ Bring more clean water to those in need
- ◆ Offer more access to education and literacy
- ◆ Spread more awareness and action in the fight against disease
- ◆ Create more sustainable livelihoods
- ◆ Protect more of our planet for future generations
- ◆ And most importantly, build more bridges of understanding and love.

Rotary inspires us to build more bridges, not more walls. To be the reason someone feels more seen, more heard, and more valued. To foster a world where no one stands alone, and everyone feels they belong.

In every Rotary project, in every act of kindness, in every hand extended, and every smile shared—we shape a brighter, more compassionate tomorrow.

Together, we are not just members of a club.

- ◆ We are the heartbeat of Rotary.
- ◆ We are torchbearers of empathy.
- ◆ We are architects of a better, more unified world.

“एकतेची वीण घट्ट असावी,
भिंती नकोत मनांमध्ये,
(Let the threads of unity be strong,
No walls between souls—

मनामनांत माया असावी,
फक्त माणुसकीची छाया असावी.”
Let love dwell in every heart.
Only the gentle shade of humanity.)

In Rotary, in service, and in spirit,

Dr. Shrikant Garje
Secretary,
Rotary Club of Ambarnath.

From Editor's Desk Rtn. Dr Pallavi Dharmadhikari

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

Warm greetings to each of you!

As we come together for the first edition of our club bulletin, I am reminded once again of the incredible spirit that binds us — a shared commitment to service, fellowship, and making lasting change in our communities and around the world.

In this issue, you'll find highlights of our recent projects, inspiring stories from fellow members, and upcoming opportunities to get involved. Whether it's through our local outreach, international initiatives, or the simple joy of connecting at our weekly meetings, the energy and dedication within our club continue to inspire.

Let this bulletin serve not only as an update, but as a celebration of what we've achieved and a call to action for what lies ahead. Your ideas, your voices, and your involvement are what make our club strong. I encourage you to share your stories, pictures, and reflections for future editions.

Thank you for all you do in **SERVICE ABOVE SELF**.

Yours in Rotary,
Rtn. Dr. Pallavi Dharmadhikari
Bulletin Editor



Ann's Corner



Varsha Patil - First Lady – Awesome Year

As the Partner of the outgoing President, this moment brings a mix emotion of pride and gratitude.

Over the past year, I've witnessed not just the projects, meetings and get togethers, but the passion, late-night planning, worries, and wins that came with this responsibility. I've seen my husband wear many hats – leader, problem solver and at times a cheerleader. I know this journey has been more than a title. It's been a commitment to serve, to uplift, and to inspire.

To the members and Ann's of my beautiful Rotary family – Thank you. You've not only supported him and made him achieve what he did but embraced me too. This has

never been just his journey, it's felt like ours – A shared dream.

Also this journey has made me witness the various District events and the magnitude of work that goes on everywhere in the District. This has been an amazing experience of meeting fellow first ladies of different clubs and an opportunity to make new friends and expand our rotary family.

I take the pride along with my Ann's for hosting the District Mahabondala for the very first time making it a huge success.

I will miss this role but I am excited to support next year too.

As he passes the baton, I know his heart will always beat for this club. And mine will quietly cheer on from the sidelines – Always proud, Always grateful.

Know Your Rotary

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.

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 PolioPlus 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.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Wishing A Very Happy Birthday to our all our Following Fellow Rotarians

Rtn. PP. Nitin More	2 nd July
Rtn. PP Sudarshan Goswami	6 th July
Rtn. Makarand Chavan	16 th July
Rtn. PP Ganesh Keluskar	20 th July
Rtn. Arun Chopade	22 th July

Wedding Anniversaries 11th July

Rtn. Dr. Kunal Chaudhary
&
Ann Smita Chaudhary

We Wish A Very Happy Rotary Anniversary to our following Fellow Rotarians for their dedicated Service to Community

Name	Date of joining Rotary	Years completed
Rtn. IPP Parag Patil	03-07-2013	12
Rtn. Rajesh Chawadi	06-07-2016	09
Rtn. PP Nitin More	07-07-2010	15
Rtn. Ishwarlal Chavan	07-07-2013	12
Rtn. Dr. Yatin Bhise	07-07-2013	12
Rtn. PP Dr. Sagar Dhadas	11-07-2012	13
Rtn. Abhay Tawde	30-07-2014	11

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Awesome Year Major Projects



DIABETIC & HYPERTENSIVE RETINOPATHY CAMP 17 04 25



IDEAL APP DISTRIBUTION - CHIPLUN 31 08 24



SHREYA BUGDE 11 08 24



SUMEDHA CHITHADE 18 08 24



POLO CORRECTIVE SURGERY 1ST AND 2ND FEB



CAREER GUIDANCE SEMINAR 22 03 25



MADHURANI GOKHALE 01 09 24



SUNIL BARVE 25 08 24



WALL PAINTING 07 02 25



CERVICAL VACCINATION 03 12 24



SAMVIDHAN DIWAS 07 12 24



EKANKIKA SPARDHA 27 02 25



PATRAKAR DIWAS 08 01 25



RYLA 18 19 01 25



SANKRANTI BAZAR



TREE PLANTATION 05 07 24



MEDICAL CAMP 03 09 24



ASHADHI WARI 21 06 25



VOCATIONAL TOUR 25 01 25



DINDI



HAPPY SCHOOL



SPORTS EQUIPMENTS DISTRIBUTION



CAREER GUIDANCE SEMINAR 22 03 25



RABIES VACCINATION CAMP



ECO FRIENDLY GANESHA 01 09 24



DIWALI PAHAT



WATER COOLER Donation and is at Shivaji Nagar Police Station



BLOOD DONATION 01 05 2025



DENTAL CHECKUP CAMP



DIWALI PAHAT



DIWALI PAHAT



DIWALI PAHAT



DIWALI BAZAR



MENTAL HEALTH CAREER GUIDANCE



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Office Bearers



Directors



CHAIRMEN



RCA Members holding District Positions



RCT BOT Members



CONGRATULATIONS TO NEW TEAM

PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Annets



Rishi Parag Patil
Scored 90 %
in CBSE
10th Exam



Kiara Tejas Dhande
achieved Gold
medal in National
level Skating
Tournament

Anns



Ann Dhriti Chaudhary
successfully completed
90 Kms Comrades
Marathon in 11 Hrs 28 Mins

Rotarians



Rtn. Dr. Yatin Bhise receiving
Lifetime Achievement
Award for medical services



Rtn. Dr. Rahul Chaudhary
receiving Lifetime Achievement
Award for medical services



Rtn. Rtn. PP Dr Sagar Dhasdas
receiving Lifetime Achievement
Award for medical services



Rtn. Shirish Bendale
got felicitated
with the Prestigious
Leva Icon award.



Congratulations Rtn. PP Dr. Leena Dhande
for being got selected as a Zonal coordinator
2025-26- Innerwheel District 314.



Rtn. PP Dr. Vijay Patkar received
Doctorate from American University
for Global Peace